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## **Garfield County Court Judge Jovanovich not standing for retention** *Commission sets date to select nominees*

The Ninth Judicial District Nominating Commission will meet on Monday, Aug. 30, 2010, in room 402 of the Garfield Combined Courthouse (109 8<sup>th</sup> St., Glenwood Springs, CO 81601) to interview and select nominees for appointment by the governor to the office of county judge for Garfield County.

The vacancy will be created by the Honorable Jason Jovanovich's decision not to stand for retention. Judge Jovanovich is Special Associate County Judge in Garfield County. § 13-6-209, C.R.S. (2009), requires that there be a special associate county judge in Garfield County "who shall maintain his official residence and court chambers in the city of Rifle."

The vacancy will occur on Jan. 11, 2011.

To be eligible for appointment to fill the vacancy, the applicant must be a qualified elector of Garfield 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 \$110,760.30, and it is a 90 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 Nancy E. Rice, 101 W. Colfax, Suite 800, Denver, CO 80202; and the office of the district administrator, Solveig Olson, 109 8th Street, Suite 104, Glenwood Springs CO 81601. Applications also are available on the court's home page at <http://www.courts.state.co.us/Careers/Judge.cfm>

The original and seven copies of the application must be filed with the ex officio chair no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon), Friday, Aug, 20, 2010. 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 12:00 p.m. (noon), Friday, Aug, 20, 2010.

The members of the nominating commission for the Ninth Judicial District are: Terry Butler and William V. Hodges III, both of Aspen; John Real and Michael Sawyer, both of Glenwood Springs; Katherine Hays and Katherine Potter, both of Rifle; and Diana Watson of Meeker.

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

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- John Real, 55 Hideaway Lane, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601
- Michael Sawyer, 201 14<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 200, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601
- William V. Hodges III, P.O. Box 146, Aspen, CO 81612-0146
- Katherine Hays, 302 8<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 110, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601
- Katherine Potter, 1345 W. Spruce Ct., Rifle, CO 81650
- Diana Watson, P.O. Box 1056, Meeker, CO 81641

**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>. 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. Answers should be typed or printed in black ink.
3. Each completed original and all copies of the application should be stapled ONCE in the upper left-hand corner. They should NOT be bound in any way, should NOT be in notebooks, should NOT have covers attached, and should NOT have sections of the application tabbed in any way.
4. While it is preferred that you submit your application on this standard form, you may choose to reproduce this form on a computer. If you do so, however, please ensure that the top and left margins are 1" and that the size of type is no smaller than 12 pt.
5. Applicants for county court judgeships who are not attorneys may modify the form as needed by inserting the words "not applicable" where appropriate.
6. If you desire, you may request that letters of reference be submitted from up to five individuals who are in a position to comment upon your qualifications for a judicial position. It is **your responsibility** to ensure that all letters of reference (with sufficient copies) are submitted to the Ex Officio Chair by the filing deadline. You may include the letters with your application, or have them sent separately. Letters received late may not receive consideration by the Commission.

**Please Note:** Reference letters must be resubmitted every time you apply for a judicial vacancy. Reference letters from previous applications are not available for reuse.

7. If you are applying for an appellate judgeship, you need to file an original and fifteen (15) copies of your application. If you are applying for a district or county court judgeship, you need to file an original and seven (7) copies of your application.
8. Your application should be filed at the following address:

Ninth Judicial District Nominating Commission  
Justice Nancy E. Rice, Ex Officio Chair  
Colorado State Supreme Court  
101 W. Colfax Ave., Suite 800  
Denver, Colorado 80202

9. Your application must be filed no later than: **Noon on Friday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010.**