

## *In Appreciation*

### **Monroe County Fiscal Court**

Monroe County Judge-Executive Wilbur Graves  
Magistrates Alonzo Ford, Terry Ford,  
Tim Gordon, Maxie Harlan, Jeff Proffitt  
County Attorney Wes Stephens

### **Monroe County Project Development Board**

Monroe County Judge-Executive Wilbur Graves  
Chief Circuit Judge Eddie C. Lovelace, 40th Judicial Circuit  
Chief District Judge Kristi Renee Castillo, 60th Judicial District  
Monroe County Circuit Court Clerk Joyce Emberton  
Magistrate Jeff Proffitt, Fiscal Court Representative  
Tony High, Citizen at Large  
Reed Moore, Kentucky Bar Association Representative  
Charolette McPherson, Administrative Office of the Courts Representative

### **Kentucky Court of Justice, Sponsoring Agency**

John D. Minton Jr., Chief Justice of Kentucky  
Laurie K. Dudgeon, Director, Administrative Office of the Courts  
Vance Mitchell, Manager, AOC Division of Capital Construction  
Danny Rhoades, Project Coordinator, AOC Division of Capital Construction

#### **Architect**

DLZ, Frankfort

#### **Construction Manager**

Alliance Corporation, Glasgow

#### **Financial Agent**

Ross, Sinclair & Associates

#### **State Legislator**

Kentucky State Senator David L. Williams  
Kentucky State Representative James R. Comer

#### **Special Guests**

Supreme Court of Kentucky Justice Daniel J. Venters  
Kentucky Court of Appeals Judge Michael Caperton  
Kentucky Court of Appeals Judge James H. Lambert  
Chief Senior Judge Joseph E. Lambert  
Senior Judge Steve D. Hurt  
Former Governor Ernie Fletcher and Glenna Fletcher  
James Deckard



## *Groundbreaking for the Monroe County Judicial Center*

November 30, 2009 • 11 a.m.  
300 North Main Street  
Tompkinsville, Kentucky



# Groundbreaking Ceremony

## Welcome

Monroe County Judge-Executive Wilbur Graves

## Invocation

Tim McHenry

## Pledge of Allegiance

Monroe County Junior Color Guard

## National Anthem

Bethany Gearlds

## Recognitions

Judge-Executive Graves

## Remarks

State Representative Jamie R. Comer  
State Senator David L. Williams

## Groundbreaking Address

Chief Justice of Kentucky John D. Minton Jr.

