Women call McCain sexist for rape ‘joke’

By NORMA COLES

"U.S. Rep. John McCain, R-Ariz., said through a press aide that he "does not recall" telling a rape "joke" that has led to a political controversy in Arizona."

McCain, a two-term congressman from Arizona, is running for the U.S. Senate against Democrat Richard Zippe, a former chairman of the Arizona Corporation Commission. The two candidates have been endorsed by the Arizona League of Women Voters.

McCain said he did not recall saying the joke, but he did not deny saying it. He added that he "has a very good memory on women's issues." McCain's press aide also denied the existence of the joke, saying that McCain has a "solid memory on women's issues." McCain's opponent, Zippe, has accused McCain of being insensitive to women's issues.

Legislator, educator vie for public education post

By MARK THOMAS SWENSON

"Who is better qualified to be state superintendent of public instruction — a legislator or an educator?"

That is the question Arizona voters must decide when they go to the polls on November 1, 2000. The two candidates running for the position are John Anderson, a Republican, and D. Diane Bishop, a Democrat.

John Anderson, a long-time Arizona politician, has served in the state legislature for over 20 years. He is a strong advocate for education and has made it a priority during his time in office.

D. Diane Bishop is a former teacher and has dedicated her career to education. She has served as a principal and as a superintendent of schools.

The positions of both candidates have been developed through years of experience and dedication to public education. John Anderson's experience in government and legislati...