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12th Judicial District announces Conejos County Court vacancy *Commission sets date to select nominees*

The Twelfth Judicial District Nominating Commission will meet at the Conejos Combined Court (6683 County Road 13, Conejos, CO 81129) on Sept. 30, 2013, to interview and select nominees for appointment by the governor to the office of county judge for Conejos County. The vacancy will be created by the resignation of the Honorable Mary Garcia. The vacancy will occur on Aug. 30, 2013.

To be eligible for appointment to fill the vacancy, the applicant must be a qualified elector of Conejos County and have graduated high school or attained the equivalent of a high school education as indicated by the Department of Education, based upon the record made on the General Education Development test. The annual salary for this position is \$38,249, and it is a 30 percent position. The initial term of office of a county judge is a provisional term of two years; thereafter, the incumbent county judge, if approved by the voters, has a term of four years.

Application forms are available from the office of the ex officio chair of the nominating commission, Justice Nathan B. Coats, 2 E. 14th Ave., Denver, CO 80203; the office of the district administrator, Christina Gallegos, 702 Fourth Street, Alamosa, CO 81101; and the Conejos Combined Court, 6683 County Road 13, Conejos, CO 81129. Applications also are available on the court's home page at <http://www.courts.state.co.us/Careers/Judge.cfm>

The original application must be filed with the ex officio chair no later than 4 p.m. on Sept. 23, 2013. 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. on Sept. 16, 2013.

The members of the nominating commission for the Twelfth Judicial District are: Keith Vance, Alamosa; Ryan Dunn, Del Norte; Gordon Bosa, Manassa; Kimberly Lookis, San Luis; Amy Uhrich, Monte Vista; Zeke Ward, Creede; and Randal Arredondo, Saguache.

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**JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION
APPLICATION FOR COLORADO STATE COURT JUDGESHIP**

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>. You should only use the application that says it was updated 04/09. Do not use a prior version of the application. Please be complete and thorough in answering the questions; and, if an answer to any question requires more space than provided, you may attach additional pages for each question at the end of the application. It is preferable that you use plain white paper. Do not use a font smaller than 12 pt. and do not make the margins smaller than 1".
2. You must submit one original signed and scanable application. Please do not use any sort of binder (no notebooks, covers or tabs).
3. You may submit original signed reference letters from up to **five** individuals who are in a position to comment upon your qualifications for a judicial position. You may include these letters with your application, or have them sent to us directly. However, if sent directly, it is **your** responsibility to ensure that all letters of reference are submitted to the Ex Officio Chair on or before the application deadline. Letters received late may not receive consideration by the Commission.
4. Your application and reference letters should be received at following address:

Twelfth Judicial District Nominating Commission
Justice Nathan B. Coats, Ex Officio Chair
2 E. 14th Avenue, Clerk's Office
Denver, Colorado 80203
5. Your application must be filed no later than **4 p.m. on Sept. 23, 2013**.
6. Call Cheryl in the Colorado Supreme Court Clerk's office with questions: 720-625-5152.