

NAME: Grady L. Patterson, III  
POSITION, SEAT: Circuit Court Judge, At-Large Seat 9  
AMENDMENT TO: Personal Data Questionnaire  
ORIGINALLY SUBMITTED: July 31, 2017

The responses to Questions 14 and 15 are amended as follows:

1. QUESTION NUMBER 14: 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 has 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.

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE. The prior response is deleted and replaced by:

Legal Experience.

- (a) South Carolina Attorney General's Office  
1979 – 1985

Upon completion of law school and admission to the South Carolina Bar I began practicing law with the South Carolina Attorney General's Office. I was involved in a number of areas of the law including worker's compensation, tort claims, condemnation actions, construction law claims, enforcement actions for State agencies, drug forfeiture actions, tender offer actions, licensing board hearings, and writing legal opinions.

In connection with my worker's compensation work I represented the State Worker's Compensation Fund in all compensation cases involving the Fund which arose in one of the seven South Carolina Industrial Commission administrative districts. I also handled tort claims against the State and State employees.

Another significant aspect of my work with the Office concerned construction law. I was involved in contract drafting, contract administration, arbitration, and litigation.

A major responsibility of attorneys in the Attorney General's Office was representation of State agencies. Representation included defending agencies against suits, prosecuting enforcement actions for licensing agencies, and rendering opinions. In connection with representing the Deputy Securities Commissioner I worked with review of tender offer securities transactions. I appeared before the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals in defense of State tender offer review action. I also handled drug forfeiture actions for law enforcement agencies.

I was involved in two cases brought in the original jurisdiction of the United States Supreme Court. The first concerned the South Carolina-Georgia boundary and the second concerned registration of state-issued bonds.

In addition, I was assigned to the Attorney General's Legislative Task Force which drafted and presented proposed legislation to the General Assembly.

- (b) Quinn, Patterson & Willard  
1985 - 1999

I entered private practice in 1985 with the Columbia firm of Quinn, Brown & Arndt, which later became Quinn, Patterson & Willard. The practice concentrated on business litigation. It was mainly a defense practice although a significant amount of plaintiffs' work was done. Contracts, business torts, unfair trade practices, and other business issues were the primary subjects of our practice. I also handled condemnation actions, bankruptcy cases, and a case in the United States Court of Federal Claims.

I handled a number of appeals including appeals to the South Carolina Supreme Court, the South Carolina Court of Appeals, and the United States District Court.

- (c) Montgomery, Patterson, Potts & Willard, L.L.P.  
2000 - 2008

My practice at Montgomery, Patterson, Potts & Willard was similar to my practice at Quinn, Patterson & Willard. It centered on business issues and insurance defense. The business practice included both corporate work and litigation. Contracts, including leases, and business disputes were a large part of the business litigation.

- (d) Patterson Law Offices, LLC  
2008 - present

In April 2008 I started Patterson Law Offices, LLC. My practice consists primarily of litigation and corporate work. Litigation covers a broad area but focuses on contracts, business disputes, and construction law. Corporate work includes drafting and negotiating various contracts, including leases, and other corporate documents.

- (e) South Carolina Air National Guard  
1981 - 2003

In addition to my regular practice I have been a Judge Advocate in the South Carolina Air National Guard. After joining the Air Guard I attended Air Force law school where I finished first in my class. I was designated a Judge Advocate by the United States Air Force and in my military legal work I prosecuted and defended airmen subject to discharge before discharge boards. I have also served as the legal advisor to boards, which is a role similar to the role of a judge for the hearing. My judge advocate work included issues ranging from the law of armed conflict to preparing wills for deploying troops. During the course of my military career I received biennial update training in criminal and civil law. In 2003 I moved from the JAG position to become a line officer. Following command positions I was appointed the South Carolina Assistant Adjutant General for Air in which position I served until 2012.

### Administrative and Financial Management.

I was not involved in the administrative or financial management of the Attorney General's Office during my time there. I had limited involvement with the administrative and financial management of Quinn, Patterson & Willard and did not have any management responsibility for the trust account or accounts. I was involved in most management decisions at Montgomery, Patterson, Potts & Willard as most management decisions were made by consensus among the partners but did not have any management responsibility for the trust accounts. I have been completely in charge of the administrative and financial management of Patterson Law Offices, including being solely responsible for management of the trust account.

In connection with my Air National Guard duties I managed the Legal Office for the 169th Tactical Fighter Group from 1981 to 1988 including, during various times, supervision of other JAG officers and paralegal personnel. I managed the Headquarters, South Carolina Air National Guard, Legal Office from 1988 to 2003.

2. QUESTION NUMBER 15: Please answer the following (if you are a judge and are not seeking a different type of judgeship, this question is inapplicable):

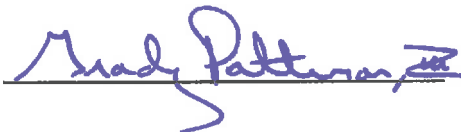
- (a) If you are a candidate for Family Court, please provide a brief written description of your experience within each of the following Family Court practice areas: divorce and equitable division of property, child custody, adoption, abuse and neglect, and juvenile justice. Include information about 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.
- (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 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.
- (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.

- (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.

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE: The prior response is amended by adding the following paragraph at the end of the prior response:

I have appeared before a Circuit Court Judge an average of approximately six times per year within the past five years.

SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE: 

DATE: 11/27/2017

Please provide your supplemental response to the following address:  
Judicial Merit Selection Commission  
1101 Pendleton Street  
Columbia, SC 29201