



THE SUPREME COURT OF MINNESOTA  
MINNESOTA JUDICIAL CENTER  
25 REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. BLVD.  
SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA 55155

CHAMBERS OF  
ERIC J. MAGNUSON  
CHIEF JUSTICE

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June 9, 2010

Mr. Joseph Mansky  
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Ramsey County Elections  
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Dear Mr. Mansky:

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 2.722, subdivision 4 (2009), and your notification that District Court Judge M. Michael Monahan is not seeking reelection, the Supreme Court has determined that the judicial position currently filled by District Court Judge M. Michael Monahan is necessary for effective judicial administration and adequate access to the courts. I am certifying to you the continuation of that district court judgeship chambered at St. Paul in Ramsey County in the Second Judicial District.

Yours truly,

Eric J. Magnuson  
Chief Justice

cc: Governor Tim Pawlenty  
✓ Secretary of State Mark Ritchie  
Honorable Kathleen R. Gearin  
Honorable Edward J. Cleary  
Larry Dease  
John Hultquist  
Bert Black  
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STATE OF MINNESOTA  
Office of Minnesota Secretary of State  
Mark Ritchie

June 4, 2010

The Honorable Eric J. Magnuson  
Chief Justice, Minnesota Supreme Court  
Minnesota Judicial Center  
25 Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard  
Saint Paul MN 55155-6102

Susan K. Dosal  
State Court Administrator  
Minnesota Judicial Center  
25 Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard  
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Dear Chief Justice Magnuson and Administrator Dosal,

This letter is to inform the Supreme Court pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, section 2.722 that the following judges are not seeking reelection:

M. Michael Monahan, an incumbent judge in the Second Judicial District  
Kenneth A. Sandvik, an incumbent judge in the Sixth Judicial District  
Thomas G. Armstrong, an incumbent judge in the Tenth Judicial District

*Minnesota Statutes*, section 2.722, subd. 4(b) states:

(b) If a judge of district court fails to timely file an affidavit of candidacy and filing fee or petition in lieu of a fee, the official with whom the affidavits of candidacy are required to be filed shall notify the Supreme Court that the incumbent judge is not seeking reelection.

Minnesota Statutes, section 204B.09, subdivision 1(d), provides:

(d) Affidavits and petitions for county offices must be filed with the county auditor of that county. Affidavits and petitions for federal offices must be filed with the secretary of state. *Affidavits and petitions for state offices must be filed with the secretary of state or with the county auditor of the county in which the candidate resides.*

(emphasis added).



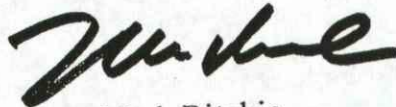
A candidate could file for a District Court in any county within the state in which they reside, as pursuant to Article VII, section 6 of the Minnesota Constitution, a candidate need reside in the district for only 30 days prior to the election. However, the Office of the Secretary of State is responsible for certifying candidates for state and federal office, *Minnesota Statutes* section 204D.06 and maintains the Election Reporting System, which gathers all filings with county auditors.

Judge M. Michael Monahan and Judge Kenneth A. Sandvik did not file affidavits of candidacy.

Judge Thomas G. Armstrong filed an affidavit of candidacy for reelection to Seat 3, Tenth Judicial District, with the Washington County Auditor on May 18, 2010. On June 2, 2010, Judge Armstrong filed an affidavit of withdrawal and at that point was no longer a candidate for reelection. Copies of the affidavits of candidacy and withdrawal are attached.

Please contact my office if you have any questions about this letter.

Sincerely,



Mark Ritchie  
Secretary of State

Attachments: Affidavits of Thomas G. Armstrong

C: County auditors in the Second, Sixth and Tenth Judicial Districts