

**MONTANA 7th JUDICIAL DISTRICT
(Dawson, Prairie, McCone, Richland & Wibaux Counties)
APPLICATION, NOMINATION AND APPOINTMENT SCHEDULE**

Event	Date
Receipt of notice of vacancy from Chief Justice	Monday, November 18, 2024
Public notice of vacancy and solicitation of applications – (Within 10 days of receipt of notice of vacancy – Mont. Code Ann. § 3-1-901(2))	Wednesday, November 20, 2024
Deadline for receipt of applications (Application period must end within 40 days of receipt of notice of vacancy – Mont. Code Ann. § 3-1-903)	5:00 p.m. Monday, December 16, 2024
Notice to public and start of 30-day public comment period (Mont. Code Ann. § 3-1-904)	Tuesday, December 17, 2024
30-day public comment period ends; identification of all applicants who have received at least three letters of support from the public (Mont. Code Ann. § 3-1-904)	5:00 p.m. Thursday, January 16, 2025
Deadline for appointment by Governor (Within 100 days of receipt of notice of vacancy from the Chief Justice and within 30 days from the end of the public comment period (Mont. Code Ann. §§ 3-1-904(3) and -905(1))	5:00 p.m. Saturday, February 15, 2025