

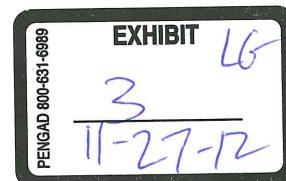
**JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE**

Court, Position, and Seat # for which you are applying:
Circuit Court, Ninth Circuit, Seat 1

1. NAME: The Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson
BUSINESS ADDRESS: P.O. Box 375
Charleston, SC 29402
TELEPHONE NUMBER: (office): 843-958-5148
2. Date and Place of Birth: 1963; Charleston, SC
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: Single; Never divorced; No children.
6. Have you served in the military? I have never served in the military.
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) Converse College, 1981-85, BA English and Politics;
 - (b) College of Charleston, Fall 1985, Classes in Masters of Public Administration Program; no degree received left to attend law school at the USC;
 - (c) USC, 1986-89, JD.
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, 1989. I took the bar exam one time. I am currently a member in good standing. There has never been a time in which I was not a member in good standing. I have not taken the bar exam in any other state.
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.

Converse College Newspaper Staff, Reporter 1981-83, Co-editor
Politics Column 1983-85, Best Editorial Award 1985;
Converse College Student Admissions Board 1982-85;
Co-Founder Converse College Minority Student Union, Second Vice-President 1984-85;
Converse College Gospel Ensemble 1981-85, Secretary 1984-85;
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., 1982-present, Corresponding Secretary 1983-85; Who's Who Among American College and University Students 1984-85;



Student Bar Association 1986-89;
 Black Law Student Association 1986-89, Editor Advocate 1988-89

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

<u>Conference/CLE Name</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>
(a) National Judicial College Handling Capital Cases	6/10-15/2006;
(b) Annual Criminal Law Update	1/26/2007;
(c) Annual Civil Law Update	1/26/2007;
(d) National Conference on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts	5/2-5/5/2007;
(e) Annual Circuit Court Judges Conference	5/16/2007;
(f) SCTLA Annual Conference	8/2-8/3/2007;
(g) Annual Judicial Conference	8/22/07;
(h) Annual Civil Law Update	1/25/08;
(i) Annual Criminal Law Update	1/25/2008;
(j) National Conference on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts	4/26-5/2/08;
(k) ABA/NLADA Equal Justice Conference	5/8-10/2008;
(l) Annual Circuit Court Judges Conference	5/14/2008;
(m) Annual Judicial Conference	8/20-22/2008;
(n) Court Solutions/Self Represented Litigants	9/8-10/2008;
(o) SC Defense Trial Lawyers Association	11/13-11/14/08;
(p) Annual Civil Law Update	1/23/2009;
(q) Annual Criminal Law Update	1/23/2009;
(r) Annual Circuit Court Judges Conferences	5/6/2009;
(s) JMISC/Judicial Ethics Workshop	7/31/2009;
(t) Annual Judicial Conference	8/19/2009;
(u) Civil Law Update	1/22/2010;
(v) Criminal Law Update	1/22/2010;
(w) Charleston Lawyer's Club CLE	2/24/2010;
(x) Annual SC Circuit Court Judges Conference	5/5/2010;
(y) Annual Judicial Conference	8/18/2010;
(z) Criminal Law Update	1/21/2011;
(aa) Civil Law Update	1/21/2011;
(bb) National Conference on Racial and Ethnic Fairness	4/27/11;
(cc) Annual SC Circuit Court Judges Conference	5/4/11;
(dd) Annual Judicial Conference	8/17/11;
(ee) Criminal Update	1/20/12;
(ff) Civil Update	1/20/12;
(gg) Annual SC Circuit Court Judges Conference	5/2/12;
(hh) National Conference on Racial and Ethnic Fairness	5/9/12.

11. Have you taught law-related courses or lectured at bar association conferences, educational institutions, or continuing legal or judicial education programs?

