



**JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE
2022**

Court, Position, and Seat # for which you are applying:

Circuit Court, 15th Judicial Circuit, Seat 1

1. Name: Mr.
Mrs.
Ms. Amanda A. Bailey

Name that you are known by if different from above
(Example: A Nickname):

None

Are you currently serving in some capacity as a judge? If part-time, please note.
(Includes Municipal, Magistrate, Etc.)

None

Home Address:

(Redacted)

County of Residence:

Horry County

Business Address:

(Physical)
Burr & Forman, LLP
Founders Centre
2411 Oak Street, Suite 206
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

(Mailing)
Burr & Forman, LLP
P.O. Box 336
Myrtle Beach, SC 29578

E-Mail Address:

(Redacted)

Telephone Number: (home): (Redacted)
(office): (843) 444-1107
(cell): (Redacted)

2. Date of Birth: (Redacted) 1977
Place of Birth: Nashua, NH
Social Security Number: (Redacted)

3. Are you a citizen of South Carolina? Yes
Have you been a resident of this state for at least the immediate past five years? Yes

4. SCDL# or SCHD#: (Redacted)

Voter Registration Number: (Redacted)

5. Have you served in the military? If so, give the dates, branch of service, highest rank attained, serial number (if applicable), present status, and the character of your discharge or release. Please provide a copy of your DD214 concerning your discharge.

No, not applicable

6. Family Status:

(a) State whether you are single, married, widowed, divorced, or separated.

Married

(b) If married, state the date of your marriage and your spouse's full name and occupation.

June 16, 2001, Daniel Jonathan Bailey, Director of Retail and Ballpark Operations for the Myrtle Beach Pelicans, a Single-A Affiliate of the Chicago Cubs

(c) If widowed, list the name(s) of spouse(s).

Not applicable.

(d) If you have ever been divorced or are in the process of obtaining a divorce, state the date, name of the moving party, court, and grounds.

Not applicable.

(e) State the names of your children and their ages. If your children are old enough to work, include the occupation of each child.

(Redacted)

7. List each college and law school you attended, including the dates of your attendance, the degrees you received, and if you left an institution without receiving a degree, the reason for your departure.
 - (a) Appalachian State University, 1995-1998, Bachelor of Arts in Political Science;
 - (b) George Washington University, Summer 1998, Graduate School of Political Management, no degree, summer study only;
 - (c) University of South Carolina School of Law, 2000-2003, Juris Doctor.

8. List the significant activities in which you took part during your attendance at law school. Give the years you were involved in these activities and list any leadership positions you held.
 - (a) Order of the Wig and Robe, 2002-2003;
 - (b) Order of the Coif, 2001-2003;
 - (c) ABA Real Property, Trust & Estate Journal, Articles Editor, 2001-2003;
 - (d) Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity, 2002-2003;
 - (e) Research Assistant: David G. Owen, Carolina Distinguished Professor of Law, USC School of Law, August 2002 to May 2003;
 - (f) Law Clerk, Austin, Lewis & Rogers, May 2002 to May 2003;
 - (g) Law Clerk, SCDHEC Office of General Counsel, May 2001 to April 2002;
 - (h) Ticket Representative, USC Carolina Coliseum, September 2000 to May 2001.

9. List the states in which you have been admitted to practice law and the year of each admission. Also list any states in which you took the bar exam but were never admitted to the practice of law. Please indicate the number of times you took the exam in each state.
 - (a) South Carolina, 2003;
 - (b) North Carolina, 2004;
 - (c) I have not taken the bar exam in any other state.

