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18th Judicial District announces additional District Court vacancy

As previously announced, the Eighteenth Judicial District Nominating Commission will meet at the Arapahoe County Justice Center on Dec. 18, 2015, to interview and select nominees for appointment by the governor to the office of district judge for the 18th Judicial District (Arapahoe, Douglas, Elbert and Lincoln counties).

In addition to the vacancy created by the retirement of the Hon. Gerald Rafferty, effective Jan. 23, 2016, an additional vacancy will be created by the retirement of the Hon. Christopher Cross effective Feb. 8, 2016. All applications received by the Dec. 1, 2015, deadline will be considered for both vacancies.

Applicants who previously applied for the vacancies created by the retirements of Judges Angela Arkin and Timothy L. Fasing may apply for these vacancies with the same application materials by submitting a letter indicating they wish to apply with the application previously submitted. **Please see the application instructions below for specific details**

To be eligible for appointment to fill a vacancy, the applicant must be a qualified elector of the Eighteenth 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 \$159,320. The initial term of office

of a district judge is a provisional term of two years; thereafter, the incumbent district judge, if approved 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 Richard L. Gabriel, 2 E. 14th Ave., Denver, CO 80203; and the office of the district administrator, Laurie McKager, ACJC, 7325 S. Potomac St., Centennial, CO 80112.

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. Dec. 1, 2015. Late applications will not be considered.

The members of the nominating commission for the Eighteenth Judicial District are: Fay Matsukage and Christine Niemann of Parker; Suzan Boyd and Candace Figa of Aurora; Jerry Monks of Limon; Stanton Dodge of Castle Rock; and Timiann Aguilar of Castle Pines.

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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). 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. **Applicants who just applied for the Arkin/Fasing district court vacancies in the 18th Judicial District may apply for this vacancy with the same application materials. In lieu of resubmitting the application materials, submit a letter indicating that you wish to apply for this vacancy using the same application. If you wish to use your previous application, it must be used in its entirety (we cannot substitute any individual parts of those materials). If previous applicants do not wish to use the same application materials, new application materials must be resubmitted in their entirety as outlined below.**
5. You may submit **letters of reference from not less than three and no 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 the by the filing deadline.
6. Submit your original signed application along with the electronic copy to the following address:

Eighteenth Judicial District Nominating Commission
c/o Justice Richard L. Gabriel
2 E. 14th 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.
7. Your application must be filed no later than: **4 p.m. on Dec. 1, 2015.**
8. If you use USPS Express Mail overnight service, please allow an extra day for delivery we there is a delay in receipt when this method is used.
9. Call Valerie in the Colorado Supreme Court Clerk's office with questions: 720-625-5150.