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Three apply for 6th Judicial District County Court judgeship

The 6th Judicial District Nominating Commission announced three people have applied for nomination to the office of county judge for the 6th Judicial District (San Juan County).

The application deadline was November 24, 2025, at 4 p.m. The rules of procedure for the 6th Judicial District Nominating Commission require that the names of all applicants be made public once the application period closes. The applicants are Kelly Jean Tompkins of Silverton, Shane Goranson of Durango, and Laura Freeman of Montrose.

Comments may be directed to any member of the Commission, with a copy to the ex officio chair, Justice Brian Boatright, 2 E. 14th Ave., Denver, CO 80203, or they may be sent to judicial.vacancies@judicial.state.co.us. The deadline for submitting comments is November 28, 2025, at 4 p.m.

The members of the nominating commission for the Sixth Judicial District are: James Garrett of Pagosa Springs; Sarah Moore of Silverton; and Maya Kane, Barrie Newberger King, James Cross, and Paul DeBell, all of Durango.

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