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RALEIGH – The latest episode of [All Things Judicial: Beyond the Bench](#) takes listeners beyond the courtroom and into the heart of disaster recovery, featuring a compelling conversation with North Carolina Court of Appeals [Judge Michael Stading](#) and law clerks Vincenzo Conciatori and Tomas Nazer-Paniagua.

These legal professionals stepped away from their usual roles in the judiciary to volunteer in Western North Carolina following the devastation of Hurricane Helene. In this episode, they share their firsthand experiences witnessing the storm's impact, assisting communities in need, and reflecting on how the experience shaped their perspectives on justice and public service.

"Hurricane Helene left a path of destruction that went beyond physical damage—it deeply affected families, businesses, and entire communities," said Judge Stading. "Being there and seeing the resilience of those impacted helped to reinforce the importance of service, both inside and outside the courtroom."

Throughout the episode, the guests discussed the take aways from their service. They shared stories that highlight the human side of the legal profession and the ways in which Judicial Branch personnel can support communities in times of crisis. Learn more and see photos of their volunteer service on the [NCCourts Facebook page](#).

### **MORE INFORMATION**

*All Things Judicial: Beyond the Bench* is a podcast produced by the North Carolina Judicial Branch, offering listeners a deeper look into the people, stories, and issues that shape the state's court system. This episode is available now on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, and the [North Carolina Judicial Branch website](#).

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### **About North Carolina Judicial Branch**

The [North Carolina Judicial Branch](#) is an equal and distinctively separate branch and core function of government. More than 7,400 Judicial Branch employees statewide administer justice in courthouses in North Carolina's 100 counties. The [Judicial Branch budget for FY 2022–23](#) was \$712.8M, 87% of which is used to pay salaries and 11.5% is used for operations. The Judicial Branch receives 2.64% of the overall State budget.

### **About North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts**

The North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts (NCAOC) is the administrative agency for the [North Carolina Judicial Branch](#), providing administrative services to help the North Carolina court system operate more efficiently and effectively, taking into account each courthouse's diverse needs, caseloads, and available resources.

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