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11th Judicial District Nominating Commission seeks nominees to fill judge vacancy

TOPEKA—The 11th Judicial District Nominating Commission is seeking nominees to fill a district judge vacancy in Labette County created by the July 14, 2017, retirement of Judge Robert Fleming.

The 11th judicial district is composed of Cherokee, Crawford, and Labette counties.

Candidates for district judge must be a lawyer admitted to practice in Kansas who has been engaged in the practice of law for at least five years, whether as a lawyer, judge, or full-time teacher at an accredited law school.

Candidates may apply or be nominated, but nominations must come on an application form and include the candidate's signature. The application form is available from the clerk of the district court office in Cherokee, Crawford, and Labette counties, the clerk of the appellate court office in the Judicial Center in Topeka, or online at www.kscourts.org under What's New.

To be considered, an original and seven copies of the nominating form and supporting documents must be received by the commission chairman no later than noon June 15, 2017. Late submissions will be rejected. Forms will not be accepted by fax or online. The chairman's street address is:

Honorable Lee A. Johnson
301 SW 10th Ave., Room 388
Topeka, KS 66612-1507

The 11th Judicial District Nominating Commission will meet July 6, 2017, to select from three to five nominees whose names will be submitted to the governor to fill the judicial position in accordance with statutory qualification and residency requirements. Commission meetings are open to the public.

The 11th Judicial District Nominating Commission consists of Justice Lee A. Johnson as the nonvoting chair; lawyer members Sara S. Beezley, Pittsburg; Judge Oliver K. Lynch, Baxter Springs; and Richard G. Tucker, Parsons, and nonlawyer members James K. Cook, Parsons; John W. Lehman, Girard; and Charles W. Sweeton, Baxter Springs.

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