



**JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE
2020**

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

1. Name: Honorable Sebastien Phillip Lenski

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

Are you currently serving in some capacity as a judge? If part-time, please note.
(Includes Municipal, Magistrate, Etc.) I am currently serving as an Administrative
Law Judge on the SC Administrative Law Court.

Home Address: [REDACTED]

Business Address: 1205 Pendleton Street, Suite 224, Columbia, SC 29201

E-Mail Address: [REDACTED]

Telephone Number: (home): [REDACTED]
(office): (803) 734-0550
(cell): [REDACTED]

2. Date of Birth: [REDACTED] 1963

Place of Birth: Iola Kansas

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#: SC DL [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.

I was a Judge Advocate in the US Army from 1990 – 1995 (active duty), and then in the Army Reserves from 1996 through June of 2014, when I retired.

I retired at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. I retired (was not discharged) honorably.

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.

Married to Laura Brant Lenski (nee Laura Ann Brant) on November 6, 1999. My wife is a health information manager at the S.C. Dept. of Mental Health.

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

(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.

I was married previously to Ashlyn Kae Kuersten. We were married on May 25, 1993, and our divorce was final on June 8, 1998. Ms. Kuersten filed for divorce in Michigan (Circuit Court for the County of Kalamazoo, Family Division) on the grounds of irretrievable breakdown (no-fault) of the marriage.

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

(a)

(b)

(c)

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) University of Denver, Denver, CO, 1982 – 1986: BA (Economics and Political Science);

(b) Emory University School, Atlanta, GA, 1986 – 1989; 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.

During law school, I participated in:

(a) Moot Court (1986 – 1989). I was on Moot Court Special Team during my second year and won the Best Advocate at the 1988 Georgia Intra-State Moot Court Competition. In my third year, I was Director of Special Teams.

(b) Student Govt. Representative (1987-88). Second year only.

(c) Second Lieutenant, U.S. Army (1986-1989). At all times during law school I was a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army. I assisted with ROTC training at Georgia Tech in Atlanta during my second and third years.

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 (1995 to present);

(b) Colorado (1989 to present).

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) Judge Advocate, U.S. Army (active duty) (1990 – 1995). I served as both a trial counsel (prosecutor) and trial defense service (public defender) during those years. I also was an administrative law attorney for the Army for two of those five years. I tried dozens of courts-martial involving misdemeanor type offenses (larceny, tardiness for duty) to felony offenses (murder, illegal drug distribution, fraud). My position did not involve the administration or management of funds or trust accounts.
- (b) Judge Advocate, U.S. Army Reserves (reserve duty) (1996 – 2014). After leaving active duty I served as a Judge Advocate in the Reserves until my retirement in 2014. During that time, I taught courses in military law and international law, assisted Soldiers with legal issues to include family matters, financial matters, trust and estate planning, etc. I also served as a training officer for a military unit, ensuring that the members completed all mandatory military training each year. During my time in the Reserves, I was mobilized to active duty twice. Once, I was mobilized and deployed to Iraq (2003) for nine months at the beginning of Operation Iraqi Freedom. I served as a trail counsel there, trying the first five courts-martial in a combat theater since Vietnam. I prosecuted cases involving assault, prisoner abuse, attempted murder, larceny, and manslaughter. Then, in 2011, I was mobilized a second time to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where I and 19 other Reserve Judge Advocates replaced the active duty officers who went to Iraq for one year. During that year, I was the Chief of Administrative Law for the 18th Airborne Corps, handling all legal matters surrounding the operation of Fort Bragg, the second largest Army post, with a population of sixty thousand soldiers, dependents and federal employees. I supervised an office of 12 attorneys and staff. My position did not involve the management or administration of funds or trust accounts.
- (c) Staff Attorney, South Carolina Department of Insurance (1995 – 1997). I worked in the General Counsel office of the Department of Insurance for approximately eighteen months. I prosecuted insurance agents and brokers for violations of the law, and I handled insolvencies and other licensing issues for insurance companies. My position did not involve the administration or management of funds.
- (d) Staff Attorney, South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (1997 – 2002). I worked as a litigation counsel for the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, prosecuting at state boards various licensed professional accused of violating the laws governing their profession. These included, real estate agents and brokers, real estate appraisers, contractors, accounts, engineers, architects, nurses, doctors, cosmetologists, residential builders, etc. I handled the cases from the trials before boards all the way through the appellate process. My position did not involve the administration or management of funds or trust accounts.
- (e) Counsel to the Clerk, South Carolina Senate, and Senior Staff Attorney, South Carolina Senate Judiciary Committee, (2002 – 2010). I served first as the counsel to the Senate Clerk, and then moved to become the senior staff attorney on the Judiciary Committee of the South Carolina Senate. During those years, I conducted legal research,

