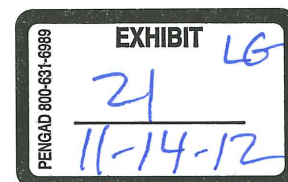


**JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE**

Court, Position, and Seat # for which you are applying:
Family Court, At-Large, Seat 4

1. NAME: Mrs. Erika Lanette McJimpsey
BUSINESS ADDRESS: 145 W. Broad Street
Spartanburg, SC 29306
TELEPHONE NUMBER: (office) 864-596-2038
2. Date and Place of Birth: 1970; Chattanooga, TN
3. Are you a citizen of SC? Yes
Have you been a resident of this state for at least the immediate past five years? Yes
5. Family Status: Married to Ryan Valdez McJimpsey, August 2, 2003; never divorced; two children
6. Have you served in the military? If so, give the dates, branch of service, highest rank attained, serial number, present status, and the character of your discharge or release.
Yes. I served in the US Army Reserves from February 1999-September 30, 2010. I obtained the rank of Captain and I was Honorably Discharged.
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) Middle Tennessee State University, August 1988-May 1992; BS, School of Mass Communications, Journalism;
 - (b) North Carolina Central School of Law, August 1993-May 1996; JD;
 - (c) University of Tennessee School of Law, May 1995-August 1995; attended summer school.
8. 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. If you took the bar exam more than once in any of the states listed, please indicate the number of times you took the exam in each state.
SC, 1996
9. List the significant activities in which you took part during your attendance at college, graduate, and law school. Give the dates you were involved in these activities and list any leadership positions you held.
 - (a) Mentor, Future Attorneys Challenging Elementary Students (FACES), January 1994-April 1996;
 - (b) Member, Black Law Students Association, August 1993-May 1996;
 - (c) Member, Civil Litigation Clinic, August 1995-May 1996;
 - (d) Member, Christian Legal Society, August 1993-May 1996;
 - (e) President, United Greek Council, August 1991-May 1992;



- (f) President of Minerva Circle, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Iota Tau Chapter, August 1990-May 1991;
- (g) Copy Editor, Middle Tennessee State University, *Sidelines*, (School Newspaper), May 1991-August 1991.

10. Describe your continuing legal or judicial education during the past five years.

<u>Conference/CLE</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>
(a) Nuts and Bolts of Family Court	February 2005;
(b) Children's Law Conference	October 2005;
(c) JAG Reserve Component On-Site	May 2006;
(d) Disproportionate Minority Contact	October 2006;
(e) Children's Law Conference	October 2006;
(f) Ethics of Government Lawyers	November 2006;
(g) SC Professional Society of Abused Children	April 2007;
(h) Nuts and Bolts on Sexually Predator Act	July 2007;
(i) Children's Law Conference	October 2007;
(j) JAG Reserve CLE	November 2007;
(k) Diversity Matters	November 2007;
(l) Orientation School for Municipal Judges	November 2009;
(m) Domestic Violence a Coordinated Response	November 2009;
(n) JAG Legal Training	November 2010;
(o) Role of the Judge	May 2011;
(p) Writing Clear and Effective Sentences	May 2011;
(q) Trials of CDV Case	May 2011;
(r) Upstate Training Program	May 2011;
(s) Representing Parents in Maltreatment Cases	May 2011;
(t) Prosecuted the Impaired Driving	April 2012;
(u) Upstate Judicial Training	May 2012.

11. 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 have lectured at the SC Public Defenders' Conference, on the topic of Jessica's Law and its impact on juvenile offenders, September 2005
- (b) I made a presentation on legislation impacting juvenile justice to the Solicitor Victim Advocates and Pre-Trial Intervention Representatives at the Solicitor's Association Conference, September 2006
- (c) I have lectured on behalf of the Department of Juvenile Justice at the Crime Victims' Ombudsman Best Practices Training; I discussed methods utilized in providing victim services and how the Department of Juvenile Justice deals with compliance issues, March 2007
- (d) I have presented on behalf of the SC Bar's program entitled Law School for Non Lawyers in the areas of Juvenile Justice and Child Protection Hearings, August 2007

