

**30th anniversary of the trial court decision in the DeRolph School Funding case—July 1, 2024—
Part 5.**

A former Justice of the Ohio Supreme Court, Paul Pfeifer, in a statement before the Education Committee of the Ohio Constitutional Modernization Commission a few years ago said that the DeRolph School Funding case was THE CASE of the 20th century. The Plaintiff's attorneys and the Coalition Steering Committee prepared for the trial as though it would be THE CASE of the 20th century. Preparation involved 500 exhibits, a multitude of depositions, and more than 70 witnesses. The trial covered thirty days (October 25, 1993, to December 8, 1993).

The Coalition's attorney team was led by Nicholas Pittner, an extremely competent attorney, whose dedicated and determined efforts won the day.

The next segment—Part 6—will focus on the decision of Judge Linton Lewis, Jr.