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Twentieth Judicial District announces District Court vacancy *Commission sets date to select nominees*

The Twentieth Judicial District Nominating Commission will meet at the Boulder Justice Center on March 22, 2024, to interview and select nominees for appointment by the governor to the office of district judge for the Twentieth Judicial District (Boulder County). The vacancy will be created by the retirement of the Hon. Patrick Butler. The vacancy will occur on May 11, 2024.

To be eligible, the applicant must be a qualified elector of the Twentieth Judicial District at the time of investiture and must have been admitted to the practice of law in Colorado for five years. The current annual salary for this position is \$193,008. The initial term of office of a district judge is a provisional term of two years; thereafter, the incumbent district judge, if approved by the voters, has a term of six years.

Application forms are available from the office of the ex officio chair of the nominating commission, Justice William W. Hood III, 2 E. 14th Ave., Denver, CO 80203; and the office of the court executive, Tracey Sogi, 1777 6th St., Boulder, CO 80302. Applications also are 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 March 8, 2024. 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 March 1, 2024.

The members of the nominating commission for the Twentieth Judicial District are:
Courtenay Patterson of Longmont; Tejwant Mangat of Lafayette; and Mari Bush, James Hooton, Cynthia Mitchell, Claudine Schneider, and Laura Sparks of Boulder.

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JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION
APPLICATION FOR COLORADO STATE COURT JUDGESHIP
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Instructions

1. The application form for a Colorado state court judgeship can be found on the Judicial Branch website at <https://www.courts.state.co.us/Careers/Judge.cfm>
Please be complete and thorough in answering the questions. If an answer to any question requires more space than provided, attach a separate page for the question(s). Do not change the margins or font size on the application.

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

The application and any attachments must be submitted as a single PDF file with reference letters attached last. The application should be in text searchable format.

You may submit letters of reference from not less than three and no more than give individuals who are able to comment upon your qualifications for a judicial position.

It is preferred that reference letters are included with your application submission. However, if they are submitted directly by the author, they must be submitted by email as described below in paragraph 3. All letters of reference are due 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 20th JD Boulder County** in the subject line with your materials attached as outlined above no later than 4 p.m. on **March 8, 2024** to the following email address:

[**judicial.applicants@judicial.state.co.us**](mailto:judicial.applicants@judicial.state.co.us)

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

4. Your application must be received no later than: 4 p.m. on **March 8, 2024**.
5. Email Tory Clark in the Colorado Supreme Court Clerk's office with questions: tory.clark@judicial.state.co.us