- (e) I have presented on behalf of the SC Bar's Law School for Non Law Lawyers in the areas of Juvenile Justice and Child Protection Hearings, April 2008
 - (f) I have presented to the Old English Symposium, on issues related to Jessica's Law and confidentiality rules in regard to the release of juvenile records. The participants were public school teachers from Union and Chester counties, October 2008
 - (g) I have presented to the SC Public Records Association, on confidentiality as it relates to juvenile records, October 2008
 - (h) I was the featured speaker for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Celebration sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, January 2009
 - (i) I was the featured speaker at Cherokee Trail Elementary School for Black History Month, February 2009
 - (j) I was the guest speaker for "Constitution Day" at Carver Junior High School, September 2009
 - (k) I was a guest speaker for Girls, Inc. sponsored by the SC Department of Juvenile Justice; I provided a motivational speech to at-risk girls, August 2010
 - (l) I was a guest speaker for Wofford College's Externship program; I discussed the role of the municipal court and its operations, February 2012
 - (m) I lectured to high school students chosen to participate in the Spartanburg Chamber of Commerce Junior Leadership Program. I discussed the role and jurisdiction of the municipal court, March 2012
12. List all published books and articles you have written and give citations and the dates of publication for each.
- (a) Truancy Guide, A Training Resource Manual for Truancy Intervention; Editorial Advice (2008)
 - (b) Juvenile Justice; Law School for Non Lawyers; Co-editor (2008)
 - (c) Juvenile Justice; Law School for Non Lawyers; updated materials (2009)
 - (d) Juvenile Justice; Law School for Non Lawyers; updated materials (2010)
 - (e) Juvenile Justice; Legal Lessons: A Series for the Public; updated Materials (2011)
13. 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.
- I was admitted to practice before the State Courts of SC in November 1996.
14. Describe chronologically your legal experience since graduation from law school and include a list of all law firms with which you have been associated. Describe the general character of your practice and divide it into periods with dates if its character has changed over the years.

- (a) Pyatt Law Firm, Law Clerk(August 1996-November 1996). I worked as a law clerk prior to my admission to the SC Bar. I conducted client interviews and drafted pleadings under the supervision of an attorney.
- (b) Seventh Judicial Circuit Solicitor's Office, Assistant Solicitor (December 1996-June 2005). I was the first (1st) full-time Criminal Domestic Violence prosecutor in Spartanburg County. I served under a Violence Against Women Grant. I prosecuted all domestic cases to include Summary Court and the Court of General Session. I served in this capacity for almost 18 months. Thereafter for the next three years I prosecuted various kinds of cases ranging for violent crimes, drug offenses and property crimes, to sexual assaults. I also served as the Chief Family Court prosecutor from 2000-2005. I handled juvenile matters ranging from misdemeanor and status offenses to homicide and sexual assault cases. In addition, I handled several cases that were waived to the Court of General Sessions. I worked with several state and non-profit agencies including the Department of Social Services, Department of Mental Health, and the Spartanburg Children's Advocacy Center to name a few.
- (c) SC Department of Juvenile Justice, Assistant Legal Counsel (July 2005-July 2009). I served as an attorney representing the Department of Juvenile Justice. I provided legal advice to the county offices. The Department of Juvenile Justice has 46 offices throughout the State. In addition, I served as the liaison with the State Law Enforcement Division in regard to the issue of dealing with DNA samples. I also served as the Agency's liaison with Attorney General's Office in regard to juveniles required to be screened as Sexually Violent Predators. I represented the Agency in actions filed against the Agency with the State Office of Human Resources, SC Human Affairs Commission, and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Many of these issues were resolved through mediation. In addition, I worked closely with lawyers hired by the SC Insurance Reserve Fund who represented the Agency in lawsuits filed based on alleged violations of state and federal laws. I assisted in compiling records, depositions, mediation hearings, and other pre-trial and trial matters.
- (d) Greenville Technical College, Instructor (July 2009-August 2011). I served as an instructor in the Paralegal and Criminal Justice Departments. In the paralegal department, I taught Legal Ethics and Legal Writing. I was the lead instructor for the Legal Ethics class. The primary focus of the class was the study and analysis of SC Appellate Court Rule 407. I also served as lead instructor for the following courses in the criminal justice department: criminal law, criminal evidence/procedure, and juvenile law.
- (e) City of Spartanburg, Municipal Court, Chief Municipal Judge(July 2012-present) I presently serve as the Chief Municipal Judge. I preside over

the management of the court's docket. In addition, I handle misdemeanor criminal and traffic offenses, quality of life court, and jury trials which are held six times a month. I also determine probable cause for the issuance of arrest and search warrants.