10. Describe chronologically, since graduation from law school, your legal experience. Please include a list of all positions held in which you worked in a legal capacity. Describe the general character of your practice and divide it into periods with dates if its character changed over the years. Please also describe the extent to which you were involved with the administrative and financial management of each of these entities, including management of trust accounts.
 - (a) Judicial Law Clerk to the Honorable Kaye G. Hearn, August 2003 to May 2005:
In my capacity as judicial law clerk to the Honorable Kaye G. Hearn, then Chief Judge of the South Carolina Court of Appeals, I prepared draft legal opinions, preliminary reports, and cases assessments regarding criminal, civil, family, workers compensation and administrative appellate cases. I read appellate briefs and records,

researched legal issues, wrote bench memoranda, orally presented and fielded questions regarding cases from appellate judges, and assisted in drafting opinions.

- (b) Burr & Forman, LLP f/k/a the McNair Law Firm, P.A., May 2005 to the present:
- May 2005 to December 2010, Associate, general litigation practice. During this time period, I primarily practiced business litigation, representing both Plaintiffs and Defendants, but often handled non-business related general litigation including personal injury, probate court litigation, employment litigation, and general counsel representation. I primarily served as co-counsel or second-chair in litigation matters. I was not generally involved in the administrative or financial management of the firm.
 - January 2011 to January 2017, Partner, general litigation practice. During this time period, I continued my primary practice in business litigation, representing both Plaintiffs and Defendants. I continued to handle other non-business related general litigation, including personal injury, probate court litigation, employment litigation, and general counsel representation. I primarily served as lead counsel in litigation matters. As a partner, I was involved in some administrative and financial management of the firm, and served on the associate development committee, strategic planning committee, and as co-chair of the litigation practice group.
 - January 2017 to December 2018, Unit Manager and Partner, general litigation practice. During this time period, I continued my primary practice set forth above and served as lead counsel in litigation matters. As Unit Manager of the Grand Strand Unit, I was involved in administrative and financial management of the firm, and served on the compensation committee and as co-chair of the litigation practice group. In my role as Unit Manager, with the supervision of the firm managing shareholder, I was responsible for the Grand Stand Unit personnel, equipment, and facility matters; file opening and conflict approvals; recruiting; office budgeting and financials; timekeeper budgeting, productivity, assignments, and work performance; and, overseeing of local trust accounts. In addition, as a member of the firm compensation committee, I assisted in evaluating, advising, and voting on firm shareholder and timekeeper compensation.
 - January 2019 to January 2020, Office Managing Partner, general litigation practice. During this time period, I continued my primary practice as set forth above and served as lead counsel in litigation matters. As the Office Managing Shareholder for the Myrtle Beach office, I was involved in the administrative and financial management of the firm, in particular the Myrtle Beach office. In addition, I was involved in undertaking and supervising local firm combination efforts in the Myrtle Beach office as a result of the combination of the McNair Law Firm, P.A. with Burr & Forman, LLP effective January 1, 2019.
 - January 2020 to present, Partner, commercial litigation. During this time period, I have continued my primary practice in litigation, representing both Plaintiffs and Defendants. I handle other non-business related general litigation, including personal injury, probate court litigation, employment litigation, and outside general counsel representation. I primarily serve as

lead counsel in litigation matters. As a partner, I am involved in limited financial and administrative matters of the firm, and serve on the firm ethics and pro bono committees.

Justices/judges applying for re-election to their current position may omit Questions 11–17. If you are a full-time judge seeking a judgeship different than your current position, Questions 11-17 should be answered based on your experience *prior to serving on the bench.*

11. Please answer the following:
- (a) If you are a candidate for Family Court, please provide a brief written description of your experience within each of the following Family Court practice areas: divorce and equitable division of property, child custody, adoption, abuse and neglect, and juvenile justice. Include information about cases you have handled in each of these practice areas, or if you have not practiced in an area, describe how your background and procedural knowledge has prepared you to preside over such matters as a Family Court judge. Please also indicate the frequency of your appearances before a Family Court judge within the past five years.

Not applicable.