- (a) Business Law Instructor, Trident Technical College Paralegal Program, 1993-94 School Term;
- (b) "Rules, Rules, Rules," SC Practice and Procedures Update, Presenter on the issue of Family Court Rules, SC Bar, March 20, 1998;
- (c) Speaker/Panel Participant Wiley A. Branton Symposium, National Bar Association, October 24, 1998;
- (d) "Current Issues in Attorney's Fees," Presenter, SC Bar Association, November 6, 1998;
- (e) Recent Developments in Family Law, "Six by Six" CLE Seminar, Presenter, Charleston County Bar Association, December 10, 1998;
- (f) "Adjudication Hearings," Presenter and Contributor to Family Court Judges Juvenile Workbook, SC Association of Family Court Judges, May 20, 1999;
- (g) "Tips from the Bench", Adoption, Presenter, SC Bar Association, February 25, 2000;
- (h) "The Role of the Judge and Guardian ad Litem in Abuse and Neglect Proceedings" Judges Panel, SC Guardian ad Litem Conference, April 14, 2000;
- (i) "Women, Leadership and the Law", Brown Bag Lunch Panel Participant, SC Women Lawyers Association and College of Charleston Women's Studies Program, September 22, 2000;
- (j) Family Law Update and Tips from the Bench, Presenter, Charleston Lawyers Club, May 2, 2001;
- (k) "The Use of Psychological Evaluations in Juvenile Proceedings", Panel, Children's Law Center, May 18, 2001;
- (l) Judges Panel, 3rd Annual Children's Law Conference, May, 2001;
- (m) December 13, 2002, Hot Tips III, "Appeals and Motions";
- (n) April 11, 2003, Women Lawyers in the New Millennium, "Ethics Issues from Various Judicial Perspectives";
- (o) November 15-19-2004, National Judicial College, Advanced Evidence, Group Discussion Leader;
- (p) June 20, 2003, SCDTAA Trial Academy Judge;
- (q) December 2004, 2004 Local Government Attorneys' Institute, Administered Oath;
- (r) January 2005 9th Annual Probate Court Seminar, Administered Oath;
- (s) September, 2005, SCBLA, Judicial Selection in SC, Judicial Panel;
- (t) September 26, 2005, SC Solicitors' Association Conference, Criminal Law Update, "Recent Court Decisions";
- (u) October 20, 2005, Charleston School of Law Professionalism Series, "Civility and Ethics";
- (v) November 4, 2005, SC Defense Trial Lawyers Ethics and Civility **In Trial unable to make the presentation;
- (w) February 15, 2006, Charleston School of Law Ethics & Professionalism presentation;

- (x) May 1, 2006, Law Day, Panel Presentation Judicial Selection in SC Charleston School of Law;
- (y) 6/10/2006, National Judicial College, Handling Capital Cases, Group Discussion Leader;
- (z) September 29, 2006, SCBLA, "Civil Practice";
- (aa) November 16, 2006, Young Lawyers Division, New Admittees Reception, Presentation;
- (bb) May 24, 2007, Young Lawyers Division, "Tips for Young Lawyers in Circuit Court"
- (cc) March 1, 2008, "We Shape the World" Charleston School of Law, Minority Law Day;
- (dd) March 8, 2008, Women of Wisdom Expo 2008 "Daring to Embrace New Beginnings" Bible Way Church, Columbia, SC;
- (ee) March 10, 2008, National Association for Court Management, Mid-Year Conference;
- (ff) June 11, 2008 Pro-Bono Legal Service Summer Intern Class, In-Court Seminar;
- (gg) June 12, 2008 "Governors' School of SC" Summer Class;
- (hh) July 29, 2008, Magistrate School Seminar;
- (ii) August 21, 2008, Annual Judicial Conference, SC Access to Justice Commission, Panelist;
- (jj) December 9, 2008, Young Lawyers Association Luncheon;
- (kk) March 19, 2009, Charleston School of Law Professionalism Series Lecture;
- (ll) July 31, 2009, CLE "Limitations on Questioning Judges under the Judicial Cannons";
- (mm) February 24, 2010, Charleston Lawyer's Club CLE "Advice from the Bench. Likes and Dislikes in Motion Practice, Briefs and Oral Argument";
- (nn) February 26, 2010, Stono Park Elementary Career Day;
- (oo) March 10, 2010, Junior Girls Day Out Community Project;
- (pp) July 22, 2010, Metanoia Freedom School "Read-A-Loud," Chicora Elementary;
- (qq) August 17, 2010 Merit Selection Panel for Magistrate Judges;
- (rr) November 19, 2010, SC Legal Services Statewide Conference, Panelist;
- (ss) April 29, 2011, SEABOTA Annual Conference CLE; Panelist;
- (tt) June 20, 2011, SC Supreme Court Institute, Panelist;
- (uu) July 22, 2011, CSOL Seminar "What Works for Me in Practice," "Practical tips from the Bench";
- (vv) April 24, 2012, Charleston Lion Club Luncheon Speaker;
- (xx) July 20, 2012 CSOL Seminar "What Works for Me in Practice," "Practical tips from the Bench."