- (f) Spartanburg Methodist College Paralegal Program, Adjunct Instructor, (January 2005-July 2005; May 2012-present). I have taught the following courses to students seeking a certificate in this program: juvenile law, family law, criminal law, and an independent study course analyzing recent cases.
- (g) City of Spartanburg, Municipal Court, Associate Municipal Judge (July 2009-June 2011). I presided over criminal, traffic, and quality of life cases. In addition, I presided over jury trials held four times a month. I worked a minimum of fifteen hours per week.
- (h) United States Army Reserves, Judge Advocate General (February 1999-September 2010). I served as a Judge Advocate for eleven years. In my part-time capacity, I have held a number of positions and served in many capacities. I conducted numerous administrative separation boards for Reserve soldiers who committed various acts of misconduct including illegal drug use and conviction of crimes in civilian courts. I have provided legal assistance to over one thousand soldiers and family members in the areas of estate planning, debtor/creditor law, family law, and administrative law.
- (i) Greenville Technical College, Paralegal Department, Adjunct Instructor (January 2008-July 2009). I served as an instructor teaching legal ethics based on SC Appellate Court Rule 407.
- (j) Converse College, Paralegal Certificate Program, Adjunct Instructor (October 2002-January 2003). I served as an instructor teaching legal writing and research to paralegal students.
- (k) Spartanburg Methodist College, Adjunct Instructor (August 2001-May 2003). I served as an instructor in the Criminal Justice Department for the following courses: criminal law and criminal procedure.

14.(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 has prepared you to preside over such matters as a Family Court Judge.

I have had the privilege of gaining experience in a variety of legal arenas.

The depth and the breadth of my professional experience make me uniquely qualified to serve on the Family Court Bench. As a prosecutor, I worked extensively on issues affecting families. I have extensive experience in the areas of domestic violence and child sexual assault cases. My role often extended beyond preparation for trial, to serving as a listening ear and as an

advocate for resources and community services to assist victims of crime. In addition, I have worked closely with agencies such as the Department of Social Services, Department of Mental Health.

As a prosecutor, attorney for the Department of Juvenile Justice, therapeutic foster parent, college instructor, military attorney, and a municipal judge, I have gained and developed sensitivity to the needs of children and families and I have the ability to relate to people from all walks of life. While I have limited experience in matrimonial cases, with the exception of my military service drafting separation agreements and determining the financial responsibility of soldiers' to a spouse and or children during a divorce, I believe that the length of my experience as an attorney as well as my exposure to a variety of legal problems will assist me in gaining added competency in these areas. I am diligent and well-versed in fundamental legal principles and in procedural and evidentiary rules.

I have a reputation of honesty and integrity with my colleagues and the public. I am a committed public servant, and I look forward to continuing to serve the citizens of our great State.

15. What is your rating, if any, by any legal rating organization, such as, Best Lawyers, Chambers, Legal 500, Martindale-Hubbell, Who's Who Legal, Super Lawyers, etc.? If you are currently a member of the judiciary, list your last available rating, if any.

I have not been rated by any legal organization.

16. What was the frequency of your court appearances during the last five years?
- (a) federal: 2%;
 - (b) state: 98%.
17. What percentage of your practice involved civil, criminal, domestic, and other matters during the last five years?
- (a) civil: 20%;
 - (b) criminal: 60%;
 - (c) domestic: 0%;
 - (d) other: 20%.
18. What percentage of your practice in trial court during the last five years involved matters that went to a jury, including those that settled prior to trial?
- (a) jury: 0%;
 - (b) non-jury: 100%.

