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### JUSTICE COURT VACANCY ANNOUNCED FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY

**Washington County, Utah**—Applications are being accepted for a full-time justice court judge that will serve Washington County, Utah. The position will replace Judge Doug Whitlock who will retire in January.

To be considered for a justice court judgeship in Washington County, candidates must be at least 25 years of age, a citizen of the United States, a Utah resident for at least three years, and have a degree from a law school that would make one eligible to apply for admission to a bar in any state in the United States. In addition, applicants must be a resident of Washington County, an adjacent county, or the judicial district in which the justice court is located either upon appointment or within a reasonable time following appointment.

Information on judicial retention and performance evaluation is posted on the Utah State Court's website at [www.utcourts.gov](http://www.utcourts.gov) under employment opportunities. An application for judicial office form must be completed and is available on the court's website ([www.utcourts.gov/admin/jobs](http://www.utcourts.gov/admin/jobs)). The salary for the position is \$149,730 per year plus benefits. For additional information about working for Washington County, email Nicholle Felshaw at [nicholle.felshaw@washco.utah.gov](mailto:nicholle.felshaw@washco.utah.gov) or call her at (435) 301-7000.

The deadline for applications is Friday, September 13, 2024 at 5 p.m. and should be sent to the attention of Jim Peters, Administrative Office of the Courts, P.O. Box 140241, Salt Lake City, UT, 84114-0241. Applications received after the deadline will not be accepted. For questions about the justice courts or the process for filling this position, email Jim Peters, Justice Court Administrator, at [jamesp@utcourts.gov](mailto:jamesp@utcourts.gov).

Utah law requires the Judicial Nominating Commission to submit three to five nominees to the Washington County Commission within 45 days of its first meeting. The County Commission will then have 30 days in which to select a finalist. Their selection must then be certified by the Utah Judicial Council.

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