

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF
THE NEBRASKA JUDICIAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
February 19, 2014

A meeting of the Nebraska Judicial Resources Commission was held on the 19th day of February, 2014, in Room 1510, State Capitol, with some Commission members attending by video conferencing locations in Omaha, North Platte and Hastings.

Judge McCormack called the meeting to order in Room 1510, State Capitol Building in Lincoln, Nebraska, at the hour of 9:00 A.M. Roll call by the Secretary:

PRESENT

Judge Michael McCormack, Chr.
Judge Patrick McDermott
Judge John Samson
Jayne Mann
Timothy Engler
Robert Parker
Mark Sipple
Amy Schlichting
Thomas Hoarty
Brian Phares
Richard Carter

ABSENT

Judge Robert O'Neal
Wayne Mark
Steve Mattoon
Mike Day
Lori Scherer
Darlene Starman

The Chairman called for approval of the minutes of the meeting of January 8, 2014. It was moved by Timothy Engler, second by Amy Schlichting that the minutes be approved. Voting yes, all present.

Chairman announced that the purpose of the hearing was to consider whether or not the caseload statistics warranted the filling of the judicial vacancy in the District Court of the 5th Judicial District arising from the retirement of Judge Michael Owens and consider whether or not the caseload statistics warranted the filling of the judicial vacancy in the County Court of the 9th Judicial District arising from the retirement of Judge Graten Beavers.

The Chairman identified and received into the record Exhibits 1 through 8.

The Chairman then called for consideration of the vacancy in the District Court of the 5th Judicial District of Nebraska as a result of the retirement of Judge Michael Owens. The Chairman called for testimony. Testimony in favor of filling the vacancy was received by the Commission. There was no testimony in opposition. It was moved by Mark Sipple and seconded by Jayne Mann that the vacancy in the office of District Judge of the 5th Judicial District be filled with its primary office to be at Aurora, Hamilton County, Nebraska. Voting yes, all present. Motion carried.

The Chairman then called for consideration of the vacancy in the County Court of the 9th Judicial District of Nebraska as a result of the retirement of Judge Graten Beavers. The Chairman called for testimony. Testimony in favor of filling the vacancy was received by the Commission. There was no testimony in opposition. It was moved by Judge McDermott and seconded by Amy Schlichting that the vacancy in the office of County Judge of the 9th Judicial District be filled with its primary office to be at Kearney, Buffalo County, Nebraska. Voting yes, all present. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, it was moved by Timothy Engler and seconded by Amy Schlichting, that the Commission stand adjourned. Voting yes, all present. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Patrick R. McDermott". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "P".

Judge Patrick McDermott, Secretary