

**FILED**

APR 19 2021

ANGIE SPARKS, Clerk of District Court  
By *Maureen* Deputy Clerk

**MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY**

JUSTICE JIM RICE,

Petitioner,

v.

THE MONTANA STATE  
LEGISLATURE, by Senator Mark  
Blasdel, President of the Senate, and  
Representative Wylie Galt, Speaker of the  
House of Representatives,

Respondent.

Cause No. ADV-2021-451  
BDV-2021-451

**RECUSAL AND ASSUMPTION**

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