



**Peter J Cahill** is the Presiding Judge and Presiding Juvenile Judge of Gila County Superior Court.

Taking office in January 2003, Judge Cahill was appointed Presiding Judge in 2006. He graduated from the University of Notre Dame 1970, and in 1973, from the New England School of Law. Judge Cahill was a VISTA volunteer (*Volunteers in Service to America*) with the Pima County Legal Aid Society and in 1975, joined the Pinal & Gila Counties Legal Aid Society in Globe, before going into private practice in 1980. Judge Cahill is married to the Hon. Terry L. Chandler, Pima County Superior Court.

### **Professional and Public Service**

By appointment of Chief Justice Rebecca White Berch, Judge Cahill is *Chair* of the Supreme Court's *Committee on Juvenile Courts*. The Committee develops and implements policies to improve juvenile courts throughout Arizona, courts that handle both delinquency and dependency (abuse & neglect) cases for children involved in the judicial system.

He has served as:

President, Arizona Judges Association;

Chair, Arizona Supreme Court Lawyer Disciplinary Commission and Disciplinary Hearing Committee chair;

President, Arizona Bar Foundation;

State Bar Delegate to the American Bar Association House of Delegates;

Acting-president, Habitat for Humanity Arizona;

President, Globe-Miami Habitat for Humanity;

Chair, Cobre Valley Community Hospital Board of Directors;

Founding president, William E. Morris Institute for Justice *and*  
Founder and then president, La Questa, an alcohol and drug abuse program founded in Globe in 1975.

By appointment of the Arizona Supreme Court, Judge Cahill has chaired two committees to propose changes in court rules:

In 2002, Committee on revisions to the rules of procedure for attorney discipline. (Adopted 2003)

In 2009, Task force that propose a new code of judicial conduct for Arizona courts  
(*Adopted June 2009*).

In 2008, the Gila County Superior Court received the Supreme Court: *Award for Providing Access to Swift, Fair Justice*, recognizing Judge Cahill's "*Commitment to Quality*" program for the Gila County Superior Court.