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9th Judicial District Court judge finalists selected Governor to appoint new district court judges

The 9th Judicial District Nominating Commission has nominated four candidates for two district court judgeships created by the retirement of the Honorable John F. Neiley and the retirement of the Honorable Denise K. Lynch, effective October 8, 2025, and November 29, 2025, respectively.

Nominees Alexander Robert Haynes of Carbondale, John Edgar Mallonee of Glenwood Springs, Susan Michelle Ryan of Carbondale, and Whitney Lynn Stark of Boulder were selected by the commission on August 18, 2025.

Under the Colorado Constitution, the governor has 15 days from today, within which to appoint two of the nominees as district court judges for the 9th Judicial District (Garfield 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 four nominees:

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- John Edgar Mallonee: 85 Pinyon Mesa Drive, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601. 302-898-3438.
- Susan Michelle Ryan: Holland & Hart, 600 East Main Street, Suite 104, Aspen, CO 81611. 970-429-6889.
- Whitney Lynn Stark: 1200 Pearl Street, Suite 216, Boulder, CO 80302. 512-965-4603.

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