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**Volusia County Court Judge H. Pope Hamrick Jr. to retire**

**Daytona Beach** -- Volusia County Court Judge H. Pope Hamrick Jr. has announced he will not be seeking re-election when his term ends Dec. 31, 2006. The qualifying period for his judgeship ends May 12.

Hamrick, 67, was elected to the bench in 1988. Before becoming a judge, he was an assistant city attorney for the City of Daytona Beach, associate municipal judge for the City of Daytona Beach, assistant public defender and general master for the Seventh Judicial Circuit. In addition to 37 years of public service in Volusia County, Hamrick was also in private practice. He earned his undergraduate and juris doctor degrees from Mercer University. Over the years, he has heard civil, criminal, traffic and domestic violence cases. Hamrick currently hears civil cases at the Volusia County Courthouse Annex at City Island in Daytona Beach.

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