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## **Fourth Judicial District announces El Paso County Court vacancies** *Commission sets date to select nominees*

The Fourth Judicial District Nominating Commission will meet at the El Paso County Judicial Building on Aug. 8, 2018, to interview and select nominees for appointment by the governor to two El Paso County Court judgeships. The vacancies will be created by the retirements of the Hon. Stephen J. Sletta and the Hon. Regina Walter. Both vacancies will occur on Jan. 7, 2019.

To be eligible, the applicant must be a qualified elector of El Paso County at the time of investiture and must have been admitted to the practice of law in Colorado. The current annual salary for each of these positions is \$156,278. 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-Designate Carlos A. Samour Jr., 2 E. 14<sup>th</sup> Ave., Denver, CO 80203; and the office of the district administrator, Scott Sosebee, 270 S. Tejon St., P.O. Box 2980, Colorado Springs, CO 80901. Applications also are available on the court's home page at

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

The original, signed application and an identical copy stored as a PDF must be filed with the ex officio chair no later than 4 p.m. July 23, 2018. 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. July 16, 2018.

The members of the nominating commission for the Fourth Judicial District are: Larry Gaddis, Beth Lieberman, Juan Moreno, Mary Linden, Jennifer George and Joshua Brooks, all of Colorado Springs; and Daniel Nicholson and Philip Mella of Woodland Park.

**Editor's Note:** Contact information for the nominating commission members.

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**4<sup>th</sup> JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION**  
**APPLICATION FOR COLORADO STATE COURT JUDGESHIP**  
**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>. 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, attach a separate sheet of paper for each question.
2. Do not change the margins or font size on the application.
3. You must submit one original signed application along with an identical copy of your application electronically as a PDF file (preferably in text searchable format) on a CD or flash drive (these will not be returned). 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 with the reference letters attached last.
4. You may submit letters of reference of **not less than three and not more than five** individuals who are in a position to comment upon your qualifications for a judicial position. You may include the reference letters with your application or have them sent directly to us at the address below. If sent directly by the author, they need only send us one original letter (in paper). If you include them with your application materials, please submit the original paper letter and also include it as part of your electronic application. It is your responsibility to ensure that all letters of reference are submitted to us by the application filing deadline.
5. Submit your original signed application along with the electronic copy to the following address:

Fourth Judicial District Nominating Commission  
c/o Justice-Designate Carlos A. Samour, Jr., Ex Officio Chair  
Supreme Court Clerk's Office  
2 E. 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Denver, CO 80203

**If you are hand-delivering your application, please deliver it to the Clerk's Office.**

We do not accept emails of any application materials.

If you use USPS Express Mail overnight service, please allow an extra day for delivery as there is a delay in receipt when this method is used.

6. Your application must be filed no later than: 4 p.m. on July 23, 2018.
7. Call Nikky in the Colorado Supreme Court Clerk's Office with questions: 720-625-5175.