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2nd Judicial District announces District Court vacancy

Commission sets date to select nominees

The Second Judicial District Nominating Commission will meet on February 4, 2025, at the Denver City and County Building, 1437 Bannock St., Denver, CO 80202, to interview and select nominees for appointment by the governor to the office of district court judge for the Second Judicial District (Denver County). The vacancy will be created by the resignation of the Hon. Darryl F. Shockley. The vacancy will occur on February 1, 2025.

To be eligible, the applicant must be a qualified elector of the Second Judicial District at the time of investiture and must have been admitted to the practice of law in Colorado for five years. The annual salary for this position is \$198,798. A district court judge's initial term of office 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 Melissa Hart, 2 E. 14th Ave., Denver, CO 80203; and the office of the court executive, Jennifer Jantz, Court Executive, 303-606-2300, 1437 Bannock St., Denver, CO 80202. Applications are also available on the court's home page at coloradojudicial.gov/careers/judge-opportunities.

The completed application must be emailed to the address listed in the instructions below no later than January 21, 2025 at 4 p.m. 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 January 14, 2025 at 4 p.m.

The members of the nominating commission for the 2nd Judicial District are: Kiel Brunner, Michael Carrigan, Justin Marceau, Maria Garcia Berry, L. Roger Hutson, Megan Garnett, and Josett Valdez, all of Denver.

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JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION
APPLICATION FOR COLORADO STATE COURT JUDGESHIP
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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 must submit names of not fewer than three nor more than five individuals from whom you are requesting a letter of reference. Such letters of reference shall be strictly confidential. Letters received after the application deadline will NOT be considered.

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 2nd JD Denver District Court in the subject line** with your materials attached as outlined above no later than 4 p.m. on **January 21, 2025** 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 **January 21, 2025**.
5. Email Tory Clark in the Colorado Supreme Court Clerk's office with questions: tory.clark@judicial.state.co.us