

***City Council
Legal Review Committee
Meeting Agenda***

**June 29, 2016
City Hall – City Manager’s Office
749 Main Street
4:00 pm**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Approval of Agenda**
- 4. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda**
(Council requests that public comments be limited to 3 minutes.)
- 5. Approval of May 4, 2016 Minutes**
- 6. Review of Applications for Municipal Judge**
- 7. Lawsuit Settlements/Litigation Updates**
- 8. July 28 Meeting Potential Discussion Items**
- 9. Adjourn**

***City Council
Legal Review Committee
Meeting Minutes***

**May 4, 2016
City Hall
749 Main Street
8:30 AM**

Call to Order – Chairperson Leh called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM.

Roll Call: The following members were present:

***Committee Members: Jeff Lipton, City Council
Chris Leh, City Council
Sue Loo, City Council***

Absent: None

***Staff Present: Malcolm Fleming, City Manager
Carol Hanson, Acting City Clerk
Sam Light, City Attorney
Meredyth Muth, Public Relations Manager***

Others: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved by all members as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MARCH 31, 2015

The minutes were approved with an amendment from Light.

PROCESS TO REPLACE MUNICIPAL JUDGE

Muth stated Judge Joss has submitted a letter of retirement to the Mayor. His last day will be June 30th. Muth presented the Committee the draft Request for Proposals (RFP) that was in the packet.

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Light noted the appointment will be for the remaining time in Judge Joss' term, not a full two-year term. He added that whatever process the Committee decides upon to fill the position, it will need to be approved by the City Council.

Lipton asked if it is appropriate to take applications or nominations. Leh stated in this field applications are generally how it is done. Members agreed on taking applications.

Loo stated she would like a new judge that will continue the positive atmosphere and tone Judge Joss has created in the Court. Lipton added he wanted to continue the existing programs in the court and that the Court continue an atmosphere where everyone is treated with respect.

Leh suggested the application include some questions to get to know the applicants better. Members agreed. Leh will write some and give them to staff.

Light asked if the Committee wanted to list minimum qualifications in the RFP. Members decided on asking for some direct litigation experience or experience as a City Attorney.

Muth stated staff would schedule an item for the May 17 meeting for the City Council to consider/approve a process for the Legal Review Committee to screen the applications and make a recommendation to the City Council on which applicant to appoint.

LAWSUIT SETTLEMENTS/LITIGATION UPDATES

Light gave a brief update.

NEXT MEETING DATE AND POTENTIAL DISCUSSION ITEMS

The next meeting was scheduled for June 9, but Leh asked if it could be moved as he can't make that date. Muth will look for a new date.

Muth stated the only item on the agenda for the next meeting is the draft 501c3 policy.

Lipton asked if the Committee could look at expanding the list of prosecutors used by the Local Licensing Authority at a future meeting.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 AM.



ABLAO LAW LLC

TERESA ABLAO ATTORNEY AT LAW

June 20, 2016

City of Louisville
Attn: Meredyth Muth
745 Main Street
Louisville, CO 80027
MeredythM@LouisvilleCO.gov

Dear Ms. Muth:

I was excited to the City's posting for the Municipal Judge position. I believe I am uniquely qualified to apply for the position and would serve the City well. I have been practicing law since 1988. I have been a prosecutor in District Court, County Court and Municipal Court and in my private practice, have been appointed as alternate defense counsel in various municipal courts in northern Colorado. I am currently working full-time as an assistant city attorney for the city of Loveland. My duties include legal advisor for police, fire, code enforcement, risk management (claims and litigation), municipal court and liquor authority prosecution, and drafting ordinances for city council. I also hold part-time positions with a number of municipalities as presiding judge (Wellington and Hudson), associate/relief judge (Fort Collins, Greeley and Windsor), and hearing officer for neighborhood services (Commerce City, Greeley and Fort Collins). I currently sit as the local liquor licensing authority for the town of Windsor and serve as the liquor and marijuana licensing authority for Commerce City. To keep abreast of changes and trends in municipal law I regularly attend conferences and seminars. I recently attended the Spring 2016 Colorado Municipal Judges' Association conference.

I believe I am fair, even-handed and able to make consistent decisions based on facts and the law. I understand the necessity of allowing people the opportunity to present their side of an issue and the importance of making a good and complete record in the event of an appeal.

I have attached my application for your consideration. I hope to bring my experience and skills to continue providing quality service to the citizens of Louisville. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Teresa "Tree" Ablao

**APPLICATION FOR
LOUISVILLE, COLORADO MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGESHIP**

- I. The information you provide in questions 1 – 34 is public information and will be released upon request if the applicant's name is forwarded to the Louisville City Council as a finalist for consideration of appointment.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Full Name: **Teresa Ablao**
2. Are you able to work in the United States on a full-time basis? **Yes**
3. Are you an attorney at law admitted to practice in Colorado? **Yes** If so, what is your Attorney Registration Number? **17700**
4. Current Work Address: **500 E. Third St, Suite 330, Loveland, CO 80537**
5. Current Work Telephone Number: **970-962-2434**
6. List your place of residence for the past five years:

Dates	City	State	County
2/2009 to present	Loveland	CO	80538

B. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

7. List the names and locations of schools attended, beginning with high school.

Name	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
Central High School	Grand Rapids, MI	1977-1981	HS Diploma
Grand Rapids Junior College	Grand Rapids, MI	1980-1981	
Central Michigan University	Mt. Pleasant, MI	1981-1982	
Western Michigan University	Kalamazoo, MI	1982-1984	B.S.
University of Colorado	Boulder, Colorado	1985-1988	J.D.

C. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

8. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, with dates of admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies which require special admission to practice.

Bar Admission	Date
Colorado State Bar	October 1988
Federal District Court-Colorado	December 2004

9. Indicate your present employment (list professional partners or associates, if any, and include dates). If you currently practice law, describe the nature of your present law practice, listing the major types of law you practice and the percentage each constitutes of your total practice.

I am employed full-time by the City of Loveland as an Assistant City Attorney. I serve

as the legal advisor to a variety of departments including the Loveland Police Department, Airport Commission, Parks and Recreation, Loveland Fire and Rescue Authority, Code Enforcement, Liquor Licensing, Museum, Library, Open Lands acquisition, CORA/CJRA and Risk Management. I also draft intergovernmental agreements, contracts, policies, resolutions and ordinances for these departments.

I also have a private practice with a current emphasis in providing judicial and quasi-judicial services to governmental entities. I serve the Towns of Hudson and Wellington as presiding municipal judge and I am an associate (back up) judge for Greeley, Windsor and Fort Collins. I also serve as the Liquor Authority for the Town of Windsor and City of Commerce City and as a hearing officer for marijuana business licensing in Commerce City.

Previous practice areas included family law, court appointed counsel in dependency and neglect cases, court appointed alternate defense counsel, business and nonprofit organization, liquor licensing, wills and trusts, and civil litigation.

10. If you have focused on any specific area of law listed in number 9, what is it?

All aspects of municipal law

11. Have you practiced in the trial courts of Colorado within the past five years? If so, please state what percentage of your total practice your trial practice constituted and the types of matters handled.

As an Assistant City Attorney, I regularly file objections to and argue against subpoenas duces tecum for confidential information and motions for disposition of property in state District Courts on behalf of the City and the Police Department. Most of the City's civil litigation is handled by outside counsel, though I do assist with discovery requests and review all pleadings.

As a presiding and associate judge, I preside over trials to the court, jury trials, and licensing hearings.

12. Summarize your experience presiding over or serving as an advocate in adversary proceedings before administrative boards or commissions.

As an Assistant City Attorney Loveland, and in previous employment with Fort Collins, I regularly appeared before the Liquor Authority representing the police and City in contested application and suspension hearings.

I have presided over liquor licensing matters in Fort Collins and Windsor and marijuana business licensing matters in Boulder and Commerce City.

13. List your prior professional or business employment since completion of your formal education (include dates).

Please see attached resume.

14. If you have not been employed continuously since completion of your formal education, provide the dates and for each period, describe generally what you were doing.

I took the opportunity to stay home full-time with my children for six months between

leaving the District Attorney's Office in June 1994 and December 1994 when I was hired by the Fort Collins City Attorney's Office as a part-time prosecutor.

D. PROFESSIONAL, COMMUNITY, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

15. List activities in professional associations, including offices held, committees, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).
- Colorado Municipal Judges Association (2001 to present)
 - Larimer County Bar Association (1989 to present)
 - Colorado Bar Association (1988 to present)
 - Colorado Women's Bar Association (1995 to 2010)
 - Asian Pacific American Bar Association (2007-2009)
 - 8th Judicial District Judicial Nominating Committee (1997-2003)
 - CML Juvenile Justice Committee (2001-2003)
 - Larimer County Domestic Abuse Intervention Project (1990-1994)
 - Juvenile Services Planning Commission-Senate Bill 94 (2007-2010)
 - Fort Collins Police Services Meritorious Service Award (2003)
 - Larimer County Drug Task Force Challenge Coin recipient (2006)
 - Metro Municipal Attorneys Association Outstanding Assistant City Attorney Award (2005)
 - Loveland Fire Rescue Authority Citizen Service Award (2013)
 - Loveland Police Chief's Cornerstone Award (2014)
16. List your recent activities in civic and charitable organizations, including offices held, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).
- Colorado High School Moot Court, judge/panel member (2011-present)
 - Front Range Fire Consortium-Swear in Fire Academy graduates (2009 to present)
 - Thompson Valley Preschool, President Board of Directors (2011-2015)
 - Laramie River Valley Rendezvous, Executive Board member (2008-2012)
 - National Law School Moot Court, Regional competition Judge (2008)
 - Childsafe, Inc., President Board of Directors (2005-2010)
 - Meals on Wheels delivery (1997-2001)
 - S. College Community Association board member (1997-1999)
 - Poudre School District Teen Court Program (1999)
 - Shepardson Elementary Site Advisory Team (1997-2004)
17. List all public offices to which you were appointed or elected (include dates served). Have you had any military or other public service? If so, please give details.
- Town of Timnath, Presiding Municipal Judge, 2001-2002**
Town of Wellington, Presiding Municipal Judge, 2000-present
Town of Hudson, Presiding Municipal Judge, 2014-present
Town of Windsor, Associate Judge, 2011-present
Town of Windsor, Local Liquor Authority, 2013-present
City of Fort Collins, Associate Judge, 2012-present
City of Greeley, Associate Judge, 2014-present

E. REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE LOUISVILLE CITY CHARTER AND THE LOUISVILLE CITY CODE

If appointed to the bench, you will be required to comply with the provisions of contained in the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code.

18. Do you understand a judge is required to file reports of compensation for quasi-judicial and extra-judicial activities in conformance with the Code of Judicial Conduct?

Yes

19. Do you understand that a judge must comply with and is subject to applicable provisions of Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, including but not limited to the provisions of Section 9-3 of the Charter setting forth principles of conduct for City municipal judges?

Yes

20. Do you understand that City of Louisville's ethics rules provide that independent contractors who perform official actions on behalf of the City which involve the use of discretionary authority shall not receive any gifts seeking to influence their official actions, that City officers and employees similarly shall not receive such gifts, and that you must abide by the gift restrictions and any other applicable provisions of the City's Code of Ethics?

Yes

F. MISCELLANEOUS

21. A Louisville municipal judge is expected to use computer technology for a wide variety of functions including word processing, legal research, case management, e-filing and e-mail. Do you **personally use** a computer for any of the purposes listed above or for similar purposes? If yes, describe the functions you perform and state how frequently you perform each function. If no, state whether you will participate in training to develop and maintain your personal skills in using computer technology.

Yes. I am proficient working with Word, WordPerfect, PhotoShop, PowerPoint, internet research (legal and general), e-filing (PACER and ICCES), Xcel spreadsheets, scanning and email. I utilize these programs regularly. I also am familiar with FullCourt, as both Fort Collins and Greeley Municipal Courts use that software.

22. List the names of no more than three individuals whom you have contacted and who have agreed to serve as professional references. If selected as a finalist, we will request you provide at least one letter of reference from someone who has knowledge of your legal work.

**Robert Frick
Kathleen Lane
Karen Stevens**

23. Please attach a statement not to exceed one page in length, double-spaced, discussing the reasons why you wish to be appointed to this vacancy and the qualities you would bring to the bench if appointed.

G. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS

24. Have you ever been disciplined or sanctioned for a breach or possible breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee, the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, the Commission on Judicial Discipline (including a private letter of admonition, reprimand, or censure), or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

No

25. Do you know if any proceeding is pending against you before the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

No

26. Have you ever been convicted (including by plea of guilty or *nolo contendere*) a felony, misdemeanor (including driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, driving while ability impaired by alcohol or drugs), or a serious moving traffic offense in any jurisdiction within or outside Colorado? If so, please give details.

I received a traffic citation for careless driving and no proof of insurance in 2004. The insurance charge was dismissed as I did have a complying policy in full force at the time of the citation. The careless driving charge was amended to driving a defective vehicle. I had rear-ended another vehicle when my heel was caught under the mat and I could not get to the brake quickly enough.

27. Have you ever been a party to or the subject of, or involved in any other legal proceedings, civil or criminal (excluding dissolution or bankruptcy proceedings and non-moving minor traffic offenses)? If so, please give details.

00DR434, In re the Marriage of Teresa Ablao and Mitchell Todd Murray. Dissolution of marriage.

28. Have you ever been cited for contempt of Court? If so, please give details

No

29. Is there any circumstance or event in your personal or professional life which, if brought to the attention of the City of Louisville, might tend to affect adversely your qualifications to serve on the Louisville Municipal Court? If so, please explain. **No**

30. Do you currently have a valid Colorado driver's license? If not, please give details. **Yes**

31. Has your driver's license ever been revoked or suspended? If so, please give details. **No**

H. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

32. Have you ever failed to file your state or federal income tax return? If so, please explain.

No

33. Have you been found by the Colorado Department of Revenue, IRS, or any other agency or court to have willfully failed to properly disclose your income during the last five years? If so, please give details.

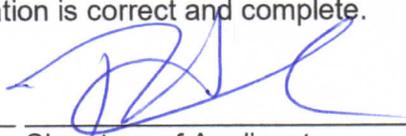
No

34. Do you owe any unpaid taxes or past-due child support? If so, please explain.
No

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

I understand the submission of this application expresses my willingness to accept appointment to the position of municipal judge for the City of Louisville, Colorado, and my willingness to abide by the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, if appointed. I hereby certify that the information given in this application is correct and complete.

Date: 6/20/16



Signature of Applicant

Teresa Ablao
Print or Type Name

WAIVER

I grant the City of Louisville, Colorado the right to examine the records of the Attorney Regulation Counsel (formerly maintained by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee) and the records of the Commission on Judicial Discipline. I consent to the release of information by employers, schools, law enforcement agencies, and other authorized personnel to verify the information contained in this application.

Date: 6/20/16



Signature of Applicant

Teresa Ablao
Print or Type Name

Applications must be submitted by June 20, 2016.

Attachment to Question 13.

Teresa Ablao
Attorney at Law

2061 Shavano Pl. Loveland, CO 80538
970-420-2049 treeab@gmail.com

EDUCATION and LICENSES

- Juris Doctor, University of Colorado May 1988
- B.S. *cum laude*, Western Michigan University December 1984
- Admitted to the Colorado Bar October 1988
- Federal District Court-Colorado December 2004

EXPERIENCE

Municipal Judge Wellington, Colorado. May 2001 to present.

- Administer judicial operations for the Town according to the ordinances adopted by the Town Board of Trustees. Cases adjudicated include adult and juvenile civil infractions, misdemeanors, petty offenses and traffic violations.

Municipal Judge Hudson, Colorado. April 2014 to present.

- Administer judicial operations for the Town according to the ordinances adopted by the Town Board of Trustees. Cases adjudicated include adult and juvenile civil and criminal ordinance violations.

Associate Municipal Judge Fort Collins, Colorado. July 2012 to present.

- Preside over Photo Radar/Red Light trials and civil and animal infraction hearings and in the absence of the Municipal Judge administer other Municipal Court proceedings according to the ordinances adopted by the City Council.

Associate Municipal Judge Windsor, Colorado. January 2011 to present.

- Administer Municipal Court proceedings for the Town according to the ordinances adopted by the Town Board of Trustees in the absence of the Municipal Judge.

Associate Municipal Judge Greeley, Colorado. September 2014 to present.

- Preside over Municipal Court proceedings and Neighborhood Code Enforcement administrative hearings as relief judge in the absence of the presiding Judge.

Liquor Licensing Authority Windsor, Colorado. June 2013 to present.

- Make all quasi-judicial and administrative determinations pertaining to the issuance, transfer, renewal, suspension and revocation of liquor licenses within the Town of Windsor corporate boundaries.

Administrative Hearing Officer Commerce City, Colorado. August 2010 to present.

- Neighborhood Services Hearing Officer-Interpret municipal and land use/development code provisions in a quasi-judicial setting; adjudicate protests of civil infractions and appeals of certain administrative decisions.

- Liquor Licensing Authority- Make all quasi-judicial and administrative determinations pertaining to the issuance, transfer, renewal, suspension and revocation of liquor licenses within the City of Commerce City boundaries.
- Marijuana Licensing Authority-Make all quasi-judicial and administrative determinations pertaining to the issuance, transfer, renewal, suspension and revocation of marijuana business licenses within the City of Commerce City boundaries.

Administrative Hearing Officer Boulder, Colorado. August 2011 to February 2013.

- Interpreted code provisions regarding Medical Marijuana businesses in a quasi-judicial setting; adjudicated appeals of administrative decisions denying or restricting licenses.

Associate Judge Timnath, Colorado. June 2002 to 2004.

- Administered Municipal Court proceedings for the Town according to the ordinances adopted by the Town Board of Trustees in the absence of the Municipal Judge.

Assistant City Attorney Loveland, Colorado. April 2012 to present.

- Legal advisor to Loveland Police Department, Loveland Fire and Rescue Authority, Northern Colorado Airport Commission, Code Enforcement, Liquor Licensing Enforcement, Museum, Library and Risk Management. Draft intergovernmental agreements, contracts, policies, resolutions and ordinances for various departments. Also complete special projects for various departments and legal research as assigned by the City Attorney.

Ablao Law LLC Fort Collins, Colorado. November 2009 to present.

- Private practice of law with a current emphasis in providing judicial and quasi-judicial services to governmental entities. Previous practice emphasis areas included family law, court appointed counsel in Dependency and Neglect cases, court appointed alternate defense counsel, business and nonprofit organization, liquor licensing, wills and trusts, and civil litigation.

Senior Assistant City Attorney Fort Collins, Colorado. December 1994 to March 2010.

- Advised various City departments, conducted liquor license application reviews, prosecuted liquor violations before the Liquor Licensing Authority; supervised Municipal Court prosecution team; drafted ordinances, administrative rules and regulations pertaining to medical marijuana businesses, liquor licensing, administrative procedures for civil infractions and parking services violations; and drafted intergovernmental agreements, contracts, resolutions and ordinances for various city departments.

Deputy District Attorney Eighth Judicial District, Colorado. 1989 to 1994.

- Prosecuted traffic, petty offense, misdemeanor and felony criminal cases in county, juvenile, and district courts in the 8th Judicial District. Other duties included general training for law enforcement and litigating civil forfeiture and appellate cases.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS, VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES and AWARDS

- Colorado Municipal Judges Association
- Larimer County Bar Association
- Colorado Bar Association
- Colorado Women's Bar Association
- Asian Pacific American Bar Association
- 8th Judicial District Judicial Nominating Committee
- CML Juvenile Justice Committee
- Juvenile Services Planning Commission-Senate Bill 94
- National Law School Moot Court, Judge
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- Poudre School District Advisory Team
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- Laramie River Valley Rendezvous, Executive Board member
- Childsafe, Inc., Past Board President
- Fort Collins Police Services Meritorious Service Award 2003
- Metro Municipal Attorneys Association 2005 Outstanding Assistant City Attorney Award
- Loveland Fire Rescue Authority Citizen Service Award 2013
- Loveland Police Chief's Cornerstone Award 2014

PRESENTATIONS/LECTURES

- "Plea Bargaining-Ethical, Legal and Practical Considerations". CML Prosecutor Boot Camp, Denver, 2014.
- "Department of Human Services and Law Enforcement Obligations and Liabilities". Loveland, May 2009.
- "Animal Control Enforcement". Larimer County Humane Society, Spring 2007.
- "First Amendment and Special Event Regulations", Co-presenter. CML Conference, Crested Butte, October 2008.
- "Undue Concentration and the Colorado Liquor Code". CML Conference, Winter Park, October 2006.
- "Residential Occupancy Issues". National Symposium on Best Practices in City/University Relations, Pingree Park, June 2006.
- "Legal Issues Enforcing the Fire Code". National Association of Fire Marshals Symposium, Loveland, November 2006.
- "Dealing with Nuisances Effectively". CML Conference, Vail, June 2005.
- "Code Enforcement Investigations". Colorado Association of Code Enforcement Officers, Fort Collins, September 2005.
- "Liability of Emergency Vehicle Operators". Poudre Fire Authority, Fort Collins, April 2003.