drafted legislation and amendments, prepared summaries of bills and amendments for Senators, and served on various committees and subcommittees. During that time, my position did not involve the management or administration of funds or trust accounts.

(f) Administrative Law Judge, South Carolina Administrative Law Court (2010 – present). Since 2010, when I was elected to the bench, I had the honor to serve as an Administrative Law Judge on the court. My duties involve hearing and deciding cases assigned to me by the Chief Judge that involve matters that fall under the jurisdiction of this court. Those cases include hearings involving most state agencies in South Carolina with the exception of Worker’s Compensation cases and public utility matters. In my position, I sometimes sit in a trial capacity, and sometimes in an appellate capacity, depending upon the agency and type of case involved.

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: (Questions 11- 17 Omitted – running for re-election.)
 - (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.
Omitted – running for reelection.
 - (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.
Omitted – running for re-election.

(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.

Omitted – running for re-election.

(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.

Omitted – running for re-election.

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:

(b) state:

Omitted – running for reelection.

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:

(b) criminal:

(c) domestic:

(d) other:

Omitted – running for reelection.

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:

(b) non-jury:

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

Omitted – running for reelection.

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. Omitted – running for re-election.

(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

(e)

Omitted – running for reelection.

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. Omitted – running for re-election.

- (a)
- (b)
- (c)
- (d)
- (e)

Omitted – running for reelection.

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. Omitted – running for re-election.

- (a)
- (b)
- (c)
- (d)
- (e)

Omitted – running for reelection.

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.

Yes. I am currently an Administrative Law Judge on the South Carolina Administrative Law Court. I have held this position since being elected in 2010. The jurisdiction of the Administrative Law Court is statutory, and the limits of its jurisdiction are found in Chapter 23 of Title 1 of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

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) SC Department of Revenue v. BI-LO, LLC, d/b/a BI-LO Store #5612, Docket Nos. 160-ALJ-17-0221-CC; 17 ALJ-17-0113-CC (S.C. Admin. Law Ct. Nov. 21, 2017), appeal filed, No. 2017-002568 (S.C. Ct. App. Aug 2, 2017). This was a beer and wine violation case where I exercised my discretion and did not revoke the licensee's permit;

(b) J. Annette Oakley v. Beaufort County Assessor, Docket No. 18 ALJ-17-0233-CC (S.C. Admin. Law Ct. Nov 7, 2019), appeal filed, No. 2018-002153 (S.C. Ct. App. Dec 6, 2018). A residential tax assessment case involving an ambiguous provision in state law.

(c) Richard J. Hook v. S.C. Dept. of Health and Env'tl. Control and Phillip Patterson, Docket No. 17-ALJ-07-0085-CC (S.C. Admin. Law Ct. July 2, 2019) appeal filed, No. 2019-001282 (S.C. Ct. App. Aug 2, 2019). A dock permitting case where I held that the Department had willfully disobeyed this court's prior order and awarded damages to the aggrieved party.

