

October 4, 2021

Dear Senators Bennet and Hickenlooper:

As members of your District Court Advisory Committee recommending candidates for current and future vacancies on the U.S. District Court in Colorado, we write to you regarding Judge Christine Arguello's announcement that she will step down as an active judge and take senior status, effective July 15, 2022. According to the White House, you may submit recommendations to fill the vacancy as soon as possible so that in the most ideal scenario Judge Arguello's successor would be confirmed before she takes senior status.

Given that we completed a comprehensive candidate review process that yielded a robust pool of candidates in late May (just four months ago), we propose that you choose three names from the candidates whom you have already interviewed, and submit those three names to President Biden for him to select one to nominate to be a judge on the U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado. Further, the Committee stands ready to conduct another comprehensive review process as appropriate in the future.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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