



**JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE
2021**

Court, Position, and Seat # for which you are applying: Horry County Master in Equity

1. Name: Mr. Alan Delk Clemmons

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

Are you currently serving in some capacity as a judge? If part-time, please note.
(Includes Municipal, Magistrate, Etc.) No.

Home Address: [REDACTED]

Business Address: 1800 North Oak Street, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

E-Mail Address: [REDACTED]

Telephone Number: (office): 843-448-4246
(cell): [REDACTED]

2. Date of Birth: [REDACTED] 1958
Place of Birth: Myrtle Beach, SC
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# [REDACTED]
Voter Registration Number: [REDACTED]

5. Have you served in the military? No

6. Family Status: Married on May 3, 1984, to Laura Ann Fipps. Laura is the Office Manager of Clemmons Law Firm, LLC.
Never divorced, two children:

[REDACTED]

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 South Carolina at Conway (n/k/a Coastal Carolina University); August 1977

– December 1977; After one Semester, I interrupted my college education to serve as an ordained minister in a two year lay ministry (January 1978 – December 1979) for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Southern Mexico, with a principal focus upon serving the indigenous Maya community.

(b) University of South Carolina at Conway (n/k/a Coastal Carolina University); January 1980 – December 1982; Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration, with minors in Spanish and Computer Science.

(c) Hamline University School of Law, St. Paul, MN; August 1987 – December 1989; Juris Doctor Degree.

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.

(a) Hamline University Mock Trial Team; 1989.

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; 1990; Passed SC Bar examination upon first effort.

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) McCrackin, Barnett & Richardson, LLP; 1000 21st Avenue North, Myrtle Beach, SC; Associate Attorney, 1990 – 1993; as an Associate Attorney in this general practice firm, I assisted the partners with clients involved in foreclosure prosecution and defense, construction litigation, wills and estates, contracts, business law, corporate formation, collections, negligence matters, transactions, and criminal defense. I second-chaired trials in Common Pleas, General Sessions, Magistrates Court and before the Master in Equity. As an Associate Attorney, I was not engaged in the administration or financial management of the firm or its trust accounts.

(b) McCrackin, Barnett, Richardson & Clemmons, LLP, 1000 21st Avenue North, Myrtle Beach, SC; Partner, 1993 - 2005; I continued representing clients in the same areas of practice as listed above, adding the practice areas of resort development and financing, homeowner association law, zoning and election law, with jury and non-jury trials in all courts. As a partner in the firm, while I was not tasked with the direct management of the firm, I was one of four votes on matters that came before the partners. I was responsible for management of my client's funds on deposit in the firm's trust accounts.

(c) Clemmons Law Firm, LLC, 1800 North Oak Street, Myrtle Beach, SC; Founder and Managing Attorney, 2005 - Present; I manage a staff of two associate attorneys and ten paralegals and support personnel. My areas of practice evolved from a general practice as described above to primarily involve real estate related matters, including; contracts; residential, commercial and resort transactions; lender representation; foreclosure; homeowner association and development related law, with trials principally in Circuit Court and before the Master in Equity. Since the founding of the firm, I have been directly responsible for the administrative

and financial management of the firm and the firm's trust accounts.

11. Please answer the following:

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.

Over the past thirty years I have represented clients in Circuit Court in over 2,900 separate actions. At least 90% of those actions were foreclosures or contract disputes. While I've assigned my associate attorneys to handle many of my client's cases in recent years, I personally appeared in approximately 80 actions in Circuit Court since 2015, with, at least, 90% of those matters being foreclosure actions, and the balance being contract disputes and negligence cases. The majority of those matters were referred in normal course to the Master in Equity for trial and disposition. Over the years I have appeared in many cases before the Master in Equity in assorted types of matters, including foreclosure, construction, contract and collection cases.

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: 0
- (b) state: 100%

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: 100%
- (b) criminal: 0
- (c) domestic: 0
- (d) other: 0

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: 0
- (b) non-jury: 100%

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

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.

(a) Branch Banking and Trust Company v. Brandes, et al, 94-CP-26-1451. I represented the Defendant, Brandes, in this complex foreclosure litigation involving the foreclosure of a mortgage lien, with deficiency demanded, that resulted from Defendant's contract for the purchase of a fractionalized Myrtle Beach Condominium, and the associated purchase-money loan transaction that Defendant alleged he had timely rescinded but was, nonetheless, funded and the rescinded mortgage recorded and disbursed. The matter evolved into counterclaims and a crossclaim for fraud, breach of contract, unfair trade practices, breach of contract accompanied by a fraudulent act and negligence. Settlement was reached during the trial wherein Plaintiff agreed to waive any right to a deficiency judgement, in return for my client's dismissal of all defenses, counterclaims and crossclaim.

