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**To:** McLaughlin, Beth  
**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] Support for Judge Brown

From: Brianna Anderson <brianderson406@gmail.com>  
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Beth,  
It looks like I may have submitted my comments in support of Judge Brown's application for Chief Water Judge to the wrong place. See below. Thank you!

I am writing in support of Judge Steve Brown's application to the position of Chief Water Judge. Judge Brown is the definition of humble excellence. I had the great fortune to be taught by Judge Brown at the Alexander Blewett III School of Law in torts and oil & gas. The dedication that Judge Brown gives his role as an adjunct professor, in addition to his work on the Water Court, is truly inspiring. I can say with confidence that he is one of the best educators I have had the pleasure to learn from. Judge Brown has also been a great mentor to be personally and I'm so grateful for his influence in my life as a new attorney. Without Judge Brown's fair and balanced approach to teaching natural resources law, I would not have ended up practicing in energy law. His even-handed and thoughtful approach to all things qualifies him for the role of Chief Water Judge. Steve Brown is respected by all and a pleasure to know. He will be fantastic in this important role and deserves to make history as Montana looks to complete its statewide water rights adjudication.

Sincerely,  
Brianna Anderson, Esq.