

Gov. Dave Heineman has announced his appointment of Michael Piccolo of North Platte to serve as a county court judge for the Eleventh Judicial District of Nebraska, which includes the counties of Hooker, Thomas, Logan, McPherson, Lincoln, Perkins, Keith, Arthur, Chase, Dundy, Hayes, Hitchcock, Frontier, Red Willow, Furnas, Gosper, and Dawson.

Piccolo, 56, has practiced throughout the state since 1985 and in 2007 founded a law practice in North Platte.

His current practice emphasizes domestic relations, custody, complex property matters, family law, and mediation for civil cases.

His experience also includes involvement in several Court of Appeals cases and Nebraska Supreme Court appeals.

He is a board member for the Central Mediation Center in Kearney, providing mediation, facilitation and conflict resolution within a 35 county area. Piccolo received his degree in business administration from the University of Nebraska at Omaha in 1980, and graduated from Creighton University School of Law in 1984.

Piccolo and his wife Teresa have four children, Jena and John Hoehne, and Jenna and Allison Piccolo.