(b) First National South v. Global Construction Services, Inc., et al, 96-CP-26-618. I represented the third-party Plaintiff homeowner association in this complex mortgage foreclosure action wherein I successfully challenged, on my client's behalf, a fraudulent conveyance, lien priority, and the validity of certain junior mortgages in favor of the officers and family members of the developer Defendant. Additionally, due to the ultra vires acts of the developer proven at trial, I was successful in piercing his corporate veil.

(c) Broadhurst v. City of Myrtle Beach Election Commission, 342 S.C. 373, 537 S.E.2d 543 (2000). This voting tabulation irregularity case, in which I represented the Plaintiff, stands for the proposition that if an irregularity occurs during an election, the election must be invalidated and a new election held only if the irregularity was of the sort that renders doubtful the result of the election.

(d) Plantation Resort Villas II Association, Inc. v. Carney, 2012-CP-26-5098. I represented the Plaintiff in this successful action for foreclosure of a homeowner's association lien. This action is representative of hundreds of similar homeowner association lien and mortgage foreclosure actions that I have brought, and successfully concluded, on behalf of my clients over the past thirty years of practice.

(e) SVO Myrtle Beach, LLC v. Estate of Rafael Sanchez, et al, 2015-CP-26-8009. I represented the Plaintiff in this successful action for foreclosure of a mortgage lien, made complex by having multiple deceased mortgagors and unknown heirs.

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.

(a) Broadhurst v. City of Myrtle Beach Election Commission, 342 S.C. 373, 537 S.E.2d 543 (2000).

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. N/A

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. N/A

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.

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 Courts, June 6, 1990

(b) United States District Court, District of South Carolina, March 26, 1991

(c) United States Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit, February 24, 1997

(d) United States Supreme Court, March 3, 1997

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) In the early 1990's I taught a real estate paralegal course for four semesters at Horry Georgetown Technical Education College. The course was designed to introduce aspiring paralegals to the mechanics of title examination.

(b) On several occasions, the SC Bar has called upon me to share a legislative update at Bar conferences on specific bills involving such matters as foreclosure, time share non-judicial foreclosure, homeowner association reform and bankruptcy exclusions.

(c) Approximately six years ago I participated in a forum at the South Carolina Solicitor's Association Conference, where the panel discussed various issues then pending in the legislature, notably including General Sessions docket management.

(d) In February of 2018, I delivered the keynote address, at the joint invitation of the Israel Bar Association and Israel's Ministry of Strategic Affairs, to the International Legal Forum in Jerusalem, Israel, on the topic of state statutory response to the organized anti-Semitic commercial boycott of Israeli technology and products.

22. Provide as a separate attachment your continuing legal or judicial education report from the past five years. See attached Exhibit A.

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

While I have authored many opinion editorials in local, national, and international periodicals, none relate to the legal profession or the practice of law. See attached Exhibit B for my Curriculum Vitae, which includes a listing of those published opinion editorials.

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.) See attached Exhibit C.

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.
- (a) Martindale-Hubbell rating: AV Preeminent.
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) South Carolina Bar
 (b) Horry County Bar
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.
- (a) Horry County Planning Commission, Member July 1996 – January 1998; Appointed Office.
 (b) South Carolina House of Representatives, State Representative for District 107 December 2002 – July 16, 2020; Elected Office.
 (c) South Carolina Judicial Merit Selection Commission, Chairman 2016, Vice Chairman 2015, Legislative Member 2008 - 2014; Appointed Office.
 (d) South Carolina Bureau of Economic Advisors, Board Member July 2020 – Present; Appointed Office.
 (e) South Carolina Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office; Board Member July 2020 – Present; Appointed Office.
 All required ethics reports have been timely filed.
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. N/A
29. Have you ever been an unsuccessful candidate for elective, judicial, or other public office? If so, give details, including dates.
- (a) in 1998 I was an unsuccessful candidate for South Carolina Fifteenth Judicial Circuit Court, Seat 1.
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.
- (a) Prior to graduation from college, my employment consisted of various parttime positions in the Myrtle Beach tourism industry.
 (b) Caravelle Resort, Myrtle Beach, SC; Assistant Manager / General Manager; 1982 – 1985.

