

THE SUPREME COURT OF MONTANA

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Greg Gianforte
Governor, State of Montana
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Dear Governor Gianforte:

The 2021 Legislature added a district judge position to the Eighteenth Judicial District and required that the position initially be filled through appointment. The appointee is authorized to begin service on January 3, 2022. Pursuant to Montana law, following notice from the Chief Justice the Governor is required to solicit applications to fill the position. I am asking that you initiate the process as soon as possible.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike McGrath".

Mike McGrath
Chief Justice

c: Hon. Peter B. Ohman
Hon. Rienne H. McElyea
Hon. John C. Brown
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