Attachment to Question 23.

I ask to be considered for this position as I thoroughly enjoy municipal law and wish to continue administering justice at the municipal level by rendering decisions that take into account both the law and the impact the decision may have on the quality of life for each individual and the community as a whole.

I am fair, even-tempered and able to make decisions based on facts presented and the requirements of municipal code, charter and rules of procedure. I have experience in maintaining control of the courtroom, even when emotions of the litigants are high. I am prompt in my decisions and know how to make a good and complete record in the event of an appeal. I also have extensive experience appearing as both prosecutor and court-appointed defense counsel in numerous municipal courts including Milliken, Loveland, Greeley and Fort Collins. I have a strong work ethic and a reputation for high quality work, integrity and a commitment to enforcing the laws and ordinances as written. I believe that following law and ordinances are necessary for citizens to enjoy a high quality life in the community in which they live. Because of that, it is important for a judge to fashion sentences that are unique to each case and to each defendant and should serve three purposes. These are:

- Rehabilitation, to ensure an offender obtains appropriate available services that may help prevent future offenses (such as anger management, driving school or alcohol classes);
- Restitution/restoration, to compensate individual victims for their losses due to crime and to make the community whole through fines and community service; and
- Deterrence, sentences should be swift and firm to send a message to the offender and others in the community that breaking the law has consistent and real consequence.

Paul D. Basso
9105 Hoyt St.
Westminster CO 80021
(303) 650-6503

June 16, 2016

City of Louisville
749 Main Street
Louisville, Colorado 80027

Re: Application for Louisville, Colorado Municipal Court Judgeship

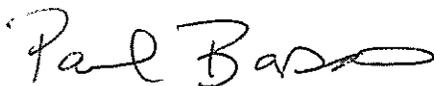
To Whom it may concern:

As a municipal court judge for over thirteen years I am writing to apply for the position of Municipal Judge for Longmont.

During my career as a municipal judge I have presided over more than one hundred and fifty jury trials and countless court trials. I am the Past President of the Colorado Municipal Judge's Association and the co-author of the chapter on sentencing in the Municipal Court's Bench Book. I have spent my career trying to make a positive difference to the lives of all of those who appear before me in court.

Thank you in advance for considering me for the position and for your courtesies in this matter. Along with this cover letter I have attached my resume to the application for employment and three letters of reference. It would be a pleasure to be interviewed by the committee to discuss my qualifications.

Sincerely,


Paul Basso

**APPLICATION FOR
LOUISVILLE, COLORADO MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGESHIP**

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A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Full Name: Paul D. Basso
2. Are you able to work in the United States on a full-time basis? Yes
3. Are you an attorney at law admitted to practice in Colorado? Yes, I am a U. S. citizen. If so, what is your Attorney Registration Number? 15887
4. Current Work Address: Town of Firestone, P.O. Box 100, 151 Grant Avenue, Firestone Colorado 80520.
5. Current Work Telephone Number: (303) 833-3291
6. List your place of residence for the past five years:

Dates	City	State	County
June 2001 to present	9105 Hoyt St. Westminster	CO	Jefferson

B. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

7. List the names and locations of schools attended, beginning with high school.

Name	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
Bishop O'Reilly H. S.	Kingston PA	Sept. 1975 to June 1979	Graduated
King's College	Wilkes-Barre PA	Aug. 1979 to May 1983	B. A.
Oklahoma City University School of Law	Oklahoma City, OK	Aug. 1983 to May 1986	Juris Doctor

C. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

8. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, with dates of admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies which require special admission to practice.

Bar Admission	Date
Colorado	November 1986

9. Indicate your present employment (list professional partners or associates, if any, and include dates). If you currently practice law, describe the nature of your present law practice, listing the major types of law you practice and the percentage each constitutes of your total practice.

I am the Presiding Judge for the Town of Firestone, August 2002 to Present. This constitutes 100% of my current practice. I am responsible for the administration of the court. I conduct arraignments, sentencings, motion hearings, court trials and Jury trials in traffic cases, criminal cases, and municipal code violations.

10. If you have focused on any specific area of law listed in number 9, what is it? Traffic, criminal and municipal ordinance violations.

11. Have you practiced in the trial courts of Colorado within the past five years? If so, please state what percentage of your total practice your trial practice constituted and the types of matters handled. In addition to currently being the Presiding Judge in Firestone I have been the Associate Judge in Westminster for almost thirteen years. This has been 100% of my practice. I conducted arraignments, sentencings, motion hearings, trials to the court and jury trials. I also had input into the policy making decisions of the court.

12. Summarize your experience presiding over or serving as an advocate in adversary proceedings before administrative boards or commissions. In my private practice, 1986 to 2007, I represented numerous clients in administrative matters. This was primarily in the Department of Revenue, Motor Vehicle Division but also included the Colorado Department of Labor, unemployment and the Colorado Environment Division.

13. List your prior professional or business employment since completion of your formal education (include dates).

Presiding Judge, Town of Firestone Colorado. August 2002 to present. I am responsible for the administration of the court. I conduct arraignments, sentencings, motion hearings, court trials and jury trials in traffic matters, criminal cases and municipal code violations.

Associate Judge, City of Westminster Colorado. February 2003 to December 2015. In addition, I was a Pro Tem (substitute) Judge for Westminster from July 1996 to February 2003.

Paul D. Basso, Attorney at Law. November 1987 to April 2007. I was engaged in the general practice of law with an emphasis on the litigation of criminal cases, family law, administrative law and civil matters. For a portion of this time I was a partner in the firm of Basso and Smith. February 1989 to November 1994.

Associate Attorney, Lozow, Lozow and Elliott. January 1987 to December 1987. My practice included traffic matters, criminal cases, administrative matters, and appeals.

14. If you have not been employed continuously since completion of your formal education, provide the dates and for each period, describe generally what you were doing. N/A.

D. PROFESSIONAL, COMMUNITY, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

15. List activities in professional associations, including offices held, committees, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

I was President of the Colorado Municipal Judge's association (CMJA) 2013/2014. I have been a member of the organization from 202 to present. I was an officer from 2010 through 2014 and on the Board of Directors from 2007 to 2009.

Colorado Municipal League Policy Board. CNJA representative 2015 and 2016.

Colorado Bar Association and the 1st judicial District Bar Association for many years.

16. List your recent activities in civic and charitable organizations, including offices held, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

I was a volunteer attorney for Woman in Crisis, Family Tree, Arvada Battered Woman's Shelter from 1989 to 2007. I conducted a regular clinic for the residents and other eligible people on family law and protection orders. I also volunteered to do contested protection orders hearings and provided legal advice to the victim advocates and other personnel on various legal matters.

I was on the Board of Director's for the Westminster Drug and Alcohol Resistance Education Foundation (D.A.R.E.) 1994 to 1996. I prepared the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the Foundation and served on the Board for two years.

17. List all public offices to which you were appointed or elected (include dates served). Have you had any military or other public service? If so, please give details. N/A

E. REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE LOUISVILLE CITY CHARTER AND THE LOUISVILLE CITY CODE

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19. Do you understand that a judge must comply with and is subject to applicable provisions of Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, including but not limited to the provisions of Section 9-3 of the Charter setting forth principles of conduct for City municipal judges? Yes.

20. Do you understand that City of Louisville's ethics rules provide that independent contractors who perform official actions on behalf of the City which involve the use of discretionary authority shall not receive any gifts seeking to influence their official actions, that City officers and employees similarly shall not receive such gifts, and that you must abide by the gift restrictions and any other applicable provisions of the City's Code of Ethics? Yes.

F. MISCELLANEOUS

21. A Louisville municipal judge is expected to use computer technology for a wide variety of functions including word processing, legal research, case management, e-filing and e-mail. Do you **personally use** a computer for any of the purposes listed above or for similar purposes? If yes, describe the functions you perform and state how frequently you perform each function. If no, state whether you will participate in training to develop and maintain your personal skills in using computer technology.

I am proficient in computer use for word processing and e-mail and perform these functions daily. I am very proficient in using the computer for legal research and do this regularly. In my private practice I became familiar with e-filing but it has been several years since utilizing this. As the associate Judge in Westminster I used our case management system from Justice Systems regularly. I am certainly able and willing to participate in training to become proficient in the program used in Lafayette.

22. List the names of no more than three individuals whom you have contacted and who have agreed to serve as professional references. If selected as a finalist, we will request you provide at least one letter of reference from someone who has knowledge of your legal work. I have attached reference letters from Wesley LaVanchy, John Stipech and Carol Barnhardt. In addition, you can contact Judge Bob Fricke, (970) 397-3980.
23. Please attach a statement not to exceed one page in length, double-spaced, discussing the reasons why you wish to be appointed to this vacancy and the qualities you would bring to the bench if appointed. See attached.

G. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS

24. Have you ever been disciplined or sanctioned for a breach or possible breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee, the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, the Commission on Judicial Discipline (including a private letter of admonition, reprimand, or censure), or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details. No.
25. Do you know if any proceeding is pending against you before the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details. No.
26. Have you ever been convicted (including by plea of guilty or *nolo contendere*) a felony, misdemeanor (including driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, driving while ability impaired by alcohol or drugs), or a serious moving traffic offense in any jurisdiction within or outside Colorado? If so, please give details. No.
27. Have you ever been a party to or the subject of, or involved in any other legal proceedings, civil or criminal (excluding dissolution or bankruptcy proceedings and non-moving minor traffic offenses)? If so, please give details. No.
28. Have you ever been cited for contempt of Court? If so, please give details. No.
29. Is there any circumstance or event in your personal or professional life which, if brought to the attention of the City of Louisville, might tend to affect adversely your qualifications to serve on the Louisville Municipal Court? If so, please explain. No.
30. Do you currently have a valid Colorado driver's license? If not, please give details. Yes.
31. Has your driver's license ever been revoked or suspended? If so, please give details. No.

H. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

32. Have you ever failed to file your state or federal income tax return? If so, please explain. No.
33. Have you been found by the Colorado Department of Revenue, IRS, or any other agency or court to have willfully failed to properly disclose your income during the last five years? If so, please give details. No.
34. Do you owe any unpaid taxes or past-due child support? If so, please explain. No.

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

I understand the submission of this application expresses my willingness to accept appointment to the position of municipal judge for the City of Louisville, Colorado, and my willingness to abide by the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, if appointed. I hereby certify that the information given in this application is correct and complete.

Date: 6-16-16 Paul D. Basso
Signature of Applicant

Paul D. Basso
Print or Type Name

WAIVER

I grant the City of Louisville, Colorado the right to examine the records of the Attorney Regulation Counsel (formerly maintained by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee) and the records of the Commission on Judicial Discipline. I consent to the release of information by employers, schools, law enforcement agencies, and other authorized personnel to verify the information contained in this application.

Date: 6-16-16 Paul D. Basso
Signature of Applicant

Paul D. Basso
Print or Type Name

Applications must be submitted by June 20, 2016.

Attachment

23. The reason why I am applying for the position of Presiding Judge for the City of Louisville and the qualities I would bring to the bench if I am appointed.

Ever since I was young I have loved the law and have been fascinated by it. In my first week of high school my guidance counselor asked me about my career goals. I told her I wanted to be an attorney. In college I graduated with honors with a major in Government and Politics, With a Concentration in the Study of Law. After law school I chose to concentrate my practice on litigation with a hope of becoming a Judge. That goal was realized when I first became a Pro Tem Judge in Westminster and then the Associate Judge as well as the Presiding Judge in Firestone.

I am applying for this position to further my judicial career. I am seeking new challenges and hope to extend my knowledge and abilities. In addition to enjoying public service, I want to make a positive impact in the community and on all of those that appear before me with special attention given to juveniles and the younger people that appear in court. Being a Judge is a great honor and carries a great deal of responsibility. I seek that responsibility to try to improve and reform the legal system in municipal court but in particular to make a positive difference in the lives of the people that appear before me.

For many people a traffic ticket or other minor offense is the only contact they will have with the judicial system. Because of this I believe it is important that they leave court feeling they had a positive experience and they were treated fairly and impartially.

Paul Basso

RESUME

Paul D. Basso

9105 Hoyt St.

Westminster CO 80021

(303) 650-6503

E-Mail attypdbasso@yahoo.com

EMPLOYMENT

Attorney, Licensed in Colorado since 1986.

Presiding Judge

Town of Firestone Colorado. August 2004 to present.

Associate Judge

City of Westminster Colorado. February 2003 to December 2015.

Pro Tem (substitute) Judge, City of Westminster. July 1996 to February 2003.

Paul D. Basso, Attorney at Law

November 1987 to April 2007. Engaged in the general practice of law with an emphasis in litigation; criminal law, family law and civil litigation. Extensive experience in the State of Colorado Municipal, County and District Courts as well as administrative hearings, Juvenile and Federal Court trials and appeals.

Basso & Smith P.C.

February 1989 to November 1994. Partner in the law firm in the general practice of law including litigation of Civil, Criminal and Administrative matters in all courts.

Lozow, Lozow and Elliott

Associate attorney, January 1987 to December 1987. Experience included Municipal, County and District Court criminal, civil and administrative matters as well as appeals.

EDUCATION

Oklahoma City University School of Law. Juris Doctor awarded May, 1986.

Kings College, Wilkes Barre Pennsylvania; Bachelor of Arts awarded May, 1983, with honors, Government and Politics with a Concentration in the Study of Law.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Volunteer Attorney, Woman in Crisis, Family Tree, Arvada Battered Woman's Shelter 1989 to 2007.

Board of Directors, Westminster Drug and Alcohol Resistance Education Foundation (D.A.R.E.), 1994 to 1996.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Colorado Municipal Judge's Association. President 2013/2014. Board of Directors, April 2007 to 2009.

Colorado Bar Association and 1st Judicial District Bar Association.

PERSONAL

Married to Wife, Pam with two daughters and three Grandchildren.

REFERENCE

Wesley Lavanchey, Town Manager, Town of Firestone. (303) 833-3291



June 12, 2016

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter of recommendation for your consideration of the Honorable Judge Basso for appointment in the City of Louisville Court. During his nearly fourteen-year tenure at the Town of Firestone, our board members have been fortunate to enjoy a dynamic relationship with Judge Basso because of his accessibility and cooperative relationship. Over the years, he has worked tirelessly to develop the municipal court processes and staff to meet the needs of a growing community. He provides a common sense fair-minded approach to the courtroom and its constituent's.

Judge Basso will bring a tremendous amount of professionalism and dedication to the court, and I am pleased to give him my recommendation.

Sincerely

Wesley LaVanchy, M.B.A.

Town Manager
Town of Firestone
151 Grant Ave
Firestone CO 80520



WESTMINSTER

December 2, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

City of Westminster
Department of
General Services

Municipal Court

3030 Turnpike Drive
Westminster, Colorado
80030

303-658-2250
FAX 303-429-8684

This letter is a recommendation for Paul Basso. He has been an integral member of the Westminster Judicial Bench both as a Pro Tem Judge and an Associate Judge for the last thirteen years. He demonstrates a strong proficiency in knowing the law and researching the areas that he is not familiar with. His decisions in court are clear and prompt. His written decisions are well thought out and supported by the existing case law. He was actively engaged in the administration of the Court and helped create policy.

Judge Basso has served on several boards and is a past President of the Colorado Municipal Judges Association. His service to the Westminster Court is appreciated and we all wish him well in his new endeavors.

John A. Stipech
Presiding Judge

Carol J. Barnhardt
11424 Chase Way
Westminster, CO 80020
Cell phone: 303-548-3430
Email: cjbarnhardt@msn.com

Letter of Recommendation Regarding Paul D. Basso

June 8, 2016

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I am pleased to provide this letter of recommendation in support of the application of Paul D. Basso.

I had the honor and privilege of working with Paul D. Basso beginning in December 2001 when I was appointed as the Court Administrator of the Westminster Municipal Court. At that time Judge Basso was a Pro Tem or substitute Judge for our Court. He became the Associate Judge in February 2003, and I worked with Judge Basso until August 9, 2015 when I retired from my position as the Court Administrator of the Westminster Municipal Court.

I worked closely with Judge Basso on a daily basis and observed his demeanor both inside the courtroom and with our staff. In the courtroom, Judge Basso based his decisions on the applications of the governing laws and ordinances, and the legal principals of the facts. He was fair and open with all of the individuals that appeared before him. He explained his rulings in a clear, concise and logical manner. His written opinions and court orders were also clear and concise. Judge Basso was organized, responsible, possesses excellent research skills, and was a fair and impartial judge. He was always willing to assist our staff with any questions or concerns that arose.

Because of our close relationship, I came to know Judge Basso not only as a jurist, but also as a friend. Judge Basso is caring, honest, loyal, ethical, hard-working, dependable and dedicated. I could always count on him to assist me with legal research, and he would offer ideas and suggestions on my numerous projects and my oversight of the Westminster Municipal Court.

In summary, I recommend Paul D. Basso to you without reservation. I believe he would be an asset to your organization. If I can be of further assistance in your review of his application, please feel free to contact me at the email address or phone number listed above.

Sincerely,

Carol J. Barnhardt

**APPLICATION FOR
LOUISVILLE, COLORADO MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGESHIP**

- I. The information you provide in questions 1 – 34 is public information and will be released upon request if the applicant’s name is forwarded to the Louisville City Council as a finalist for consideration of appointment.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Full Name: Kristin N. Brown
2. Are you able to work in the United States on a full-time basis? yes
3. Are you an attorney at law admitted to practice in Colorado? yes. If so, what is your Attorney Registration Number? 19913
4. Current Work Address: P.O. Box 253, Longmont, CO 80502
5. Current Work Telephone Number: 303-485-7079
6. List your place of residence for the past five years:

Dates	City	State	County
1996 – 2016	Longmont	CO	Boulder

B. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

7. List the names and locations of schools attended, beginning with high school.

Name	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
Longmont High School	Longmont, CO	1980 – 1983	High school diploma
C.U. – Boulder	Boulder, CO	1983 – 1987	BA Sociology
Lewis & Clark Law School	Portland, OR	1987- 1990	JD

C. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

8. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, with dates of admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies which require special admission to practice.

Bar Admission	Date
Colorado Supreme Court	Approx. 1991

9. Indicate your present employment (list professional partners or associates, if any, and include dates). If you currently practice law, describe the nature of your present law practice, listing the major types of law you practice and the percentage each constitutes of your total practice.

Municipal attorney, prosecutor, hearing officer, municipal judge. See attached resume for clients and judicial appointments. Municipal judge work is about 35% of my practice.

10. If you have focused on any specific area of law listed in number 9, what is it?
Have focused on municipal law (including prosecution, enforcement, liquor law enforcement).

11. Have you practiced in the trial courts of Colorado within the past five years? If so, please state what percentage of your total practice your trial practice constituted and the types of matters handled.

Yes, municipal courts (see resume). Boulder District Court, Colorado Court of Appeals (on appeals out of various municipal courts).

12. Summarize your experience presiding over or serving as an advocate in adversary proceedings before administrative boards or commissions.

I have worked in the area of liquor enforcement for over twenty years – including providing legal advice to the Local Liquor Authority, prosecuting liquor violations, and now serving as the Brighton Liquor Authority.

13. List your prior professional or business employment since completion of your formal education (include dates).

See detailed resume.

14. If you have not been employed continuously since completion of your formal education, provide the dates and for each period, describe generally what you were doing.

NA

D. PROFESSIONAL, COMMUNITY, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

15. List activities in professional associations, including offices held, committees, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

Colorado Municipal Judge’s Association (2008 – present; CMJA Board member April 2016 – present; 2010 – 2014). Boulder County Bar Association (1990 – present). Colorado Bar Association (1990 – present). Colorado Municipal League, though now mostly active with the municipal judge’s association (1990 – 2010).

