

MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF  
THE NEBRASKA JUDICIAL RESOURCES COMMISSION  
August 15, 2011

A meeting of the Nebraska Judicial Resources Commission was held on the 15th day of August, 2011, in Room 1507, State Capitol, with remote locations at Omaha, Nebraska; Hastings, Nebraska; and North Platte, Nebraska.

Judge McCormack called the meeting to order in Room 1507, State Capitol Building in Lincoln, Nebraska. Roll call by the Secretary:

PRESENT

Judge Michael McCormack, Chr.  
Judge Patrick McDermott  
Judge Robert O'Neal  
Judge John Samson  
Riko Bishop  
Mark Sipple  
Amy Schlichting  
Jayne Mann  
Steven Mattoon  
Robert Parker  
Thomas Hoarty  
Richard Carter  
Brian Phares  
Lori Scherer  
Wayne Mark  
Mike Day

ABSENT

Darlene Starman

The Chairman called for approval of the minutes of the meeting of April 26, 2011. Moved by Judge O'Neal, second by Judge Samson that the minutes be approved. Voting yes, all present.

Chairman announced that purpose of the hearing was to consider whether or not the caseload statistics warranted the filling of certain judicial vacancies in the State of Nebraska arising from the retirement or resignation of Judges Jeffre Chevront, Lyn V. White, David A. Bush, and John P. Murphy.

The Chairman identified and received into the record Exhibits 1 through 12.

The Chairman then called for consideration of the vacancy in the District Court of the 3rd Judicial District of Nebraska, as a result of the retirement of Judge Chevront. 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 Samson and seconded by Judge O'Neal that the vacancy in the office of District Judge of the 3rd Judicial District be filled with the primary office being located at Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska. Voting yes, all present, except Riko Bishop who abstained. Motion carried.

The Chairman then called for consideration of the vacancy in the County Court of the 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial District of Nebraska, as a result of the resignation of Judge White. 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 Tom Hoarty and seconded by Wayne Mark that the vacancy in the office of County Judge of the 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial District be filled with the primary office being located at Omaha, Douglas 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 Bush. 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 Robert Parker and seconded by Jayne Mann that the vacancy in the office of County Judge of the 9th Judicial District be filled with the primary office being located at Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska. Voting yes, all present. Motion carried

The Chairman then called for consideration of the vacancy in the District Court of the 11<sup>th</sup> Judicial District of Nebraska, as a result of the retirement of Judge Murphy. 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 O'Neal and seconded by Brian Phares that the vacancy in the office of District Judge of the 11<sup>h</sup> Judicial District be filled with the primary office being located at North Platte, Lincoln County, Nebraska. Voting yes, all present. Motion carried

There being no further business to come before the Commission, it was moved by Judge Samson and seconded by Judge O'Neal 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".

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Judge Patrick McDermott, Secretary