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Three apply for 6th Judicial District judgeship

The 6th Judicial District Nominating Commission announced three people have applied for nomination to the office of district judge for the 6th Judicial District (Archuleta, La Plata, and San Juan counties).

The application deadline was Aug. 17, 2026, at 4:00 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 Miles McFadden “Mac” Dudley of Durango, David Karl Ottman of Durango, and Kristen M. Tarrin of Dove Creek.

Comments may be directed to any member of the Commission, with a copy to the ex officio chair, Justice Maria Berkenkotter, 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 Aug. 24, 2026, at 4 p.m.

The members of the nominating commission for the 6th Judicial District are James Garrett of Pagosa Springs; John Hamilton Wright and Sarah Moore, both of Silverton; and Maya Kane, Charles Spence, Gary Skiba, and Maria Baker, all of Durango.

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