- (b) If you are a candidate for Circuit Court, please provide a brief written description of your experience in criminal matters, including any cases handled over the past five years, and include a brief description of the issues involved. Further, please provide a brief written description of your experience in civil matters, including any cases handled over the past five years, and include a brief description of the types of matters handled, issues involved, and procedural history. Please include information such as the primary areas in civil court in which you practice, and whether you represent plaintiffs or defendants, or both. You may go back further than five years if you feel it would assist the Commission with its assessment of your experience. If you lack experience in an area, describe how your background and procedural knowledge has prepared you to preside over such matters as a Circuit Court judge, or how you would compensate for your lack of experience in this area. Please also indicate the frequency of your appearances before a Circuit Court judge within the past five years.

Criminal Experience:

My experience in criminal matters began while working as a law clerk for then Chief Judge Kaye Hearn at the Court of Appeals. As a law clerk, I was involved in numerous criminal appeals, including guilty pleas, trials, post-conviction relief, and Anders appeals. My involvement included reviewing appellate briefs, guilty pleas, or trial transcripts, research and writing bench memoranda and opinions, and presenting cases to judges. Following my clerkship, I served on the Editorial Board for the South Carolina Post-Conviction Relief Manual, Second Edition, published in 2008. In private practice, I have been involved in *pro bono* matters and as defense

counsel in a few criminal matters at the magistrate level and federal level. I have also represented several criminal victims in their corresponding civil matters. In the context of such representation, I have closely followed the criminal proceedings in two murder trials in Horry County General Sessions and a guilty plea for conspiracy in the United States District Court, Florence Division.

Civil Experience:

My experience in civil matters has included a broad general litigation practice based primarily out of Horry County, South Carolina, but appearing in Circuit Courts throughout South Carolina, federal courts in both South and North Carolina, and occasionally state courts in North Carolina. I especially enjoy complex business litigation matters, but I represent both Plaintiffs and Defendants in a variety of types of litigation, including personal injury, real property, contract, probate litigation, insurance coverage, construction, employment, shareholder/member, class actions, and municipal disputes. I have handled litigation as lead counsel, assuming the primary responsibility for preparing strategy, supervising associates and staff, preparing pleadings, preparing and arguing motions, serving and answering discovery, taking and defending depositions, and trial. In addition to serving as lead counsel, I also continue serve as sole counsel or co-counsel as the case or client may dictate.

- (c) If you are a candidate for Master-In-Equity, please provide a brief written description of your experience in the Master's court, including any cases handled over the past five years, and include a brief description of the issues involved. Please include the frequency of your appearances before a Master-In-Equity or a Circuit Court judge within the past five years.

Not applicable.

- (d) If you are a candidate for Administrative Law Court, please provide a brief written description of your experience before an Administrative Law Judge, including any issues discussed and the frequency of your appearances before the Administrative Law or Circuit Court within the past five years.

Not applicable.

12. What was the frequency of your court appearances during the past five years or in the five years prior to your election to the bench?

- (a) federal: I regularly appear in federal court, typically with two to five cases pending in federal court per year. I have appeared in-person and tried one federal case in South Carolina, and appeared in-persons for motions and trial of one federal case in North Carolina. The remaining appearances in federal court have been by way of briefs and electronic filing.
- (b) state: I regularly appear in state court, primarily in Horry and Georgetown Counties, but also throughout South Carolina and occasionally in North Carolina state court. I

typically argue motions in state court at least once a month, and typically try cases in state court one to three times per year, jury and/or non-jury.

13. What percentage of your practice involved civil, criminal, domestic, and other matters during the past five years or in the five years prior to your election to the bench?
 - (a) civil: 80%
 - (b) criminal: less than 2%
 - (c) domestic: 0%
 - (d) other: 18%

14. What percentage of your practice in trial court during the past five years or in the five years prior to your election to the bench involved matters that went to a jury, including those that settled prior to trial?
 - (a) jury: 65%
 - (b) non-jury: 35%

During the past five years, did you most often serve as sole counsel, chief counsel, or co-counsel?

