



AGENDA COVER MEMO

Memorandum Date: November 22, 2024

Order Date: January 7, 2025

TO: Board of County Commissioners

DEPARTMENT: Office of Legal Counsel

PRESENTED BY: Andrea Nagles, Sr. Assistant County Counsel

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: ORDER 25-01-07-XX/ IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING JUSTICES PRO TEMPORE FOR THE LANE COUNTY JUSTICE DISTRICT THROUGH JANUARY 6, 2026

I. MOTION

Move to approve Order appointing Justices Pro Tempore for the Lane County Justice District through January 6, 2026.

II. AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

A. Background Analysis

The appointment of Pro Tempore justices for the Lane County Justice Court is a routine matter the Board adopts each year. The sitting Justice of the Peace, Richard B. Brissenden, II, may not be able to serve at all times because of other obligations and conflicts of interest. ORS 51.260 permits the Board of Commissioners to appoint a sitting Justice of the Peace Pro Tempore from any county justice of the peace district within the State of Oregon, or a person qualified for election as justice of the peace, to serve as Justice of the Peace Pro Tempore so long as the appointment does not exceed one year.

B. Health Implications

There are no significant health implications associated with the adoption of the order.

III. RECOMMENDATION

The Office of Legal Counsel recommends that the Board adopt the attached order. The order is

necessary to assure the uninterrupted work of the Justice Court. The recommended Pro Tempore justices have been recommended by the sitting Justice of the Peace, Richard B. Brissenden, II, as such he is certain they are qualified to serve under Oregon law.

IV. ATTACHMENTS

Attached is the Board Order making the necessary appointments.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO: 25-01-07-XX

In the Matter of Appointing Justices Pro Tempore
for the Lane County Justice District through
January 6, 2026

WHEREAS, it is required that the Justice of Lane County Justice District be available for duty seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, Justice Richard B. Brissenden of Lane County Justice Court may not be able to serve at certain times because of other obligations or potential conflicts of interest; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners find that the public interest requires that a Justice Pro Tempore be appointed during the absence of the Justice; and

WHEREAS, ORS 51.260 permits the appointment of a sitting justice of the peace from any county justice of the peace district within the State of Oregon, or person qualified for election as justice of the peace, to serve as justice of the peace pro tempore, the appointment not to exceed one year.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Lane County **ORDERS** as follows:

1. Dawn Reynolds is appointed as Justice Pro Tempore for the Lane County Justice District, to be assigned in writing as required from January 7, 2025, through January 6, 2026.
2. Robert Schrank is appointed as Justice Pro Tempore for the Lane County Justice District, to be assigned in writing as required from January 7, 2025, through January 6, 2026.
3. Alan Leiman is appointed as Justice Pro Tempore for the Lane County Justice District, to be assigned in writing as required from January 7, 2025, through January 6, 2026.
4. Martin Fisher is appointed as Justice Pro Tempore for the Lane County Justice District, to be assigned in writing as required from January 7, 2025, through January 6, 2026.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2025.

Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners