

January 8, 2025

Re: Position of Associate Water Judge

Dear Chief Justice Swanson,

I am writing to you to provide my recommendation for Bina Peters to be appointed to the position of Associate Water Judge at the Montana Water Court. Ms. Peters is an exceptional attorney who has dedicated her career to water law and upholding the rights of Montanans.

I have known Ms. Peters for nearly a decade and can attest that she is an excellent candidate for this position. In addition to serving as a Water Master for several years, Ms. Peters has also developed a private practice focusing on water law. She has earned support from a wide variety of stakeholders including landowners, water rights holders, and importantly our agricultural industry. Having extensive experience that extends beyond the court into private practice makes Ms. Peters a well-rounded candidate with a deep understanding of the system as a whole.

In addition to her knowledge of water law and the inner workings of the court itself, Ms. Peters embodies the characteristics we Montanans want to see in a judge. Ms. Peters is intelligent, driven, detail oriented, and thoughtful. I have no doubt that she will always remain impartial and give every case the respect it deserves.

Ms. Peters will absolutely make a remarkable Associate Water Judge and I strongly encourage your consideration for her appointment. If you have any additional questions or would like to discuss Ms. Peters qualifications further, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

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