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**ARAPAHOE COUNTY ASSESSOR CONFIRMS THAT MAIL BALLOTS
WILL NOT BE USED IN BAKER RECALL ELECTION**

LITTLETON, CO (September 9, 2003): Arapahoe County Assessor Ed Bosier, in an effort to ward off possible confusion among voters this fall, clarified today that mail ballots will not be used if an election is held to recall County Clerk and Recorder Tracy Baker. Bosier said his announcement was prompted by recent news reports that many cities around Colorado will use mail ballots exclusively in this year's elections.

"Mail ballots are becoming increasingly popular, and they will be used in Arapahoe County for the regular elections this November," explained Bosier, who was tasked by the County's commissioners to manage the effort to recall Baker. "However, if the petition process currently underway leads to an election on the matter of recalling Mr. Baker, that particular vote will occur only in voting booths on a day to be determined by the commissioners. The only exception is for those registered voters who go through the normal process to request absentee ballots."

On August 14, Bosier approved the language of a petition submitted by the Committee to Recall Tracy Baker. The Committee is now circulating that petition in an effort to collect the 34,603 signatures necessary to force a recall election. Bosier noted that, due to statutory deadlines, no signatures may be collected after midnight on Sunday, October 12. Since the following day is a government holiday, the completed petition must be submitted to Mr. Bosier's office on Tuesday, October 14.

About the Arapahoe County Assessor's Office

The Assessor's Office discovers, lists, classifies and values all real and personal property in Arapahoe County. The Office is also responsible for maintaining public records, including ownership and parcel maps; submitting the Abstract of Assessment to the Colorado Division of Property Taxation; certifying values to taxing entities; and producing the warrant roll. The Arapahoe County Assessor, Ed Bosier, began working for the Office in 1987 as a certified appraiser/supervisor in Land Development. Voters first elected him to the Office of the Assessor in 1995. He is currently serving his third term, which expires January of 2007.

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