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

I have provided written seminar materials for the courses listed above and these materials have been published by the S.C. bar as a part of their published seminar materials. I have not published any books or articles.

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.
 - (a) All SC Courts-November 1989;
 - (b) US District Court-District of SC-December 29, 1992;
 - (c) US Supreme Court-May 17, 2004.
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) Law Clerk to the Honorable Richard E. Fields, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Charleston, SC, August 1989-August 1990. Primary Responsibilities: legal research, preparation of jury charges, preparation of Orders, scheduling of motions, all tasks required to prepare the Judge and myself for trials/hearings during the term and all other daily tasks as required by the Judge that ensured the smooth operation of Court.
 - (b) McFarland and Associates, Attorney, October 1990-March 1996. Trial practice focusing on the following areas: Domestic Relations, Civil Litigation (all types), Probate Law, Real Estate Law and Criminal Law.
 - (c) Resident Family Court Judge of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, elected to serve February 14, 1996-June 2001.
 - (d) Resident Circuit Court Judge of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, elected to serve May 31, 2001-present.
- 14.(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, 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 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.
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 am listed in Martindale-Hubbell but have not been rated.

22. Have you ever held judicial office?

Yes. Resident Family Court Judge of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat Five, elected February 14, 1996. My service in this seat began April 1, 1996, and concluded in June 2001 when I was elected to the Circuit Court. I was elected to this position by the General Assembly. The Family Court is a statutory court of limited and specific jurisdiction. The jurisdiction of the Family Court is set forth in S.C. Code Annotated section 20-7-420, et seq. (i.e. divorce, custody, child support, name changes, juveniles, equitable distribution, adoptions, abuse and neglect, and as further set forth in the statute).

Currently a Resident Circuit Court Judge of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1. My service in this seat began in June 2001. I was elected to this position by the General Assembly on May 30, 2001. The Circuit Court is SC's Court of general jurisdiction. It has a civil court, the Court of Common Pleas, and a criminal court, the Court of General Sessions. In addition to its general trial jurisdiction, the Circuit Court has limited appellate jurisdiction over appeals from the Probate Court, Magistrate's Court, and Municipal Court, as well as zoning appeals.

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.

(a) Beachfront Entertainment, Inc., et al. v. Town of Sullivan's Island, 379 SC 602,666 SE2d 921 (2008).

(b) Evening Post Publishing Company, et al. v. City of North Charleston, 357 S.C. 59, 591 S.E.2d 39 (Ct. App. 2003), 363 S.C. 452, 611 S.E.2d 496 (2005).

(c) State v. Washington, 367 S.C. 76, 623 S.E.2d 836 (Ct. App. 2006).

(d) Owner's Insurance v. Clayton, et al., 364 S.C. 555, 614 S.E.2d 611 (2005).

(e) Home Port Rentals, Inc. v. Moore, 369 S.C. 493, 632 S.E.2d 862 (2006).

(f) State v. Stephen C. Stanko, 99-GS-22-918. 376 SC 571,658 SE2d94 (2008).

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

None. The question is not applicable.

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.

None. The question is not applicable.

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

Yes, I ran for the seat that was to be vacated by the Hon. Robert R. Mallard in or about January 1995-March 1995. I went through the screening

process successfully and was found qualified to hold judicial office. I voluntarily withdrew from the process prior to the election. I was subsequently elected to the Family Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 5 on February 14, 1996.

I ran for the seat to be vacated by Justice James E. Moore in or about August 2007-January 2008. I went through the screening process successfully and was found qualified to hold judicial office but not nominated.

I ran for the seat to be vacated by Justice John H. Waller in or about April 2009. I went through the screening process successfully and was found qualified to hold judicial office and nominated.