Chief counsel

15. List five of the most significant litigated matters you have personally handled in either trial or appellate court, or before a state or federal agency. Give citations if the cases were reported and describe why these matters were significant.

While all cases are significant, especially for the litigants, the below South Carolina state cases have concluded and are some of the most influential to me as a litigator:

- (a) Hill, et. al v. Deertrack Golf and Country Club, Inc., et. al, 2012-UP-219. This was a class action regarding the rights and obligations of a developer of real property to adjoining land owners and impacted the use of several hundred properties in Horry County, South Carolina.
- (b) All Saints Parish Waccamaw v. Protestant Episcopal Church, 385 S.C. 428 (2009). This matter arose from an ecclesiastical dispute and real property dispute in Pawleys Island, South Carolina and involved significant historical and constitutional issues.
- (c) East Cherry Grove Realty Co. v. Gore, et. al, 2016-CP-26-5392. This matter impacted the use of improved residential real property of multiple homeowners abutting canals in the Cherry Grove Section of North Myrtle Beach.
- (d) SMIRF v. City of Georgetown and RSUI Indemnity Co., 2017-CP-22-0959. This matter determined the insurance coverage of tax payer funded municipal buildings damaged as a result of sinkholes.
- (e) Robertus L.C. Engle, et. al v. Sherry Engel and Timothy Rogers, 2009-CP-26-2104. This matter involved protecting the rights of crime victims to estate and insurance proceeds claimed by perpetrator.

16. List up to five civil appeals you have personally handled. Give the case name, the court, the date of decision, and the citation if the case was reported.
- (a) Cribb v. Spatholt, 382 S.C. 490 (Ct. App. 2009)
 - (b) McLaughlin v. Williams, 379 S.C. 451 (Ct. App. 2008)
 - (c) Armstrong v. Atlantic Beach Mun. Election Com'n, 380 S.C. 47 (S.C. 2008)
 - (d) Wallace v. Day, 390 S.C. 69 (Ct. App. 2010)
 - (e) Rossi v. Intercoastal Village Resort Homeowners Ass'n, Inc., 2012-UP-221 (Ct. App., April 4, 2012)
17. List up to five criminal appeals you have personally handled. Give the case name, the court, the date of decision and the citation if the case was reported.
- (a) None.
 - (b)
 - (c)
 - (d)
 - (e)
18. Have you ever held judicial office? If so, list the periods of your service, the courts involved, and whether you were elected or appointed. Describe the jurisdiction of each of the courts and note any limitations on the jurisdiction of each court.
- No, not applicable.
19. If the answer to question 18 is yes, describe or list five of your most significant orders or opinions and give the citations if they were reported. Also, list citations to any appellate review of these orders or opinions.
- (a) n/a
 - (b)
 - (c)
 - (d)
 - (e)
20. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice and list the dates of your admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies that require a special admission to practice.
- (a) U.S. District Court – South Carolina (12/5/05)
 - (b) U.S. District Court – North Carolina, Eastern District (approx. 2006)
 - (c) U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (9/2/05)
 - (d) U.S. Supreme Court (approx. 2008)
 - (e) South Carolina state courts (2003)
 - (f) North Carolina state courts (2004)

21. Have you taught law-related courses or lectured at bar association conferences, educational institutions, or continuing legal or judicial education programs? If so, briefly describe each course or lecture.

- (a) I was a Class Instructor at Horry Georgetown Technical College teaching property law to paralegal students in 2005;
- (b) I moderated the Civil Law Update for the 2017 Trial and Appellate Advocacy Section CLE, South Carolina Bar Convention;
- (c) I was a panel member at the Diversity Committee & Young Lawyer Division CLE, 2018, South Carolina Bar Convention.
- (d) I was a presenter at the YLD Leadership Academy, Community Leadership and Civic Engagement, 2022

22. Provide, as a separate attachment, your continuing legal or judicial education report from the past five years.

Attached.

23. List all published books and articles you have written and give citations and the dates of publication for each.

None.

