



WISE COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY
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Wise County Chairman Allen Williamson is very pleased to announce that County Judge Bill McElhaney will seek re-election in 2010. “Judge McElhaney has served this county with distinction, been an extremely effective ambassador for Wise County and I am glad to see that he is running for a second term,” said Williamson.

Full Bio as Follows:

BILL MCELHANEY

**RE-ELECTION CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF COUNTY JUDGE
FOR THE 2011 – 2014 TERM OF OFFICE**

Currently holds the Office of Wise County Judge - being elected during the primary voting phase of the 2006 campaign year – being a candidate for re-election for the Office Term January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2010.

**PRIOR PUBLIC ELECTED OFFICES / COMMUNITY SERVICE
EXPERIENCE:**

- Wise County Judge – 2007 – Present (with Full Term being through 12-31-2010)
- Bridgeport Independent School District – Total of twenty-one (21) Years Service:
 - 1982 – mid-1983 – Board Vice President
 - 1983 – 1997 - Board President
 - 2000 – 2006 – Board Member
- Wise County School District Tax Board: 1994 – County Board President
- Bridgeport City Council 1978 – 80
- Bridgeport Economic Development Board Chairman – 1988 – 1989

.....Over 26 Years of Total Government / Public Service

BUSINESS / MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE:
WISE COUNTY GOVERNMENT:

PO Box 1375
Decatur TX 76234

- Wise County Judge – 2007 – Present; (active in several Regional Boards / Associations)
- Wise County Judge - member in the "Fellows of the Texas County Judges Judicial Academy" - bestowed Nov. 2008 –Present;
- Current member of the V.G. Young Commissioners Court Academy Class III of 2009 – 2010; (through Continuing / Professional Studies Office Division of Texas A&M Univ.)
- Active member of "Nor-Tex" County Judges Association - 2007 – Present.
- TXI Operations, LP ("TXI") – 39 Years of Professional Experience – 1968 – 2006;
 2001 – 2006 Real Estate Division – Corporate Mineral Land Manager – TX & OK
 1997 – 2001 Corporate Reserves & Aggregate Business Development - TX & OK
 1982 – 1996 –Area Stone Manager of Wise and Jack County Production Operations
 1978 – 1996 – Manager of Bridgeport Stone Facility
 1969 – 1977 – various Supervisory and Management positions – Stone Plants (2)
- U.S. Army – Active 1965 -1967; Inactive Reserve 1968 – 1971;
- Texas Highway Dept. – TX-DOT Materials & Test Division Inspector – 1964 – 1968

EDUCATION / TRAINING:

- 1964 Graduate of Bridgeport High School;
- 1977 Graduate of North Texas State University (now University of North Texas) with B.B.A. Degree in Finance & minor in Real Estate; and additional post graduate courses.
- 1985 – 2006: Over 200 accredited classroom hours from Texas Education Agency and Texas Association of School Boards;
- 1970 – 2006: Many various industry Management & Safety courses and classes w/ Industry, Community and Government themes to include local, State and Federal levels;
- **2007 – Present:** Over 100 hours of Judicial Educational Courses for County Judges - from Texas Association of Counties (TAC); Over 50 hours of advanced Continuing Education from the V. G. Young Institute of County Government (affiliate of Texas A&M); various courses of National Incident Management System (NIMS) emergency management training; other various County Government training courses from Texas Association of Counties (TAC).

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PERSONAL INFORMATION:

- Life Long Resident of Wise County; third generation from late 1870's
- Born June, 1946, Decatur, Texas

- Bridgeport Resident 1946 – 1980; Precinct 4 rural resident May 1980 – Present
- U.S. Army Veteran – active 1965–1967; honorable discharge; Inactive 1968-71
- Married – wife Kim; children, Billy Jr., Blaine, Stacie and Katie – spouse Josh; and seven grandchildren

OTHER:

THE FORMER WISE COUNTY SHERIFF AND RETIRED TEXAS RANGER, MR. **PHIL RYAN** IS SERVING ONCE AGAIN AS TREASURER AND CAMPAIGN MANAGER FOR WISE COUNTY, TEXAS JUDGE RE-ELECTION CANDIDATE BILL MCELHANEY.