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Sixth Judicial District announces Archuleta County Court vacancy *Commission sets date to select nominees*

The Sixth Judicial District Nominating Commission will meet at the La Plata County Courthouse in Durango on Aug. 12, 2014, to interview and select nominees for appointment by the governor to the office of county judge for Archuleta County. The vacancy will be created by the retirement of the Hon. James E. Denvir. The vacancy will occur on Jan. 13, 2015.

To be eligible for appointment to fill the vacancy, the applicant must be a qualified elector of Archuleta 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 \$76,435, and it is a 55 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 Brian D. Boatright, 2 E. 14th Ave., Denver, CO 80203; and the office of the district administrator, Eric Hogue, 1060 E. Second Ave., Room 106, Durango, CO 81301.

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

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

An original signed application must be filed with the ex officio chair no later than 4 p.m. July 30, 2014. 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 23, 2014. Under the rules of the 6th Judicial District Judicial Nominating Commission, names of the applicants shall be made public once the application period is closed.

The members of the nominating commission for the Sixth Judicial District are: Lisa Scott and James Ford of Pagosa Springs; Stephen Fearn of Silverton; John Baxter and Thomas Shipp of Durango; and Kim Martin of Hesperus.

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

- Thomas Shipp P.O. Box 2717, Durango, CO 81302
- Stephen Fearn, P.O. Box 468, Silverton, CO 81433
- Lisa Scott, P.O. Box 5680, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
- John Baxter, 1099 Main Ave., #500, Durango, CO 81301
- James Ford, P.O. Box 4490, Pagosa Springs, CO 81157
- Kim Martin, 6451 County Road 100, Hesperus, CO 81326

* There is currently one attorney vacancy on this commission which may be filled by the time of the commission meeting.

**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). Do not use heavy-weight “resume” type paper.
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. 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. Attach a copy of your resume to the application.
5. Your application and reference letters should be received at following address:

Sixth Judicial District Nominating Commission
Justice Brian D. Boatright, Ex Officio Chair
2 E. 14th Avenue, Clerk’s Office
Denver, Colorado 80203
6. Your application must be received at the above address no later than: **4:00 p.m. on July 30, 2014**
7. Call the Colorado Supreme Court Clerk’s office with questions: 720-625-5157.