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Alaska Judicial Council Public Hearings and Meetings for the Anchorage District & Nome Superior Courts

The Alaska Judicial Council will hold public hearings to receive comments regarding applicants for vacancies on the Anchorage District and Nome Superior Courts. The public is invited to participate in person or by calling Zoom access toll-free.

The Anchorage District Court vacancy is due to the retirement of Judge Brian K. Clark, and the Nome Superior Court vacancy is due to the resignation of Judge Romano DiBenedetto.

The applicants who have applied for the Anchorage District Court vacancy are **Julia Metzger, Ben Muse, Eric Salinger, and Matt Widmer.**

Comment on the Anchorage District Court vacancy applicants at 12:15 p.m., Monday, August 17, 2026, in the AJC Conference Room, 510 L St., 4th floor, Anchorage, Alaska, or via Zoom:

Call Toll-Free:	Meeting ID:	Passcode:
1 877 853 5257	826 6707 4163	505229

The applicants who have applied for the Nome Superior Court vacancy are **Elizabeth Mering and John Revis.**

Comment on the Nome Superior Court vacancy applicants at **12:15 p.m., Tuesday, August 18, 2026**, at the Katirvik Cultural Center, 100 W 7th Ave., Nome, Alaska, or via Zoom:

Call Toll-Free:	Meeting ID:	Passcode:
1 833 928 4608	846 0885 6764	652899

The Council will meet in Anchorage on August 17, 2026, to interview and nominate the most qualified applicants for the Anchorage District Court vacancy. Following its meeting on Monday, the Council will convene in Nome on August 18, 2026, to interview and nominate the most qualified applicants for the Nome Superior Court vacancy, and to discuss administrative matters.

The Alaska Judicial Council's mission is to screen and nominate judicial applicants, evaluate the performance of judges, and make evaluation information and recommendations available to the voters, and conduct studies and make recommendations to improve the administration of justice.

For more information, please visit the Council's website at www.ajc.state.ak.us or call (907) 279-2526.

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