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Colorado Court of Appeals Judges Berger, Richman to retire *Nominating Commission sets date to select nominees*

The Supreme Court Nominating Commission invites qualified attorneys to apply for two Colorado Court of Appeals judicial vacancies created by the retirements of the Hon. Michael H. Berger and the Hon. David J. Richman. The vacancies will occur on Oct. 29, 2022, and Nov. 5, 2022, respectively. The Commission will meet on Aug. 30-31, 2022, to interview applicants and select nominees for appointment by the governor.

To be eligible for appointment to fill a vacancy, the applicant must be a qualified elector of the State of Colorado and must have been admitted to the practice of law in Colorado for five years. The annual salary for a court of appeals judge is currently \$191,724. The initial term of office of a Court of Appeals judge is a provisional term of two years. Thereafter, the incumbent judge, if retained by the voters, has a term of eight years.

Application forms are available from the office of the ex-officio chair of the Nominating Commission, Chief Justice Brian D. Boatright, 2 E. 14th Ave., Denver, CO 80203; and the office of the court executive of any of the 22 judicial districts. Applications are also available on the court's home page at: <http://www.courts.state.co.us/Careers/Judge.cfm>.

The completed application must be e-mailed to the address listed in the instructions below no later than 4 p.m. on Aug. 5, 2022. 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 July 29, 2022.

Applications will be kept confidential, except that the nominating commission shall disclose the names, work addresses, and work telephone numbers of the three nominees submitted to the governor.

The members of the Supreme Court Nominating Commission are: Katina Banks of Denver; Kimberly Jordan of Fort Collins; Peter Gould of Boulder; Linda Garcia of Pueblo; J. Martelle Daniels of Grand Junction; Deborah Suniga of Greeley; Stanton Dodge of Castle Rock; David McDivitt of Colorado Springs; C. Omar Montgomery of Aurora; Carolyn Fairless of Lakewood; Heather Lipp and Danielle Radovich Piper, both of Golden; Paul Wiggins of Peyton; Marco Chayet of Centennial; and Jerome DeHerrera of Westminster. The commission currently has two vacancies.

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JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION
APPLICATION FOR COLORADO STATE COURT JUDGESHIP
NEW INSTRUCTIONS 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>. 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. Do not change the margins or font size on the application.

2. Your application materials should be prepared in the following manner:

The application should be saved as a PDF file (preferably in text searchable format. The electronic application does not need to contain a signature. All of your application materials include multiple documents (i.e., cover letter, personal statement, reference letters) these documents must be combined into one single PDF document with the reference letters attached last.

You must submit the names of not fewer than three nor more than five individuals from whom you are requesting a letter of reference. It is preferred that reference letters are included with your application submission. If they are submitted directly by the author, they should be submitted by email as described below in paragraph 3. It is your responsibility to ensure that all letters of reference are submitted by the filing deadline listed in paragraph 4.

3. Your application materials compiled as outlined above should be sent via email with **your name and Court of Appeals in the subject line** with your materials attached as outlined above no later than 4 p.m. on **August 5, 2022** to the following email address:

judicial.applicants@judicial.state.co.us

you should receive an automatic response to your email submission. If you do not, please email **Erin Graves at the address below to confirm receipt.

4. Your application must be received no later than: 4 p.m. on August 5, 2022.
5. Email Erin Graves in the Colorado Supreme Court Clerk's office with questions: erin.graves@judicial.state.co.us.