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14th Judicial District Court judge finalists selected

Governor to appoint new district court judge

The Fourteenth Judicial District Nominating Commission has nominated two candidates for a district court judgeship created by the retirement of Hon. Michael A. O'Hara III, effective on Jan. 14, 2025. The commission selected the nominees Billy-George Hertzke of Oak Creek and Matthew J. Karzen of Steamboat Springs on Aug. 12, 2024.

Under the Colorado Constitution, the governor has 15 days from Aug. 13, 2024, to appoint one of the nominees as district court judge for the Fourteenth Judicial District (Grand, Moffat and Routt counties).

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 two nominees

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- Matthew J. Karzen. 1955 Shield Drive, #300, Steamboat Springs, CO 80487. 970-870-5200

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