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## **First Judicial District announces District Court vacancy** *Commission sets date to select nominees*

The First Judicial District Nominating Commission will meet via videoconference on Nov. 17, 2020, to interview and select nominees for appointment by the governor to the office of district judge for the First Judicial District (Gilpin and Jefferson counties). The vacancy will be created by the retirement of the Hon. Chris Bachmeyer. The vacancy will occur on Nov. 30, 2020.

To be eligible, the applicant must be a qualified elector of the First Judicial District at the time of investiture and must have been admitted to the practice of law in Colorado for five years. The annual salary for this position is \$173,248. The initial term of office of a district judge is a provisional term of two years; thereafter, the incumbent district judge, if approved by the voters, has a term of six years.

Application forms are available from the office of the ex officio chair of the nominating commission, Justice Brian D. Boatright, 2 E. 14<sup>th</sup> Ave., Denver, CO 80203; and the office of the court executive, Gail Pickarts, 100 Jefferson County Pkwy, Ste. 3030, Golden, CO 80401.

Applications also are available on the court's home page at

<http://www.courts.state.co.us/Careers/Judge.cfm>

The completed application must be e-mailed to the address listed in the instructions below no later than 4 p.m. Oct. 30, 2020. Late applications will not be considered. Any person wishing to suggest a candidate to fill the vacancy may do so by letter to be submitted to any member of the nominating commission, with a copy to the ex officio chair, no later than 4 p.m. Oct. 23, 2020.

The members of the nominating commission for the First Judicial District are: John G. Lee and Jeanie Vela, both of Arvada; Nicole Dews and Laura Martinez, both of Lakewood; Alison Zinn of Littleton; and Linza Douglas and Danielle Radovich Piper, both of Golden.

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**JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION**  
**APPLICATION FOR COLORADO STATE COURT JUDGESHIP**  
**NEW INSTRUCTIONS PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

Instructions

1. The application form for a Colorado state court judgeship can be found on the Judicial Branch website at <http://www.courts.state.co.us/Careers/Judge.cfm>. Please be complete and thorough in answering the questions; and, if an answer to any question requires more space than provided, attach a separate sheet of paper for each question. Do not change the margins or font size on the application.
2. Your application materials should be prepared in the following manner:

The application should be saved as a PDF file (preferably in text searchable format. The electronic application does not need to contain a signature. If your application materials include multiple documents (i.e., cover letter, personal statement, reference letters) these documents should be combined into one single PDF document.

You must submit the names of not fewer than three nor more than five individuals from whom you are requesting a letter of reference. Such letters of reference shall be strictly confidential. **Letters shall be submitted directly by the author by email as described below in paragraph 3.** It is your responsibility to ensure that all letters of reference are submitted by the filing deadline listed in paragraph 4.

3. Your application materials compiled as outlined above should be sent via email with **your name and 1<sup>st</sup> JD in the subject line** with your materials attached as outlined above no later than 4 p.m. on **October 30, 2020** to the following email address:

**[judicial.applicants@judicial.state.co.us](mailto:judicial.applicants@judicial.state.co.us)**

**\*\*you should receive an automatic response to your email submission. If you do not, please email **Nikky Conn** at the address below to confirm receipt.**

4. Your application must be received no later than: **4 p.m. on October 30, 2020.**
5. Email Nikky Conn in the Colorado Supreme Court Clerk's office with questions: [nikky.conn@judicial.state.co.us](mailto:nikky.conn@judicial.state.co.us).