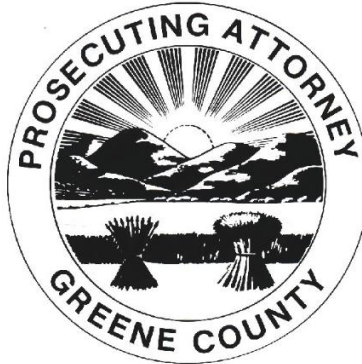


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Stephen K. Haller Retires from the Greene County Prosecutor's Office After 47 Years

Xenia, OH – After 47 years at the Greene County Prosecutor's Office, Civil Division Chief and former Prosecuting Attorney Stephen K. Haller has retired. David D. Hayes, Greene County Prosecuting Attorney, announced the retirement today.

Steve was hired at the Greene County Prosecutor's Office as an assistant prosecuting attorney following his graduation from the University of Toledo by Prosecuting Attorney Nick Carrera. His first day was June 17, 1975. He continued in that role under subsequent Greene County Prosecuting Attorneys Mike DeWine and Bill Schenck, the latter of which promoted him to First Assistant Prosecuting Attorney and then Civil Division Chief.

In August 2006, Steve was appointed Greene County Prosecuting Attorney; he was elected to the office in 2006, 2008, 2012 and 2016. He retired from that position at the conclusion of his last term and returned to his current position as Civil Division Chief.

During his 47-year career in the Prosecutor's Office, Steve has represented the State and County in thousands of criminal and civil cases in all courts in Greene County and U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio. He has also argued cases before the Second District Court of Appeals, Sixth District Court of Appeals and the Ohio Supreme Court. Most significantly, Steve helped guide the development of Michael's House, a Child Advocacy Center located right here in Greene County. Michael's House serves as a safe place for victims of child abuse in a warm and protective environment.

“At this point in my life, I have come to the realization that time is my most precious commodity,” Steve said. “After dedicating my career to the Prosecutor's Office, I'm ready for new opportunities. I have thoroughly enjoyed my 47 years, and now it's time to turn the page.”

A formal retirement ceremony was held at the Greene County Courthouse on June 23, 2022, where Steve was honored by family, friends, and former and current colleagues from his time with the Prosecutor's Office, which spans six decades. The Greene County Board of County

Commissioners, the Ohio Attorney General's Office, the Ohio State House of Representatives, and the Ohio State Senate all presented resolutions and proclamations in honor of his incredible years of service to the citizens of Greene County. Steve's former law partner and boss, Governor Mike DeWine, was also on hand to congratulate Steve on his retirement.

David D. Hayes, current Greene County Prosecuting Attorney, said of Haller, "Steve is an exceptional attorney, a great mentor, and a good friend. He devoted his professional life to serving the citizens of Greene County, and we all owe him a great debt. To say he will be missed is a huge understatement. His contributions to the Greene County Prosecutor's Office, the legal profession in Greene County, and to the protection of crime victims, especially children, will continue to benefit this community for decades to come."

(Pictures follow)



(Stephen K. Haller)



(Greene County Prosecuting Attorney David D. Hayes with Stephen K. Haller at the June 23, 2022 Retirement Ceremony)



(Governor Mike DeWine speaking at the June 23, 2022, Retirement Ceremony)



(Stephen K. Haller at his June 23, 2022, Retirement Ceremony)