16. List your recent activities in civic and charitable organizations, including offices held, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).
Board member Longmont Coalition for Women In Crisis (women's shelter and provide service for domestic violence victims; ~1991 – 2000); Boulder County Partners (volunteered as senior partner for at risk juvenile; ~1992 – 1998); volunteer with St. Vrain Valley School District (working with counselor at local elementary school, paired up with at risk juvenile - ~1998 – 2002).
17. List all public offices to which you were appointed or elected (include dates served). Have you had any military or other public service? If so, please give details.
None.

E. REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE LOUISVILLE CITY CHARTER AND THE LOUISVILLE CITY CODE

If appointed to the bench, you will be required to comply with the provisions of contained in the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code.

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yes
19. Do you understand that a judge must comply with and is subject to applicable provisions of Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, including but not limited to the provisions of Section 9-3 of the Charter setting forth principles of conduct for City municipal judges?
yes
20. Do you understand that City of Louisville's ethics rules provide that independent contractors who perform official actions on behalf of the City which involve the use of discretionary authority shall not receive any gifts seeking to influence their official actions, that City officers and employees similarly shall not receive such gifts, and that you must abide by the gift restrictions and any other applicable provisions of the City's Code of Ethics?
yes

F. MISCELLANEOUS

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I am a solo practitioner with my own law office. I have no support staff and complete all computer work on my own (including word processing, legal research, case management, e-mail filing, e-mail, billing, financial matters).
22. List the names of no more than three individuals whom you have contacted and who have agreed to serve as professional references. If selected as a finalist, we will request you provide at least one letter of reference from someone who has knowledge of your legal work.
Randy Davis – Broomfield Municipal Judge

Charles Rose – Thornton Municipal Judge

Will Hardesty – Erie Municipal Judge (also Dacono, Broomfield, Brighton courts)

- 23.** Please attach a statement not to exceed one page in length, double-spaced, discussing the reasons why you wish to be appointed to this vacancy and the qualities you would bring to the bench if appointed.

G. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS

24. Have you ever been disciplined or sanctioned for a breach or possible breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee, the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, the Commission on Judicial Discipline (including a private letter of admonition, reprimand, or censure), or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.
no
25. Do you know if any proceeding is pending against you before the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.
no
26. Have you ever been convicted (including by plea of guilty or *nolo contendere*) a felony, misdemeanor (including driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, driving while ability impaired by alcohol or drugs), or a serious moving traffic offense in any jurisdiction within or outside Colorado? If so, please give details.
no
27. Have you ever been a party to or the subject of, or involved in any other legal proceedings, civil or criminal (excluding dissolution or bankruptcy proceedings and non-moving minor traffic offenses)? If so, please give details.
no
28. Have you ever been cited for contempt of Court? If so, please give details
no
29. Is there any circumstance or event in your personal or professional life which, if brought to the attention of the City of Louisville, might tend to affect adversely your qualifications to serve on the Louisville Municipal Court? no. If so, please explain. NA
30. Do you currently have a valid Colorado driver's license? If not, please give details. yes
31. Has your driver's license ever been revoked or suspended? If so, please give details. no

H. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

32. Have you ever failed to file your state or federal income tax return? If so, please explain.
no
33. Have you been found by the Colorado Department of Revenue, IRS, or any other agency or court to have willfully failed to properly disclose your income during the last five years? If so, please give details.
no
34. Do you owe any unpaid taxes or past-due child support? If so, please explain.
no

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

I understand the submission of this application expresses my willingness to accept appointment to the position of municipal judge for the City of Louisville, Colorado, and my willingness to abide by the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, if appointed. I hereby certify that the information given in this application is correct and complete.

Date: _____
Signature of Applicant

Kristin N. Brown
Print or Type Name

WAIVER

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Date: _____
Signature of Applicant

Kristin N. Brown
Print or Type Name

Applications must be submitted by June 20, 2016.



KRISTIN NORDECK BROWN, P.C.
A T T O R N E Y A T L A W

RE: Municipal Judge Application, Question 23

I am very interested in the Louisville Municipal Judge position and feel that I am well qualified to fill the open position. Based on the communities I now serve (as municipal judge and in other legal capacities), I believe that I would very much enjoy serving the Louisville community in this capacity.

Because of my municipal court experience I am very familiar with municipal court rules of procedure. In addition, because of my extensive experience in the field of municipal law, I have a firm understanding of the nature of the cases that come before a municipal judge (including code violations, land use violations, and other non-criminal enforcement matters).

I have worked as a municipal judge since 2008, and now serve as presiding judge in Brighton and Lyons (as well as associate judge in three communities). I have found that my municipal law and municipal prosecutor experience has been very helpful to my work on the bench. My entire law practice has been, and continues to be, related to some form of municipal law.

Since 2011 I have served as Special Prosecutor handling liquor code violations that come before the Louisville Liquor Authority. In that regard, I have worked closely with staff and encourage you to inquire of staff as to their experience in working with me.

As municipal judge I continually work to improve the efficiency, effectiveness and integrity of the Court. These goals would continue with the Louisville Municipal Court.

I have talked with Judge Bruce Joss about the position, the court dockets and the general nature of the court. Based on the information he shared, I feel that I am able to meet the needs of the City in the event I am appointed to the position.



KRISTIN NORDECK BROWN, P.C.
A T T O R N E Y A T L A W

RESUME OF KRISTIN NORDECK BROWN

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO August 1987
Juris Doctor, Northwestern School of Law at
Lewis and Clark College, Portland, OR 1990

LICENSE TO PRACTICE LAW

State of Colorado 1990

JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE

Presiding Judge, Brighton Municipal Court November 2010 - present
Associate Judge, Brighton Municipal Court October 2009 - Nov. 2010
Associate Judge, Thornton Municipal Court November 2008 – present
Associate Judge, Broomfield Municipal Court 2012 – present
Associate Judge, Superior Municipal Court 2014 - present
Presiding Judge, Lyons Municipal Court October 2010 - present

HEARING OFFICER EXPERIENCE

Hearing Officer (administrative appeal matters) 2006 - present
Federal Heights, Commerce City, Sheridan, Littleton,
Clear Creek Fire Authority, Lakewood
Brighton Liquor Authority September 2015 - present
Hearing Officer, City of Thornton July 2003 – present

MUNICIPAL LAW EXPERIENCE

Since 1990 have provided legal services to municipalities, to include legal counsel to City Council/Town Boards, prosecution services, liquor enforcement, legal counsel to police departments, drafting of ordinances. Municipal clients have included Erie, Frederick, Mead, Lyons, Wellington, Louisville, Lafayette, Thornton, Woodland Park, Dillon, Ft. Lupton.



KRISTIN NORDECK BROWN, P.C.
A T T O R N E Y A T L A W

MEMBER OF

Colorado Bar Association
Boulder County Bar Association
Colorado Municipal Judges Association (Board Member)

REFERENCES

Judge Randy Davis, Presiding Judge, Broomfield Municipal Court

Judge Charles Rose, Presiding Judge, Thornton Municipal Court

Judge Will Hardesty, Municipal Judge, Brighton Municipal Court, Broomfield Municipal Court, Erie Municipal Court, Dacono Municipal Court

Chief Gary Barbour, Frederick Police Department, former Division Chief, Lakewood Police Department

Chief Marc Vasquez, Erie Police Department

Mark Shapiro, Erie Town Attorney, Dillon Town Attorney

**APPLICATION FOR
LOUISVILLE, COLORADO MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGESHIP**

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A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Full Name: Ronald W. Carlson
2. Are you able to work in the United States on a full-time basis? Part Time
3. Are you an attorney at law admitted to practice in Colorado? Yes If so, what is your Attorney Registration Number? 19145
4. Current Work Address: 975 N. Ten Mile Dr., E-15; P.O. Box 1829, Frisco, CO 80443
5. Current Work Telephone Number: 970 668-1678
6. List your place of residence for the past five years: 321 Idlewild Dr. Dillon CO 80435

Dates	City	State	County
1998-Present	Dillon	CO	Summit

B. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

7. List the names and locations of schools attended, beginning with high school.

Name	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
Allen Park High	Allen Park MI	9/64-6/68	Diploma
Univ. of Mich	Ann Arbor, MI	9/68-4/69	
Oakland Univ.	Rochester, MI	9/69-6/72	BA
Wayne State Univ.	Detroit, MI	9/72-6/75	JD

C. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

8. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, with dates of admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies which require special admission to practice.

Bar Admission	Date
Michigan	1975
Colorado	1989
Arizona	1999

9. Indicate your present employment (list professional partners or associates, if any, and include dates). If you currently practice law, describe the nature of your present law practice, listing the major types of law you practice and the percentage each constitutes of your total practice.

Carlson & Carlson, business 15%, real estate 15%, divorce 25%, criminal 25%, general civil 10% probate 5%, municipal 5%

10. If you have focused on any specific area of law listed in number 9, what is it?
Business Aspects of Divorce

11. Have you practiced in the trial courts of Colorado within the past five years? If so, please state what percentage of your total practice your trial practice constituted and the types of matters handled.

Yes. 50% trial work in criminal, divorce, general civil including personal injury

12. Summarize your experience presiding over or serving as an advocate in adversary proceedings before administrative boards or commissions.

Presiding: Municipal Court Judge Frisco 1976- Present; Municipal Court Judge BlackHawk 2012- Present; Municipal Court Judge Silverthorne/Dillon Combined Court 2014- Present; Advocate: Asst. Attorney General 1978-1984; Private Practice State and Federal Court in Michigan and Colorado; 8 reported Cases

13. List your prior professional or business employment since completion of your formal education (include dates).

Carlson & Carlson 1993- Present Frisco, CO
Richmond-Carlson 1990-1993 Frisco, CO
Kripke, Epstein & Lawrence 1989-1990 Denver, CO
Bishop & Shelton, 1986-1989 Ann Arbor, MI
Frimet, Bellamy & Gilchrist 1984-1986 Detroit, MI
Department of Attorney General 1978-1984 Lansing, MI
Office of the Public Defender 1976-1978 Ann Arbor, MI
Supreme Court State of Michigan 1974-1976 Lansing, MI

14. If you have not been employed continuously since completion of your formal education, provide the dates and for each period, describe generally what you were doing.

D. PROFESSIONAL, COMMUNITY, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

15. List activities in professional associations, including offices held, committees, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

Colorado Bar Association, Arizona Bar Association, Michigan Bar Association, Colorado Bar Foundation; Continental Divide Bar Association

16. List your recent activities in civic and charitable organizations, including offices held, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

Continental Divide Land Trust, Board Member Emeritus 2004- 2008, Rotary 2014-Present, Optimist 1996-Present

17. List all public offices to which you were appointed or elected (include dates served). Have you had any military or other public service? If so, please give details.

Municipal Court Judge Frisco 1996-Present; Municipal Court Judge BlackHawk 2012-Present; Municipal Court Judge Silverthorne/Dillon 2014-Present; Prosecutor City of Leadville 2008-Present; Prosecutor Town of Frisco 1994-1996; Planning Commissioner Town of Frisco 1992-1994

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Yes. Daily use of Word, ICCS, Excel; Email. Casemaker.

22. List the names of no more than three individuals whom you have contacted and who have agreed to serve as professional references. If selected as a finalist, we will request you provide at least one letter of reference from someone who has knowledge of your legal work.

Jeffery M. Villanueva, Denver, CO
Hon. Paul R. Dunkelman, District Court Judge, Eagle, CO
Bryan Henry, Gypsum, CO

23. Please attach a statement not to exceed one page in length, double-spaced, discussing the reasons why you wish to be appointed to this vacancy and the qualities you would bring to the bench if appointed.

I find being a Municipal Court Judge a wonderful opportunity to serve the public, educate and improve the lives of those coming before the court while protecting and providing justice for victims. I believe that being appointed Judge for the City of Louisville will add new and exciting opportunities to experience a broader and deeper range of problem solving.

In my current Municipal Court Judge appointments I have been able to innovate programs and collection procedures to more effectively reform defendant behaviors and more efficiently obtain restitution and revenue. I believe that in Louisville and I apply and expand those ideas.

The qualities I bring to the position are patience, discipline, an ability to listen, decades of experience to understand the true underlying issues, separate out the innocent from the guilty and the stupid mistake from the malicious act.

G. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS

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NO
27. Have you ever been a party to or the subject of, or involved in any other legal proceedings, civil or criminal (excluding dissolution or bankruptcy proceedings and non-moving minor traffic offenses)? If so, please give details.
NO
28. Have you ever been cited for contempt of Court? If so, please give details
No
29. Is there any circumstance or event in your personal or professional life which, if brought to the attention of the City of Louisville, might tend to affect adversely your qualifications to serve on the Louisville Municipal Court? No If so, please explain. No
30. Do you currently have a valid Colorado driver's license? If not, please give details.
Yes
31. Has your driver's license ever been revoked or suspended? If so, please give details. No

H. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

32. Have you ever failed to file your state or federal income tax return? If so, please explain.
No
33. Have you been found by the Colorado Department of Revenue, IRS, or any other agency or court to have willfully failed to properly disclose your income during the last five years? If so, please give details.
No
34. Do you owe any unpaid taxes or past-due child support? If so, please explain.
No

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

I understand the submission of this application expresses my willingness to accept appointment to the position of municipal judge for the City of Louisville, Colorado, and my willingness to abide by the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, if appointed. I hereby certify that the information given in this application is correct and complete.

Date: 6/17/16 
Signature of Applicant
RONALD W CARLSON
Print or Type Name

WAIVER

I grant the City of Louisville, Colorado the right to examine the records of the Attorney Regulation Counsel (formerly maintained by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee) and the records of the Commission on Judicial Discipline. I consent to the release of information by employers, schools, law enforcement agencies, and other authorized personnel to verify the information contained in this application.

Date: 6/17/16 
Signature of Applicant
RONALD W CARLSON
Print or Type Name

Applications must be submitted by June 20, 2016.

**APPLICATION FOR
LOUISVILLE, COLORADO MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGESHIP**

I. The information you provide in questions 1 – 34 is public information and will be released upon request if the applicant’s name is forwarded to the Louisville City Council as a finalist for consideration of appointment.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Full Name: Claybourne Murray (“Clay”) Douglas
2. Are you able to work in the United States on a full-time basis? Yes
3. Are you an attorney at law admitted to practice in Colorado? Yes. If so, what is your Attorney Registration Number? 6346
4. Current Work Address: 1124 Princeton Drive, Longmont, Colorado 80503
5. Current Work Telephone Number: 720-244-3312
6. List your place of residence for the past five years:

Dates	City	State	County
July 1988 to Present	Longmont	Colorado	Boulder

B. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

7. List the names and locations of schools attended, beginning with high school.

Name	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
Stephen F. Austin High School	El Paso, Texas	9/1/61-6/1/65	Diploma
Texas Tech University	Lubbock, Texas	9/1/65-5/31/69	B.A.
University of Texas School of Law	Austin, Texas	9/1/69-12/31/71	J.D.

C. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

8. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, with dates of admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies which require special admission to practice.

Bar Admission	Date
State of Texas state courts	April 20, 1972
State of Alaska state courts	October 13, 1972
US District Court, Alaska	November 8, 1973
US Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit	November 29, 1973
State of Colorado state courts	May 19, 1975
US District Court, Colorado	May 19, 1975
US Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit	May 19, 1975
US Supreme Court	February 19, 1985

9. Indicate your present employment (list professional partners or associates, if any, and include dates). If you currently practice law, describe the nature of your present law practice, listing the major types of law you practice and the percentage each constitutes of your total practice.

While presently retired from full-time law practice, I am doing part-time municipal law consulting work. Most recently, I have worked with Hoffmann, Parker, Wilson & Carberry, P.C. to update several municipal codes to eliminate content-based sign regulations and to clarify commercial mobile radio system (CMRS) facility height limits. Municipal law comprises 100% of my practice.

10. Have you practiced in the trial courts of Colorado within the past five years? If so, please state what percentage of your total practice your trial practice constituted and the types of matters handled.

I have practiced in Colorado trial courts within the past 5 years, representing the City of Boulder in state court litigation involving irrigation ditch easements, road and bridge rights-of-way and access to public records under the Colorado Criminal Justice Records Act. Trial court practice has constituted approximately 10% of my total practice.

11. Summarize your experience presiding over or serving as an advocate in adversary proceedings before administrative stop was boards or commissions.

As independent hearing officer for the Town of Lyons, I have presided over administrative hearings and issued administrative rulings in adversary proceedings (involving parties represented by attorneys) regarding interpretation and enforcement of the Lyons Municipal

Code. As Longmont City Attorney, and as City of Boulder Senior Assistant City Attorney, I have represented municipal clients in numerous proceedings before administrative boards or commissions, including the Colorado Civil Rights Commission, the US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and local licensing authorities. As Standing Master for the Alaska Superior Court, I have presided at judgment debtor examinations, heard and decided probate matters and judgment amounts in default cases involving unliquidated claims.

12. List your prior professional or business employment since completion of your formal education (include dates).

Hoffmann, Parker, Wilson & Carberry, P.C.: Contract Associate (March 2016 to date)

City of Boulder, Colorado: Senior Assistant City Attorney (November 2009-February 2015)

Town of Lyons, Colorado:

Special Counsel (July-August 2009)

Hearing Officer (March-August 2009)

Jefferson County, Colorado: Assistant County Attorney (January 2009)

City of Longmont, Colorado: City Attorney (January 1988-December 2008)

City of Aurora, Colorado:

Deputy City Attorney (June 1986-January 1988)

Managing Municipal Prosecutor (October 1980-June, 1986)

Assistant City Attorney (September 1977-October 1980)

Solo part-time private practice, including criminal defense, child support collections and *Guardian Ad Litem* (1977-1981)

Mosley, Wells & Spence, Attorneys at Law, Denver, Colorado: Associate (May 1977-September 1977)

Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska: Assistant Municipal Attorney (January 1976-April 1977)

Greene and Bankston, Attorneys at Law, Anchorage, Alaska: Associate (September-December 1975)

Greater Anchorage Area Borough, Alaska: Assistant Borough Attorney (May 1973-November 1974)

Alaska Superior Court, Third Judicial District, Anchorage, Alaska: Standing Master and Court Attorney (May 1972-May 1973)

13. If you have not been employed continuously since completion of your formal education, provide the dates and for each period, describe generally what you were doing.

November 1974-September 1975: I resigned my position with the Greater Anchorage Area Borough Attorney's Office and moved from Alaska to Colorado. I studied and sat for the Colorado Bar Examination, awaited Colorado bar admission, and sought employment as an attorney. In September 1975 (not having secured an acceptable position in Colorado), I accepted employment with an Alaska law firm and returned to Alaska.

April-May 1977: I resigned my position with the Municipality of Anchorage and moved to Colorado, where I accepted a position with a Denver law firm.

December 2008-January 2009: In December 2008, I retired from the City of Longmont and was fully retired until January 2009.

February-March 2009: I resigned my position with the Jefferson County Attorney's office, and was fully retired until March 2009.

August-November 2009: After completing part-time contract assignments for the Town of Lyons in August 2009. I was fully retired until November 2009. Among other things, my wife and I have done some recreational travel together.

February 2015 to March 2016: After retiring from the Boulder City Attorney's Office, I was fully retired until March 2016. Among other things, my wife and I have done additional recreational travel together.

D. PROFESSIONAL, COMMUNITY, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

14. List activities in professional associations, including offices held, committees, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

International Municipal Lawyers Association:

Tenth Circuit North Regional Vice President (2006 -2008);

Colorado State Chair (2005-2006);

Colorado Municipal League:

Board Member and Attorneys Section President (2004-2005);

Attorneys Section Vice President (2003-2004);

Guest lecturer and panelist at several conferences. Topics include:

Municipal Court Rule Changes;

Use of Technology in Municipal Legal Practice;

First Amendment Jeopardy! A City Attorney's Survey of Key First Amendment Issues.

Metro City Attorneys Association:

Member (1988-2008);

Outstanding City Attorney Award (2008);

President (2004-2005);

Outstanding Deputy City Attorney Award (1987);

Special Accomplishment Award (1986)

Colorado Municipal Judges Association (1980-1988):

Guest lecturer and panelist at several seminars. Subjects include: Evidence; Criminal Procedure; Discovery.

- 15.** List your recent activities in civic and charitable organizations, including offices held, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

Member: Longmont Silver Dollars. Silver Dollars is an organization for seniors (55+ years) to promote giving and community involvement among older adults. We strive to create an interactive and fun atmosphere for older adults to discuss community issues and to help other not-for-profit organizations to use small grants to serve seniors in new ways. (April 2016 to present)

Team member: Longs Peak United Methodist Church fellowship team. This team provides refreshments and promotes fellowship among our congregation. (June 2000 to present)

Outlook United Resources (OUR) Center food service volunteer to provide cooked meals to disadvantaged persons in Longmont. (Occasionally since 2015).

