

NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD

The Nebraska Supreme Court has proposed a new Judicial Nominating Commission rule relating to early notification of regular and alternate attorney members of judicial nominating commissions once it appears to the Supreme Court that a vacancy on any court is imminent.

The Nebraska Supreme Court invites interested persons to comment on proposed rule Neb. Ct. R. § 1-604. Anyone desiring to comment on the proposed rule should do so in writing to the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-8910, or via e-mail to ashley.nolte@nebraska.gov, no later than March 1, 2018.

The full text of the proposed rule is available below, or a hard copy may be obtained from the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals upon request.

CHAPTER 1: ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

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Article 6: Judicial Nominating Commissions.

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§ 1-604. Notification of vacancy to attorney commission members.

When it becomes reasonably apparent that a judicial vacancy on any court is imminent, and prior to the publication of the notice required by subsection (1) of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 24-810 by Supreme Court press release, the judge chairperson of the appropriate Judicial Nominating Commission shall notify all attorney members, regular and alternate, of such vacancy and the impending notice of the date of the public hearing for such vacancy. Both regular and alternate attorney members shall be informed of the approximate date that such press release will be issued and of the limitations on a member who has served on such commission if that member has an interest in applying for the judicial vacancy.

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