

June 27, 2023

Notice of Judicial Vacancies Spokane County Superior Court

On June 20, 2023, Hon. Julie M. McKay announced the Spokane County Board of County Commissioners agreed to fund a 13th judicial department, effective January 8, 2024. In addition, Governor Jay Inslee recently appointed Hon. John Cooney to the Washington Court of Appeals, Division Three, and he is expected to soon vacate his seat on the Spokane County Superior Court. Accordingly, Governor Jay Inslee is now seeking interested and qualified members of the Washington State Bar Association to submit applications to fill these **two positions** in the Spokane County Superior Court. The Governor's application for judicial appointment, the Uniform Judicial Evaluation Questionnaire, is accepted by the Spokane County Bar Association and several minority bar associations for evaluation purposes. It can be downloaded at: http://www.governor.wa.gov/office-governor/official-actions/judicial-appointments

To be considered for one or both of these vacancies, applicants are strongly encouraged to promptly submit complete applications, along with a short resume and the Waiver and Authorization to Release Information, and schedule judicial evaluations with the judicial district bar association and the statewide minority bar associations. To be considered for both vacancies, applications must be submitted to the Governor's Office by Sunday, July 9, 2023, with all judicial evaluation ratings submitted to the Governor's Office of General Counsel as soon as possible. To be considered for only the 13th judicial department (effective January 8, 2024), applications must be submitted to the Governor's Office by Monday, October 2, 2023. Candidates who applied for appointment in the last year do not need to submit a new application; but they must send a letter of continued interest to be considered. Returning candidates are, however, encouraged to update their application materials/evaluations to reflect the most current information.

Completed applications should be mailed/emailed to the address below:

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