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**TENTH CIRCUIT JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION ANNOUNCES  
NOMINEES FOR TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, POLK COUNTY COURT VACANCY**

The Tenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission met in person on August 14, 2023, and interviewed thirteen applicants for the Tenth Judicial Circuit, Polk County Court vacancy created by the elevation of Judge Brandon Rafool. The Commission announced that the following nominees, listed in alphabetical order, have been forwarded to Governor Ron DeSantis:

Anne Gibson, Esq.  
Bonde Johnson, Esq.  
Monica Smith, Esq.  
Jennifer Steimle, Esq.  
John C. Waters, Esq.  
Rachelle Williamson, Esq.

Tenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission members are: Julie Landrigan Ball, Walter E. Engle, III, Benjamin W. Hardin, Jr., Frederick J. Murphy, Jr., Robert Swaine, Krista Mahalak, Lydia Zbrzezny, and Nicholas T. Zbrzezny.

For more information, contact the chair of the Tenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission at:

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