- (c) Plantation Resort, Surfside Beach, SC; General Manager; 1985 – 1987.
- (d) South Carolina House of Representatives, Columbia, SC; State Representative; 2002 –2020.
- (e) South Carolina Bureau of Economic Advisors, Columbia, SC; Board Member; 2020 – Present

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.

(a) Clemmons Law Firm, LLC, 1800 North Oak Street, Myrtle Beach, SC; Founder and Managing Attorney, 2005 - Present; I manage a staff of two associate attorneys and ten paralegals and support personnel.

(b) Resort Title Insurance Company, Inc., 1800 North Oak Street, Myrtle Beach, SC; Sole Member, 2005 – Present; I own and manage this entity as a title insurance agency which issues policies in conjunction with the real estate transactional practice of Clemmons Law Firm, LLC.

(c) Lenabelle Enterprises, Inc., 1800 North Oak Street, Myrtle Beach, SC; President; 2003 – Present; I own and manage this farming related entity with my wife.

(d) States of the Union Consulting, LLC, 1800 North Oak Street, Myrtle Beach, SC; Sole Member, 2021 – Present; this is a new entity through which I advise foreign business clients on enterprise expansion into the United States.

(e) American Patriots for Israel, Inc., 1800 North Oak Street, Myrtle Beach, SC; President; 2021 – Present; this is a new entity, which has filed for non-profit status, established to educate and inform the public as to Israel’s standing as a sovereign democratic nation existing within her legitimate and historical borders, and to promote amicable relations, through education, between Israel and the various states of the United States.

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 is attached as Exhibit D. Additionally, backup financial materials, including tax receipts for real property and account statements, are attached as Exhibit E.

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.
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? None.
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. None.
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.

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

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. Yes

(a) Alan D. Clemmons v. Jack Richard Cox, Jr., 92-CP-26-837; This is a breach of contract and for land excavation. Judgement was awarded against Defendant on April 14, 1992..

(b) Sears Mortgage Corporation v. David R. Corcoran, et al, 93-CP-26-596; I was named a defendant in this mortgage foreclosure action due to my potential status as a lien creditor arising out of an award of attorney fees in a family court order against a mortgagor. This matter was resolved by mortgagors payment of all amounts in default. This foreclosure action was dismissed on May 5, 1993.

(c) Loyola F.S.B. v. Alan D. Clemmons, as the Personal Representative of the Estate of John T. Merrill, Deceased, 94-CP-26-3468; I was incorrectly named as a party to this foreclosure action due to my purported appointment as personal representative of the estate of a deceased mortgagor. I appeared in the mater solely for the purpose of correcting the record and the matter proceeded with foreclosure being granted.

(d) Anthony L. Nelson, et al v. Plantation Vacations Inc., et al, 2004-CP-26-7006; I was named a defendant, in my capacity as trustee of timeshare intervals, in this action for rescission, et al,

relating to the plaintiffs' timeshare purchase agreement. This matter was settled for nuisance value and the matter was dismissed with prejudice on May 18, 2006.

(e) RBS Citizens National Association v. Alan D. Clemmons, et al, 2013-CP-26-2891; This was a foreclosure action in which I was named as mortgagor. The underlying obligation was paid and a Stipulation of Dismissal was filed April 14, 2016.

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.

While I have never been covered by a tail policy, I have been continuously covered by malpractice insurance since first having been admitted to the South Carolina Bar. My current malpractice insurance coverage limit is \$1,000,000 for each claim, with a \$2,500 deductible. See attached Exhibit F.

49. Have you ever, in South Carolina or any other jurisdiction, as a lawyer, judge, or other professional, been 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, or findings of misconduct of any kind.

[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? Yes.

If so, give the details and the resolution. My wife and I were both investigated by the Department of Social Services as a routine part of the adoption process involving our two daughters, who were both adopted by us when they were infants.

Has your name ever been enrolled on the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect? No.

If so, give the details.

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? No.

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. None.

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? Yes.
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? No. If so, give details.
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) Ambassador David H. Wilkins
Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP

[Redacted]

(b) Hon. Ralph King Anderson, Jr.

[Redacted]

(c) Michael J. Barnett, Esq.
McCrackin, Barnett & Richardson, L.L.P.

[Redacted]

(d) Thomas C. Brittain, Esq.
The Brittain Law Firm, P.A.

[Redacted]

(e) George M. Hearn, Esq.
Hearn & Hearn, P.A.

[Redacted]

The original letters of recommendation listed above are found in the attached Exhibit H.

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

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

- (a) Facebook: /RepAlanClemmons
- (b) Instagram: repclemmons
- (c) Twitter: @repalanclemmons
- (d) LinkedIn: Alan Clemmons

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

If serving in a judicial capacity I would only comment on family related activity.

