

Notice Regarding Appointment of Magistrate

The magistrate appointing commission for Cerro Gordo County will meet at the Courthouse on Friday, April 19, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of appointing a magistrate for the term beginning on or around April 27, 2024, and ending July 31, 2025.

Magistrate appointments, jurisdiction, and procedures are specified in Iowa Code sections 602.6403 through 602.6405. Please note the following:

1. A magistrate shall be a resident of the county of appointment or of a county contiguous to the county of appointment during the magistrate's term of office.
2. A person is not qualified for appointment as a magistrate if at the time of appointment the person has reached age seventy-two.
3. A magistrate shall be an attorney licensed to practice law in this state.
4. To qualify for appointment, applicants must file an application approved by the Supreme Court. The application form may be obtained from the Cerro Gordo County Clerk of Court. Completed application materials must be received by the Cerro Gordo County Clerk of Court not later than April 11, 2024, at 4:00 PM.
5. The present salary for a Judicial Magistrate is \$43,318.00 per year. Benefits are available at part-time rates. This magistrate position is currently one of three magistrates allocated to Cerro Gordo County, the magistrates rotate their coverage.
6. The Magistrate shall work in other counties of the district when necessary as assigned by the Chief Judge. The Magistrate may be required to handle mental health and substance use commitment cases.
7. The person appointed shall attend the annual school of instruction for Magistrates.
8. For information on Judicial Magistrate appointments, jurisdiction, and procedures, see Iowa Code sections 602.6403 through 602.6405.

Magistrate Appointing Commission for Cerro Gordo County