Did you most often serve as sole counsel, chief counsel, or associate counsel in these matters?

I served most often as sole counsel.

19. 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.
- (a) In the Matter of Shaquille O'Neal B(Opinion No. 26734)-I represented the Department of Juvenile Justice in the Family Court where the defendant, a minor, was seeking to remove his name from the sex

offender registry. The family court ruled that he should be placed on the registry, but the Supreme Court reversed this decision. I did not represent the State in the appeal; it was handled by the Attorney General's Office. The defendant was registered as a sex offender in the State of North Carolina and the issue was whether the offense was comparable to an offense in SC which would require registry. Although, the Supreme Court reversed the lower court's ruling it was the first ruling to provide the State Law Enforcement Division and other state agencies with guidance regarding how to determine when an out-of-state resident juvenile should be subject to registration. Interestingly, Chief Justice Toal wrote a separate opinion concurring in part, and dissenting in part in which Justice Kittredge concurred.

- (b) In re: C.J- I represented the State of SC in a waiver hearing where the juvenile was charged with Murder and Armed Robbery. The juvenile shot the victim while he was sitting in his car. Several days after the murder was committed, the juvenile robbed a pawn shop and stole four guns. This case is significant because it was my first waiver hearing and I had to establish through witnesses testimony whether the offender's charges should be waived to the Court of General Sessions based on the landmark Supreme Court case of Kent v.US.
- (c) In re: D.H- I represented the State of SC in the Family Court case involving a fifteen year old boy who was charged with committing a sexual battery on his seven year old cousin. The victim went to the hospital after the assault because of vaginal bleeding. She had to have emergency surgery to repair a vaginal tear that was causing a significant amount of bleeding. The doctor who performed the surgery said it was one of the worst sexual assaults involving a child that he had ever seen. This made lasting impact on my life. It was the first sexual assault case that I prosecuted where the injuries were so violent. I spent several months preparing this child victim for trial. This offender was placed on the sex offender registry. In the end, I was pleased that justice was served, but I also faced the reality that nothing could restore this child's innocence. For several months after the trial, I maintained contact with this family. During this time period (2002-2003), there were 173 children reported as victims of sexual assault, 43 were assaulted by other children (Dean, Suellen 2003, April 27, Sexual Abuse: Juvenile offenders show increase, Spartanburg Herald Journal). I was the sole prosecutor assigned to the Family Court during this time period.
- (d) In re: Juvenile, minor under the age of 17- I represented the State of SC in a family court case where a fourteen year old boy, who was a client at a group home facilitated by the Charles Lea Center(serves children and adults with mental and physical disabilities), was allowed in the community for a home visit. During this time, he went to a neighbor's house and asked for a drink of water, and later stabbed her in the back

with a pair of scissors. The offender was dually evaluated by the Department of Mental Health and the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs (DDSN). He was ruled incompetent to stand trial. I filed the paperwork to have him judicially committed through the family court. The court committed him into the custody of DDSN. This case is noteworthy because less than a year later he was charged with sexually assaulting his caregiver while at the group home. A subsequent evaluation was conducted and he was deemed incompetent and a judicial admission hearing was conducted. He was, again, involuntarily committed to the custody of the DDSN. A guardian ad litem was appointed to this case, and upon the State's recommendation the family court judge ordered that he be committed to a secured facility and that he not be allowed home visits. He was committed until his twenty-first birthday. This case displays the intricacies in dealing with issues in family court. It is unusual to have a juvenile civilly committed twice. Unfortunately, it was only after the court order a high management facility that the public was kept safe from this juvenile.

- (e) State of SC v. Jeff Greer- I represented the State of SC in a magistrate court case where an off duty police officer was charged with an assault and battery against his former girlfriend. The defendant was found guilty and his employment was terminated. The victim in this case was hostile and did not want to go forward due to outside pressures. It showed how important it is to respect the feelings of domestic violence victims, but how it is equally important that the State hold offenders accountable. It reaffirmed the principle that no one is above or beyond the law regardless of his/her position. The Defendant appealed this case to the Circuit Court, but the appeal was later dismissed.

20. 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.

I have not handled any civil appeals.