Longmont Rotary Club member and Paul Harris Fellow (1988-2008)

- 16.** List all public offices to which you were appointed or elected (include dates served). Have you had any military or other public service? If so, please give details.

City of Boulder, Colorado Senior Assistant City Attorney (November 2009-February 2015)

Town of Lyons, Colorado Special Counsel (July-August 2009)

Town of Lyons, Colorado Hearing Officer (March-August 2009)

Jefferson County, Colorado Assistant County Attorney (January 2009)

City of Longmont, Colorado City Attorney (January 1988-December 2008)

Colorado Supreme Court Committee on Municipal Court Rules amendments (1987)

City of Aurora, Colorado:

Deputy City Attorney (June 1986-January 1988)

Managing Municipal Prosecutor (October 1980-June 1986)

Assistant City Attorney (September 1977-October 1980)

Municipality of Anchorage Assistant Municipal Attorney (January 1976-April 1977)

Greater Anchorage Area Borough Assistant Borough Attorney (May 1973-November 1974)

Alaska Superior Court Standing Master and Court Attorney (May 1972-May 1973)

I have had no military service.

E. REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE LOUISVILLE CITY CHARTER AND THE LOUISVILLE CITY CODE

If appointed to the bench, you will be required to comply with the provisions of contained in the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code.

17. Do you understand a judge is required to file reports of compensation for quasi-judicial and extra-judicial activities in conformance with the Code of Judicial Conduct?

Yes

18. Do you understand that a judge must comply with and is subject to applicable provisions of Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, including but not limited to the provisions of Section 9-3 of the Charter setting forth principles of conduct for City municipal judges?

Yes

19. Do you understand that City of Louisville's ethics rules provide that independent contractors who perform official actions on behalf of the City which involve the use of discretionary authority shall not receive any gifts seeking to influence their official actions, that City officers and employees similarly shall not receive such gifts, and that you must abide by the gift restrictions and any other applicable provisions of the City's Code of Ethics?

Yes

F. MISCELLANEOUS

20. A Louisville municipal judge is expected to use computer technology for a wide variety of functions including word processing, legal research, case management, e-filing and e-mail. Do you personally use a computer for any of the purposes listed above or for similar purposes? If yes, describe the functions you perform and state how frequently you perform each function. If no, state whether you will participate in training to develop and maintain your personal skills in using computer technology.

Yes, I personally use a computer for all of the functions listed above.

Word processing: daily

Case Management: weekly

E-filing: infrequently

Email: daily

- 21.** List the names of no more than three individuals whom you have contacted and who have agreed to serve as professional references. If selected as a finalist, we will request you provide at least one letter of reference from someone who has knowledge of your legal work.

Thomas A. Carr
City Attorney
PO Box 791
Boulder, CO 80306
Phone: (303) 441-3832
Email: carrt@bouldercolorado.gov

David Gehr
PO Box 791
Boulder, CO 80306
Phone: (303) 441-4121
Email: gehrd@bouldercolorado.gov

Charles (Charlie) Richardson,
Council Member Ward IV
15151 E. Alameda Parkway
Aurora, CO 80012
Phone: (720) 320-0808
Email: swato@aol.com

- 22.** Please attach a statement not to exceed one page in length, double-spaced, discussing the reasons why you wish to be appointed to this vacancy and the qualities you would bring to the bench if appointed.

G. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS

- 23.** Have you ever been disciplined or sanctioned for a breach or possible breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee, the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, the Commission on Judicial Discipline (including a private letter of admonition, reprimand, or censure), or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

I have never been disciplined or sanctioned for breach or possible breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct.

24. Do you know if any proceeding is pending against you before the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

To my knowledge, no such proceeding is pending.

25. Have you ever been convicted (including by plea of guilty or nolo contendere) a felony, misdemeanor (including driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, driving while ability impaired by alcohol or drugs), or a serious moving traffic offense in any jurisdiction within or outside Colorado? If so, please give details.

I have never been convicted of any of the listed offenses.

26. Have you ever been a party to or the subject of, or involved in any other legal proceedings, civil or criminal (excluding dissolution or bankruptcy proceedings and non-moving minor traffic offenses)? If so, please give details.

In 1977, my wife and I filed a civil lawsuit against a real estate agent in Denver to recover an earnest money deposit for a real estate purchase. The case was resolved when the agent returned the earnest money deposit.

About 1986 or 1987, Aurora, Colorado police officers arrested and charged several people with public order offenses arising from a melee at an Aurora nightclub. Some of those arrestees filed a civil action against the arresting officers and the City. The action also named me (as the prosecutor who handled the municipal charges). The action against me was dismissed with prejudice.

27. Have you ever been cited for contempt of Court? If so, please give details.

I have never been cited for contempt of court.

28. Is there any circumstance or event in your personal or professional life which, if brought to the attention of the City of Louisville, might tend to affect adversely your qualifications to serve on the Louisville Municipal Court? If so, please explain.

To my knowledge, there is no such circumstance or event.

29. Do you currently have a valid Colorado driver's license? If not, please give details.

I currently have a valid Colorado driver's license.

30. Has your driver's license ever been revoked or suspended? If so, please give details.

My driver's license has never been revoked or suspended

H. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

31. Have you ever failed to file your state or federal income tax return? If so, please explain.

I have never failed to file my state or federal income tax return.

32. Have you been found by the Colorado Department of Revenue, IRS, or any other agency or court to have willfully failed to properly disclose your income during the last five years? If so, please give details.

I have never been found by any agency or court to have willfully failed to properly disclose my income.

33. Do you owe any unpaid taxes or past-due child support? If so, please explain.

I do not owe any unpaid taxes or past-due child support.

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

I understand the submission of this application expresses my willingness to accept appointment to the position of municipal judge for the City of Louisville, Colorado, and my willingness to abide by the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, if appointed. I hereby certify that the information given in this application is correct and complete.



Date: 6/20/2016

Signature of Applicant

Claybourne M. Douglas

Print or Type Name

WAIVER

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Date: 6/20/2016

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Claybourne M. Douglas". The signature is written in a cursive style and is contained within a light blue rectangular box.

Signature of Applicant

Claybourne M. Douglas

Print or Type Name

Clay Douglas Louisville Municipal Judge Application Attachment

Reasons I wish to be appointed to Louisville Municipal Judge vacancy:

After a long and successful municipal law career, I wish to remain professionally active by applying my significant municipal court knowledge and experience to benefit the community.

Qualities I would bring to the bench if appointed:

Experience and familiarity with municipal court issues: I personally handled the following reported cases resolving municipal court procedure and evidence issues: *Bradford v. Longmont Mun. Court*, 830 P.2d 1135 (juvenile rights to municipal court jury trials); *People v. Wright*, 742 P.2d 316 and *Friday v. People*, 742 P.2d 321 (municipal courts not subject to compulsory joinder statute); *Kinney v. Young*, 689 P.2d 614 (municipal jail is a "common jail" under state law); *Alley v. Kal*, 616 P.2d 191 (defendant's pre-trial conference request suspends speedy trial period); *People v. Walker*, 610 P.2d 496 (judicial notice and foundation for traffic radar reading); *People v. Stribel*, 609 P.2d 113 (police patrol car speedometer records as admissible evidence); *People v. District Court*, 599 P.2d 260 (*Colorado Criminal Code inapplicable to municipal court prosecution*).

The Colorado Supreme Court appointed me to its committee for comprehensive revisions of the Colorado Municipal Court Rules. I worked successfully with the Colorado Municipal League and city lobbyists to improve municipal court probation law (C.R.S. § 13-10-113(2), Laws 1987, H.B.1007, § 1). At the Aurora Municipal Court, I implemented one of Colorado's first municipal court domestic violence victim advocate programs.

Strong organizational skills: For example, at the City of Longmont, I designed and implemented an electronic subpoena system (including e-mail subpoenas and returns) to timely and efficiently issue, serve, and track municipal court subpoenas using standard office software.

**APPLICATION FOR
LOUISVILLE, COLORADO MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGESHIP**

- I. The information you provide in questions 1 – 34 is public information and will be released upon request if the applicant’s name is forwarded to the Louisville City Council as a finalist for consideration of appointment.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Full Name: Willard Benson Hardesty
2. Are you able to work in the United States on a full-time basis? Yes
3. Are you an attorney at law admitted to practice in Colorado? Yes. If so, what is your Attorney Registration Number? 1916
4. Current Work Address: Home address; I am retired from the practice of law: 12420 West Ellsworth Place, Lakewood, CO 80228
5. Current Work Telephone Number: Personal cellphone number; I am retired from the practice of law: 303-829-9487.
6. List your place of residence for the past five years:

Dates	City	State	County
1998 through present	Lakewood	CO	Jefferson

B. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

7. List the names and locations of schools attended, beginning with high school.

Name	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
Wheat Ridge High School	Wheat Ridge, CO	September, 1961-June, 1964	Diploma
Doane College	Crete, NE	September, 1964-June, 1965	None
University of Kansas	Lawrence, KS	September, 1965-June, 1968	B.S., Journalism
University of Kansas, School of Law	Lawrence, KS	September, 1968-June, 1969	None
University of Colorado, School of Law	Boulder, CO	September, 1969-June, 1971	JD

C. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

8. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, with dates of admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies which require special admission to practice.

Bar Admission	Date
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Colorado	October, 1971
U.S. District Court, Colorado	October, 1971
U.S. Court of Appeals, 10 th Circuit	October, 1973
U.S. Supreme Court	January, 1978
Navajo Nation Bar Association	June, 2003
Courts of the Hopi Nation	August, 2004

9. Indicate your present employment (list professional partners or associates, if any, and include dates). If you currently practice law, describe the nature of your present law practice, listing the major types of law you practice and the percentage each constitutes of your total practice.

I am retired from the practice of law. I am currently serving as a Municipal Judge for the following municipalities: Brighton, Broomfield, Dacono, Erie, Firestone, Fort Lupton, Frederick, Keenesburg, Thornton and Wheat Ridge. Previously, I practiced law from October 1, 1971 until December 6, 2012.

10. If you have focused on any specific area of law listed in number 9, what is it?

At first, my practice was primarily family and criminal law. I did dissolutions, both simple and complex, child custody disputes, change of custody disputes, child support actions and actions to change child support, representing both male and female clients, both custodial and non-custodial parents. I did a wide variety of misdemeanor and felony actions, in both the Federal and state courts. Gradually, my practice evolved to the point where it was heavily financially-oriented and business-oriented. I represented a number of small- and medium-sized businesses, several credit unions and a variety of individuals (primarily in business, estate-planning/administration and real estate matters). I also did collaborative family law and more traditional family law. I did mediation and other alternative dispute resolution (ADR) through Jeffco Judicial Center for Solutions.

11. Have you practiced in the trial courts of Colorado within the past five years? If so, please state what percentage of your total practice your trial practice constituted and the types of matters handled.

I retired from the practice of law on December 6, 2012. That is almost four years ago. Prior to retiring, I was in the process of winding down my practice, and I really did not do much trial work for the year or so prior to my retirement. I referred cases to other attorneys if the case looked like it would take a lot of time and/or require trial work.

12. Summarize your experience presiding over or serving as an advocate in adversary proceedings before administrative boards or commissions.

I was first appointed as a Municipal Judge on February 26, 1990. I have been a judge continuously since then. I was appointed as an Administrative Hearing Officer in the City of Wheat Ridge in 2007. As time has gone by, I have essentially become the primary Administrative Hearing Officer for the City. In December 2008, I was appointed as the Liquor Licensing Authority for the Town of Erie. In December, 2011, I was appointed as an Administrative Hearing Officer for the City of Thornton.

13. List your prior professional or business employment since completion of your formal education (include dates).

1967 until 1981, I was a record and live-music critic for *The Kansas City Star*, *The Rocky Mountain News*, *The Denver Post* and *The Denver Business Journal*.

October 1, 1971 until December 6, 2012, I was in my own practice of law.

1980 until 1987, I served as a contract public defender in the Lakewood Municipal Court. My office-mate, Tom Elliott, and I were chosen by the judges of the Court to start that public defender program.

February, 1990-June, 2010: Part-time judge, Lakewood Municipal Court; retired in June, 2010 in honor of my deceased wife who very much wanted me to retire.

1994-present: Relief Judge, Wheat Ridge Municipal Court. 2007-present: Administrative Hearing Officer for the City of Wheat Ridge.

1998-2002, 2003-present: Associate Judge, Broomfield Municipal Court. 2007-present: Judge presiding over the Community Alternative Dispute Resolution Program in the Court. 2011 (April-July): Interim Presiding Judge of the Court.

1999-present: Associate Judge, Thornton Municipal Court. December, 2011-present—Administrative Hearing Officer for the City.

2002-2016: Associate Judge, Golden Municipal Court.

2004: Special Relief Prosecutor, Lafayette Municipal Court.

2004: Special Relief Judge, Alamosa Municipal Court.

September, 2008-January, 2009: Interim Judge, Dacono Municipal Court. January, 2009-present: Judge, Dacono Municipal Court.

December, 2008-present: Judge, Erie Municipal Court. I also serve as the Liquor Licensing Authority for the Town.

January, 2009-present: Associate Judge, Frederick Municipal Court.

July, 2010-present: Associate Judge, Firestone Municipal Court.

November, 2010-present: Associate Judge, Brighton Municipal Court.

Fall, 2012-present: Associate Judge, Fort Lupton Municipal Court.

November, 2013-present: Judge, Keenesburg Municipal Court.

14. If you have not been employed continuously since completion of your formal education, provide the dates and for each period, describe generally what you were doing.
Not applicable.

D. PROFESSIONAL, COMMUNITY, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

15. List activities in professional associations, including offices held, committees, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

Professional activities

Volunteer court mediator, Jefferson County District Court—Fall, 2003-2012.

Native American Tribal Court Committee of the National Conference of Specialized Court Judges of the American Bar Association—2002-2006; Chair 2002-3.

Colorado Municipal Judges Association—Board of Directors 1994-1998, 2003-2010 and 2011-2016. Minority Affairs Chair/Diversity Proponent, 2000-present. Secretary, 2005-6. Treasurer, 2006-7. Vice-President, 2007-8. President, 2008-9.

Colorado Bar Association—Municipal Judges' Association member of the Family Violence Steering Committee—2004 until the Committee was disbanded in 2012.

First Judicial District Bar Association—various committee assignments, including Judicial Poll, Publications, Nominating, and Awards Banquet Committees. Editor of *The Proclamation* (monthly newsletter), 2001-2004.

Colorado Collaborative Family Law Professionals—member 2001-2004.

Mile High Collaborative Law Professionals—member 2006-7.

Denver Metropolitan Lawyer Referral Service, Board of Directors—member 2008-2009

Community activities

Lakewood Commission on Cultural Diversity and Human Relations—member 1999-2003; Chair—2000-2002; “senior” Advisory Committee member 2003-2005.

Mayor’s select committee concerning the establishment of a Youth Commission in the City of Lakewood—February, 2001.

Lakewood Citizen Police Academy—Fall, 2000 graduate.

Applewood Business Association—1984-2013; general counsel, member of the Board of

Directors for seven years, vice-president one year.

Wheat Ridge High School Class of '64 Reunion, Inc.—president; member of the organizing committee for 40+ years.

Wheat Ridge High School Band Reunion, Inc.—general counsel and financial manager, 1993-2001.

Denver March Pow Wow—general counsel for seven years.

Lakewood Heritage Pow Wow—planning committee member 1998-2004; tri-chair, 2003-2004.

Gourd Dance—initiated March 9, 1996.

Golden Community Choirs (umbrella organization for three vocal groups)—legal advisor, 2004 until after my wife (who was a member of the Choir) died in 2010.

16. List your recent activities in civic and charitable organizations, including offices held, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

I really have not been active (other than as stated above) since my wife was stricken with pancreatic cancer in 2009 and died in 2010.

17. List all public offices to which you were appointed or elected (include dates served). Have you had any military or other public service? If so, please give details.

I have never been appointed to a public office (other than the judicial positions which are mentioned herein). I have never been elected to a public office. I have no military service. I have no public service other than is stated herein.

E. REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE LOUISVILLE CITY CHARTER AND THE LOUISVILLE CITY CODE

If appointed to the bench, you will be required to comply with the provisions of contained in the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code.

18. Do you understand a judge is required to file reports of compensation for quasi-judicial and extra-judicial activities in conformance with the Code of Judicial Conduct?

Yes.

19. Do you understand that a judge must comply with and is subject to applicable provisions of Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, including but not limited to the provisions of Section 9-3 of the Charter setting forth principles of conduct for City municipal judges?

Yes.

20. Do you understand that City of Louisville's ethics rules provide that independent contractors who perform official actions on behalf of the City which involve the use of discretionary authority shall not receive any gifts seeking to influence their official actions, that City officers and employees similarly shall not receive such gifts, and that you must abide by the gift restrictions and any other applicable provisions of the City's Code of Ethics?

Yes

F. MISCELLANEOUS

21. A Louisville municipal judge is expected to use computer technology for a wide variety of functions including word processing, legal research, case management, e-filing and e-mail. Do you **personally use** a computer for any of the purposes listed above or for similar

purposes? If yes, describe the functions you perform and state how frequently you perform each function. If no, state whether you will participate in training to develop and maintain your personal skills in using computer technology.

Yes. I started using a computer in 1982 to prepare pleadings and billings in my practice. During the last years of my law practice, I complied with all of the requirements regarding e-filing of pleadings. So, many of my pleadings were prepared on my computer and filed directly from that computer. When doing legal research, I usually take notes using my computer. As journalism major and a former writer, I use my computer to do 99% of my writing. As a judge, I use my computer to prepare Orders that I need to enter. The most recent concrete example I can give is that I used my computer to prepare 15 pages of notes and an outline for a verbal order I needed to deliver in an Erie Municipal Court case.

- 22.** List the names of no more than three individuals whom you have contacted and who have agreed to serve as professional references. If selected as a finalist, we will request you provide at least one letter of reference from someone who has knowledge of your legal work.

Randall J. Davis, Presiding Judge, Broomfield Municipal Court. 17 DesCombes Drive, Broomfield, CO 80020. 720-887-2133.

Charles J. Rose, Presiding Judge, Thornton Municipal Court, 9551 Civic Center Drive, Thornton, CO 80229. 720-977-5440.

Andrew Ausmus and/or Christy Ausmus, Prosecuting Attorney(s) in Dacono, Firestone, Fort Lupton and Keenesburg Municipal Courts. (I also worked with them in the Broomfield Municipal Court.) 6020 Greenwood Plaza Blvd., Suite 100, Greenwood Village, CO 80111. 303-694-4248.

- 23.** Please attach a statement not to exceed one page in length, double-spaced, discussing the reasons why you wish to be appointed to this vacancy and the qualities you would bring to the bench if appointed.

G. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS

- 24.** Have you ever been disciplined or sanctioned for a breach or possible breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee, the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, the Commission on Judicial Discipline (including a private letter of admonition, reprimand, or censure), or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

No.

- 25.** Do you know if any proceeding is pending against you before the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

I do not know of any such proceeding. I do not believe any such proceeding is pending. I have not received any notice of any such proceeding.

- 26.** Have you ever been convicted (including by plea of guilty or *nolo contendere*) a felony, misdemeanor (including driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, driving while ability impaired by alcohol or drugs), or a serious moving traffic offense in any jurisdiction within or outside Colorado? If so, please give details.

No.

- 27.** Have you ever been a party to or the subject of, or involved in any other legal proceedings, civil or criminal (excluding dissolution or bankruptcy proceedings and non-moving minor

traffic offenses)? If so, please give details.

Approximately 45 years ago, I sued United Press International in the Denver Superior Court for breach of contract. UPI had offered me a summer job in the Denver bureau, and, at a very late date, withdrew that offer. I felt that UPI either should have performed on its agreement to hire me for the summer or should pay me for the money I lost because I needed it to pay law school tuition. I lost that suit.

Approximately 40 years ago, I was sued by a person who I erroneously thought was a defendant in a case in which I represented the plaintiff. When the defendant failed to appear at a court hearing, thereby disregarding a subpoena, I asked for a bench warrant and the wrong person was arrested. This case is reported as *Havens v. Hardesty*, 600 P.2d 116 (Ct.App, 1979).