## Closing Remarks

Judge-Executive Graves

## “My Old Kentucky Home”

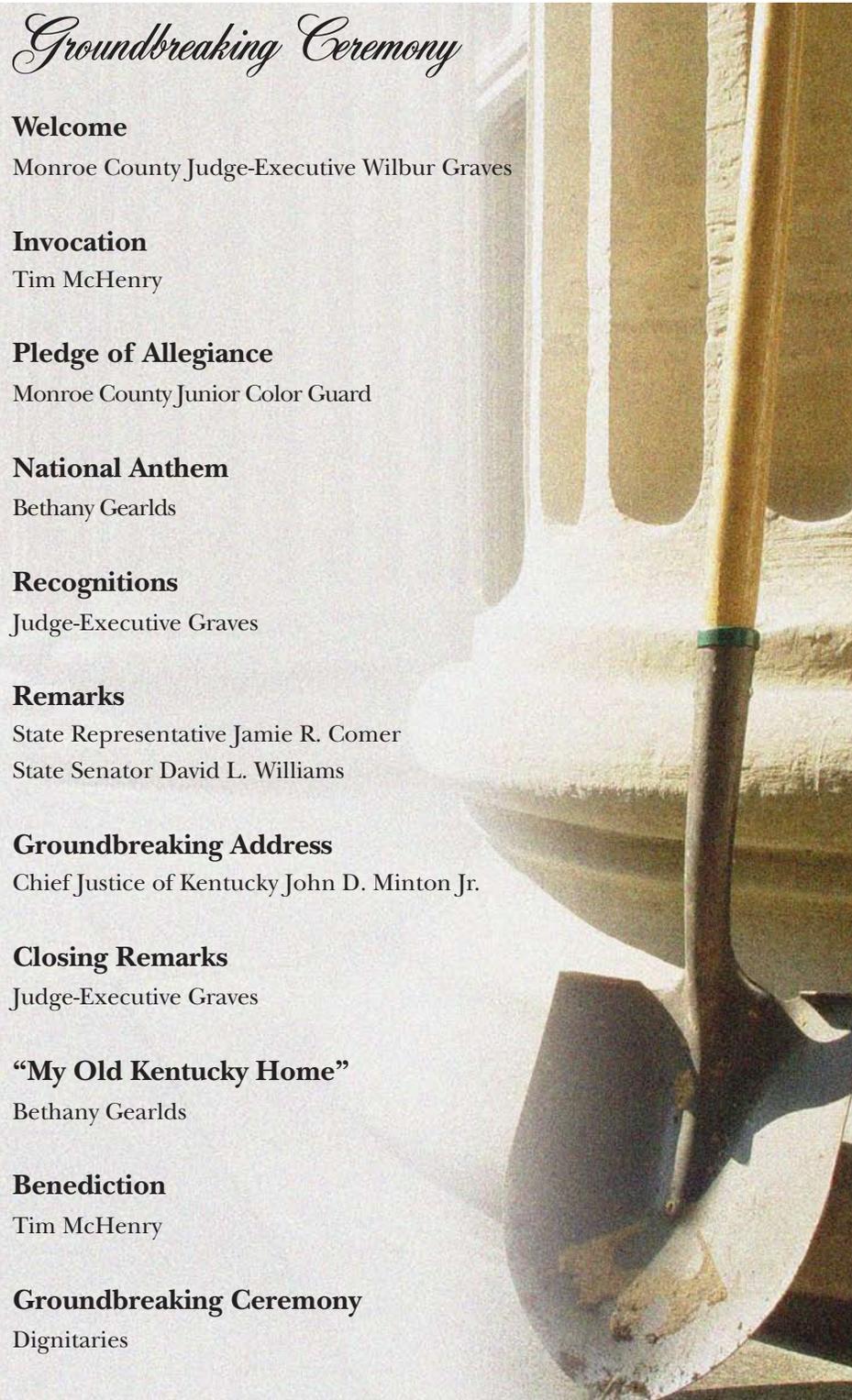
Bethany Gearlds

## Benediction

Tim McHenry

## Groundbreaking Ceremony

Dignitaries



# The Proposed Monroe County Judicial Center

The Kentucky General Assembly authorized the Monroe County Judicial Center project in 2006 and approved its funding in 2008. The total project cost is \$11.2 million. The building will be approximately 41,000 square feet.

Chief Justice of Kentucky John D. Minton Jr. said he appreciates the legislators and county officials who have supported this project for Monroe County.

“Kentucky citizens generate more than 1 million court cases each year,” Chief Justice Minton said. “Our citizens deserve safe, efficient facilities in which to conduct their business before the courts.”

New judicial centers replace older, inadequate facilities, greatly increasing the efficiency of services and public flow. All new judicial centers are equipped with the modern infrastructure to support data, computer, video and networking technology. The facilities also provide the highest level of Kentucky court security through a single-point entry with magnetometers and security personnel.

DLZ of Frankfort designed the Monroe County Judicial Center. Alliance Corporation of Glasgow is the construction manager for the project and Ross, Sinclair & Associates is the financial agent.



Chief Justice  
John D. Minton Jr.

The Kentucky Administrative Office of the Courts provides oversight and administration of court facilities in accordance with House Bill 734, which was passed by the 2000 General Assembly. As a result of this legislation, the AOC created a process that would fairly and objectively determine facility needs. The AOC’s Facilities Management System has earned the Kentucky Court of Justice a national reputation for being able to identify facilities with the greatest needs for new construction, renovation, expansion and adaptation.

Once funding for a judicial center is authorized, the AOC Division of Capital Construction works with local communities to assemble a Project Development Board. This board ensures that county and court officials have input on all aspects of the project, including decisions on the site, architect and contractor. The PDB consists of the county judge-executive, a fiscal court representative, the chief circuit judge, the chief district judge, the circuit court clerk, a citizen at large, a Kentucky Bar Association designee and the AOC director or designee.

As the administrative and fiscal agent for the Kentucky Court of Justice, the AOC oversees the construction and maintenance of court facilities statewide and supports the activities of 3,800 court system employees, including the elected justices, judges and circuit court clerks.