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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT
OF A CHIEF WATER COURT JUDGE

ORDER

Section 3-7-221, MCA, provides that the Chief Justice of the Montana Supreme Court appoint a Chief Water Judge to the Montana Water Court.

The Court Administrator has submitted a nominee for the position. Having considered the abilities, background, and qualifications of this nominee, I have concluded that the appointment of Stephen R. Brown is in the best interest of the citizens of Montana. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that Stephen R. Brown of Missoula, Montana, is hereby appointed to the position of Chief Water Judge of the State of Montana for a term commencing on January 1, 2025, and ending July 31, 2025.

The Clerk is directed to file a signed copy of this Order with the Secretary of State of the State of Montana and provide copies to Stephen R. Brown, Associate Water Judge, Russell McElyea, Chief Water Judge, Beth McLaughlin, Court Administrator, Sara Calkins, Water Court Administrator, and the State Bar of Montana.

DATED this 15th day of November, 2024.


Chief Justice