Approximately 30-35 years ago, a client who felt I had mis-handled a foreclosure action sued me. This suit was filed in the Jefferson County District Court. This suit was dismissed with prejudice prior to trial on a Motion for Summary Judgment filed by the attorney representing me.

28. Have you ever been cited for contempt of Court? If so, please give details

No.

29. Is there any circumstance or event in your personal or professional life which, if brought to the attention of the City of Louisville, might tend to affect adversely your qualifications to serve on the Louisville Municipal Court? No. If so, please explain. Not applicable.

30. Do you currently have a valid Colorado driver's license? If not, please give details. Yes.

31. Has your driver's license ever been revoked or suspended? If so, please give details. No.

H. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

32. Have you ever failed to file your state or federal income tax return? If so, please explain.

No.

33. Have you been found by the Colorado Department of Revenue, IRS, or any other agency or court to have willfully failed to properly disclose your income during the last five years? If so, please give details.

No.

34. Do you owe any unpaid taxes or past-due child support? If so, please explain.

No.

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

I understand the submission of this application expresses my willingness to accept appointment to the position of municipal judge for the City of Louisville, Colorado, and my willingness to abide by the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, if appointed. I hereby certify that the information given in this application is correct and complete.

Date: June 16, 2016

/s/ Willard B. Hardesty
Signature of Applicant

Willard B. Hardesty
Print or Type Name

WAIVER

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Date: June 16, 2016

/s/ Willard B. Hardesty
Signature of Applicant

Willard B. Hardesty
Print or Type Name

Applications must be submitted by June 20, 2016.

**“Be a warrior for justice.” From a poem/prayer/blessing
given to me by the faculty advisor of the CU Indian Law Clinic.**

I enjoy the challenges of being a judge. Too many persons feel like there is only an “INjustice system” in which the “little man” has no voice, is not heard and is not considered as worthy as a person of wealth and means. I bring an ear to the job; I WILL listen to ALL defendants; they will be heard (even if I don’t agree with what they say).

I bring a lot of diversity in one package to the job. I am adopted into a Navajo family. I am called family by several other Navajo families, a Hopi family, a family from Laguna Pueblo, and an Ojibwe-Missouria-Lakota man adopted me as his brother prior to his death. I am called family by two Mexican families. I have acquired a wealth of knowledge and inter-cultural experiences from these relationships.

I bring a life-full of experience to the job, especially when dealing with juveniles. I raised two boys through their teen years and into adulthood after their mom tried to commit suicide, left them each a note blaming each one for her attempt and then had nothing to do with them for several years after her attempt.

I bring a sense of humor to the job. Some of the dumb things persons do to be charged in the municipal court are silly and humorous in retrospect. I like to point that out. I bring a heart to the job; I bring compassion, empathy and sympathy. I have been poor several times during my life—and financially secure, also. I had my wife succumb to pancreatic cancer in my arms. I haven’t done it all, but I have done a lot of it, and I can and do bring the lessons life has taught me to the job of being a judge. “Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on Earth.” Muhammad Ali

Willard B. Hardesty

**APPLICATION FOR
LOUISVILLE, COLORADO MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGESHIP**

- I. The information you provide in questions 1 – 34 is public information and will be released upon request if the applicant’s name is forwarded to the Louisville City Council as a finalist for consideration of appointment.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Full Name: Jacque Lyn Russell
2. Are you able to work in the United States on a full-time basis? Yes
3. Are you an attorney at law admitted to practice in Colorado? If so, what is your Attorney Registration Number? Yes, 22046
4. Current Work Address: Broomfield Combined Courts, 17 Des Combes Drive, Broomfield, CO 80020
5. Current Work Telephone Number: (303) 907-9388 (cell)
- 6.
7. List your place of residence for the past five years:

Dates	City	State	County
1996 - present	Broomfield	CO	USA

B. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

8. List the names and locations of schools attended, beginning with high school.

Name	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
Douglas High School	Douglas, WY	1981-1985	H.S. Diploma
University of Wyoming	Laramie, WY	1985-1989	B.A.
University of Colorado School of Law	Boulder, CO	1989-1992	J.D.

C. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

9. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, with dates of admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies which require special admission to practice.

Bar Admission	Date
State of Colorado	October 15, 1992
U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado	June 2, 1993
U.S. Court of Appeals, 10 th Circuit	October 25, 1994
United States Supreme Court	October 13, 1995

10. Indicate your present employment (list professional partners or associates, if any, and include dates). If you currently practice law, describe the nature of your present law practice, listing the major types of law you practice and the percentage each constitutes of your total practice.

Magistrate, 17th Judicial District, Broomfield, CO, May, 2015 – present.

I preside over a mixed County and District Court docket consisting of misdemeanor crimes along with traffic offenses and infractions, FED matters, civil protection orders, small claims, and domestic cases on a part-time basis.

11. If you have focused on any specific area of law listed in number 9, what is it?

Before becoming a magistrate last year, I had been a prosecutor for 23 years, practicing criminal law exclusively.

12. Have you practiced in the trial courts of Colorado within the past five years? If so, please state what percentage of your total practice your trial practice constituted and the types of matters handled.

Yes, with the exception of my appellate work, my entire career has been spent in the courtroom. As a Deputy District Attorney for the First Judicial District, I prosecuted traffic offenses, DUI's and misdemeanor cases in the Jefferson and Gilpin County courts, I gradually moved into homicides, assaults, drug crimes, property crimes, child abuse and sex crimes.

13. Summarize your experience presiding over or serving as an advocate in adversary proceedings before administrative boards or commissions.

None.

14. List your prior professional or business employment since completion of your formal education (include dates).

- Magistrate, 17th Judicial District, May 2015 to present
- Deputy District Attorney, First Judicial District Attorney's Office, July 1996 to May 2015
- Assistant Attorney General, Colorado Attorney General's Office, May 1993 to July 1996

- Intern, Denver District Attorney's Office, August, May 1991 to June 1992
- Law Clerk, U.S. Attorney's Office, May 1990 to April 1991
- Student Attorney, University of Colorado Legal Aid Program, August 1990 to April 1991

15. If you have not been employed continuously since completion of your formal education, provide the dates and for each period, describe generally what you were doing.

N/A

D. PROFESSIONAL, COMMUNITY, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

16. List activities in professional associations, including offices held, committees, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

- Colorado Bar Association, 2004 - present
- Adams/Broomfield Bar Association, 2015 - present
- Colorado Women's Bar Association, 2014 - present
- Jefferson County Bar Association, 2004 – 2015
- Instructor, Jefferson County Combined Law Academy, 2012 - 2015

17. List your recent activities in civic and charitable organizations, including offices held, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

- Broomfield Rotary Club member, March 2015 – present
 - Hosted a Russian delegate as part of the Open World Program, June 2016
 - Music in the Park committee member, January 2016 – June 2016
 - Broomfield Spring Cleanup Campaign participant, May 2015 - present
- Volunteer Mock Trial Coach, Holy Family High School, November 2015 – April 2016
- Volunteer Mentor, Aurora Teen Court Program, May 1993 – July 1996

18. List all public offices to which you were appointed or elected (include dates served). Have you had any military or other public service? If so, please give details.

None.

E. REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE LOUISVILLE CITY CHARTER AND THE LOUISVILLE CITY CODE

If appointed to the bench, you will be required to comply with the provisions of contained in the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code.

19. Do you understand a judge is required to file reports of compensation for quasi-judicial and extra-judicial activities in conformance with the Code of Judicial Conduct?

Yes.

20. Do you understand that a judge must comply with and is subject to applicable provisions of Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, including but not limited to the

provisions of Section 9-3 of the Charter setting forth principles of conduct for City municipal judges?

Yes.

21. Do you understand that City of Louisville's ethics rules provide that independent contractors who perform official actions on behalf of the City which involve the use of discretionary authority shall not receive any gifts seeking to influence their official actions, that City officers and employees similarly shall not receive such gifts, and that you must abide by the gift restrictions and any other applicable provisions of the City's Code of Ethics?

Yes.

F. MISCELLANEOUS

22. A Louisville municipal judge is expected to use computer technology for a wide variety of functions including word processing, legal research, case management, e-filing and e-mail. Do you **personally use** a computer for any of the purposes listed above or for similar purposes? If yes, describe the functions you perform and state how frequently you perform each function. If no, state whether you will participate in training to develop and maintain your personal skills in using computer technology.

Yes. A computer is essential to my job as a magistrate. Since the state court filing system is now almost completely paperless, my entire work day is spent on the computer, using JPOD for all administrative tasks: viewing uploaded motions and pleadings, as well as composing and issuing orders. My legal research is accomplished using Westlaw. I also communicate with court staff and fellow judicial officers through email and instant messaging constantly.

I also use my personal computer, I-Pad, and smart phone on a daily basis for email communication, reading the daily news, shopping, paying bills, composing letters, and conducting financial transactions. I would estimate that I spend several hours a day on my electronic devices, outside of work functions, to complete personal tasks.

23. List the names of no more than three individuals whom you have contacted and who have agreed to serve as professional references. If selected as a finalist, we will request you provide at least one letter of reference from someone who has knowledge of your legal work.

1. Edward Moss, District Court Judge, 17th Judicial District
2. Gregory Beacom, District Court Magistrate, 17th Judicial District
3. Michelle Weaver, Deputy District Attorney, 1st Judicial District

24. Please attach a statement not to exceed one page in length, double-spaced, discussing the reasons why you wish to be appointed to this vacancy and the qualities you would bring to the bench if appointed.

G. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS

25. Have you ever been disciplined or sanctioned for a breach or possible breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee, the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, the Commission on Judicial Discipline (including a private letter of admonition, reprimand, or censure), or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

No.

26. Do you know if any proceeding is pending against you before the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

No.

27. Have you ever been convicted (including by plea of guilty or *nolo contendere*) a felony, misdemeanor (including driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, driving while ability impaired by alcohol or drugs), or a serious moving traffic offense in any jurisdiction within or outside Colorado? If so, please give details.

No.

28. Have you ever been a party to or the subject of, or involved in any other legal proceedings, civil or criminal (excluding dissolution or bankruptcy proceedings and non-moving minor traffic offenses)? If so, please give details.

No.

29. Have you ever been cited for contempt of Court? If so, please give details

No.

30. Is there any circumstance or event in your personal or professional life which, if brought to the attention of the City of Louisville, might tend to affect adversely your qualifications to serve on the Louisville Municipal Court? If so, please explain. No.

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32. Has your driver's license ever been revoked or suspended? If so, please give details. No.

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No.

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No.

35. Do you owe any unpaid taxes or past-due child support? If so, please explain.

No.

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

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Date: June 17, 2016

Signature of Applicant

Jacquelyn Russell
Print or Type Name

WAIVER

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Date: June 17, 2016

Signature of Applicant

Jacquelyn Russell
Print or Type Name

Applications must be submitted by June 20, 2016.

Jacque Lyn Russell
Louisville Municipal Judge Statement
June 17, 2016

I am excited at the prospect of becoming the Louisville Municipal Judge. I have a true passion for the law and enjoy interacting with people. The majority of the people that appear on municipal traffic or other ordinance violations are *pro se*. It is very important that *pro se* parties understand the court process and feel like they are given the opportunity to be heard in court. As a part-time District Court and County Court Magistrate in neighboring Broomfield, I am familiar with dealing with unrepresented litigants, and recognize the importance of a considered, and patient judicial temperament. Treating all people with dignity and respect is a paramount priority.

In addition to my judicial nature, my legal skills also make me uniquely suited for a judicial post. Over twenty years of daily courtroom experience has provided me with a firm command of the rules of evidence and courtroom procedures. I have the ability to apply those rules in a fair-minded way to ensure that justice is served. In my magistrate role, I always endeavor to do what is fair and right, within the limitations of the law.

I love the intimacy of a small town, and have lived in the local area since 1989. Being familiar with the values and energy of Louisville citizenry, I believe that I would be an asset to the municipal judge position. I understand the need for maintaining a strong relationship between the various agencies that keep the courts running efficiently, and have a personable demeanor that encourages a positive rapport.

Further, my flexible schedule as a magistrate affords me ample time to devote to this municipal judge role. The two positions complement each other nicely. In short, I believe that I am ideally suited for the position and would serve the community of Louisville well.

JACQUE LYN RUSSELL

13691 Fall Creek Circle, Broomfield, CO 80020 | (303) 907-9388 | jacque.russell@judicial.state.co.us

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO SCHOOL OF LAW Boulder, CO
Juris Doctor, 1992
Member of the Colorado, U.S. District, 10th Circuit, and U.S. Supreme Court bars

Honors: Joel H. Greenstein Award, Colorado Trial Lawyers Association
First Place, ABA National Trial Competition, University of Colorado
Regional Finalist, ABA National Trial Competition, Portland, OR

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING Laramie, WY
Bachelor of Arts, Secondary Education, 1988

Honors: Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society
Kappa Delta Pi Education Honor Society

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

17TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Broomfield, CO
Magistrate, May 2015 to present
Currently presiding over a mixed County and District Court docket consisting of misdemeanor and traffic offences, FED matters, civil protection orders, small claims, and domestic cases on a part-time basis.

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE Golden, CO
Deputy District Attorney, July 1996 to May 2015
Prosecuted felonies and misdemeanors in Jefferson and Gilpin County courts, including homicides, assaults, drug crimes, child abuse, and sex crimes. During my tenure, I also served as a dedicated deputy in the Juvenile Unit and the Juvenile Mental Health Court. I also taught Juvenile Law at the Combined Law Enforcement Academy.

COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE Denver, CO
Assistant Attorney General, May 1993 to July 1996
Prosecuted direct and Crim. P. 35 appeals in the Colorado Supreme Court and in the Colorado Court of Appeals, as well as habeas corpus matters in Federal District Court and the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals.

AURORA TEEN COURT Aurora, CO
Volunteer Mentor, May 1993-July 1996
Assisted teen attorneys in conducting "trials" for first-time offenders accused of committing misdemeanors and petty offenses.

DENVER DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE Denver, CO
Intern, May 1991 to June 1992
In addition to research and writing, I handled felony bond hearings in Denver County Court and juvenile detention hearings at Gilliam Youth Center.

U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE Denver, CO
Law Clerk, May 1990 to April 1991
Duties included research and writing legal memoranda and briefs to be used in Federal District Court and the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals.

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO LEGAL AID PROGRAM Boulder, CO
Student Attorney, August 1990 to April 1991
Represented indigent parties in civil matters, such as child support, dissolution of marriage, and unemployment appeals under the guidance of a supervising attorney.



JOHN A. STIPECH
Presiding Judge

WESTMINSTER

PATRICIA K. KMITTA
Court Administrator

TIFFANY L. SORICE
Associate Judge

WESTMINSTER MUNICIPAL COURT
3030 Turnpike Drive
Westminster, Colorado 80030
(303) 658-2250
Fax: (303) 429-8684

BRIAN POGGENKLASS
Chief Probation Officer

City of Louisville

Attn: Meredyth Muth

749 Main Street

Louisville, CO 80027

To Whom It May Concern;

I have had the pleasure of serving from the bench in Westminster since January 4, 2016. During that time I have become part of an amazing team and hopefully added to their cohesiveness and helped to make the justice system here run more efficiently and be more productive. Prior to becoming an Associate Judge for Westminster I was a chief trial deputy for the Adams and Broomfield County District Attorney's Office. As a leader in that office I supervised prosecutors and taught them how to handle a voluminous caseload while making sure the imprint of justice was on every case to the best of their ability, whether it was a driving under restraint case or a homicide. It was that philosophy, and my background as a prosecutor and defense attorney, that has helped me be a successful arbiter from the bench. Before January of this year, I could only surmise that I would be a successful judge. Now serving in that capacity I know that my skillset serves me well in this position. What speaks more clearly than my legal background and experience is my professionalism, character and integrity. I ensure a defendant understands his rights and options, that a victim's voice is heard, that everyone in the courtroom treats others with respect and shows appropriate decorum.

In the five months I have been an Associate Judge we have improved our forms, cut out duplicative processes, implemented juvenile programs that we were not tapped into previously, converted our paper affidavits for warrantless arrest to electronic form (so they can be reviewed immediately) and strategized how to continue to enhance how we function as a whole to better serve the community. I am confident you could randomly contact any person involved in the Westminster court system and all would attest to my qualifications. I am also a member of the Colorado Municipal Judge's Association. I attend their trainings, am on the standards committee that functions to create expectations for all Colorado Municipal Judges to abide by and am connected with the other municipal judges in the metro area.



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BRIAN POGGENKLASS
Chief Probation Officer

I am pleased to see the announcement states the schedule is negotiable. I work 32 hours a week in Westminster and have every Friday available. Right now Louisville has six sessions per month. If the schedule was to change to Fridays then that would allow for eight available sessions when there are four Fridays in the month and ten when there are five Fridays in the month. I can also provide a long term commitment. I will always have Fridays available and will never have conflicts with work. I will also be available for the swearing in duties and to provide direction on any other matters as they arise (not just on Fridays). The part time associate judge that I replaced fulfilled his duties in Westminster Mondays through Thursdays and in Firestone on Fridays. I know that arrangement worked very well for both cities. I would be honored to serve as the Presiding Judge for the City of Louisville. I very much look forward to discussing this opportunity with you and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Sorice

Associate Municipal Judge

**APPLICATION FOR
LOUISVILLE, COLORADO MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGESHIP**

- I. The information you provide in questions 1 – 34 is public information and will be released upon request if the applicant’s name is forwarded to the Louisville City Council as a finalist for consideration of appointment.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Full Name: Tiffany Sorice
2. Are you able to work in the United States on a full-time basis? Yes
3. Are you an attorney at law admitted to practice in Colorado? Yes If so, what is your Attorney Registration Number? 30654
4. Current Work Address: Westminster Municipal Court 3030 Turnpike Drive Westminster, Colorado 80030
5. Current Work Telephone Number: (303) 658-2250
6. List your place of residence for the past five years:

Dates	City	State	County
June 2012-current	Westminster	CO	Jefferson
April 2009-June 2012	Thornton	CO	Adams

B. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

7. List the names and locations of schools attended, beginning with high school.

Name	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
Revere High School	Richfield, OH	1988-1992	
Mount Union College	Alliance, OH	1992-1993	
University of Tulsa	Tulsa, OK	1993-1996	BA
University of Tulsa College of Law	Tulsa, OK	1996-1998	JD

C. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

8. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, with dates of admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies which require special admission to practice.

Bar Admission	Date
Colorado Bar Associate	May 20, 1999

9. Indicate your present employment (list professional partners or associates, if any, and include dates). If you currently practice law, describe the nature of your present law practice, listing the major types of law you practice and the percentage each constitutes of your total practice.

My current employment is as an associate judge for the City of Westminster which commenced January 4, 2016.

10. If you have focused on any specific area of law listed in number 9, what is it?

The City of Westminster Municipal Court hears violations of the Model Traffic Code and city ordinance violations to include domestic violence cases.

11. Have you practiced in the trial courts of Colorado within the past five years? If so, please state what percentage of your total practice your trial practice constituted and the types of matters handled.

Prior to becoming an associate judge for the city of Westminster I was a prosecutor with Adams and Broomfield counties. I practiced solely criminal law (juvenile and adults) and in the past five years tried approximately 50 cases including first chair on first degree murder cases.

12. Summarize your experience presiding over or serving as an advocate in adversary proceedings before administrative boards or commissions.

When I was in private practice I advocated for clients at Department of Motor Vehicle hearings. My experience with commissions is tangentially with Adams County through the non-profit board that I chair.

13. List your prior professional or business employment since completion of your formal education (include dates).

Colorado State Public Defender's Office March 1999 to January 2003
 Nickelsen Law Firm, P.C. January 2003 to June 2006
 Adams County District Attorney's Office June 2006 to January 2016
 Associate Judge for the City of Westminster January 2016 to present

14. If you have not been employed continuously since completion of your formal education, provide the dates and for each period, describe generally what you were doing.

D. PROFESSIONAL, COMMUNITY, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

15. List activities in professional associations, including offices held, committees, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

Colorado Municipal Judge's Association (Standard's Committee) 2016
Colorado Women's Bar Association 2015
Adams and Broomfield Bar Association 2006

16. List your recent activities in civic and charitable organizations, including offices held, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

Chair of non-profit Access Housing 2014

17. List all public offices to which you were appointed or elected (include dates served). Have you had any military or other public service? If so, please give details.

E. REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE LOUISVILLE CITY CHARTER AND THE LOUISVILLE CITY CODE

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19. Do you understand that a judge must comply with and is subject to applicable provisions of Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, including but not limited to the provisions of Section 9-3 of the Charter setting forth principles of conduct for City municipal judges?