24. Please furnish as a separate attachment, two examples of legal articles, briefs, orders, or other legal writings for which you can claim sole or primary authorship. If you cannot claim sole authorship, please explain the extent to which you are the primary author, to include a description of the other authors and their contributions. The writing samples are for the Commission's use only and will not be published. (If you are a judge and are not seeking a different type of judgeship, this question is inapplicable.)

Attached.

25. What is your rating or membership status, if any, by any legal rating organization; such as, Best Lawyers, Chambers, Legal 500, Martindale-Hubbell, Who's Who Legal, Super Lawyers, Million Dollar Advocates Forum, etc.? If you are currently a member of the judiciary, list your last available rating, if any.

AV Preeminent, Martindale-Hubbell
Top Rated, Super Lawyers
Chambers USA Ranking, Band 4; Litigation: General Commercial

26. List all bar associations and professional organizations of which you are a member and give the titles and dates of any offices you have held in such groups.

- (a) Coastal Inn of Court, Master, 2017 to present
- (b) South Carolina Bar Torts and Insurance Practice Section, Council Member, 2020 to present

- (c) South Carolina Bar Foundation Historical Society, Member, 2018 to present
- (d) Chair, Vice-chair, Council Member, South Carolina Bar Trial and Appellate Advocacy Section, 2013-2018
- (e) Section Delegate, South Carolina Bar House of Delegates, 2018-2019
- (f) Member, Resolution of Fee Disputes Board, 2012-2017
- (g) Member, American Bar Association
- (h) Member, Horry County Bar Association
- (i) Member, South Carolina Bar Association
- (j) Volunteer, S.C. Bar Law Related Education Division, Middle and High School Mock Trial
- (k) Certified Civil Mediator

27. Have you ever held public office other than judicial office? If so, list the periods of your service, the office or offices involved, and whether you were elected or appointed. Also, state whether or not you have timely filed your report with the State Ethics Commission during the period you held public office. If not, were you ever subject to a penalty? If so, give details, including dates.

No.

28. For sitting or former judges, list all employment you had while serving as a judge (whether full-time or part-time, contractual or at will, consulting or otherwise) other than elected judicial office. Specify your dates of employment, employer, major job responsibilities, and supervisor.

Not applicable.

29. Have you ever been an unsuccessful candidate for elective, judicial, or other public office? If so, give details, including dates.

Yes, in 2019/2020 I was a candidate for Circuit Court, At Large, Seat 13. I withdrew from consideration in January 2020.

30. Have you ever been engaged in any occupation, business, or profession other than the practice of law, teaching of law, or holding judicial or other public office? If so, give details, including a description of your occupation, business, or profession, the dates of your employment, and the name of your business or employer.

I have worked various part-time jobs from high school and throughout college and law school.

Between college and law school from approximately 1998 to 2000, I worked as a full time courier/administrative assistant with Martin and Jones, PLLC, a plaintiff's law firm based in Raleigh, NC.

31. Are you now an officer or director or involved in the management of any business enterprise? Explain the nature of the business, your duties, and the term of your service.

No.

32. Are you now or have you ever been employed as a “lobbyist,” as defined by S.C. Code § 2-17-10(13), or have you acted in the capacity of a “lobbyist’s principal,” as defined by S.C. Code § 2-17-10(14)? If so, give the dates of your employment or activity in such capacity and specify by whom you were directed or employed.

No.

33. Provide, **as a separate attachment**, a complete, current financial net worth statement that itemizes in detail:

- (a) the identity and value of all financial assets held, directly or indirectly, including, but not limited to, bank accounts, real estate, securities, trusts, investments, and other financial holdings; and
- (b) the identity and amount of each liability owed, directly or indirectly, which is in excess of \$1,000, including, but not limited to, debts, mortgages, loans, and other financial obligations.

(A net worth statement form is provided with this questionnaire and you must use this format for submission of your financial statement.)

