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# Gov. Hickenlooper appoints new district court judge in Second Judicial District

DENVER — Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2017 — Gov. John Hickenlooper today appointed Christopher Baumann as a District Court Judge in the Second Judicial District. He fills a vacancy created by the retirement of the Honorable Sheila Rappaport.

Baumann is currently the Office Head and Deputy State Public Defender for the Colorado Public Defenders Office in Denver, a role he has held since 2010. During his time with the Public Defenders Office, Baumann has specialized in death penalty litigation. He has worked with the Colorado Public Defender's Office since 2002. From 2004-2005, he served as an Assistant Attorney General in the Civil Litigation/Employment Law Section. From 2001-2002, he was an associate with the law firm of Levy, Morse & Wheeler, P.C. His first job out of law school was as a staff attorney in the Supreme Court of Louisiana from 2000-2001. He was a member of the United States Army Reserve from 1994-2002, and served in the Ready Reserve in Boulder from 1994-1997. He earned his B.A. from the University of Colorado in 1997, and his J.D. from Tulane University in 2000.

Baumann's appointment is effective Dec. 31, 2017.

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