

Richard A. Birch, Rebecca R. Harling, Michael L. Nozicka, all of North Platte; Brian J. Lockwood, Scottsbluff; and Meredith O. Peterson, Pinedale, Wyo., have submitted applications for appointment as District Judge in the 11th Judicial District consisting of Arthur, Chase, Dawson, Dundy, Frontier, Furnas, Gosper, Hayes, Hitchcock, Hooker, Keith, Lincoln, Logan, McPherson, Perkins, Red Willow, and Thomas counties.

The principal place of office for the judicial vacancy is North Platte, Lincoln County, Neb. The vacancy is due to the retirement of Judge John P. Murphy.

The public hearing of the Judicial Nominating Commission will be held in Courtroom #1 of the Lincoln County Courthouse (301 N. Jeffers Street, North Platte), beginning at 1:30 p.m. (CST) on Thursday, Sept. 29, 2011. The public is welcome to attend the hearing and present information concerning candidates for the judicial opening.

A listing of the members of the Judicial Nominating Commission can be found on the Nebraska Judicial Branch Web site at

<http://www.supremecourt.ne.gov/commissions/jnc-ccdc11-roster.shtml>.