NOTE: The Commission may require written confirmation that financial obligations have been satisfied or that the parties have agreed upon a payment schedule.

A complete, current, financial net worth statement has been provided to the Commission.

34. Has a tax lien or other collection procedure ever been instituted against you by federal, state, or local authorities? Have you ever defaulted on a student loan? Have you ever filed for bankruptcy? If so, give details. Also, proof of satisfaction of any liens or defaults must be submitted with your application package.

No.

35. Since filing with the Commission your letter of intent to run for judicial office, have you accepted lodging, transportation, entertainment, food, meals, beverages, money, or any other thing of value as defined by S.C. Code § 2-17-10(1) from a lobbyist or lobbyist’s principal? If so, please specify the item or items you received, the date of receipt, and the lobbyist or lobbyist’s principal involved.

No.

36. Itemize (by amount, type, and date) all expenditures, other than those for travel and room and board, made by you, or on your behalf in furtherance of your candidacy for the position

you seek. If you have spent over \$100, have you reported your expenditures to the House and Senate Ethics Committees?

None at this time. If any expenditures are made by me in the future, they will be reported pursuant to Section 8-13-920 of the South Carolina Code.

37. List the recipient and amount of all contributions made by you, a member of your immediate family, or by a business with whom you are associated, to members of the General Assembly within the past four years. If you are a sitting judge, please include such contributions since your last screening.

I (or my husband) have made the following contributions to members of the general assembly in the past four (4) years:

Heather Ammons Crawford – 3/1/2022, \$250.00

Carla Schuessler – 3/31/2022, \$250.00

Russell Fry – 8/17/21, \$1,000.00 (Fry for Congress)

Kathryn Whitaker – 9/29/2020, \$103.45 (Candidate)

My law firm, Burr & Forman, LLP f/k/a McNair Law Firm, P.A., has made contributions in the last four (4) years, please see attached.

38. Have you or has anyone acting on your behalf solicited or collected funds to aid in the promotion of your candidacy? If so, please specify the amount, solicitor, donor, and date of the solicitation.

None.

39. Describe any financial arrangements or business relationships you have, or have had in the past, that could constitute or result in a possible conflict of interest in the position you seek or currently hold. Explain how you would resolve any potential conflict of interest.

None.

40. Describe any interest you or a member of your immediate family has in real property:
- (a) in which there is a potential conflict of interest with your involvement in a South Carolina state or local public agency;
 - (b) in which there have been public improvements of \$200 or more that adjoins property in which there have been public improvements of \$200 or more; or
 - (c) which was sold, leased, or rented to a state or local public agency in South Carolina.

None.

List the interest you hold and the value and location of the property. Identify as applicable the:

- (a) nature of any potential conflict of interest;

- (b) nature and value of any public improvements; and
- (c) South Carolina state or local public agency which purchased or is leasing or renting such property.

Attach a copy of any contract or agreement.

None.

- 41. Identify any personal property interest you or a member of your immediate family sold, leased, or rented to a South Carolina state or local public agency. Identify the property, its amount or value, and the name of the agency. Attach a copy of any contract or agreement.

None.

- 42. For sitting judges, if you currently hold an interest in stock or other securities or have held such an interest, list each stock you currently own or owned during the prior calendar year. If you prefer, you may attach broker or account records containing the requested information instead of listing it here.

Not applicable.

- 43. For sitting judges, have you ever accepted anything of value from an attorney or litigant in a matter currently or previously before you or your court? If so, please give the details, including the name of the attorney or litigant and the thing of value you received.

Not applicable.

- 44. For sitting judges, have you used the services of your staff, for which you did not pay, while campaigning for this office?

Not applicable.

