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Mesa County Court Judge Finalists Selected

Governor to appoint new county court judge

The Twenty-first Judicial District Nominating Commission has nominated three candidates for a Mesa County court judgeship created by the appointment of the Hon. Craig P. Henderson to the 21st JD District Court bench, effective June 17, 2024. Nominees Katherine A. Barnes of Fruita, Brian D. Conklin of Grand Junction, and JenniLynn E. Lawrence of Mancos were selected in a meeting on June 24, 2024, at the Mesa County Justice Center in Grand Junction, Colorado.

Under the Colorado Constitution, the governor has 15 days from June 25, 2024, within which to appoint one of the nominees as county court judge for Mesa County.

Comments regarding any of the nominees may be sent via e-mail to the governor at gov_judicialappointments@state.co.us.

Editor's Note: Contact information for the three nominees

- Katherine A. Barnes. 125 N. Spruce St., Grand Junction, CO 81509. 970-257-8780.
- Brian D. Conklin. 114 N. Spruce St., Ste. 300, Grand Junction, CO 81501. 970-245-9122, ext. 1921.
- JenniLynn E. Lawrence. 865 N. Park St., Ste. 100, Cortez, CO 81328. 970-529-0222. Mancos.

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