



media alert

Colorado Judicial Department
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TO: Conejos, Ouray and Rio Grande county media and public
FROM: Rob McCallum, Public Information Officer
RE: Informational meeting on three open county court judgeships

Want to be a county court judge in Conejos, Ouray or Rio Grande county?

WHO: Colorado Judicial Department representatives:
Hon. Steven Patrick, Chief Judge, 7th Judicial District
Hon. Michael Gonzales, Chief Judge, 12th Judicial District
Hon. Kimberly Cortez-Rodriguez, 12th Judicial District, Conejos County Court
James Valetini, 12th Judicial District, Judicial Nominating Commissioner
Alvin Lutz, 7th Judicial District, Judicial Nominating Commissioner

WHAT: A virtual discussion regarding what it's like to work as a part-time county court judge, how to apply, and what nominating commissions look for when interviewing candidates.

WHEN: Thursday, March 10, 2022, from noon to 1 p.m.

WHERE: Virtually. Please click [here](#) to register.
For more information or questions, please email sumi.lee@judicial.state.co.us

WHY: The Judicial Department is seeking three individuals to fill three county court judgeships and wants you to know more about these opportunities to take the bench. Join the speakers listed above to learn more about how to become a judge in your county and provide an invaluable public service in your community.

JOB INFO: County Courts handle civil cases under \$25,000, misdemeanors, traffic infractions, felony complaints (which may be sent to district court), protection orders, and small claims. County court decisions may be appealed to the district court.

APPLY: [Conejos County Court](#) – deadline 4 p.m. March 11, 2022
[Ouray County Court](#) – deadline 4 p.m. March 16, 2022
[Rio Grande County Court](#) – deadline 4 p.m. March 18, 2022

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