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Judicial Selection Process Begins for Washoe County Judicial Opening

CARSON CITY, Nev., Oct. 26, 2017 – The Nevada Commission on Judicial Selection invites attorneys wishing to fill an open judicial seat in the Second Judicial District Court to apply by Nov. 17, 2017.

The open judicial seat requires Nevada attorneys to have 10 years of legal experience and two years of Nevada residency. Applications are due by 5 p.m., Nov. 17, and can be found at <http://nvcourts.link/NVJudicialSelection>.

The vacancy in Dept. 7 was created by the recent passing of Judge Patrick Flanagan.

Interested individuals must submit applications to the Administration Office of the Courts, 201 South Carson Street, Suite 201, Carson City, NV 89701-4702. Applications filed late or incomplete will be rejected.

Interviews to fill the vacant position are tentatively scheduled for Dec. 11 and 12 at the Nevada Supreme Court in Carson City. The interviews will be open to the public.

Following the application deadline, the Commission will conduct background investigations and interview each of the applicants. The Commission will then deliberate and nominate three finalists, whose names will be submitted to Governor Brian Sandoval for the appointment. The selected judge must stand for election in 2018.

The Commission is composed of seven permanent members – the Supreme Court Chief Justice, three non-attorneys appointed by Governor Sandoval, and three attorneys appointed by the State Bar of Nevada. Neither the Governor nor the State Bar may appoint more than two permanent members from the same political party, and cannot appoint two members from the same county.

For District Court vacancies, two temporary members are appointed from the judicial district where the vacancy occurs – a non-attorney by the Governor and an attorney by the State Bar – bringing the Commission membership to nine.

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