



State of North Dakota

DISTRICT COURT
EAST CENTRAL JUDICIAL DISTRICT
CASS COUNTY COURTHOUSE
BOX 2806
FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA 58108
(701) 451-6940

Honorable Steven E. McCullough
Presiding Judge

Honorable Susan L. Bailey
District Judge

Honorable Reid A. Brady
District Judge

Honorable Nicholas W. Chase
District Judge

Honorable Cherie L. Clark
District Judge

Honorable Constance L. Cleveland
District Judge

Honorable Stephanie R. Hayden
District Judge

Honorable Stephannie N. Stiel
District Judge

Honorable Tristan J. Van de Streek
District Judge

Honorable Wade L. Webb
District Judge

Honorable Ryan J. Younggren
District Judge

October 10, 2025

Governor Kelly Armstrong
c/o Chris Joseph
Sent via email
Chjoseph@nd.gov

Dear Governor Armstrong:

With mixed feelings of excitement for a new challenge and sadness for leaving a wonderful job working with amazing professionals, I resign my position as a District Judge with the East Central Judicial District. My resignation is effective immediately. As I explained a few weeks ago to your counsel, Mr. Joseph, the nature of my appointment requires that there not be any period of overlap between public positions.

I have found this job to be fascinating and have interacted with so many people I will remember for a lifetime. The person you appoint to replace me will get a great opportunity to serve the citizens of North Dakota.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicholas Chase", is positioned below the "Very truly yours," text.

Nicholas Chase

CC: Chief Justice Jensen, Presiding Judge McCullough, Chris Iversen