## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR STATE OF MONTANA

GREG GIANFORTE GOVERNOR



KRISTEN JURAS LT. GOVERNOR

May 10, 2024

The Honorable John Mercer 312 1st St. East Polson, MT 59860

Dear Judge Mercer:

It is my pleasure to appoint you as District Court Judge to fill the vacancy created as a result of Judge Christopher's retirement (Department 2) in the Twentieth Judicial District. You will serve through January 5, 2025. The candidate chosen by the electors during the 2024 primary and general elections will commence his term on January 6, 2025.

Please coordinate your transition with Chief Justice Mike McGrath and the Twentieth Judicial District.

When you are sworn in, please sign the enclosed oath of office and return it to Hannah Slusser, P.O. Box 200801, Helena, MT 59620-0801 and we will file it with the Secretary of State.

I appreciate your willingness to serve the citizens of Montana and your commitment to the fair and consistent application of the law.

Sincerely,

GREG GIANPORTE

Governor

cc: Chief Justice Mike McGrath