

THE SUPREME COURT OF MONTANA

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Hon. John C. Brown, Chair  
Judicial Nomination Commission  
Law and Justice Center, Room 202  
615 South 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
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Dear Judge Brown:

The Honorable James P. Reynolds has given notice of his intention to retire from his position of state district judge in the First Judicial District effective October 2, 2020. Pursuant to Montana law, the Judicial Nomination Commission is required to solicit applications to fill the position and submit a list of nominees to the Governor. I am asking that you initiate the process as soon as possible. Attached is a proposed appointment schedule.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike McGrath".

Mike McGrath  
Chief Justice

C: Judicial Nomination Commission members  
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Hon. Michael F. McMahon  
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