



**C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
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GOVERNOR OTTER APPOINTS NAMPA ATTORNEY TO THIRD DISTRICT BENCH

(BOISE) - Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter announced the appointment today of Nampa attorney **Davis VanderVelde** to fill the Third District judgeship vacated by the recent elevation of Judge Molly Huskey to the Idaho Court of Appeals.

The Las Vegas native received his undergraduate degree from the University of Nevada Las Vegas and his law degree from California Western School of Law in San Diego.

VanderVelde practiced law in Nevada until moving to Nampa in 2006. He has practiced law with White Peterson Gigray & Nichols P.A., since 2008, and has been a partner since 2012.

"I have committed my adult life to my family and to the law," he said. "As an Idaho resident for the past ten years, and an avid proponent of the lifestyle and freedom we enjoy living in such a remarkable state, I am ready to serve the State of Idaho as a judge."

VanderVelde is a member of the Caldwell Exchange Club and volunteers regularly with Hands of Hope Northwest in Nampa. He and his wife Jennifer also support the Boys & Girls Club of Nampa.

"Davis has the right judicial temperament and demeanor to work effectively on the Third District bench," Governor Otter said. "He is a devoted member of the Bar who understands the positive impact that a responsible, objective jurist can have on our citizens and communities."