

November 11, 2023

Honorable Kim Reynolds  
Governor, State of Iowa  
Iowa State Capitol  
Des Moines, IA 50319

Honorable Susan Christensen  
Chief Justice, Iowa Judicial Branch  
1111 East Court Avenue  
Des Moines, IA 50319

Dear Governor Reynolds and Chief Justice Christensen,

The Judicial Nominating Commission for District 2B submits the following names to fill a District Court Judge vacancy due to the retirement of Judge Ellefson. Ms. Sparks nomination comes from a commission meeting on November 1, 2023. Ms. Forbes nomination comes from a commission meeting on November 11, 2023.

\_\_\_\_\_ Carin Forbes \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Ashley Sparks \_\_\_\_\_

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Garrett Piklapp, Chairperson