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Kentucky Supreme Court Justice Bill Cunningham is guest speaker at the Indiana Correctional Association Conference

On Thursday, October 7, 2010, Kentucky Supreme Court Justice Bill Cunningham was the general session keynote speaker at the 2010 Indiana Correctional Association Conference in Indianapolis. The theme of this year's conference was "2010 – A Corrections Odyssey: A Galaxy of Possibilities," with an emphasis on the importance of corrections as a community that includes multiple agencies. The conference also focused on career development and leadership.

Justice Cunningham spoke about the four things it takes to succeed in corrections – respect, pride, commitment and a positive attitude. Justice Cunningham has devoted his entire career to the field of criminal justice and has always held correctional employees in the highest regard. As a young boy, he grew up in Old Eddyville near the Kentucky State Penitentiary. And having served as a prosecutor and circuit judge before becoming a member of the state's highest court, he worked closely with the administration and staff of the prison. In 2008, the Kentucky Department of Corrections honored Justice Cunningham with the agency's top award, the Lucille Hurt Robuck "Commitment to Corrections" award.

Justice Cunningham was elected to the Kentucky Supreme Court in 2006 to serve the 1st Supreme Court District. He was elected to the Circuit Court Bench in November 1991 to serve as Circuit Judge of the 56th Judicial Circuit, which consists of Caldwell, Livingston, Lyon and Trigg counties, a position he held for fifteen years. He is also a noted Kentucky historian and an accomplished author.

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