

1 **IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO**

2 **April 6, 2023**

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4 **NO. 23-8500-14**

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6 **IN THE MATTER OF**
7 **APPOINTMENTS TO THE**
8 **BUDGET COMMITTEE**

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10 **ORDER**

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12 WHEREAS, this matter came on for consideration pursuant to New Mexico
13 Supreme Court Order No. 22-8500-021, *In the Matter of the Establishment of the*
14 *Budget Committee* dated April 15, 2022, which established a New Mexico Budget
15 Committee to develop an overall framework for funding the judiciary through a
16 statewide, equitable analysis of needs that will serve both New Mexico state courts
17 and the community, and New Mexico Supreme Court Order No. 22-8400-022, *In*
18 *the Matter of the Establishment of the Budget Committee's Terms of Office* dated
19 May 6, 2022;

20 WHEREAS, the New Mexico Budget Committee Charter provides that the
21 committee members of the New Mexico Budget Committee shall be appointed by
22 the Supreme Court for a term of three (3) years;

23 WHEREAS, the New Mexico Budget Committee Charter provides that upon
24 appointment by the New Mexico Supreme Court, the Supreme Court clerk is
25 authorized to randomly assign the initial committee members one (1), two (2), and

1 three (3)-year terms to achieve a staggering of terms, and committee members who
2 were initially assigned a one (1) or two (2)-year term, or who are appointed to
3 complete the remainder of an unexpired term of a prior member, may be
4 reappointed to two (2) full three (3)-year terms thereafter;

5 WHEREAS, committee members who were initially assigned a one (1)-year
6 term have terms that expire on May 6, 2023, will be reassigned as three (3)-year
7 terms to Audrey Hukari, Court Executive Officer, Twelfth Judicial District, and
8 Second Judicial District Court Judge Nancy Franchini;

9 WHEREAS, there is a current three (3)-year term Committee vacancy due to
10 the retirement of committee member Robert Padilla, Court Executive Officer,
11 Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court, which will be completed by Kevin Spears,
12 Court Executive Officer, Ninth Judicial District; and

13 WHEREAS, the Court, having considered the foregoing and being
14 sufficiently advised; Chief Justice C. Shannon Bacon, Justice Michael E. Vigil,
15 Justice David K. Thomson, Justice Julie J. Vargas, and Justice Briana H. Zamora
16 concurring;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that, effective May 6, 2023, the
18 following individuals are appointed to serve as members of the New Mexico
19 Budget Committee, with the initial assignment of terms pursuant to the New
20 Mexico Budget Committee Charter:

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- (1) Chief Judge Curtis Gurley – three (3) year term, expires May 6, 2025
Eleventh Judicial District Court
- (2) Judge James Martin – three (3) year term, expires May 6, 2025
Third Judicial District Court
- (3) Kevin Spears, CEO – three (3) year term, expires May 6, 2025
Ninth Judicial District Court
- (4) Judge Francis Mathew – two (2) year term, expires May 6, 2024
First Judicial District Court
- (5) Chief Judge Emilio Chavez – two (2) year term, expires May 6, 2024
Eighth Judicial District Court
- (6) Judge Megan Duffy – two (2) year term, expires May 6, 2024
New Mexico Court of Appeals
- (7) Audrey Hukari – three (3) year term, expires May 6, 2026
Twelfth Judicial District Court
- (8) Judge Nancy Franchini – three (3) year term, expires May 6, 2026
Second Judicial District Court

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Judge John Chavez shall serve as chair of
the New Mexico Budget Committee.

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IT IS SO ORDERED.



WITNESS, the Honorable C. Shannon Bacon, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New Mexico, and the seal of said Court this 6th day of April, 2023.

Elizabeth A. Garcia, Clerk of Court
Supreme Court of New Mexico

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elizabeth A. Garcia". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Elizabeth A. Garcia, Chief Clerk of the Supreme Court
of the State of New Mexico

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