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?

None. I was employed in various part and full time jobs during college and law school.

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

I am not an officer, director or involved 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. Explain how you would resolve any potential conflict of interest. None.

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? No.

32. Have you, to your knowledge, ever been under federal, state, or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute? No.

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? No.

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 was sued personally due to an automobile collision. This occurred approximately 19 years ago. This was a minor fender bender. The case was settled by my automobile insurance company and dismissed approximately 2 weeks after I was served with notice of the lawsuit.

I have been sued in my official capacity while serving on the Family Court bench on October 2, 2001, by King David Singletary (Case Number:

4:01-CV-03916-JFA). This case was dismissed without prejudice and without issuance and service of process on November 19, 2001.

I have been sued in my official capacity while serving on the Circuit Court bench on October 3, 2011, by Kevin Robert Groover (Case Number: 2011-CP-10-7148). This case was dismissed with prejudice on summary judgment on March 20, 2012.

36. 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? No.
37. 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?
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)? No.
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? No.
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." None.
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." None.
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.
None. I anticipate that I will expend less than \$100.00 in furtherance of my candidacy.
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. None.
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? No.
45. Have you requested a friend or colleague to contact members of the General Assembly on your behalf? No.

46. Have you or has anyone acting on your behalf solicited or collected funds to aid in the promotion of your candidacy? No.
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? No.
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 Association;
 - (b) Charleston County Bar Association;
 - (c) SC Circuit Court Judges Association; Secretary, August 17, 2011-present
 - (d) SC Women Lawyers Association;
 - (e) SC Black Lawyers Association.
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) The Life Center Cathedral, Charleston, SC
Trustee Ministry, 2001-present;
Co-Founder, Director and Consultant for Young Women's Ministry "YWCE", 1999-present;
 - (b) Charleston Chapter of the Links, Inc., Co-Chair Services to Youth 2000-01; Corresponding Secretary 2004-06; Chair Bylaws Committee 2006-07; Vice President 2007-09; President 2009-present;
 - (c) Former member Junior League of Charleston, former Strategic Planning Committee, Community Project Development Committee, Advisory Planning Committee, and President's Ad Hoc Committee on Diversity; 1993-2003;
 - (d) Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., 1982-present;
 - (e) The Post and Courier Feature Article August 6, 2001;
 - (f) The Post and Courier "High Profile" Article May 7, 2005;
 - (g) "The Heritage List, 9 Dazzling Women of Spirit and Humility" Celebrate Your Heritage Magazine, Spring 2005;
 - (h) NAACP Lifetime Achievement Award 2003;
 - (i) Greater Charleston YWCA Lifetime Achievement Award 2004;
 - (j) Advisory Board Charleston School of Law 2002-present;
 - (k) Converse College Board of Trustees 2002-present, Committee on Trustees, Enrollment Committee and Student Affairs; Enrollment and Marketing; Academic Affairs Committee;
 - (l) Converse College Board of Visitors 2001-02;
 - (m) April 24, 2003 Founder's Day Speaker Converse College;
 - (n) Governor's Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee 2000-11;
 - (o) SC Commission on Alternative Dispute Resolution 2002-06, User

