

COLORADO CHILD PROTECTION OMBUDSMAN BOARD

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The Child Protection Ombudsman Board announces the finalists for the new Child Protection Ombudsman

DENVER - The Colorado Child Protection Ombudsman Board (the “Board”) announces the five finalists who will be considered for appointment as the new Child Protection Ombudsman. The Board is required by law to appoint a new Child Protection Ombudsman no later than December 1, 2015 with that individual assuming duties on January 1, 2016.

After consideration of numerous applications submitted for the position, the Board announces that the five finalists (listed in alphabetical order and without any consideration of preference or ranking) includes:

- Mr. William Betts
- Mr. Dennis Goodwin
- Ms. Amy Hendrickson
- Ms. Claudia Ponce Joly
- Ms. Stephanie Villafuerte

The Board will conduct interviews with the finalists at a publicly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at 9:00 AM in Conference Room 1F at the Ralph L. Carr Judicial Building, 1300 Broadway, Denver, Colorado 80202.

The Board will make a final determination as to who it will appoint as the new Child Protection Ombudsman from this list of finalists at a publicly scheduled meeting on November 20, 2015 at 1:00 PM in Conference Room 1E at the Ralph L. Carr Judicial Building, 1300 Broadway, Denver, CO 80202. The final candidate for

appointment as the Child Protection Ombudsman must successfully pass a criminal background check.

The Board welcomes public comments concerning the individuals announced as finalists for the Child Protection Ombudsman position. All public comments about any finalist must be in writing, received no later than close of business on November 19, 2015, and directed to Terry Scanlon at terry.scanlon@judicial.state.co.us.

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