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New District Court judgeship created in the Ninth Judicial District *Commission to select nominees on May 17, 2013*

The Ninth Judicial District Nominating Commission will meet at the Garfield County Courthouse (109 8th Street, Suite 104, Glenwood Springs, CO 80601) on May 17, 2013, to interview and select nominees for appointment by the governor to the office of district judge for the Ninth Judicial District (Garfield, Pitkin and Rio Blanco counties). The new district court judgeship was created pursuant to House Bill 13-1035 and is effective July 1, 2013.

To be eligible for appointment to fill the vacancy, an applicant must be a qualified elector of the Ninth Judicial District and must have been admitted to the practice of law in Colorado for five years. The current annual salary for this position is \$128,598. The initial term of office of a district judge is a provisional term of two years; thereafter, the incumbent district judge, if retained 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 Gregory J. Hobbs, 2 E. 14th Ave., Denver, CO 80203; and the office of the district administrator, Lynn Reed, 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>

An electronic copy of the application in PDF format must be filed with the ex officio chair no later than 4 p.m. April 24, 2013. See the instructions below for details on applying. 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. April 10, 2013.

The members of the nominating commission for the Ninth Judicial District are: Julie Goldstein, Basalt; Sharon Day and Shirley (Anna) Smith, Meeker; Michael Sawyer, Glenwood Springs; Matthew Ferguson, Snowmass Village; and Katherine (Katie) Hays and Katherine Potter, Rifle.

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

- Katherine (Katie) Hays, 302 8th St., Suite 110, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601
- Katherine Potter, 1345 W. Spruce Ct., Rifle, CO 81650
- Julie Goldstein, P.O. Box 4227, Basalt, CO 81621
- Sharon Day, P.O. Box 1137, Meeker, CO 81641
- Matthew Ferguson, 119 S. Spring St., Suite 201, Aspen, CO 81611
- Shirley (Anna) Smith, 200 Main St., Meeker, CO 81641
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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). 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 from up to **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 it must also be included in your electronic application as well. Either way, it is your responsibility to ensure that all letters of reference are submitted to the by the filing deadline as letters received late may not receive consideration by the Commission.
5. Submit your original signed application along with the electronic copy to the following address:

Ninth Judicial District Nominating Commission
c/o Christopher Ryan, Clerk of Court
2 E. 14th Avenue
Denver, Colorado 80203

We do not accept emails of any application materials.

6. Your application must be filed no later than: **(4 p.m. on April 24, 2013).**
7. Call Cheryl in the Colorado Supreme Court Clerk's office with questions: 720-625-5152