

# Judge Roy Moore Announces Bid for Alabama Chief Justice

Judge Roy Moore is making a bold move to take back what rightfully belonged to him.

The former Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court on Tuesday stood on the steps of the Alabama Judicial Building and announced he is running for his former position.

“There is no question that I know this job and I believe the people of Alabama know exactly what I stand for,” Moore said. “During my term of office as Chief Justice, I wrote major opinions affecting our state, one of which was Advisory Opinion 373 regarding the prohibition of gambling devices in Alabama. That opinion has guided both state and federal courts during the last decade to stop unlawful gambling in Alabama.”

In 2003, Moore was removed from his position for standing up for the inalienable right to acknowledge God. The issue started in 2001 when he installed a granite monument depicting the Ten Commandments in the rotunda of the Alabama Judicial Building. Moore’s motive was to invoke the favor and guidance of God in establishing justice as provided in the Constitution of the State of Alabama.

But the American Civil Liberties Union joined the Americans United for Separation of Church and State and the Southern Poverty Law Center in a lawsuit against Moore over the display. When a federal district court ruled against him, Moore refused to submit and upheld his oath to both the United States Constitution and the Alabama state constitution. He was ultimately removed from office for refusing to take down the monument.

Now, he’s ready to resume the role that he believes belongs to him.

“Under my leadership and working with the other justices we put a stop to the Equity Funding Lawsuit which had plagued our State and the Appellate Courts of Alabama for nearly 12 years,” Moore said. “Not only did we save taxpayers over \$1 billion in taxes, but we preserved the right of parents to control the education of their children under the Alabama Constitution.”

For the past eight years Moore has served as the president of the Foundation for Moral Law, working in state and federal courts across the country, to include the United States Supreme Court, to preserve our inalienable right to acknowledge God under the First Amendment of the United States Constitution.

“Today our judicial system is struggling under reduced budgets. During my first two years as chief justice, the judicial budget suffered the largest cuts ever experienced by the court system to that date, and yet we kept our courts open to the public,” Moore says. “My experience and leadership will enable me to continue to keep the courts operating at the highest efficiency.”

As a graduate of West Point and veteran of Vietnam, and later as a deputy district attorney, circuit judge and chief justice, Moore has a track record of upholding his oath to support and defend the Constitution of the United States and to uphold and support the Constitution of the State of Alabama.