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Eleven named to Ritter's small biz panel

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Colorado Gov. Bill Ritter has appointed 11 new members to his advisory council on small business.

The 45-member **Small Business Council** recommends changes to laws and regulations aimed at encouraging small business growth in the state.

The new members, announced Tuesday, are:

- Coulter M. Bump of Denver.
- Burke O'Hara Fort of Golden.
- Greg Lopez of Elizabeth.
- Shelley McPherson of Pueblo West.
- James Neubecker of Fort Collins.
- Christina S. Reddin of Grand Junction.
- Kelly Roth of Colorado Springs.
- **Arjun Sen of Centennial.**
- Nirav Shah of Centennial.
- Mark Thomas of Highlands Ranch.
- Richard Wertz of Crestone.

In addition, Sandra Gutierrez of Pueblo was re-appointed to the panel, which serves at the pleasure of the governor.

Ritter announced several other board appointments Tuesday:

- CoverColorado board of directors: Jayne Howard of Columbine Valley, for a term expiring July 1, 2011; and Christine Gilroy of Denver and Daryl Edmonds of Highlands Ranch, for terms expiring July 1, 2012; subject to state Senate approval. CoverColorado provides access to health insurance for 2,500 Coloradans who are otherwise uninsurable because of pre-existing conditions.
- Science and Technology Education Grant Program Advisory Board: Jennifer Jirous of Colorado Springs and Mary Ann Roe of Aurora, for terms expiring Oct. 1, 2009; Seth Berg of Telluride, for a term expiring Oct. 1, 2010. The board reviews applications for the Science and Technology Education Center Grant Program and submits recommendations to the State Board of Education.
- State Judicial Performance Commission: Paul Farley of Centennial and Beverly Newton of Fort Collins, for terms expiring Nov. 30, 2013. The commission develops evaluation techniques for state judges and Supreme Court justices.

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