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## Press Release

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## Judicial Nominees *Ketchikan Superior Court*

The Alaska Judicial Council met in Ketchikan on January 31, 2022, to interview applicants for a position on the Ketchikan Superior Court. Following its meeting, the Alaska Judicial Council announced that **Daniel Doty and Amanda M. Schulz** were nominated as the most qualified applicants to fill the judicial vacancy. The governor now has 45 days in which to make the appointment from among these nominees.

The Judicial Council is required to nominate the most qualified applicants applying for a judicial vacancy. (The framers of our Constitution referred to this standard as the "best available timber.")

The Council is a citizens' commission created by the Alaska Constitution composed of three attorneys, three non-attorneys, and the Chief Justice of the Alaska Supreme Court. The Council completes an extensive investigation and evaluation of judicial applicants. The Council reviews each applicant's education, experience, bar discipline and credit records, participation in community activities, and other records. It asks members of the Alaska Bar to evaluate the applicants, encourages the public to submit comments, and interviews the applicants.

### Nominees for the Ketchikan Superior Court are:

**Daniel Doty:** Mr. Doty has been an Alaska resident for 14½ years and has practiced law for 8½ years. He graduated from the William & Mary Law School in 2013 and is currently an assistant U.S. attorney in Fairbanks.

**Amanda M. Schulz:** Magistrate Judge Schulz has been an Alaska resident for 20½ years and has practiced law for 19½ years. She graduated from the University of Idaho, College of Law in 2001 and is currently a magistrate judge in Ketchikan.

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