

Albany County Attorney Vacancy FAQs

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How will the Albany County Attorney vacancy be filled?

Wyoming Statute §22-18-111(a)(ii) outlines the process for filling a vacancy in a county elective office:

- If a vacancy occurs in a county elective office, the board of county commissioners shall immediately notify the chair of the county central committee of the political party which the last incumbent represented at the time of their election.
- The chair shall call a meeting of the county central committee to be held not later than fifteen (15) days after receiving notice of the vacancy. At the meeting, the county central committee shall select and transmit to the board of county commissioners the names of three (3) persons qualified to hold the office.
- Within five (5) days after receiving these three (3) names, the board of county commissioners shall fill the vacancy by appointment of one (1) of the three (3) to hold the office.

How can I apply?

Applicants may apply by emailing Albany County Democratic Party Chair Carrie Murthy (<u>albanycountydems.chair@gmail.com</u>) with:

- 1. your resume, and
- 2. a cover letter that describes your vision for this position

To apply, you must be a registered Democatic voter, a member of the Wyoming State Bar for a minimum of 5 years, and practicing law for a minimum of 5 years.

When are applications due?

Applications must be received no later than 10pm on Sunday, May 9, 2021.

What will happen after I apply?

Once applications are received, a Screening Committee¹ will review all application materials and narrow the group of candidates to present to the Central Committee.

Semifinalists (no more than 6) will participate in a live public forum at 7:00pm on Monday, May 17, 2021. Each candidate will be informed via email whether they have been selected as a semifinalist. Semifinalists will be asked to confirm that they are comfortable with being announced publicly as a semifinalist, and that they will participate in a public forum.

The Central Committee will solicit community input following the public forum. Members of the community may email albanycounty@wyodems.org to share their thoughts and preferences with the Central Committee.

The Central Committee will meet and submit the names of three finalists to the Board of County Commissioners by May 19, 2021.

The Board of County Commissioners will conduct further screening activities, and will appoint one of the finalists to fill the vacancy by May 24, 2021.

¹ Screening Committee members will be appointed by the Albany County Democratic Party Executive Committee, as authorized by the Central Committee. Members of the Screening Committee are prohibited from becoming candidates.