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

Civic, charitable, educational, social and fraternal organization of which I have been a member during the past five years:

- (a) American Legislative Exchange Council, Member 2003 – 2020, South Carolina Chairman 2012 -2014, National Chairman of State Chairs 2014, National Board Member 2014 – 2020, National Chairman 2020;
- (b) National I-73 Corridor Association, Chairman 2008 – 2020.
- (c) International Israel Allies Foundation, National Chair of State Legislative Caucuses 2013 – 2020;
- (d) South Carolina Sportsmen’s Caucus, Member 2008 – 2019, Treasurer 2017 – 2019.
- (e) Boy Scouts of America, Pee Dee Area Council, Council President 2003 – 2005, Council Commissioner 2006 – Present.
- (f) American Patriots for Israel, President 2021.

Professional honors, awards or other form of recognition received and not listed elsewhere:

- (a) Order of the Palmetto, 2021; State of South Carolina.
- (b) Thomas Jefferson Freedom Award, 2020; American Legislative Exchange Council, Washington, DC.
- (c) Aaron Solomon Award for Service to Humanity, 2018; Brith Shalom Beth Israel Congregation, Charleston, SC.
- (d) Honorary Doctor of Philosophy, 2018; La Universidad Rural de Guatemala, Guatemala City, Guatemala.
- (e) Lifetime Achievement Award, 2018; World Jewish Congress and Knesset Christian Allies Caucus, Jerusalem, Israel.
- (f) National Outstanding Eagle Scout, 2018; National Eagle Scout Association, Irving, TX.
- (g) Citizen of the Year, 2011; Boy Scouts of America, Pee Dee Area Council, Florence, SC.
- (h) Silver Beaver Award, 2010; Boy Scouts of America, Irving, TX.
- (i) Outstanding Alumnus of the Year, 2004; Coastal Carolina University, Conway, SC.
- (j) Top Title Insurance Producer Statewide for South Carolina, 1999, 2007, 2008, 2010 and 2011; First American Title Insurance Company, Santa Ana, CA.
- (k) Top Ten Title Insurance Producer Statewide for South Carolina, 2013 and 2014; First American Title Insurance Company, Santa Ana, CA.

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 was blessed to have been raised in a loving home where I learned , among other valuable traits, the value of hard work. My father, who was a retired letter carrier for the United States Post Office, was at work before dawn every weekday of my childhood. While my father continued his day job with the Post Office, when I attained the age of seven years, my parents also leased the recently built Clem-n-tine Motel from my grandfather, which they managed until my senior year of high school. Our entire family was fully engaged in the Summertime operation of that twenty-four-unit motel. With my dad being away from the motel delivering mail during the day, I was never considered too young to carry my share of the labor. My duties began at that early age with me helping my mother and sister service rooms, with additional responsibilities added as I grew older. Additionally, in my teenage years, after completing my daily Summer chores at the motel, I performed outside work for other proprietors who had hotels and other businesses in the neighborhood of our motel. My Summer experiences at the Clem-n-tine Motel defined my work ethic and instilled a deep appreciation for the value of hard work. This trait served me well in my college and law school career and it continues to be a source of strength in my professional life.

When I completed my two-year missionary service to the Maya community of Southern Mexico, I returned home with a keen desire to complete my college education. My sister and I were the first members of our extended family to attend college full-time and, ultimately, to earn a bachelor's degree. Having exhausted my youthful Summertime work savings as I paid my way through my missionary experience, it was impossible for me attend college without working. I found nightshift employment at a Myrtle Beach hotel which funded my studies at the Conway campus of the University of South Carolina. Again, the work ethic instilled in me by my parents served me well as I learned to balance my work, class, and study schedules.

When I was twelve years of age, my mother took me to my first meeting of the Boy Scouts. I was fully hooked after that first meeting. Of course, I enjoyed the camaraderie with the other boys, the camping, and the adventures. I relish the memories of the challenges, and the skills that I learned but what impacted me most of the Scouting experience was the emphasis placed upon service to others. I learned at that early age the impact that such service can have upon individuals, communities, and nations.

That desire to serve that I recognized at a young age has driven me in many ways. But for that drive to serve others, I doubt that I would have entered the legal profession or that I would have ever offered for elected office. It is a driving force now as I offer to serve as the Master in Equity for Horry County. I can think of no greater way to cap off my legal career than serving as Master in Equity, where I can bring my respect for service to others together with my zeal for hard work in the administration of, and in bringing resolution to disputes before, the court.

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