

522 **78A-10a-401. Definitions.**

523 As used in this part:

524 (1) "Commission" means a district and juvenile court nominating commission created
525 under Section 78A-10a-402.

526 (2) "Commissioner" means an individual appointed by the governor to serve on a
527 district and juvenile court nominating commission created under Section 78A-10a-402.

528 Section 20. Section **78A-10a-402** is enacted to read:

529 **78A-10a-402. Creation -- Purpose.**

530 (1) There is a district and juvenile court nominating commission created for each
531 geographical division of the district and juvenile courts.

532 (2) A district and juvenile court nominating commission shall nominate individuals to
533 fill judicial vacancies for the district court and the juvenile court within the commission's
534 geographical division.

535 Section 21. Section **78A-10a-403** is enacted to read:

536 **78A-10a-403. Membership -- Vacancies -- Removal.**

537 (1) A district and juvenile court nominating commission shall consist of seven
538 commissioners, each appointed by the governor to serve a four-year term.

539 (2) A commissioner shall:

540 (a) be a United States citizen;

541 (b) be a resident of Utah; ~~H→~~ [and]

541a (c) be a resident of the geographical division to be served by the commission to which the
541b commissioner is appointed; and ~~←H~~

542 ~~H→~~ [(c)] (d) ~~←H~~ serve until the commissioner's successor is appointed.

543 (3) The governor may not appoint:

544 (a) a commissioner to successive terms; and

545 (b) a member of the Legislature to serve as a commissioner.

546 (4) In determining whether to appoint an individual to serve as a commissioner, the
547 governor shall consider whether the individual's appointment would ensure that the
548 commission selects applicants without any regard to partisan political consideration.

549 (5) The governor shall appoint the chair of each commission from among the
550 membership of the commission.

551 (6) The governor shall fill any vacancy on the commission caused by the expiration of
552 a commissioner's term.