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Notice of Judicial Vacancies

TO: All Active Members of the State Bar of South Dakota
FROM: Robert Gusinsky, Secretary, Judicial Qualifications Commission

In anticipation of the Supreme Court amending its rules to allow for fourteen (14) judges in the Second Circuit, (Positions M and N), the Judicial Qualifications Commission is now taking applications for these positions. The duty station for these positions may be either Lincoln or Minnehaha County as determined by the Presiding Judge. As of July 1, 2023, the salary for a circuit court judge position in South Dakota is \$174,448.36. In addition, circuit court judges and their dependents are eligible to participate in the State of South Dakota's health insurance plan; circuit court judges participate in the State's defined benefit retirement plan.

All lawyers and judges interested in applying should obtain the application form at <http://ujs.sd.gov/>, or contact Lori Grode at the State Court Administrator's Office. The application must be returned to the Administrator's Office and must be postmarked no later than **5:00 PM on May 10, 2024**. Applicants should make sure the application submitted is the 2018 version. Unless otherwise indicated by the applicant, the Commission will consider all applications submitted to be applications for both Position M and Position N.

You may also obtain the application form by writing or telephoning:

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Or, visit <http://ujs.sd.gov/> for current job openings.

The Second Circuit is comprised of the following counties: Minnehaha and Lincoln.