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Yes

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each function. If no, state whether you will participate in training to develop and maintain your personal skills in using computer technology.

I use all the above functions daily with the exclusion of e-filing. Westminster is not yet set up with e-filing but I did use that resource as a prosecutor. I use Westlaw for legal research and Full Court for case management (I used Action, Action Viewer and Justware at the District Attorney's Office). I would consider myself quite proficient in computer technology.

- 22.** List the names of no more than three individuals whom you have contacted and who have agreed to serve as professional references. If selected as a finalist, we will request you provide at least one letter of reference from someone who has knowledge of your legal work.

Presiding Judge John Stipech-City of Westminster

Court Administrator Patricia Kmita-City of Westminster

Chief Trial Deputy Brian Mason-Adams County District Attorney's Office (in Germany until June 26th)

- 23.** Please attach a statement not to exceed one page in length, double-spaced, discussing the reasons why you wish to be appointed to this vacancy and the qualities you would bring to the bench if appointed.

G. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS

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No
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- 34.** Do you owe any unpaid taxes or past-due child support? If so, please explain.
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Date: 6-16-16

/s/ Tiffany Sorice
Signature of Applicant

Tiffany Sorice
Print or Type Name

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Date: 6-16-16

/s/ Tiffany Sorice
Signature of Applicant

Tiffany Sorice
Print or Type Name

Applications must be submitted by June 20, 2016.

Since January 4, 2016 I have had the privilege of serving as an associate judge. To serve in this capacity has been a long term goal for many reason, most of which is because I knew I had the skill set that would make me a successful arbiter and the community deserves that. My professional background includes prosecution and defense. Our judicial obligations mean nothing if we cannot be fair and impartial. I also practiced for 17 years before being appointed as a municipal judge. I continually draw from those years of experience to enable me to make orders that are sound, fair, honest and purposeful.

Serving as a municipal judge is not only a privilege, it is also a big responsibility. This responsibility includes making sure the system is fair, runs efficiently, is a place where voices can be heard and where everyone is respected. I have been able to enhance those attributes in Westminster by improving processes, expanding our resources and enriching the work environment amongst the departments and employees. All these advances were done thoughtfully and in collaboration with everyone involved.

Many of the municipal judges throughout the metro area serve in multiple municipalities and even multiple counties. There is a drive to get the municipalities to hold themselves to certain practices, in part to stay ahead of the ACLU. I am a member of the standards committee that is actively working to create those practices and help get them implemented in the various municipalities. This is in light of HB1309 and HB1511 but the collaborative efforts amongst the municipalities makes sense beyond those bills.

Although I would be proud to serve in any community, there is a reason Louisville is continually ranked one of the best places to live and it would be an honor to serve such an amazing community.

**APPLICATION FOR
LOUISVILLE, COLORADO MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGESHIP**

- I. The information you provide in questions 1 – 34 is public information and will be released upon request if the applicant’s name is forwarded to the Louisville City Council as a finalist for consideration of appointment.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Full Name: AnnMarie Megill Spain
2. Are you able to work in the United States on a full-time basis? Yes
3. Are you an attorney at law admitted to practice in Colorado? Yes If so, what is your Attorney Registration Number? 34813
4. Current Work Address: 13360 West 78th Avenue, Arvada, CO 80005
5. Current Work Telephone Number: 720-900-5299
6. List your place of residence for the past five years:

Dates	City	State	County
August 20, 2015 - Present	Arvada	CO	Jefferson County
April 29, 2005 - August 19, 2015	Arvada	CO	Jefferson County

B. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

7. List the names and locations of schools attended, beginning with high school.

Name	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
Rangeview High School	Aurora, CO	August 1989-May 1993	High School Diploma
Oklahoma State University	Stillwater, OK	August 1993-May 1998	Bachelor of Science in Civil and Environmental Engineering
University of Denver, Sturm College of Law	Denver, CO	August 2000-May 2003	Juris Doctor

C. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

8. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, with dates of admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies which require special admission to practice.

Bar Admission	Date
State of Colorado	October 20, 2003
United States District Court - District of Colorado	May 13, 2013
State of Texas	September 26, 2014

9. Indicate your present employment (list professional partners or associates, if any, and include dates). If you currently practice law, describe the nature of your present law practice, listing the major types of law you practice and the percentage each constitutes of your total practice.

On June 3, 2016 I opened my own law firm; The Spain Law Firm, LLC. My areas of practice include criminal defense, family law and civil litigation. I do not have any partners or associates. To date, civil litigation has been one-hundred percent of my practice.

From September 2012 until June 2, 2016 I was a senior associate at Benson, Kerrane, Storz and Nelson. The firm consists of three shareholders: Heidi Storz, Jeffery Kerrane, Alex Nelson; two partners: Tia Zavaras and Duncan Griffiths and two associates: Michael Lowder and Chris Griffiths. I practiced plaintiff construction defect litigation ninety percent of the time and insurance bad faith litigation ten percent of the time.

10. If you have focused on any specific area of law listed in number 9, what is it?

Just prior to opening my own firm my area of focus was plaintiff construction defect litigation and insurance bad faith.

11. Have you practiced in the trial courts of Colorado within the past five years? If so, please state what percentage of your total practice your trial practice constituted and the types of matters handled.

I have practiced within the trial courts of Colorado for the past thirteen years. From July 2004 until September of 2012, trial practice constituted one-hundred percent of my job. In July of 2004, I was hired as a deputy district attorney in the Denver District Attorney's Office. This time included assignments in the family violence unit as well as in the gang unit until 2012. During this time I tried cases that consisted of First Degree Murder, Solicitation of Commit Murder, Aggravated Intimidation of a Witness or Victim, Attempted First Degree Murder, Assault, Domestic Violence and Drug Offenses. In addition, I litigated evidentiary and procedural motions for both pre-conviction and post-conviction issues including but not limited to motions to suppress evidence and statements, co-conspirator statements, res gestae including 404(b) motions, forfeiture and ineffective assistance of counsel claims. When not in trial or motions, I formulated offers, negotiated pleas, argued sentencing and ran a criminal docket.

In September of 2012, I joined the civil law firm of Benson, Kerrane, Storz & Nelson. As a senior associate, I litigated a 6-week construction defect arbitration on behalf of a homeowners association. Although a majority of my cases were compelled to arbitration I did practice in El Paso County, Arapahoe County, Weld County, Larimer County, and Federal Court. Trial practice constituted approximately twenty percent of my time.

12. Summarize your experience presiding over or serving as an advocate in adversary proceedings before administrative boards or commissions.

None

13. List your prior professional or business employment since completion of your formal education (include dates).

- July 1998 to July of 2000 - Civil Engineer for HNTB Corporation in Boston, Massachusetts
- December 2003 to July 2004 - Deputy District Attorney in County Court for the Weld County District Attorney's Office
- July 2004 to August 2012 - Senior Deputy District Attorney for the Denver District Attorney's Office
- September 2012 to June 2, 2016 - Senior Associate at Benson, Kerrane, Storz & Nelson
- June 3, 2016 to Present - Owner/Member of The Spain Law Firm, LLC

14. If you have not been employed continuously since completion of your formal education, provide the dates and for each period, describe generally what you were doing.

I have been employed continuously since completion of my formal education.

D. PROFESSIONAL, COMMUNITY, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

15. List activities in professional associations, including offices held, committees, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

- Nominated to the Executive Board for the 1st Judicial District Bar Association - vote pending
- Nominated as a Super Lawyer 2015 and 2016
- Colorado Trial Lawyers Association Member - April 2014
- Colorado Women's Bar Association Member - 2013
- Named Colorado Law Enforcement Officers' Association Citizen of the Year 2011-2012
- Denver District Attorney's Office Meritorious Service Award 2011 for the successful prosecution of the killing of a witness in People v. Brian Hicks, People v. Willie Clark and People v. Shun Birch
- Meritorious Award, "The People are Ready to Proceed." (Award given for trying 22 county court trials in one calendar year) - 2005

16. List your recent activities in civic and charitable organizations, including offices held, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).
- Ralston House - Vice President of the Executive Board of Directors, January 2016 to Present
 - Ralston House - Executive Board of Directors Member, March 2013 to Present;
 - Volunteer Alternate on the Jefferson County Community Corrections Board, 2016 to Present
17. List all public offices to which you were appointed or elected (include dates served). Have you had any military or other public service? If so, please give details.

I have not held any public offices and have not served in the military.

E. REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE LOUISVILLE CITY CHARTER AND THE LOUISVILLE CITY CODE

If appointed to the bench, you will be required to comply with the provisions of contained in the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code.

18. Do you understand a judge is required to file reports of compensation for quasi-judicial and extra-judicial activities in conformance with the Code of Judicial Conduct?

Yes

19. Do you understand that a judge must comply with and is subject to applicable provisions of Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, including but not limited to the provisions of Section 9-3 of the Charter setting forth principles of conduct for City municipal judges?

Yes

20. Do you understand that City of Louisville's ethics rules provide that independent contractors who perform official actions on behalf of the City which involve the use of discretionary authority shall not receive any gifts seeking to influence their official actions, that City officers and employees similarly shall not receive such gifts, and that you must abide by the gift restrictions and any other applicable provisions of the City's Code of Ethics?

Yes

F. MISCELLANEOUS

21. A Louisville municipal judge is expected to use computer technology for a wide variety of functions including word processing, legal research, case management, e-filing and e-mail. Do you **personally use** a computer for any of the purposes listed above or for similar purposes? If yes, describe the functions you perform and state how frequently you perform each function. If no, state whether you will participate in training to develop and maintain your personal skills in using computer technology.

Yes. I personally use a computer every day for numerous purposes. I use email on a daily basis for client interaction, business and personal use. I perform legal research using Westlaw and Casemaker when performing case analysis and in support of motions and briefs. I e-filed on cases including receiving all filings online. As an Engineering major, I completed computer programming classes. My work as an engineer also included the development of a proprietary software program that enabled engineers and project

managers to communicate more effectively while working in the field. I am proficient in both Apple and Windows based operating systems, in addition to owning a tablet and smartphone.

22. List the names of no more than three individuals whom you have contacted and who have agreed to serve as professional references. If selected as a finalist, we will request you provide at least one letter of reference from someone who has knowledge of your legal work.

- Timothy Twining, Chief Deputy District Attorney Denver District Attorney's Office, 720-840-7231
- Phillip Geigle, Owner of The Geigle Law Firm, LLC, 303-246-6186
- Tia Zavaras, Partner at Benson, Kerrane, Storz & Nelson, LLC, 720-318-7674

23. Please attach a statement not to exceed one page in length, double-spaced, discussing the reasons why you wish to be appointed to this vacancy and the qualities you would bring to the bench if appointed.

See Attached.

G. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS

24. Have you ever been disciplined or sanctioned for a breach or possible breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee, the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, the Commission on Judicial Discipline (including a private letter of admonition, reprimand, or censure), or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

No

25. Do you know if any proceeding is pending against you before the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

No

26. Have you ever been convicted (including by plea of guilty or *nolo contendere*) a felony, misdemeanor (including driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, driving while ability impaired by alcohol or drugs), or a serious moving traffic offense in any jurisdiction within or outside Colorado? If so, please give details.

No

27. Have you ever been a party to or the subject of, or involved in any other legal proceedings, civil or criminal (excluding dissolution or bankruptcy proceedings and non-moving minor traffic offenses)? If so, please give details.

No

28. Have you ever been cited for contempt of Court? If so, please give details

No

29. Is there any circumstance or event in your personal or professional life which, if brought to the attention of the City of Louisville, might tend to affect adversely your qualifications to serve on the Louisville Municipal Court? If so, please explain.

No

30. Do you currently have a valid Colorado driver's license? If not, please give details.

Yes

31. Has your driver's license ever been revoked or suspended? If so, please give details.

No

H. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

32. Have you ever failed to file your state or federal income tax return? If so, please explain.

No

33. Have you been found by the Colorado Department of Revenue, IRS, or any other agency or court to have willfully failed to properly disclose your income during the last five years? If so, please give details.

No

34. Do you owe any unpaid taxes or past-due child support? If so, please explain.

No

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

I understand the submission of this application expresses my willingness to accept appointment to the position of municipal judge for the City of Louisville, Colorado, and my willingness to abide by the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, if appointed. I hereby certify that the information given in this application is correct and complete.

Date: 6/16/16 _____ Ann Marie M. Spain
Signature of Applicant
ANNMARIE M. SPAIN
Print or Type Name

WAIVER

I grant the City of Louisville, Colorado the right to examine the records of the Attorney Regulation Counsel (formerly maintained by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee) and the records of the Commission on Judicial Discipline. I consent to the release of information by employers, schools, law enforcement agencies, and other authorized personnel to verify the information contained in this application.

Date: 6/16/16 _____ Ann Marie M. Spain
Signature of Applicant
ANNMARIE M. SPAIN
Print or Type Name

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23. The reason I became a lawyer was to make a difference in the lives of others on a daily basis; I believe that now is the time for me to refocus my energies on this goal. A Judgeship with the Louisville Municipal Court and practicing in my law firm would allow me to utilize my best skills to serve the people of Colorado. I would relish the opportunity to interact with the community in a forum that allows citizens to be heard, while carefully considering the facts with the law as the Louisville Municipal Court Judge.

One of the most important qualities that I would bring to the position is my empathy and charisma working with community members. While in law school, I interned for a year in the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office traffic division. I believe that my time in the traffic division and later in County Court prosecuting misdemeanor violations, was some of the most impactful work of my career. I was able to interact with a myriad of pro se defendants as well as victims. At the municipal level, a judge is interacting with those individuals that live and work in the community and I would have the opportunity to make the community not only safe but also a great place to live.

Another essential quality that I possess is my ability to provide a true opportunity for parties to be heard and create a space where they feel respected, regardless of the outcome, by the system that too often has a reputation of being automatic and impersonal. It has been my experience that individuals from all social economic backgrounds, races and cultures are all striving to be truly heard and treated fairly in the justice system. As a deputy district attorney in the Denver District Attorney's Office, I had the privilege to fight for and speak on behalf of the communities diverse citizens and I will bring that experience, along with my vast trial experience, to the bench.

As the Louisville Municipal Court Judge, I would utilize my knowledge working in the legal fields of criminal and civil and my experience working with both sides in a case. My consideration for the individual and my motivation to improve the community will make me a truly impartial, but strong member of the Louisville community.

**APPLICATION FOR
LOUISVILLE, COLORADO MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGESHIP**

- I. The information you provide in questions 1 – 34 is public information and will be released upon request if the applicant’s name is forwarded to the Louisville City Council as a finalist for consideration of appointment.**

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Full Name: John Frederick Stavelly
2. Are you able to work in the United States on a full-time basis? Yes
3. Are you an attorney at law admitted to practice in Colorado? Yes If so, what is your Attorney Registration Number? 9193
4. Current Work Address: 1777 Sixth Street, Boulder, CO 80302
5. Current Work Telephone Number: 303-441-3721
6. List your place of residence for the past five years:

Dates	City	State	County
July 1, 1990 to present	5000 Ellsworth Place, Boulder	Colorado	Boulder

B. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

7. List the names and locations of schools attended, beginning with high school.

Name	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
Fairview HS	Boulder, CO	1967-1969	Diploma
CU Boulder	Boulder, CO	1969-1973	BA
Univ. of North Dakota	Grand Forks, ND	1975-1978	JD

C. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

8. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, with dates of admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies which require special admission to practice.

Bar Admission	Date
Colorado	9-29-78
U.S. District Court, Colorado	9-29-78

9. Indicate your present employment (list professional partners or associates, if any, and include dates). If you currently practice law, describe the nature of your present law practice, listing the major types of law you practice and the percentage each constitutes of your total practice.
Boulder County Court Judge. I am a trial court judge handling both criminal and civil cases.
10. If you have focused on any specific area of law listed in number 9, what is it? Felony cases, misdemeanor cases, traffic cases, and a variety of civil matters. The majority of the cases I handle are criminal and traffic.
11. Have you practiced in the trial courts of Colorado within the past five years? If so, please state what percentage of your total practice your trial practice constituted and the types of matters handled.
Yes, I have been a state court judge for the past 15 years, handling roughly 2/3rds criminal/traffic and 1/3 civil cases.
12. Summarize your experience presiding over or serving as an advocate in adversary proceedings before administrative boards or commissions.
When I was in private practice (for 23 years) I handled DMV hearings, Liquor License hearings, and CU student conduct hearings.
13. List your prior professional or business employment since completion of your formal education (include dates).
I was a partner in the firm of Ehrhart & Stavely from 1978 until 1982. I was an attorney and partner in firm of Chrisman, Bynum & Johnson, P.C. from 1982 until 2001. I was the Associate Judge in Lafayette, Colorado from approximately 1982 until 1990. I was the Presiding Judge in the Louisville Municipal Court from 1990 until 2001, when I was appointed to the Boulder County Court.
14. If you have not been employed continuously since completion of your formal education, provide the dates and for each period, describe generally what you were doing.
Yes, see above for my legal employment. After I graduated from college in December of 1973 I had several part time jobs before I started law school in 1975. I played for the Detroit Wheels in the World Football league and the Denver Broncos in the summer of 1974. Worked part-time for two Boulder law firms and worked part-time for Continental Airlines.

D. PROFESSIONAL, COMMUNITY, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

15. List activities in professional associations, including offices held, committees, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).
Professionally, in 2009 to 2010 I was the President of the Colorado County Court Judges'

Association and the Chair of the Colorado State Court Trial Judges' Council. I have also served as the Presiding Judge of the Boulder County Court on three occasions. We rotate that responsibility.

16. List your recent activities in civic and charitable organizations, including offices held, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

Over the years I have served on a number of boards and given presentations to a number of organizations. In the 1990's I was on the board and an executive member of the Boulder Valley YMCA for six years. I served as an elder at First Presbyterian Church, Boulder, Colorado from about 2003 until 2006. I have given many presentations to legal organizations including seminars for the Boulder County Bar Association, at the annual state judges' conferences, to the Colorado Municipal Judges' Association at one of their conferences, and have spoken at Optimist clubs, Mother House, and numerous schools.

17. List all public offices to which you were appointed or elected (include dates served). Have you had any military or other public service? If so, please give details.

No, I have not served in the military. As previously stated, I was the Associate Judge in Lafayette for approximately 9 years, the Presiding Judge in Louisville for 12 years, and a Boulder County Judge for 15 years.

E. REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE LOUISVILLE CITY CHARTER AND THE LOUISVILLE CITY CODE

If appointed to the bench, you will be required to comply with the provisions of contained in the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code.

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Yes.

19. Do you understand that a judge must comply with and is subject to applicable provisions of Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, including but not limited to the provisions of Section 9-3 of the Charter setting forth principles of conduct for City municipal judges?

Yes.

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Yes.

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Yes, I perform all those functions in my present job. I type my own opinions, frequently do

legal research, am known as an excellent case manager, do e-filing on a daily basis, and use email daily.

- 22.** List the names of no more than three individuals whom you have contacted and who have agreed to serve as professional references. If selected as a finalist, we will request you provide at least one letter of reference from someone who has knowledge of your legal work.

Thomas J.B. Reed, retired Boulder County Court Judge
Charles "Chuck" Sisk, former Louisville City Councilman and Mayor
Nancy Varra, retired Clerk for the City of Louisville

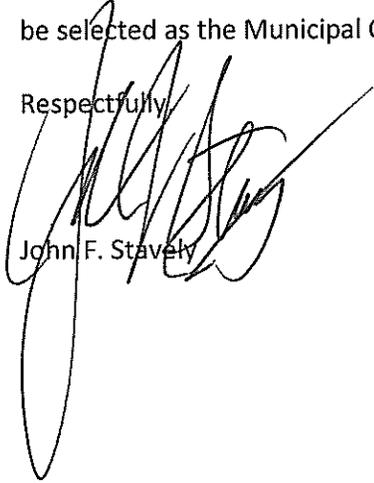
- 23.** Please attach a statement not to exceed one page in length, double-spaced, discussing the reasons why you wish to be appointed to this vacancy and the qualities you would bring to the bench if appointed.

23. Thank you for this opportunity to explain why I wish to be appointed to the vacancy caused by Judge Joss' retirement and the qualities I would bring to the bench if appointed. When I was appointed to the Boulder County Court bench my long term goal was to work for 15 years, which is the end of this year. I applied for the state court judgeship because I so thoroughly enjoyed my time as the Presiding Judge in Louisville. My life circumstances have changed dramatically the last few years and I would prefer to work part-time in a legal capacity instead of fully retiring. Being the judge in Louisville would give me the opportunity to still be a judge and serve the community and at the same time give me the opportunity to do some things I cannot presently do as a result of working a full time job.

