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## **15<sup>th</sup> Judicial District announces Prowers County Court vacancy** *Commission sets date to select nominees*

The Fifteenth Judicial District Nominating Commission will meet on May 23, 2016, at the Prowers County Courthouse (301 S. Main Street, Suite 300, Lamar, CO 81052) to interview and select nominees for appointment by the governor to the office of county judge for Prowers County. The vacancy will be created by the retirement of the Honorable Larry E. Stutler. The vacancy will occur on July 1, 2016.

To be eligible, the applicant must be a qualified elector of Prowers County at the time of investiture 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 \$83,856, 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 Monica M. Márquez, 2 E. 14<sup>th</sup> Ave., Denver, CO 80203; and the office of the district administrator, Barbara McDaniel, Prowers County Courthouse, 301 S. Main Street, Suite 300, Lamar, CO 81052. 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. on May 4, 2016. 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 April 27, 2016. Under the rules of the 15<sup>th</sup> 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 Fifteenth Judicial District are: Staci Bishop and Linda Lusk, Springfield; Randa Davis-Tice, Chris Rundell, and Garth Nieschburg, Lamar; Christian Tallman, Brandon; and Marlin (Marty) Miller, Eads.

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- Linda Lusk, 28021 County Road 21, Springfield, CO 81073
- Marlin (Marty) Miller, P.O. Box 411, Eads, CO 81036
- Garth Nieschburg, P.O. Box 654, Lamar, CO 81052
- Chris Rundell, 27895 County Road 3, Lamar, CO 81052
- Christian Tallman, P.O. Box 201, Cheyenne Wells, CO 80810
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**JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION**  
**APPLICATION FOR COLORADO STATE COURT JUDGESHIP**  
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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 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 should be included as part of your electronic application as well. It is your responsibility to ensure that all letters of reference are submitted by the filing deadline.
5. Submit your original signed application along with the electronic copy to the following address:

Fifteenth Judicial District Nominating Commission  
c/o Justice Monica M. Márquez  
2 E. 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Clerk's Office  
Denver, Colorado 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.

6. Your application must be filed no later than: **4 p.m. on May 4, 2016.**
7. Call Valerie in the Colorado Supreme Court Clerk's office with questions: 720-625-5150.