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New GCC Commissioner - Judge Tom Murry

Judge Murry graduated from Campbell University School of Law where he was elected to the Morrisville Town Council during his time in school. After graduating law school, he served as executive director of the Pharmacy Compounding Accreditation Board. Judge Murry is a licensed attorney in North Carolina and the District of Columbia. He was re-elected to the Morrisville Town Council in 2009.

In 2010, he was elected to the North Carolina House of Representatives for District 41 in western Wake County and was re-elected in 2012. He served as chair of the Commerce and Job Development Committee and chair of the Natural and Economic Resources Appropriations Subcommittee. Judge Murry served as Chief Legal Counsel for External Affairs at the NC Judicial Branch from 2015-19. In this capacity, he worked directly with Chief Justice Mark Martin to improve access to justice and partnered with the other co-equal branches of government to protect law and order in our state.

Judge Murry joined the North Carolina Army National Guard as a judge advocate in 2014 and is currently a major. From 2017 to 18, Judge Murry deployed to the Middle East. He served as chief of client services for the NCARNG after leaving the NC Judicial Branch from 2019-2020. Judge Murry has represented soldiers, their families and military retirees in a variety of legal matters.

Judge Murry worked as an assistant district attorney in the Prosecutorial District II comprised of Franklin, Granville, Person, Vance and Warren counties starting in late 2020. From 2024 to 25, he served as chair of the Criminal Justice Section of the NC Bar Association and currently serves on the NC Court of Appeals. Chief Justice Paul Newby appointed Judge Murry to serve on the Governor's Crime Commission in January 2025.



KIRAN - Heroes for Hope Walkathon

Kiran will be hosting its 10th annual Heroes for Hope Walkathon on April 13th from 9 am to 12 pm. The walkathon is located at Apex Community Park and starts at the large shelter. There will be t-shirts, performances, henna and facepainting. This event is to raise funds and awareness for domestic violence survivors. Kiran is a domestic violence shelter in NC that focuses on serving South Asian clients. They value being able to provide culturally sensitive services to their community as the only shelter in NC that focuses on South Asian survivors.

Find more information about the event [here](#).

Apply by April 30 for SCIP and CVIPI Grants

The GCC is accepting applications for funding available through the federal Byrne State Crisis Prevention Program and the Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative.

- Hospital-based violence intervention and prevention
- Rural community violence intervention and prevention
- Community behavioral / crisis intervention in high violence areas
- Specialty courts
- Domestic violence intervention programs

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