Reagan nominates Miner for U.S. Court of Appeals

HUDSON — U.S. District Court Judge Roger Miner of Hudson was “awestruck” when President Reagan phoned him to inform him he was being nominated for promotion to the Second Circuit, U.S. Court of Appeals.

“He told me he had just gotten off Air Force One and that he was signing a paper that he thought may be of interest to me,” Judge Miner said.

“He said it was my nomination to the Court of Appeals. I told him I was very happy he was signing that paper.”

Judge Miner will be questioned by the Senate Judiciary Committee, which will make a recommendation to the full Senate which will then act on it.

The court covers New York, Connecticut, and Vermont and is seated in New York City. It is one level below the U.S. Supreme Court.

President Reagan appointed Judge Miner to his present position in 1981. The 50-year-old Republican is a former Columbia County district attorney and state Supreme Court justices in the Third Judicial District.