

THE SUPREME COURT OF MONTANA

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Hon. Richard Simonton, Chairman
Judicial Nomination Commission
P.O. Box 1249
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Dear Judge Simonton:

The Honorable Ted O. Lympus has given notice of his intention to retire from his position as state district judge in the Eleventh Judicial District effective August 31, 2015. Pursuant to Montana law, the Judicial Nomination Commission is required to solicit applications to fill the vacancy and submit a list of nominees to the Governor. I am asking that you initiate the process as soon as possible. Attached is a draft timeline for the Commission's consideration.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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

Mike McGrath
Chief Justice

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