

R. TODD GARBETT was sworn in as a Magistrate Judge November 2, 2012. He is chambered in Bear Lake County, Idaho, where he lives with his wife Jennifer. They are parents of six children and grandparents of three (and counting).

Judge Garbett graduated from Weber State University in 1995 and the University of Montana School of Law, with honors, in 1996. He served as Law Clerk for Hon. William H. Woodland, Bannock County, for one year then settled with his family in Preston where he worked at a small law firm serving both private and government clients. In 2004 he was elected Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney and served in that role until his appointment as Magistrate Judge in 2012.

He has served as President of the Preston Kiwanis Club, the Preston Area Chamber of Commerce, and the 6th District Bar Association. Judge Garbett helped bring the first treatment courts to Franklin and Bear Lake Counties, being a founding staff member of the Franklin County Drug Court and the Bear Lake County Recovery Court. He is currently Chairman of the Idaho Child Support Guidelines Committee and a member of the Court Assistance Office Committee.

Judge Garbett loves everything outdoors including riding his off-road motorcycle, camping, water sports and exploring. He has done the 27-mile rim-to-rim day hike through the Grand Canyon twice with his children, has taken each child through the 16-mile Zion Narrows hike, and two of them through the longest and deepest slot canyon in the U.S., Buckskin Gulch. He loves racquetball and when he moved to Bear Lake County and realized there were no courts there, he built one that is known as the "Bear Lake Supreme Court". Judge Garbett joined the Idaho Judicial Council as a member in July 2023.