21. List up to five criminal appeals that you have personally handled.

I have not personally handled any criminal appeals. However, I have worked closely with the Attorney General's Office in preparing for criminal appeals while I served as a prosecutor as well as an assistant legal counsel for the Department of Juvenile Justice.

22. 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.

I have served in a judicial capacity for the City of Spartanburg's Municipal Court. The Municipal Court has jurisdiction over cases arising under ordinances of the municipality, and over all offenses which are subject to a fine not exceeding \$500.00 or imprisonment not exceeding 30 days, or both, and which occur within the municipality. I served during the following periods:

- (a) City of Spartanburg, Municipal Court, Associate Municipal Judge, (July 2009- June 2011)
- (b) City of Spartanburg, Municipal Court, Chief Municipal Judge, (July 2011- to the present)

23. If the answer to question 22 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.

As a Municipal Judge, most of my cases do not usually warrant a formal judicial opinions other than form orders. However, I recently issued the ruling that the city ordinance of possession of drug paraphernalia was unconstitutional. This ruling was not appealed. I also issued a ruling in March 2012, that the municipal court did not have jurisdiction to hear a shoplifting case written on a uniformed ticket where the offense was not committed in the officer's presence. The City made a motion to appeal the ruling. The motion was later withdrawn after the Court of Appeals ruling in State v. Ramsey that any UTT that was not based on a traffic offense, specifically enumerated in §56-7-10, or committed in the officer's presence should now be written on an arrest warrant. Essentially, the Court of Appeals ruling was consistent with my order.

24. Have you ever held public office other than judicial office?

I have never held public office other than a judicial office. Yes, I have always timely filed my report with the State Ethics Commission.

25. 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.

(a) Greenville Technical College, Instructor, Criminal Justice and Paralegal Departments (July 2009- August 2011). I served as a full-time instructor for the College. I taught the following courses: criminal law, criminal procedure, juvenile law, legal writing, and legal ethics. In addition, I served as the academic coach for the College's Shining Star Merit Program which was designed to enhance the African American college experience by providing a comprehensive and focused program including, service learning, tutoring, and intrusive advising with an education plan. I met with students on a weekly basis. I was actively involved on several hiring committees.

(b) Spartanburg Methodist College Paralegal Program, Instructor, (contractual position) (May 2012). I served on a contract basis. I taught Juvenile Law and an Independent study class.

26. Have you ever been an unsuccessful candidate for elective, judicial, or other public office?

I was an unsuccessful candidate for the position of Municipal Judge for the City of Spartanburg in November 1999.

27. 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?

No, I have not engaged in any business or occupation other than the practice of law or teaching.

28. Are you now an officer or director or involved in the management of any business enterprise?

I am not an officer, or a director in the management of any business enterprise.

29. A complete, current financial net worth statement was provided to the Commission.

30. 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.

I am not aware of any financial arrangements or business relationships in the past or currently that would result in a possible conflict of interest.

31. 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?

I have never been arrested, charged, or held by federal state, or other law enforcement authorities for violation or suspicion of violation of any federal law, or regulation, state law or regulation, or any other regulation or agency.

32. Have you, to your knowledge, ever been under federal, state, or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute?

I have never, to my knowledge, been under investigation for a possible violation of a criminal statute.

33. 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?

I have never had a tax lien instituted against me by federal, state, or local authorities. I am currently in the investigation stage in regard to a collection listed on my credit report. I am awaiting their response to my request to validate the debt. I have not defaulted on a student loan or filed bankruptcy.

34. Have you ever been sued, either personally or professionally, that is, have you ever been named as defendant or respondent in any court of law?

I have never been sued, either personally or professionally.

36. Have you ever been investigated by the Department of Social Services? Has your name ever been enrolled on the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect?

I have never been investigated by the Department of Social Services. My name has never been enrolled on the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect.

37. If you are in private practice, are you covered by malpractice insurance and, if so, how long have you carried malpractice insurance?

I am not in private practice. I have never been covered by a tail policy.

38. 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)?

I am not a lobbyist, nor have I ever been employed as a "lobbyist," as defined by S.C. Code § 2-17-10(13), nor have I acted in the capacity of a "lobbyist's principal," as defined by S.C. Code § 2-17-10(14).

