

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF  
THE NEBRASKA JUDICIAL RESOURCES COMMISSION  
September 13, 2024**

Pursuant to the press release issued August 30, 2024, a public hearing of the Nebraska Judicial Resources Commission was held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024, in the Nebraska Supreme Court Courtroom, State Capitol Building, in Lincoln, Nebraska.

*AGENDA ITEM I:* The Chair called the proceedings to order at approximately 10 a.m. The proceedings included a Zoom videoconferencing option for Commission members and for members of the public. Roll Call by Kara Nielsen.

PRESENT (\* denotes Zoom attendance)

Justice Jonathan Papik  
Judge Anne Paine\*  
Judge Travis O’Gorman\*  
Judge Matthew Kahler\*  
Timothy Engler  
Taylor Gage  
Cyd Hall  
Kenneth Hartman  
Roxanne Kracl\*  
Nancy McCabe  
Robert Parker\*  
Brian Phares\*  
Meagan Spomer\*  
Darlene Starman  
Ron Temple\*  
Jacqueline Tessendorf\*  
Maria Whitmore

*AGENDA ITEM II:* The Chair confirmed that all Commission members had received and reviewed the minutes from the June 7, 2024, hearing. On a voice vote the commissioners accepted the minutes of June 7, 2024.

*AGENDA ITEM III:* The following exhibits were received and considered by the Commission, and are attached to these minutes:

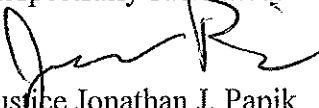
- Exhibit 1: Meeting Agenda
- Exhibit 2: Minutes of the June 7, 2024, hearing.
- Exhibit 3: Appointment Notice of Judge Timothy Hoeft to District Court
- Exhibit 4: Letter from the NSBA
- Exhibit 5: 2024 County Court Weighted Caseload Report
- Exhibit 6: Letter of Judge Michael Burns

*AGENDA ITEM V:* The public hearing was conducted and the Commission received and considered public testimony from: Corey Steel, State Court Administrator, and Liz Neeley, Executive Director of the Nebraska State Bar Association.

*AGENDA ITEM IV(a):* It was moved by Robert Parker and seconded by Meagan Spomer to declare a judicial vacancy in the County Court in the 10<sup>th</sup> Judicial District due to the appointment of Judge Timothy Hoeft to the District Court, with the primary location being Hastings, Adams County, Nebraska; Holdrege, Phelps County, Nebraska; or Minden, Kearney County, Nebraska; at the option of the appointed judge. On a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

*AGENDA ITEM V:* There being no other matters, the Commission adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:



Justice Jonathan J. Papik  
Chair