- 45. Have you ever been arrested, charged, or held by federal, state, or other law enforcement authorities for violation or for suspicion of violation of any federal law or regulation, state law or regulation, or county or municipal law, regulation, or ordinance, or any other law, including another country's law? If so, give details but do not include traffic violations subject to a penalty of \$125 or less. You must include any and all arrests, including, but not limited to, offenses for driving under the influence or similar traffic offenses. Include all arrests that resulted in expungement, which will be redacted. If you have questions regarding whether to include an offense, please contact the Commission.

[All answers have been received and considered by the Commission, and as noted above, any expunged matters are redacted from the record.]

- 46. Have you, to your knowledge, ever been under federal, state, or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute? If yes, explain.

No.

47. Have you ever been sued by a client? Have you ever been a named party (personally or professionally) in or had a pecuniary interest in any civil or criminal proceedings? If so, give details, including, but not limited to, dates, and resolutions.

I have not been sued by a client.

I was named as a party in a civil proceeding for injunctive relief brought by residents of the Town of Atlantic Beach related to the 2008 mayoral election for the Town of Atlantic Beach. I was named as a party in my capacity as the attorney for the Town of Atlantic Beach Election Commission.

The petition for injunctive relief was filed in the original jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of South Carolina, captioned Patricia Bellamy and Nicole Kenion, Petitioners v. Charlene Taylor, Charles Williams, Irene Armstrong, Attorney Amanda A. Bailey, Sandy Martin, Horry County Election Commission, Gary Baum, South Carolina Election Commission, Respondents, 2008-110386 (S.C. Sup. Ct., Dec. 12, 2008).

The case was resolved when the Supreme Court issued an order dated December 15, 2008 ordering only candidates Irene Armstrong and Retha Pierce appear on the ballot for the Town of Atlantic Beach mayoral election.

48. If you are in private practice, are you covered by malpractice insurance and, if so, how long have you carried malpractice insurance? If applicable, have you ever been covered by a tail policy? If so, please explain when you were covered by a tail policy. Also, if applicable, indicate your coverage and deductible for your current malpractice policy.

Yes. I have been covered by malpractice insurance since 2003 through the McNair Law Firm, P.A. now Burr & Forman, LLP. The firm's coverage is provided through ALAS, has a \$3,000,000.00 deductible and a coverage limit of \$50,000,000.00. I have never been covered by a tail policy.

49. Have you ever, in South Carolina or any other jurisdiction, as a lawyer, judge, or other professional, been cautioned with or without a finding of misconduct, sanctioned, or disciplined for lawyer, judicial, or other professional misconduct or has any jurisdiction found that you committed any misconduct? If so, give the details and describe any final disposition. Include any and all confidential and public sanctions, disciplines, letters of caution, or findings of misconduct of any kind. Private or confidential dispositions will be redacted.

[Yes and no responses are redacted for all candidates unless there is a public discipline.]

50. Have you ever been investigated by the Department of Social Services? If so, give the details and the resolution. Has your name ever been enrolled on the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect? If so, give the details.

No.

51. Have you directly or indirectly requested the pledge of any member of the General Assembly as to your election for the position for which you are being screened, or have you been offered a conditional pledge of support by any legislator pending the outcome of your screening? Have you received the assurance of any public official or public employee that they will seek the pledge of any member of the General Assembly as to your election for the position for which you are being screened? If so, give details.

No.

52. Have you requested any third parties to contact members of the General Assembly on your behalf before the final and formal screening report has been released? Describe the campaigning you have done for this election and include a list of those individuals you have asked to campaign on your behalf and, to the best of your knowledge, those who have campaigned for you on their own initiative.

I have not requested any third-parties to contact members of the General Assembly on my behalf. Many of my friends and colleagues have offered assistance and I have explained that, at this point, I can contact members of the General Assembly only to introduce myself and my qualifications and that no one can request a pledge until after the draft report becomes final.

53. Are you familiar with the 48-hour rule, which prohibits a candidate from seeking pledges until after the draft report becomes final, which occurs on the day and time specified on the Commission's published screening schedule?

Yes.