- (d) MRI at Belfair, LLC, d/b/a 3T MRI at Belfair v. S.C. Dep't of Health and Env't'l. Control and St. Joseph's/Candler Imaging Ctr. – Bluffton, Docket No. 17-ALJ-07-0144-CC (S.C. Admin. Law Ct. July 31, 2019). A Certificate of Need case involving numerous novel procedural issues. Not appealed.
- (e) Amisub of SC, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Medical Center d/b/a Fort Mill Medical Center v. S.C. DHEC and Charlotte Mecklenburg Hospital Authority d/b/a Carolinas Medical Center – Fort Mill, Docket No. 11-ALJ-07-0575-CC (S.C. Admin Law Ct. December 15, 2014). The matter involved competing hospital systems seeking a Certificate of Need to construct a hospital in Fort Mill. The matter has been to the South Carolina Supreme Court, which remanded the matter to the South Carolina Court of Appeals, which again affirmed my decision. (424 S.C. 80, 817 S.E.2d 633 (Ct. Appeals 2018), cert. denied February 20, 2019).
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) South Carolina, June 23, 1995;
 - (b) Colorado, October 25, 1989;
 - (c) U.S. District Court, District of South Carolina, May 29, 2009;
 - (d) U.S. District Court, District of Colorado, November 24, 1989;
 - (e) U.S. Army Court of Military Appeals, April 1, 1990.
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) Limestone College and St. Leo University, (1996 – 2015) – Taught undergraduate criminal law, Constitutional law, business law, labor law, and street law courses.
 - (b) Bridge the Gap, (2012 – 2016), Lectured on Administrative Law;
 - (c) University of SC School of Law, (2014 - present) Annual lecture on Administrative Law to Administrative Law class;
 - (d) SCAARA Annual Conference (2020) – Presentation on practice tips before ALC;
 - (e) U.S. Army Reserves (1996 – 2014) – taught courses in military law, military justice, international law of war, and Geneva Conventions;
 - (f) Paralegal Association Conference (2014) – Lectured on Administrative Law;
 - (g) SC Homeschool Network (2016 – 2019) – presided over mock-trial competition for high school students.
 - (h) SC Dept of Health and Human Services, Division of Appeals (April 2015) – Lectured on administrative law.
22. Provide, as a separate attachment, your continuing legal or judicial education report from the past five years.
The last five years of my SC Supreme Court Commission on CLE Compliance Reports are provided as a separate attachment.
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.)

N/A.

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.

I am not a member of any rating organizations, and I have not been given a legal rating by any organization.

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) Richland County Bar Association, member since 1996;
- (b) Colorado Bar Association, member since 1990;
- (c) American Bar Association, member since 1987.

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.

I have never held any other public other than judicial office. I have timely filed my report with the State Ethics Commission, and have done so every year since becoming elected to the South Carolina Administrative Law Court. I have never filed a late report nor been subject to a penalty.

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.

I have had no other employment while serving as a judge.

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

Prior to being elected to the Administrative Law Court bench in 2010, I was an unsuccessful candidate for the Administrative Law Court in 2008.

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.

Prior to becoming a lawyer, I was a full time student. I had many part-time and summer jobs, which included construction, bar tending and waiting tables, lawn maintenance, and telephone surveying.

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.)

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

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

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, to all questions.
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?

I have not expended any funds in the furtherance of my candidacy.

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.

None.

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.

No.

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.

No financial or business conflicts of interest.

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.

Aside from the listings in my financial statement, I have no other assets.

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.
No.

44. For sitting judges, have you used the services of your staff, for which you did not pay, while campaigning for this office?
No.

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.
No.

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.
N/A.

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.
No.

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?
I am familiar with the 48-hour rule.

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) Michael R. Hitchcock, Esquire, SC Retirement System Investment Commission, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

- (b) Lake E. Summers, Esquire, Malone, Thompson, Summers and Ott, [REDACTED]
- (c) James H. Ryan, III, Esquire, S.C. Commission on Indigent Defense, [REDACTED]
- (d) Richard V. Eaton, Esquire, Fifth Circuit Solicitor's Office, [REDACTED]
- (e) Patrick D. Hanks, Esquire, S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, [REDACTED]

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

No.

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

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

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.

None.

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 have spent virtually my entire professional career in public service. First, in the service of my nation as a Judge Advocate for the U.S. Army. Then as an attorney for various state agencies in South Carolina. Finally, for the last ten years, I have had the great honor to serve as an Administrative Law Judge. I still remember, when I first began working as an attorney, the words of my first supervisor, who told me that public service is a public trust requiring all who engage in it to place loyalty to the Constitution and laws, and to ethical principles, above private gain. I have worked my entire career to live by that admonishment. I have also come to understand, especially now that I am an Administrative Law Judge, that a civil servant must adhere to all laws and regulations and ensure that they are applied equally and fairly to all Americans regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or disability. I spend every day trying to live up to these principles, and I hope to be given the honor to do so for another term.

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 _____, 2020.

(Notary Signature)

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