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Your Honor:

I write in support of the appointment of Bina R Peters for Associate Water Court Judge of the Montana Water Court.

I first met Bina in 2011 when she was starting out as a new Water Master, and I was a new water rights claim examiner at the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC). I worked with her on post-decree assistance cases in the Big Hole, Beaverhead, and Red Rock River Basins. In late 2013, I became a private water rights consultant and expert witness for clients and attorneys in cases where Bina presided as the Water Master. After Bina entered private practice in 2016, we worked together (and on opposite sides) on behalf of numerous clients throughout the state to help them navigate the general adjudication while protecting their water rights. I continue to work with Bina to this day, and I am always impressed with her steady nature as well as her solid grasp of the issues.

Throughout our professional relationship of 14 years, on both the public and private sides, I have always known Bina to be smart, organized, honest, responsive, and practical. She has always sought different points of view as well as a thorough understanding of the evidence in order to arrive at the best outcome.

The people of Montana will greatly benefit with Bina Peters as the next Associate Water Court Judge.

Sincerely,

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