

Four Attorneys and Two Judges Apply to Fill Empty Nevada Supreme Court Seat

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Chief Justice Ron Parraguirre announced this afternoon the Nevada Commission on Judicial Selection has received six applications from individuals who wish to fill the judicial opening in Seat F of the Nevada Supreme Court.

This judicial selection will fill the seat made available by the retirement of the Honorable Abbi Silver, Supreme Court, Seat F. The applicants in alphabetical order are:

Name	Age	City of Residence	Employer	Job Title
Hon. Scott Freeman	65	Reno	Nevada Judiciary	District Judge
Hon. Tierra Jones	41	Las Vegas	Nevada Judiciary	District Judge
Patricia Lee Esq.	47	Las Vegas	Hutchison & Steffen	Partner
Emily McFarling Esq.	47	Las Vegas	McFarling Law Group	Managing Partner
Richard Pocker Esq.	67	Las Vegas	Boies Schiller Flexner	Partner
Heidi Stern Esq.	49	Las Vegas	Nevada Attorney General's Office	Solicitor General

Nevada attorneys with 15 years of legal experience, which includes two years of Nevada experience, were encouraged to apply for the opening. Interviews to fill the vacant position are scheduled for November 9 and 10 (as necessary) in Carson City. The interviews will be streamed live online and are open to the public. After the interviews, the Commission will nominate three finalists to Governor Steve Sisolak.

The Commission is composed of seven permanent members – the Supreme Court Chief Justice, three non-attorneys appointed by the Governor, and three attorneys appointed by the State Bar of Nevada. Neither the Governor nor the State Bar may appoint more than two permanent members from the same political party and cannot appoint two members from the same county.