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LEGISLATORS HONORED BY ARKANSAS JUDICIAL COUNCIL

Hon. Gary Arnold of Benton, President of Arkansas Judicial Council, presented the First Branch Award to three state legislators at the Council's annual meeting in Hot Springs this month,:

Sen. Jeremy Hutchinson (R-33), Benton;

Sen. Uvalde Lindsey (D-4), Fayetteville; and

Rep. Kim Hammer (R-28), Benton.

The annual award, which was created in 1992, recognizes legislators for their outstanding service providing improvement to the administration of justice in Arkansas.

Judicial Council is the official body which represents Arkansas's judiciary. It is composed of the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, circuit court judges, retired judges, and the director of the Administrative Office of the Courts. It was organized "to foster and preserve the integrity, dignity, and independence of the judiciary; to promote uniformity and dispatch in judicial administration; to develop, implement and maintain a program of judicial education pre-assisting members newly elected or appointed to the bench; to provide continuing legal education for members accommodating the diverse needs of chancellors, circuit judges and appellate justices; and to select members to the Judicial Retirement Board."

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