Presently, I am up for retention (this would be my fourth time) this November. As a part of the process The Twentieth Judicial District Commission on Judicial Performance does an extensive analysis of a judge's qualifications to be retained. For all four times I have been up for retention I have been ranked higher by attorneys and non-attorneys in every measurement compared to other county court judges in the state. Enclosed is the most recent recommendation, which I believe it speaks for itself.

Once again, it would be an honor to serve the people of the City of Louisville if given the opportunity to be selected as the Municipal Court Judge.

Respectfully,



John F. Staveland

The Twentieth Judicial District Commission on Judicial Performance unanimously (10-0) recommends that Judge John F. Stavely **BE RETAINED**.

Judge Stavely was appointed to the County Court of the Twentieth Judicial District on August 20, 2001. Prior to his appointment, Judge Stavely was partner in the Boulder firm of Chrisman, Bynum & Johnson, P.C., as well as the Presiding Judge of the Louisville Municipal Court. Judge Stavely earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Colorado. He graduated from University of North Dakota School of Law in 1978. Important to Judge Stavely is serving community and his profession is his dedication to mentoring young lawyers and court professionals. He has played a significant role in the Boulder County Extern Program.

The Commission observed Judge Stavely in court, reviewed his self-evaluation, written orders, survey responses from attorneys and non-attorneys, conducted a personal interview with Judge Stavely, and held a public hearing to solicit input from citizens. Regarding survey question of retention, attorneys responding to the survey 90% recommended retaining, 6% not to retain, and 3% made no recommendation regarding retention. Of non-attorneys responding to the survey 91% recommended to retain, 6% not to retain, and 3% made no recommendation regarding retention. (These percentages may not total 100% due to rounding.) Survey respondents, both attorney and non-attorney ranked him higher in every measurement than other county judges.

Judge Stavely has presided over traffic 42%, misdemeanor 36%, and civil 22% cases during his current term. Respondents listed his strengths as smart, fair, efficient, experienced, thoughtful, and respectful. The Commission members after the personal interview and courtroom observation gave Judge Stavely equally high marks for his case management, application and knowledge of law, demeanor, fairness, and respect for attorneys and litigants. Judge Stavely likes his judicial work and performs above expectations.

G. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS

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No.

27. Have you ever been a party to or the subject of, or involved in any other legal proceedings, civil or criminal (excluding dissolution or bankruptcy proceedings and non-moving minor traffic offenses)? If so, please give details.

Was a party to a civil action over 30 years ago. My former law partner had involved some of his clients in some investments, during a time when I was still a law student. I was named in the action but ultimately was dismissed as a party as I was not a real party in interest.

28. Have you ever been cited for contempt of Court? If so, please give details

No.

29. Is there any circumstance or event in your personal or professional life which, if brought to the attention of the City of Louisville, might tend to affect adversely your qualifications to serve on the Louisville Municipal Court? No .If so, please explain.

30. Do you currently have a valid Colorado driver's license? If not, please give details. Yes.

31. Has your driver's license ever been revoked or suspended? If so, please give details. No.

H. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

32. Have you ever failed to file your state or federal income tax return? If so, please explain.

No.

33. Have you been found by the Colorado Department of Revenue, IRS, or any other agency or court to have willfully failed to properly disclose your income during the last five years? If so, please give details.

No.

34. Do you owe any unpaid taxes or past-due child support? If so, please explain.

No.

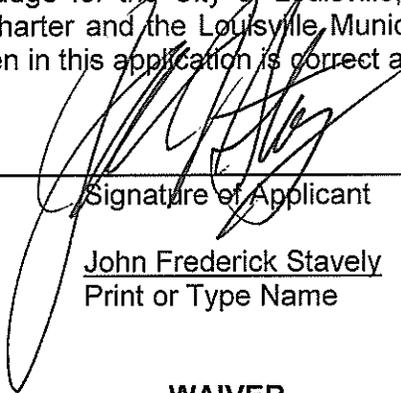
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CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

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Date: June 17, 2016



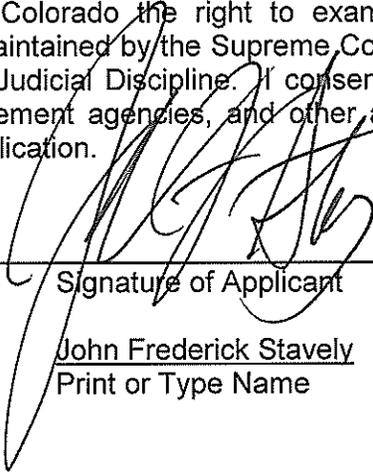
Signature of Applicant

John Frederick Stavely
Print or Type Name

WAIVER

I grant the City of Louisville, Colorado the right to examine the records of the Attorney Regulation Counsel (formerly maintained by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee) and the records of the Commission on Judicial Discipline. I consent to the release of information by employers, schools, law enforcement agencies, and other authorized personnel to verify the information contained in this application.

Date: June 17, 2016



Signature of Applicant

John Frederick Stavely
Print or Type Name

Applications must be submitted by June 20, 2016.

Ryan H. Tamm

RyanHTamm@gmail.com | (248) 505-0717 | 2424 W. Caithness Pl. #241 | Denver, CO 80211

June 20, 2016

Please accept my application for the Presiding Municipal Judge position with the City of Louisville. I am interested in this position because I am committed to using my legal skills and judgment to preserve the rule of law and promote fairness and justice in the City of Louisville. My legal skills and training will make me a competent, fair, and effective judge.

I currently work as a litigator at Childs McCune LLC, where I focus my practice on the defense of professional liability claims. In this role, I have learned to analyze and resolve a wide variety of complex legal challenges. I have also learned to manage a heavy caseload efficiently and effectively.

Before joining Childs McCune, I served as an appellate law clerk to Judge Terry Fox at the Colorado Court of Appeals. There, I developed strong legal reasoning skills and a keen attention to detail. I also learned the importance of using clear, transparent reasoning in judicial opinions to ensure that litigants and the public at large understood the judge's rulings and felt confident that the correct outcome had been achieved. While in law school, I gained a familiarity with criminal law as a student law clerk at the Boulder County District Attorney's Office, where I successfully litigated five trials. All of these experiences will help me manage the Presiding Municipal Judge's caseload and render clear, fair, and correct rulings.

Enclosed please find my resume and application. I would welcome the opportunity to meet with the city council to discuss how my skills and experience will allow me to effectively serve the people of Louisville. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Ryan H. Tamm

**APPLICATION FOR
LOUISVILLE, COLORADO MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGESHIP**

- I. The information you provide in questions 1 – 34 is public information and will be released upon request if the applicant’s name is forwarded to the Louisville City Council as a finalist for consideration of appointment.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Full Name: **Ryan Harrison Tamm**
2. Are you able to work in the United States on a full-time basis? **Yes**
3. Are you an attorney at law admitted to practice in Colorado? **Yes** If so, what is your Attorney Registration Number? **46350**
4. Current Work Address: **821 17th Street, Suite 500, Denver, CO 80202**
5. Current Work Telephone Number: **(720)630-2961**
6. List your place of residence for the past five years:

Dates	City	State	County
August 2013-Present	Denver	CO	Denver
August 2010-August 2013	Boulder	CO	Boulder

B. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

7. List the names and locations of schools attended, beginning with high school.

Name	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
University of Colorado Law School	Boulder, CO	August 2010 – May 2013	Juris Doctor
Miami University	Oxford, OH	August 2005 – August 2009	Bachelor of Arts
Brother Rice High School	Bloomfield Hills, MI	August 2001 – May 2005	High School Diploma

C. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

8. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, with dates of admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies which require special admission to practice.

Bar Admission	Date
Colorado	November 2013
Federal District of Colorado	August 2015

9. Indicate your present employment (list professional partners or associates, if any, and include dates). If you currently practice law, describe the nature of your present law practice, listing

the major types of law you practice and the percentage each constitutes of your total practice.

I currently practice as an attorney at the law firm of Childs McCune LLC, where I focus my practice on professional liability litigation. 90% of my practice is devoted to litigation. The remainder of my practice includes risk-management counseling and regulatory counseling.

10. If you have focused on any specific area of law listed in number 9, what is it?

I focus my litigation practice on the defense of professional liability claims against doctors, accountants, lawyers, architects, and engineers.

11. Have you practiced in the trial courts of Colorado within the past five years? If so, please state what percentage of your total practice your trial practice constituted and the types of matters handled.

Yes. About 85% of my practice is in Colorado trial courts. Matters handled include medical malpractice lawsuits, legal malpractice lawsuits, and construction defect lawsuits.

12. Summarize your experience presiding over or serving as an advocate in adversary proceedings before administrative boards or commissions.

I have represented clients responding to complaints and investigations before the Colorado Medical Board, the Office of Attorney Regulation Counsel, the Department of Regulatory Agencies – Division of Professions and Occupations, and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority.

13. List your prior professional or business employment since completion of your formal education (include dates).

Childs McCune LLC (August 2015 – Present)

Colorado Court of Appeals, Appellate Law Clerk to Judge M. Terry Fox (August 2013 – August 2015)

14. If you have not been employed continuously since completion of your formal education, provide the dates and for each period, describe generally what you were doing.

Not applicable.

D. PROFESSIONAL, COMMUNITY, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

15. List activities in professional associations, including offices held, committees, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

Faculty of Federal Advocates

Minoru Yasui Inn of Court

Colorado Bar Association

Boulder County Bar Association

16. List your recent activities in civic and charitable organizations, including offices held, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

Volunteer Mock Trial Coach for the University of Colorado Law School and Arrupe Jesuit High School

Volunteer moot court and speech/debate judge

17. List all public offices to which you were appointed or elected (include dates served). Have you had any military or other public service? If so, please give details.

AmeriCorps VISTA in Denver Public Schools (2009-2010)

E. REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE LOUISVILLE CITY CHARTER AND THE LOUISVILLE CITY CODE

If appointed to the bench, you will be required to comply with the provisions of contained in the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code.

18. Do you understand a judge is required to file reports of compensation for quasi-judicial and extra-judicial activities in conformance with the Code of Judicial Conduct?

Yes.

19. Do you understand that a judge must comply with and is subject to applicable provisions of Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, including but not limited to the provisions of Section 9-3 of the Charter setting forth principles of conduct for City municipal judges?

Yes.

20. Do you understand that City of Louisville's ethics rules provide that independent contractors who perform official actions on behalf of the City which involve the use of discretionary authority shall not receive any gifts seeking to influence their official actions, that City officers and employees similarly shall not receive such gifts, and that you must abide by the gift restrictions and any other applicable provisions of the City's Code of Ethics?

Yes.

F. MISCELLANEOUS

21. A Louisville municipal judge is expected to use computer technology for a wide variety of functions including word processing, legal research, case management, e-filing and e-mail. Do you **personally use** a computer for any of the purposes listed above or for similar purposes? If yes, describe the functions you perform and state how frequently you perform each function. If no, state whether you will participate in training to develop and maintain your personal skills in using computer technology.

Yes. I use computer technology daily to perform legal research, manage cases and deadlines, email, e-file, and for word processing.

22. List the names of no more than three individuals whom you have contacted and who have

agreed to serve as professional references. If selected as a finalist, we will request you provide at least one letter of reference from someone who has knowledge of your legal work.

Stan Garnett
sgarnett@bouldercounty.org
(303)441-3798

Terry Fox
terry.fox@judicial.state.co.us
(720)625-5246

Karen Lorrenz
klorenz@bouldercounty.org
(303)441-4783

- 23.** Please attach a statement not to exceed one page in length, double-spaced, discussing the reasons why you wish to be appointed to this vacancy and the qualities you would bring to the bench if appointed.

G. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS

24. Have you ever been disciplined or sanctioned for a breach or possible breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee, the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, the Commission on Judicial Discipline (including a private letter of admonition, reprimand, or censure), or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

No.

25. Do you know if any proceeding is pending against you before the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

No.

26. Have you ever been convicted (including by plea of guilty or *nolo contendere*) a felony, misdemeanor (including driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, driving while ability impaired by alcohol or drugs), or a serious moving traffic offense in any jurisdiction within or outside Colorado? If so, please give details.

No.

27. Have you ever been a party to or the subject of, or involved in any other legal proceedings, civil or criminal (excluding dissolution or bankruptcy proceedings and non-moving minor traffic offenses)? If so, please give details.

No.

28. Have you ever been cited for contempt of Court? If so, please give details

No.

29. Is there any circumstance or event in your personal or professional life which, if brought to the attention of the City of Louisville, might tend to affect adversely your qualifications to serve on the Louisville Municipal Court? **No.** If so, please explain. **Not applicable.**

30. Do you currently have a valid Colorado driver's license? If not, please give details. **Yes.**

31. Has your driver's license ever been revoked or suspended? If so, please give details. **No.**

H. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

32. Have you ever failed to file your state or federal income tax return? If so, please explain.

No.

33. Have you been found by the Colorado Department of Revenue, IRS, or any other agency or court to have willfully failed to properly disclose your income during the last five years? If so, please give details.

No.

34. Do you owe any unpaid taxes or past-due child support? If so, please explain.

No.

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

I understand the submission of this application expresses my willingness to accept appointment to the position of municipal judge for the City of Louisville, Colorado, and my willingness to abide by the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, if appointed. I hereby certify that the information given in this application is correct and complete.

Date: 06/20/2016



Signature of Applicant

Ryan Tamm
Print or Type Name

WAIVER

I grant the City of Louisville, Colorado the right to examine the records of the Attorney Regulation Counsel (formerly maintained by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee) and the records of the Commission on Judicial Discipline. I consent to the release of information by employers, schools, law enforcement agencies, and other authorized personnel to verify the information contained in this application.

Date: 06/20/2016



Signature of Applicant

Ryan Tamm
Print or Type Name

Applications must be submitted by June 20, 2016.

Ryan H. Tamm

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EXPERIENCE

Civil Litigation and Trial Attorney 2015–Present

CHILDS MCCUNE LLC | Denver, Colorado

- Represent architects, attorneys, physicians, and other professionals in litigation and licensing board matters.
- Draft pleadings and motions, defend depositions, and counsel clients.
- Advise professional corporations on risk management and employment best practices.

Appellate Judicial Clerk to Judge M. Terry Fox 2013–2015

Colorado Court of Appeals | Denver, Colorado

- Analyzed legal arguments in civil and criminal appeals; researched, drafted, and edited judicial opinions.

Student Law Clerk 2011–2013

District Attorney's Office | Boulder, Colorado

- **Supervising Law Clerk (May 2012 – May 2013)**
 - Litigated four jury trials, a bench trial, and numerous pretrial hearings under the Student Practice Rule.
 - Oversaw student law clerks, providing training and support.
- **Law Clerk (May 2011 – May 2012)**
 - Arraigned and made plea offers to defendants charged with misdemeanors and petty offenses.
 - Researched and drafted motions, memoranda, and appellate briefs.

AmeriCorps* VISTA 2009–10

Colorado Campus Compact in Denver Public Schools | Denver, Colorado

- Developed school-based college readiness initiatives for high school students.

EDUCATION

University of Colorado Law School 2010–13

Juris Doctor | GPA 3.41

Honors: William O. DeSouchet Award for Outstanding Individual Performance in Trial Advocacy
Howard Klemme Scholarship for Excellence in Litigation
Dick Knowlton/Hank Brown Scholarship for Leadership
Public Service Pledge Award

Activities: University of Colorado Law Review — Associate Editor
National Trial Team — National Trial Competition Region 12 champion and National Championship qualifier; Carrigan Cup Champion; Hogan Lovells Cup Quarterfinalist

Leadership: Executive Chair of the Barristers' Council (mock trial and moot court governing board)
Colorado Law Competitions Advisory Board

Miami (OH) University 2005–09

Bachelor of Arts, *cum laude*, Political Science and French | GPA 3.67

Honors: Naomi Miller Cox French Prize, 2007 and 2009
French Book Award, 2008
Miami University General Scholarship, 2005
National Merit Scholarship Finalist, 2005

Activities: Varsity Track and Field, Varsity Cross Country (NCAA Division I)
Miami University Triathlon Club
Circle K International (student service organization) Executive Board Member

Université de Bourgogne 2007

Miami University Summer Program in Dijon, France

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT AND SERVICE

- Admitted to practice law in the State of Colorado and the federal District of Colorado
- Memberships: Faculty of Federal Advocates, Colorado Lawyers Committee, Minoru Yasui Inn of Court
- Volunteer Mock Trial Coach for the University of Colorado Law School and Arrupe Jesuit High School
- Volunteer moot court and speech/debate judge



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June 3, 2016

Ms. Meredith Muth
City of Louisville
749 Main Street
Louisville, Colorado 80027

Re: Presiding Municipal Judge Position

Dear Ms. Muth:

Please find enclosed an application and essay for the position of Presiding Municipal Court Judge. In accordance with the process defined in the application, I have not attached a resume or letters of reference, but am prepared to do so when requested.

Having sat on the bench for Judge Joss and counting him among my mentors, I am honored to be a candidate for this position. I look forward to hearing back from the judicial committee.

Very truly yours,

DIETZE AND DAVIS, P.C.

David J. Thrower

Enclosures

**APPLICATION FOR
LOUISVILLE, COLORADO MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGESHIP**

- I. The information you provide in questions 1 – 34 is public information and will be released upon request if the applicant’s name is forwarded to the Louisville City Council as a finalist for consideration of appointment.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Full Name: David Jay Thrower
2. Are you able to work in the United States on a full-time basis? Yes
3. Are you an attorney at law admitted to practice in Colorado? Yes If so, what is your Attorney Registration Number? 24815
4. Current Work Address: 2060 Broadway, Suite 400, Boulder, CO 80302
5. Current Work Telephone Number: 303-447-1375
6. List your place of residence for the past five years:

Dates	City	State	County
July, 2002-Present	Superior	Colorado	Boulder

B. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

7. List the names and locations of schools attended, beginning with high school.

Name	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
Arvada High School	Arvada, Colorado	August 1984-May 1987	H.S. Diploma
Colorado College	Colorado Springs, Colorado	June 1987-May 1991	B.A.
Creighton University School of Law	Omaha, Nebraska	August 1991-May 1994	J.D.

C. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

8. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, with dates of admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies which require special admission to practice.

Bar Admission	Date
State of Colorado	October 19, 1994
U.S. District Court for District of Colorado	April 23, 2001

9. Indicate your present employment (list professional partners or associates, if any, and include dates). If you currently practice law, describe the nature of your present law practice, listing the major types of law you practice and the percentage each constitutes of your total practice.

Dietze and Davis, P.C.-Managing Shareholder. I serve as the Managing Shareholder of Dietze and Davis, P.C., a position I have held since June, 2011. My legal practice consists of Estate Planning (33%), Business and Entity Law (33%), Real Estate, including Landlord/Tenant and F.E.D. practice (25%) and serving as a municipal court judge (9%). My employment at Dietze and Davis, P.C. began February 15, 2001, as an Associate and I was elected as a Shareholder in January, 2003. My colleagues include:

Shareholders:

Peter C. Dietze, Esq.
Robyn W. Kube, Esq.
Karl F. Kumli, III, Esq.
Carmen S. Danielson, Esq.
Renee Ezer, Esq.
Stephen A. Closky, Esq.
Tucker M. Katz, Esq.
Mark D. Detsky, Esq.
Glenn H. Lenzen, Esq.
William A. Rogers, III, Esq.
Joshua E. Anderson, Esq.

Associates:

Gabriella Stockmayer, Esq.
Nathan Klotz, Esq.

Of Counsel:

Joel C. Maguire, Esq.
Star L. Waring, Esq.
Jennifer L. Lorenz, Esq.
Kara N. Godbehere, Esq.
Nicholas G. Muller, Esq.

10. If you have focused on any specific area of law listed in number 9, what is it?

Municipal Court, both as a judge and prosecutor, and Landlord/Tenant Law.

11. Have you practiced in the trial courts of Colorado within the past five years? If so, please state what percentage of your total practice your trial practice constituted and the types of matters handled.

Yes. I estimate 25% of my practice was in trial courts. The majority of this practice was as the Prosecutor for the Town of Superior, where I tried approximately 300 cases. Additionally, I have been the Presiding Judge in the Town of Superior since August 2014 and have presided over arraignments and trial dockets. I have also covered arraignment sessions in my capacity as the Deputy Municipal Judge for the City of Louisville. The remaining portion was predominantly appearances in commercial eviction matters in county and district court.