- Education Sub-Committee;
- (p) Co-Chair 9th Circuit Courthouse Security Commission 2006;
 - (q) Associate Acting Justice SC Supreme Court for the terms December 1, 2005 and June 10, 2004;
 - (r) Associate Acting Judge SC Court of Appeals for the term June 19-13, 2003 during this term I sat En Banc with the Court, authored 2 opinions and participated on 7 other panels/opinions;
 - (s) Designated by Hon. Chief Justice Toal as state liaison to the National Consortium on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts 2003-present;
 - (t) Designated as Chief Judge for Administrative Purposes for the 9th Circuit as follows: General Sessions July 1, 2002-January 5, 2003; Common Pleas January 6, 2003-January 3, 2004; General Sessions January 4, 2004-July 3, 2004; Common Pleas January 1, 2006-December 30, 2006; General Sessions, Jan. 1-July 31, 2008. Common Pleas January 1, 2009-December 31, 2009; General Sessions, January 1, 2011-December 30, 2011; and Common Pleas, January 1, 2012-present.
 - (u) Assigned exclusive jurisdiction of the following cases by the Supreme Court: April 29, 2003 (03-GS-47-4) Statewide Grand Jury, State v. Bunker, et al.; December 2, 2003 (01-CP-18-0074A) Boyd v. Nationwide; June 28, 2004 (03-GS-38-2411-2413) State v. Levi Bing, Jr.; October 3, 2004 (2002-CP-15-471 and 494) Carter v. Steedley, et. al.; May 6, 2005 (05-GS-22-0918) State v. Stephen C. Stanko; October 3, 2005 (1996-GS-32-3341) State v. Jeffrey L. Jones; March 7, 2006 (04-CP-18-1951) Price v. Jones Ford, Inc.; October 5, 2007 State v. Broughton; (2006-GS-082164,2165,2182,2183,2184 & 2185); September 20, 2010 (2004-CP-37-834) Rhoades, et al. v. Kenyon, et al.
 - (v) September 6, 2005, Nominated for the inaugural class of the Lowcountry Diversity Leadership Academy developed by the American Institute for Managing Diversity and the Richard W. Riley Institute of Government, Politics and Public Leadership at Furman (had to decline due to the demands of the Court schedule);
 - (w) September 21, 2006, Nominated for the Lowcountry Diversity Leadership Academy (had to decline due to the demands of the Court Schedule).
 - (x) July 2006, Invited by the National Judicial College to be a group discussion leader for the General Jurisdiction Course (had to decline due to the demands of the Court schedule, however, I have been asked to participate when the schedule will allow my participation);
 - (y) Supreme Court Access to Justice Commission 2007-present;
 - (z) SC Liberty Fellow-Class of 2009. 2007-09;
 - (aa) League of Women Voters of the Charleston Area Women of Distinction Award- august 26, 2010; and

- (bb) Bon Secour St. Francis Hospital Board Member. July 1, 2008-Sept. 20, 2011;
- (cc) (Supreme Court) Docket Management Task Force, Common Pleas Reform Subcommittee, Rule 40/Status Conference Subcommittee, February 17, 2011-present;
- (dd) Co-Chair, County (Courthouse) Security Committee, 9th Circuit March 28, 2012;
- (ee) Editorial Board, Marital Litigation in SC, Third Edition, 2001; and
- (ff) Editorial Board, The Law of Automobile Insurance in SC, Sixth Edition, 2009.

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 served as law clerk to the Hon. Richard E. Fields of the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit. During my time with him I had the unique opportunity to observe and participate in dozens of trials and hearings and observe a "master jurist." He taught me the importance of "people skills." I learned the role of judge is central to the lawyers and the litigants' perception that the system afforded them a fair trial/hearing. In addition, my legal research and writing skills were refined during this process. These skills have been further refined during my time on the bench. I count myself fortunate to have found my vocation in life and attempt to walk worthy of that vocation. It is a rare privilege to have been allowed to serve the citizens of SC as a Family Court Judge and Circuit Court Judge for the past 16 years. The last 16 years have been enjoyable, rewarding and intellectually challenging. I have learned much about the law and human nature. I was taught that the position of a judge should be a continual growth process. I believe that I have continuously grown in my judicial perspective. I still have the same enjoyment for my work as the day I began 16 years ago. The Circuit Court has one of the largest caseloads within the judicial system with over 5,000 filings per judge. I believe that I have been a productive member of the Court. My continued service on the Circuit Court will create the opportunity for continued intellectual growth while allowing my continued contribution to the court system and the welfare of this state.

51. References:

- (a) Hon. Richard E. Fields
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Charleston, SC 29407
843-577-4374
- (b) Bishop Brian D. Moore
Pastor, Life Center Cathedral
7190 Cross County Road
Charleston, SC 29418
843-551-4111

- (c) I.S. Leevy Johnson, Esquire
P.O. Box 1431
Columbia, SC 29201
803-252-9700
- (d) J. Rutledge Young, Jr.
96 Broad Street
Charleston, SC 29201
843-720-2045
- (e) Jared Baize, Personal Banker
Wells Fargo Bank N.A., Charleston Main Financial Center
177 Meeting Street
Charleston, SC 29401
843-727-1015

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

Signature: Deadra L. Jefferson

Date: July 26, 2012