



**JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION
SCREENING SCHEDULE
2026**

<u>GROUP A</u>	<u>GROUP B: Newly Created Seats</u>
Media Release Announcing Vacancies Monday, July 20, 2026	II Media Release Announcing Vacancies Tuesday, August 18, 2026
Deadline for Applications 12:00 Noon on Monday, August 24, 2026	Deadline for Applications 12:00 Noon Thursday, September 17, 2026
Media Release Announcing Candidates Monday, August 24, 2026	II Media Release Announcing Candidates Thursday, September 17, 2026
Ballotbox to E-Mail Survey to Bench and Bar Tuesday, August 25, 2026	Ballotbox to E-Mail Survey to Bench and Bar Friday, September 18, 2026
PDQ Summaries to SC Bar and Citizens Committees Friday, September 4, 2026	PDQ Summaries to SC Bar and Citizens Committees Friday, September 18, 2026

Deadline for Ballotbox Surveys (Group A).... **12:00 Noon on Monday, September 21, 2026**

Citizens Committees Interviews.....**September 24 and 25, 2026**

SC Bar Interviews..... **Week of September 28, 2026**

Reports of Citizens Committees due..... **Friday, October 9, 2026**

SLED Reports due..... **Friday, October 9, 2026**

Deadline for Ballotbox Surveys (Group B)... **12:00 Noon on Wednesday, October 14, 2026**

Reports of SC Bar due..... **Wednesday, October 21, 2026**

Interviews with Screening Attorneys **Week of October 26, 2026**

Deadline for Complaints.....**12:00 Noon on Monday, November 2, 2026**

Public Hearings Begin November 16-20, 2026
.....November 30 – December 4, 2026

Nominations Submitted/Report Printed in Journals.....**Tuesday, January 26, 2027**

Report becomes Final..... **12:00 Noon, Monday, February 8, 2027**

Election.....**12:00 Noon on Wednesday, March 3, 2027**