54. Since submitting your letter of intent to become a candidate, have you or has anyone acting on your behalf contacted any member of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission about your candidacy or intention to become a candidate? If so, give details.

No.

55. List the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of five (5) persons from whom you are providing references. Also, provide the Commission with **original letters** of recommendation from each person listed herein, including their signature (preferably in blue ink). **The Commission will not accept a photocopy or electronic submission of a letter of recommendation and failure to include all five (5) original letters of recommendation in your packet when you submit it will render your packet incomplete.** Please **do not** have references mail your reference letters to the Commission directly. *You must return the five (5) original letters of recommendation to the Commission with your application.*

- (a) Delan Stevens; Chairman of the Board, Peoples Underwriters, Inc., (Redacted)

- (b) David J. Tigges, Carolinas Managing Partner, Burr & Forman, LLP, (Redacted)
- (c) Radha Herring, Broker/Owner, Watermark Real Estate Group, (Redacted)
- (d) Ryan Moore, President, Myrtle Beach Pelicans, (Redacted)
- (e) Amit Patel, Owner, Shiv Properties, (Redacted)

56. Are you active on or a member of a social media or Internet site such as, Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, Instagram, etc.?

If so, please list the account names for each account and the relevant platform.

How would your use of social media or other similar types of Internet sites be affected if you were serving in a judicial capacity?

I have Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn accounts.

Facebook: (Redacted)

Instagram: (Redacted)

LinkedIn: (Redacted)

The Facebook account is primarily used to share family photos to family and friends and is a private account. The Instagram account is active and is used related to a robotics team that I coached and also as an attempt to monitor my children's Instagram activities. The LinkedIn account is active, but I do not post to it.

If elected to the judiciary, I would continue to refrain from posting anything political in nature or otherwise utilize social media in any manner that would cause anyone to question my integrity or impartiality.

57. List all civic, charitable, educational, social, and fraternal organizations of which you are or have been a member during the past five years and include any offices held in such a group, and any professional honors, awards, or other forms of recognition received and not listed elsewhere.

- (a) Carolina Forest Rotary Club, Treasurer/Secretary, eMember, Paul Harris Fellow
- (b) Partnership Grand Strand Foundation Board, Member
- (c) ExecuVision, now affiliated with the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce, a founding member
- (d) First Robotics, volunteer and First Lego League coach

58. Provide any other information that may reflect positively or negatively on your candidacy, or which you believe should be disclosed in connection with consideration of you for nomination for the position you seek. This information may include how your life experiences have affected or influenced the kind or type of judge you have been or plan to be.

I am the only lawyer in my family and I strive to be the type of lawyer that I would recommend to my own parents, my brother, my in-laws, or my daughters.

I was a candidate for a circuit court seat in 2019 and withdrew just before the start of the COVID pandemic. I am excited now to be a candidate for a circuit court seat in 2022 at a pivotal time and during, what we all hope to be, the conclusion of the pandemic.

As with most everyone, I have grappled with growing socially and professionally during COVID operations. In the past three years, lawyers have continued to represent their clients during court shutdowns, outbreaks, remote operations, with masks, without masks, and with an unprecedented amount of flexibility. During this time, I tried jury and/or nonjury cases both inside the State of South Carolina and outside. I even served as a citizen in the first jury pool summoned for General Sessions in Horry County since COVID began.

I have learned more about what I find valuable in a person, a juror, a lawyer, and a judge in the last three years than I had prior to COVID. Among what I value the most are humanity, efficiency, procedure, and respect.

If I am elected to the circuit court bench, I will use the court's time and procedures sensibly to promote efficient and fair justice.

YOUR SIGNATURE WILL BE HELD TO CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF ANY PROCEEDING BEFORE A GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE OR ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING YOUR CREDIT.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT MY ANSWERS ARE TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

Signature: _____

Sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 2022.

(Notary Signature)

(Notary Printed Name)
Notary Public for South Carolina
My Commission Expires: _____