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## Governor Jared Polis

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## **Governor Jared Polis Appoints Jenny L. Lopez Filkins to Larimer County Court and Tarryn L. Johnson to the 15th Judicial District Court**

**DENVER** — Today, Governor Polis appointed Jenny L. Lopez Filkins to the Larimer County Court in the 8th Judicial District. The vacancy is created by the retirement of the Honorable Mary Joan Berenato and is effective September 16, 2022.

Ms. Lopez Filkins is a Senior Assistant City Attorney for the City of Fort Collins, a position she has held since 2014. Her practice consists of municipal, employment, and constitutional law. Previously, she was the Title VI Coordinator for the City of Fort Collins' Finance Department (2013-2014); Assistant City Attorney for the City of Fort Collins (2006-2013); Sole Practitioner at Lopez Filkins Law Firm, LLC (2004-2006); Affirmative Action & Diversity Manager for Coors Brewing Company (2000-2001); and Associate Attorney for DiFalco & Associates (1992-1999). Ms. Lopez Filkins earned her B.A. from Colorado College in 1989 and her J.D. from the University of Colorado Law School in 1992.

Governor Polis appointed Tarryn L. Johnson to fill a vacancy on the 15th Judicial District Court. The vacancy is created by the retirement of the Honorable Stanley Brinkley and is effective December 10, 2022.

Ms. Johnson is a Senior Deputy Public Defender in the La Junta Regional Office, a position she has held since 2021. Her practice consists of criminal defense. Previously, she was General Counsel & Chief Legal Officer for Southeast Colorado Power Association (2021); Senior Deputy State Public Defender (2019-2021) and Deputy State Public Defender (2015-2019) in La Junta. Ms. Johnson earned her B.A. from Adams State University in 2011 and her J.D. from Texas Tech University School of Law in 2015.