39. 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?

I have not since filing with the Commission my letter of intent to run for judicial office, 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.

40. S.C. Code § 8-13-700 provides, in part, that "[n]o public official, public member, or public employee may knowingly use his official office, membership, or employment to obtain an economic interest for himself, a member of his immediate family, an individual with whom he is associated, or a business with which he is associated."

I do not have any knowledge of any formal charges or informal allegations against me or any other candidate.

41. S.C. Code § 8-13-765 provides, in part, that "[n]o person may use government personnel, equipment, materials, or an office building in an election campaign."

I do not have any knowledge of any formal charges or informal allegations against me or any other candidate.

42. 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.

(a) Office Depot- Envelopes Announcing Candidacy-\$9.00(July 22, 2012)

(b) Kinkos Federal Express Office-resume paper-\$9.35(July 22, 2012)

(c) United States Post Office-Postage to mail announcement of candidacy-\$16.50(July 22, 2012)

43. List the amount and recipient of all contributions made by you or on your behalf to members of the General Assembly since the announcement of your intent to seek election to a judgeship.

I have not made any contributions, nor am I aware of anyone making contributions on my behalf to members of the General Assembly since the announcement of your intent to seek election to a judgeship.

44. 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? 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?

I have not directly or indirectly requested the pledge of any member of the General Assembly. I have not 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 my election for the position for which I am being screened

45. Have you requested a friend or colleague to contact members of the General Assembly on your behalf? If so, give details. Are you aware of any friends or colleagues contacting members of the General Assembly on your behalf?

I have not requested a friend or colleague to contact members of the General Assembly on your behalf. I am not aware of any friends or colleagues contacting members of the General Assembly on my behalf.

46. Have you or has anyone acting on your behalf solicited or collected funds to aid in the promotion of your candidacy?

I have not asked, or requested that anyone on my behalf solicit or collect funds to aid in the promotion of my candidacy.

47. Have you or has anyone acting on your behalf contacted members of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission about your candidacy or intention to become a candidate?

I have not asked, neither have I requested anyone to contact members of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission about my candidacy or intention to become a candidate.

48. 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) SC Bar(1996-Present);
- (b) SC Bar Speaker's Bureau (2007-09);
- (c) SC Bar Children's Law Committee(2007-09);
- (d) SC Upstate Paralegal Association(2009-11).

49. 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, any professional honors, awards, or other forms of recognition received and not listed elsewhere.

- (a) Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc(1990-Present)
- (b) Board of Directors, Girls Scouts Mountains to Midlands (January 2012-present)
- (c) Spartanburg Methodist College Paralegal Advisory Board Member (August 2004- September 2005; May 2012-present).
- (d) Anderson Mill Elementary School Improvement Council (August 2011-present)

50. 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.

I strongly believe in the importance of family. Growing up I was blessed with parents and extended family that made tremendous personal and financial sacrifices to help me achieve my goals. They taught me the value and the importance not only working hard, but also the importance of service to others. Service has always been an intricate part of my life beginning with my first experiences serving others in my local church, as a Girls Scout (first grade until high school) and my first job as a Red Cross volunteer. I have never forgotten the importance of service to others. Being a family court judge would be a tremendous honor. I believe that I possess the requisite skill and knowledge as well as the patience and fairness to serve admirably on the Bench. I have always endeavored to use the opportunities that I have been giving to help others and to make sure that my conduct on and off bench will reflect positively on my family, community, and the legal profession.

51. References:

- (a) Yvonne Harper
Spartanburg Methodist College
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Spartanburg, SC 29301
864-266-7409
- (b) Barry Barnette
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864-596-2575
- (c) Dorothy Edgerton
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate
2600 Lee Rd.
Fort Jackson, SC 29207
803-751-7048
- (d) Jamie Mehaffey
Bank of America
295 E. Main Street
Spartanburg, SC 29303
864-208-1150

(e) Judge William R. Byars, Jr.
200 Hunt Trace
Camden, SC
803-896-8555

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: Erika Lanette McJimpsey

Date: August 6, 2012