12. Summarize your experience presiding over or serving as an advocate in adversary proceedings before administrative boards or commissions.

I appeared as counsel before a hearing officer in 2 unemployment insurance proceedings. Though not strictly adversarial, I also appeared on behalf of property owners before planning commissions and city councils regarding development proposals. As a former municipal attorney, I also represented such boards and commissions, namely the Town of Superior Planning Commission, between approximately 2002 and 2005. I also appeared on behalf of the Town of Superior prosecuting liquor code violations before the local liquor authority.

13. List your prior professional or business employment since completion of your formal education (include dates).

1995-2001	Frankel & Thrower, P.C. - Attorney
2001-2003	Dietze and Davis, P.C. - Associate Attorney
2003-2011	Dietze and Davis, P.C. - Attorney/Shareholder
2011-Present	Dietze and Davis, P.C. - Managing Shareholder/Attorney

14. If you have not been employed continuously since completion of your formal education, provide the dates and for each period, describe generally what you were doing.

Between passing the bar exam in 1994 and beginning my own law firm in 1995, I was a volunteer intake attorney for Boulder County Legal Services (BCLS). In this capacity and on a weekly basis, I interviewed potential clients for BCLS at their office in Longmont, Colorado, and also represented some of those clients directly.

D. PROFESSIONAL, COMMUNITY, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

15. List activities in professional associations, including offices held, committees, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

Colorado Municipal Judges Association – 2014 – Present – I volunteered to join new committees on best practices and future issues
Fellow-Boulder County Bar Foundation – 2011 – Present
Boulder County Bar Association – 2001 – Present
Colorado Bar Association – 1994 – Present
Business Law Section, Colorado Bar Association – 2001 – Present

16. List your recent activities in civic and charitable organizations, including offices held, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

Panelist-JD Pathways, University of Colorado School of Law, January 2013 – January 2016
Colorado Bar Association 100 Pro-Bono Hours Club
1997-1998 200 Hours
1998-1999 150 Hours
1999-2000 200 Hours
2000-2001 225 Hours

17. List all public offices to which you were appointed or elected (include dates served). Have you had any military or other public service? If so, please give details.

Deputy Judge, City of Louisville, January 2016-Present
Presiding Judge, Town of Superior Municipal Court, August 14, 2014-Present
Prosecutor, Town of Superior, 2001-2014
Acting Town Attorney, Town of Superior, 2005
Assistant Town Attorney, Town of Superior, 2001-2005

E. REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE LOUISVILLE CITY CHARTER AND THE LOUISVILLE CITY CODE

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Yes

19. Do you understand that a judge must comply with and is subject to applicable provisions of Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, including but not limited to the provisions of Section 9-3 of the Charter setting forth principles of conduct for City municipal judges?

Yes

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Yes

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22. List the names of no more than three individuals whom you have contacted and who have agreed to serve as professional references. If selected as a finalist, we will request you provide at least one letter of reference from someone who has knowledge of your legal work.

Matt Magley, Town Manager, Town of Superior (303-499-3675)
Shannon Dujardin, Municipal Court Clerk, Town of Superior (303-499-3675)
Sgt. Jim Chamberlin, Boulder County Sheriff's Department (Superior Sub.) (720-564-2696)

23. Please attach a statement not to exceed one page in length, double-spaced, discussing the reasons why you wish to be appointed to this vacancy and the qualities you would bring to the bench if appointed.

G. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS

24. Have you ever been disciplined or sanctioned for a breach or possible breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee, the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, the Commission on Judicial Discipline (including a private letter of admonition, reprimand, or censure), or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

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No

27. Have you ever been a party to or the subject of, or involved in any other legal proceedings, civil or criminal (excluding dissolution or bankruptcy proceedings and non-moving minor traffic offenses)? If so, please give details.

Yes. My law firm and one of our attorneys were sued by a former client, the basis of which was a dispute between that client and said attorney's spouse. I, along with another named shareholder, was personally named and served on a theory that as a managing shareholder, I had responsibility for having adequate insurance coverage. The claims against the named partner and me as individuals were dismissed. The underlying case against my firm was settled and dismissed.

28. Have you ever been cited for contempt of Court? If so, please give details.

No

29. Is there any circumstance or event in your personal or professional life which, if brought to the attention of the City of Louisville, might tend to affect adversely your qualifications to serve on the Louisville Municipal Court? If so, please explain.

No.

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Yes

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No

H. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

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No

33. Have you been found by the Colorado Department of Revenue, IRS, or any other agency or court to have willfully failed to properly disclose your income during the last five years? If so, please give details.

No

34. Do you owe any unpaid taxes or past-due child support? If so, please explain.

No

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

I understand the submission of this application expresses my willingness to accept appointment to the position of municipal judge for the City of Louisville, Colorado, and my willingness to abide by the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, if appointed. I hereby certify that the information given in this application is correct and complete.



Date: June 3, 2016

Signature of Applicant

David J. Thrower
Print or Type Name

WAIVER

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Date: June 3, 2016

Signature of Applicant

David J. Thrower
Print or Type Name

Applications must be submitted by June 20, 2016.

David J. Thrower
Personal Statement

After almost 20 years in private practice, my first day on the bench as a judge was a combination of pride, anxiety and eventually an even pace. Despite my previous 14 years as a prosecutor, my previous 6 years of experience as a criminal defense attorney, and having spent a significant amount of time in county courts for F.E.D., civil and restraining order matters, I was amazed with the concept of discretion, and endeavored to use it wisely. Of utmost importance as a judge, discretion pushed me to further educate myself, get involved with the municipal judges association, and really enjoy law. I owe these things to the public I serve.

With the exception of Boulder County and District Courts, most of my court appearances have been in the municipal court. I spent many years as a prosecutor and judge in a municipal court and learned its culture and procedures. Given that most people have their only contact with our justice system at the municipal level, I strive to make certain that defendants are heard and that the system treats them fairly, while at the same time ensuring that there are appropriate consequences for violations of the law. Because we serve as an exemplar of the larger justice system, I believe that working within a municipal court is an important service to the community, and thus have continued in this area while other aspects of my practice have grown and changed. I am passionate about working in a municipal court setting, and serving the community that has been my home for almost 20 years. I am not too proud to seek guidance from others, such as my court clerk or other municipal judges, but my experience as a manager for a busy law firm makes me a successful and innovative self-starter. An example of this is my implementation of a juvenile docket in my jurisdiction which allows me more time and freedom with defendants. With this addition, I can talk to juveniles about consequences and impose sentences better suited to them. I think this is my proudest accomplishment in my tenure as a judge.

I enjoy private practice but always fondly remembered a more direct public service. I enjoy serving as a judicial officer in my community and desire to continue to learn the art and science of being a judge. I have strong roots in both communities where I serve as a judge. I am honored to serve as the Deputy Judge in the City of Louisville and appreciate the opportunity to be considered for the position of Presiding Judge.

**APPLICATION FOR
LOUISVILLE, COLORADO MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGESHIP**

- I. The information you provide in questions 1 – 34 is public information and will be released upon request if the applicant's name is forwarded to the Louisville City Council as a finalist for consideration of appointment.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Full Name: Kristan Kali Wheeler
2. Are you able to work in the United States on a full-time basis? YES
3. Are you an attorney at law admitted to practice in Colorado? YES
If so, what is your Attorney Registration Number? 30077
4. Current Work Address: 1526 Spruce Street, Suite 301, Boulder, CO 80302
5. Current Work Telephone Number: 303-442-3873
6. List your place of residence for the past five years:

Dates	City	State	County
10/02-Present	Arvada	CO	Jefferson

B. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

7. List the names and locations of schools attended, beginning with high school.

Name	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
Golden Senior High School	Golden, CO	1985-1988	Diploma
Trinity University	San Antonio, TX	1988-1992	BA Political Science
University of Texas School of Law	Austin, TX	1993-1996	JD

C. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

8. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, with dates of admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies which require special admission to practice.

Bar Admission	Date
Texas	1996 (non-active)
Colorado	1998

9. Indicate your present employment (list professional partners or associates, if any, and include dates). If you currently practice law, describe the nature of your present law practice, listing the major types of law you practice and the percentage each constitutes of your total practice.

I am currently employed as a Relief Judge for the Cities of Arvada, Lakewood, and Westminster. I serve under the supervision and direction of the presiding judges in those jurisdictions: Judge David Cooke (Arvada), Judge Anne Stavig (Lakewood), and Judge John Stipech (Westminster). I also practice criminal defense law in Boulder, Colorado with Zachary Malkinson, Malkinson Wheeler Law, LLP. The nature of our practice is both private and indigent (appointed by the State) criminal defense (94%), administrative hearings in front of the Department of Revenue, Division of Motor Vehicle concerning driver's license privileges (3%), civil file sealings involving the filing for and obtaining orders to seal records (2%), and small claims and evictions (1%).

10. If you have focused on any specific area of law listed in number 9, what is it?

Municipal Law as a relief judge and Criminal Defense as a lawyer.

11. Have you practiced in the trial courts of Colorado within the past five years? If so, please state what percentage of your total practice your trial practice constituted and the types of matters handled.

Yes, 96% of my sixteen year practice as a lawyer is trial practice. My trial practice includes drafting and filing motions, litigating motions at court hearings, and representing defendants at trial. In August of 2015, my co-counsel and I tried a murder case in Denver and obtained a not guilty verdict for our client. Over the course of my career as a trial lawyer, I have been counsel for four defendants charged with first degree murder. One case resulted in a mistrial so it was tried twice. I have taken cases to trial for clients who are charged with municipal offenses such as assault and harassment, misdemeanor offenses such as menacing, hit and run, DUI, domestic violence related offenses, and felony offenses such as robbery, possession of a dangerous weapon, and aggravated motor vehicle theft.

12. Summarize your experience presiding over or serving as an advocate in adversary proceedings before administrative boards or commissions.

I do not have specific experience appearing before administrative boards or commissions. I do have experience appearing before hearing officers and serving as an advocate for clients in administrative hearings such as hearings concerning the privilege to drive in front of the Colorado Department of Revenue, Division of Motor Vehicles. I have also handled an appeal to the Colorado Wildlife Commission concerning my client's right to a hunting license.

13. List your prior professional or business employment since completion of your formal education (include dates).

Attorney of Record and Computer Litigation Support, *United States v. Timothy McVeigh*, August 1996 - July 1997

Investigator, David Williams Investigations, August 1997 – November 1998

Deputy State Public Defender, Office of the Colorado State Public Defender, Denver and Boulder Offices, November 1998 - April 2001

Associate Attorney, Banashek & Talkington, LLC, April 2001 - September 2002

Founder, Law Office of Kristan Wheeler, LLC, September 2002 – May 2010

Supervising Attorney and Visiting Professor, University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Student Law Office, Spring Semester, 2006

14. If you have not been employed continuously since completion of your formal education, provide the dates and for each period, describe generally what you were doing.
N/A

D. PROFESSIONAL, COMMUNITY, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

15. List activities in professional associations, including offices held, committees, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

Member, Colorado Municipal Judges Association (CMJA), 2014 – Present: Volunteer to be a reporter for the CMJA newsletter summarizing a 2016 Spring Conference continuing legal education seminar on motivational interviewing techniques for municipal judges. Volunteer to serve on a best practices committee to establish best practices for municipal courts to consider adopting in light of recent legislation aimed at changing the practices of municipal courts with respect to the issuance of bond warrants and the appointment of public defenders and to avoid future similar legislation which could limit the authority of municipal courts.

Member, Jefferson County Municipal Judges Group, 2014 - Present: Attend regular meetings with speakers from the criminal justice community discussing community resources for judges, jail policies, and other speakers pertinent to the administration of municipal courts for the cities of Golden, Mountain View, Westminster, Lakewood, Wheatridge, Arvada, and Lakewood. Discuss pending legislation affecting municipal courts and discuss responses to legislation.

Member, Colorado Women's Bar Association, Membership Committee, 2016 – Present: Help prepare and distribute annual mailing regarding membership. Attend membership committee meetings. Help plan and present membership events and programs.

Co-chair of the Criminal Law Section, Boulder County Bar Association, 2010 - 2012: Organize and present continuing legal education lectures for Bar members. Present lecture on a new file sealing statute to bar members and judges from the 20th Judicial District. Organize holiday gift giving program to benefit Boulder County Genesis Program for teenage mothers.

Co-chair of the Young Lawyers Division, Boulder County Bar Association, 2002-2004: Organize social and networking activities for young Boulder lawyers and summer law clerks.

Volunteer Lawyer, Lawyers for Mental Health Patients Task Force, 2004: Represent individuals in the state mental hospital applying to have their commitment status reviewed.

16. List your recent activities in civic and charitable organizations, including offices held, awards, honors, and citations (include dates).

Volunteer transport, Mountain Pet Rescue, May 2016: Provide transport for a dog coming from a high kill shelter in Oklahoma to a foster family in Boulder.

Volunteer, Trail builder, Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado, Spring and Summer 2015: Volunteer to help expand and maintain Colorado hiking trails.

Volunteer, Rose Roots Community Garden, 2011-Present: Volunteer to clean up garden, assist with maintenance of garden buildings, assist with the delivery of food to Arvada Food Bank, and assist with social functions for garden members.

17. List all public offices to which you were appointed or elected (include dates served). Have you had any military or other public service? If so, please give details.

Arvada Relief Judge, Appointed by Arvada City Council 4/14 - Present
Lakewood Relief Judge, Appointed by Lakewood City Council 1/15 - Present
Westminster Relief Judge, Appointed by Westminster City Council 12/16 - Present

E. REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE LOUISVILLE CITY CHARTER AND THE LOUISVILLE CITY CODE

If appointed to the bench, you will be required to comply with the provisions of contained in the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code.

18. Do you understand a judge is required to file reports of compensation for quasi-judicial and extra-judicial activities in conformance with the Code of Judicial Conduct?

YES

19. Do you understand that a judge must comply with and is subject to applicable provisions of Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, including but not limited to the provisions of Section 9-3 of the Charter setting forth principles of conduct for City municipal judges?

YES

20. Do you understand that City of Louisville's ethics rules provide that independent contractors who perform official actions on behalf of the City which involve the use of discretionary authority shall not receive any gifts seeking to influence their official actions, that City officers and employees similarly shall not receive such gifts, and that you must abide by the gift restrictions and any other applicable provisions of the City's Code of Ethics?

YES

F. MISCELLANEOUS

21. A Louisville municipal judge is expected to use computer technology for a wide variety of functions including word processing, legal research, case management, e-filing and e-mail. Do you **personally use** a computer for any of the purposes listed above or for similar purposes? If yes, describe the functions you perform and state how frequently you perform each function. If no, state whether you will participate in training to develop and maintain your personal skills in using computer technology.

I use email for corresponding with the court, prosecution, colleagues, clients, and court administrators and court clerks (daily); Microsoft Word for drafting pleadings, sentencing statements, and to make notes for cases (daily as a lawyer); ICCES or Integrated Colorado Courts E-filing System to file pleadings in civil file sealing matters and as required in Adams County (monthly); Westlaw for legal research (monthly as Alternate Defense Counsel); Court Data Access to look up the status of client's cases and the status of co-defendants and witnesses (weekly as Alternate Defense Counsel); Quickbooks and Excel to manage

my finances (weekly); and Full Court Enterprise to enter register of actions from the bench and as reviewing files (as a relief judge in Arvada).

22. List the names of no more than three individuals whom you have contacted and who have agreed to serve as professional references. If selected as a finalist, we will request you provide at least one letter of reference from someone who has knowledge of your legal work.

David V. Cooke, Presiding Judge for the City of Arvada

Anne Stavig, Presiding Judge for the City of Lakewood

Val Marino, Court Administrator for the City of Arvada

23. Please attach a statement not to exceed one page in length, double-spaced, discussing the reasons why you wish to be appointed to this vacancy and the qualities you would bring to the bench if appointed.

G. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS

24. Have you ever been disciplined or sanctioned for a breach or possible breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee, the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, the Commission on Judicial Discipline (including a private letter of admonition, reprimand, or censure), or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

NO

25. Do you know if any proceeding is pending against you before the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the Colorado Supreme Court, or by any administrative agency or disciplinary committee? If so, please give details.

NO

26. Have you ever been convicted (including by plea of guilty or *nolo contendere*) a felony, misdemeanor (including driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, driving while ability impaired by alcohol or drugs), or a serious moving traffic offense in any jurisdiction within or outside Colorado? If so, please give details.

NO

27. Have you ever been a party to or the subject of, or involved in any other legal proceedings, civil or criminal (excluding dissolution or bankruptcy proceedings and non-moving minor traffic offenses)? If so, please give details.

NO

28. Have you ever been cited for contempt of Court? If so, please give details

NO

29. Is there any circumstance or event in your personal or professional life which, if brought to the attention of the City of Louisville, might tend to affect adversely your qualifications to serve on the Louisville Municipal Court? NO If so, please explain.

30. Do you currently have a valid Colorado driver's license? If not, please give details. YES

31. Has your driver's license ever been revoked or suspended? NO If so, please give details.

H. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

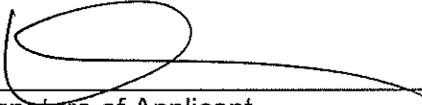
32. Have you ever failed to file your state or federal income tax return? If so, please explain.
NO
33. Have you been found by the Colorado Department of Revenue, IRS, or any other agency or court to have willfully failed to properly disclose your income during the last five years? If so, please give details.
NO
34. Do you owe any unpaid taxes or past-due child support? If so, please explain.
NO

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

I understand the submission of this application expresses my willingness to accept appointment to the position of municipal judge for the City of Louisville, Colorado, and my willingness to abide by the Louisville City Charter and the Louisville Municipal Code, if appointed. I hereby certify that the information given in this application is correct and complete.

Date:

6-16-16


Signature of Applicant

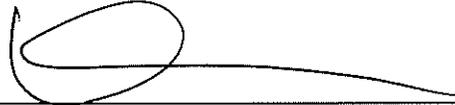
KRISTAN K. WHEELER
Print or Type Name

WAIVER

I grant the City of Louisville, Colorado the right to examine the records of the Attorney Regulation Counsel (formerly maintained by the Supreme Court Grievance Committee) and the records of the Commission on Judicial Discipline. I consent to the release of information by employers, schools, law enforcement agencies, and other authorized personnel to verify the information contained in this application.

Date:

6-16-16


Signature of Applicant

KRISTAN K. WHEELER
Print or Type Name

Applications must be submitted by June 20, 2016.

I am interested in serving as a presiding judge for the City of Louisville because I enjoy being a municipal judge and I am very fond of and connected to the City of Louisville through my fifteen years of practicing law in Boulder County. I currently serve as a part-time judge or "relief judge" for three municipal courts and I would be honored to be chosen as a presiding judge for the City of Louisville. Although I still practice law, I am committed to transitioning into a full time judicial career. As a criminal defense attorney, I gain the most satisfaction not from prevailing on motions, not from success at trial, but from helping people to make positive changes in their lives. What I enjoy least is the unavoidable one-sidedness, and occasional contentiousness, that the adversarial system demands. My personal style and temperament is more judicial than adversarial and that my skill set is more suited to that of a neutral arbiter.

I possess the qualities required of a presiding judge for the City of Louisville. The majority of defendants who appear in municipal court where I am currently a judge appear without a lawyer. I believe one of my strengths as a judge is something that my sixteen years of advocacy for criminal defendants affords me - - an ability to communicate to a diverse group of defendants effectively. I am able to explain the law, possible consequences, and the court process in a clear and concise way. My experience as a municipal judge and trial attorney provide me the foundation to make sound, consistent, and fair legal rulings. As a judge, I believe I have the opportunity to help people make positive changes in their lives, thereby reducing recidivism and enhancing community safety. This can be accomplished through what I have observed applied by other judges, with motivational techniques I have learned through classes I have taken, and skills I practice each time I am on the bench.

I am also adept at handling the administrative business required of a presiding judge including supervising clerks, reviewing and ruling on arrest warrants and requests for writs, and issuing citations and bench warrants. I am a team player and I have a democratic leadership style where I encourage team members to think creatively to find solutions to problems. I'm comfortable with and enjoy speaking with City Council members about the municipal court and court programs and policies. I believe I have a passion for the position and that I possess the skills and temperament to be an excellent presiding judge for the City of Louisville. I would be honored to speak with the selection committee further regarding my interest in this position and my qualifications.