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8th Judicial District Court judge finalists selected

Governor to appoint new district court judge

The 8th Judicial District Nominating Commission has nominated three candidates for a district court judgeship created by the appointment of the Hon. Susan Blanco to the Colorado Supreme Court. The vacancy occurred on March 2, 2026.

Nominees Kara E. Clark of Fort Collins, Michael W. Deschenes of Fort Collins, and Trenton W. Ghoram of Greeley were selected by the commission on March 30, 2026.

Under the Colorado Constitution, the governor has 15 days from today, within which to appoint one of the nominees as district court judge for the 8th Judicial District (Jackson and Larimer 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 three nominees:

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- Trenton W. Ghoram – 11080 Circle Point Rd., Ste. 400, Westminster, CO 80020. 303-657-2005.

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