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**CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE WILL SPEAK AT UM LAW SCHOOL**

**MISSOULA-**

A University of Montana graduate who went on to become an important federal judge will give the 18th annual Blankenbaker Lecture on Professional Responsibility at the UM School of Law.

U.S. Circuit Judge Sidney Thomas will present his lecture, "Beyond the Argument Culture: Achieving Satisfaction in the Practice of Law," at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, in the law school's Castles Center.

Thomas was appointed to the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals by President Clinton and confirmed by the U.S. Senate in 1996. He is the third Montanan confirmed by the Senate as a 9th Circuit judge and the first in more than 30 years. He is based in Billings.

A native of Bozeman, Thomas received his bachelor of arts from Montana State University in 1975 and his juris doctorate from The University of Montana in 1978. From 1978 to 1996, he practiced with Moulton, Bellingham, Longo & Mather, P.C., in Billings.

Lawyers may earn one Continuing Legal Education credit for attending the lecture.

The Blankenbaker Lecture's goal is to increase responsibility for leadership and competence in the practice of law. It is funded by a gift from the Joseph N. Blankenbaker Foundation.

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