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## JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION ANNOUNCES VACANCY IN DISTRICT COURT, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT (LARAMIE COUNTY)

Wyoming Supreme Court Chief Justice Michael K. Davis, who acts as Chairman of the Judicial Nominating Commission, announced today that the new fourth district judgeship in the First Judicial District, created and funded by amendments to Wyoming Statute § 5-3-102, is open for the acceptance of expressions of interest from qualified attorneys and judges.

The Judicial Nominating Commission will accept expressions of interest from qualified persons to fill the vacancy through Friday, October 26, 2018. Copies of the expression of interest form can be obtained from the Supreme Court's website, http://www.courts.state.wy.us/Administration/Careers. The completed form *must be received* in the office of Chief Justice Davis no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 26, 2018. Please do not submit letters of recommendation, as the Commission will not consider them, but will instead only review letters specifically required by the Expression of Interest.

Governor Matthew H. Mead will appoint the District Judge from a list of three names submitted to him by the Judicial Nominating Commission. Serving on the Judicial Nominating Commission are Chief Justice Davis, three lawyers elected by the Wyoming State Bar: Richard H. Honaker of Rock Springs, Professor John M. Burman of Laramie; and Gay Woodhouse of Cheyenne; and three non-lawyers appointed by the Governor: Lori A. Emmert of Douglas, Paul Scherbel of Afton, and Rosie Berger of Big Horn.

TO SERVE AS A DISTRICT JUDGE, ONE MUST BE LEARNED IN THE LAW, AT LEAST TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS OF AGE, A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES, AND A RESIDENT OF WYOMING FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS.