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Gov. Gianforte Solicits Applications, Nominations for Thirteenth Judicial District Judgeship

HELENA, Mont. – Governor Greg Gianforte is now accepting applications and nominations to fill two district court vacancies in the Thirteenth Judicial District.

The chief justice of the Montana Supreme Court notified the governor of the vacancies in the Thirteenth Judicial District (Yellowstone County) on July 18, 2025. Earlier this year, the Legislature passed and the governor signed into law House Bill 913 which increased the number of judges for Yellowstone County from eight to ten.

Any lawyer in good standing who has the qualifications set forth by law for holding the position of district court judge may apply or be nominated.

The application form is available electronically at nominatejudges.mt.gov.

Applications must be submitted electronically as well as in hard copy by Tuesday, August 26, 2025, by 5 p.m. Applications will be made available to the public. All applications will be considered for appointment to either seat.

Members of the public will be given the opportunity to provide letters of support or other comments regarding the applicants at nominatejudges.mt.gov from Wednesday, August 27, 2025, through Friday, September 26, 2025. Applicants must receive at least three letters of support to be considered for appointment by the governor.

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