

JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE 2022

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

Family Court, At Large, Seat #8

1. Name: The Honorable Rosalyn Frierson-Smith

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

Are you currently serving in some capacity as a judge? If part-time, please note. (Includes Municipal, Magistrate, Etc.)

I am currently serving as a Family Court Judge

Home Address: (Redacted)

County of Residence: Richland

Business Address: P.O. Box 192, 1701 Main Street, Columbia, SC 29202

E-Mail Address: (Redacted)

Telephone Number: (home): (Redacted)

(office): 803 576-1783 (cell): (Redacted)

2. Date of Birth: (Redacted) 1958

Place of Birth: Columbia, 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# or SCHD#: (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.

 No, I have not served in the military.
- 6. Family Status:
 - State whether you are single, married, widowed, divorced, or separated.
 Family Status: Married on October 11, 2014 to Leroy (Roy) Smith, Jr, Occupation, Management Consultant

Divorced once, Two children and one stepson (Redacted)

(b) 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.

Divorced on April 16, 2009, Richland County, S.C. Family Court, Marvin Frierson was the moving party, One Year's Continuous Separation. Two children as listed above.

- 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, attended 1975-1979, B.S. Business Administration, 1979
 - (b) University of South Carolina, School of Law, attended 1989-1992, J.D., 1992
- 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.
 - (b) ABA Real Property, Probate and Trust Journal Student Editorial Board 1990-1992

(c)	USC Pro Bono Board member	1990-1992
(d)	Student Bar Association member	1989-1992
(e)	Student Partnership Board	1991-1992
(f)	Legal Writing Instructor	1991-1992
(g)	Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity	1991-1992
(h)	Black Law Student Association	1989-1992
(i)	Women in Law Association	1990-1992

- (j) American Jurisprudence Award for Professional Responsibility Fall 1990
- 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.

South Carolina, Admitted to practice in South Carolina 1992. S.C. is the only State that I have taken the bar exam.

- 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) Summer Associate, Nelson, Mullins, Riley & Scarborough, Columbia, South Carolina, May 1990 August 1990; May 1991 August 1991 Researched legal issues and drafted memoranda with emphasis in Workers' Compensation, Bankruptcy and Commercial Law.

- (b) Staff Attorney: South Carolina Supreme Court, August 1992 July 1993 I researched legal issues; prepared screening memoranda and reviewed appellate motions for the Supreme Court Justices.
- (c) Legal Writing Instructor University of South Carolina School of Law 1998-1999 I taught legal writing to first year law students and was responsible for providing instruction on legal research and legal writing, graded assignments and provided course grades.
- (d) Law Clerk to the Honorable Ernest A. Finney, Jr., Chief Justice
 South Carolina Supreme Court, July 1993 November 1998
 As a Supreme Court law clerk, I researched complex legal issues on appeal to the Supreme Court. I wrote bench memoranda for the court providing legal case analysis and proposed recommendations and opinions in the areas of domestic, civil and criminal law. Because of my earlier experience as a Budget Research Analyst for the House of Representatives, Ways and Means Committee, I assumed the additional duty of monitoring legislative bills that affected the Judicial Branch, as well as the Appropriations Act.
- (e) State Court Administrator, S.C. Judicial Department; November 1998 June 2017 As State Court Administrator, I am responsible for administering the state court system under the direction of the Chief Justice of the S.C. Supreme Court. My Responsibilities include developing procedures to implement Supreme Court rules, policies and state and federal law affecting state courts. Additional responsibilities include coordinating state judicial functions with county court officials; serving as State contact with the National Center for State Courts; serving as a conduit for information for the management of personnel and operations in support of the functions of the state courts at all levels. Duties include serving as liaison between the Legislative and Judicial Branch relating to the annual appropriation act and legislation affecting the courts. My duties involve managing Court Administration staff including five staff attorneys and over 100 Judicial Department Court As State Court Administrator, my responsibilities include responding to legislative, governmental, media and citizen inquiries. Duties require frequent interaction with governmental agencies such as the Department of Social Services, Department of Juvenile Justice, Probation Parole and Pardon, Department of Corrections, Guardian ad Litem and Foster Care Review Board regarding state court policies and procedures. I assist the media with requests for court related information promoting public accountability and transparency. Duties include making recommendations to the Supreme Court to implement changes in state law and court rules. My office is responsible for providing education and direction to judges, clerks of court and the bar to implement new policies and procedures. This position involves identifying emerging issues that may impact the courts statewide or that may have precedent setting impact and making recommendations to the Supreme Court to address the challenges. On a regular basis, I am required to exercise judgment and problem resolution skills particularly related to the interpretation of state law and court rules.
- (f) Substitute Municipal Court Judge City of Columbia; August 2013 June 2017 I was appointed by Columbia City Council to serve as Substitute Municipal Court Judge. As a substitute judge, I held court an average of two to five days per month. Municipal

Court, with some exceptions, has jurisdiction over criminal offenses that are subject to fines of not more than \$500.00 and/or imprisonment of not more than 30 days. As Municipal Court judge I presided over preliminary hearings, bond court, non-jury criminal, domestic violence, and traffic cases.

(g) Family Court Judge – At-Large, Seat 8, July 2017 – present

Family Court is a court of limited jurisdiction and has exclusive jurisdiction over all matters involving domestic or family relationships. It is the sole forum for the hearing of all cases concerning marriage, divorce, separate maintenance, child custody and visitation, termination of parental rights, adoption, child abuse and neglect, protection of vulnerable adults and juvenile delinquency and other matters as provided by law.

Justices/judges applying for re-election to their <u>current</u> position may omit Questions 11–17. <u>If you are a full-time judge seeking a judgeship different than your current position</u>, Questions 11-17 should be answered based on your experience <u>prior to serving on the bench</u>.

11. Please answer the following:

- (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, 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.
- (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.
- 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:
- 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:
- 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 cocounsel?

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

- 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.
 - (a)
 - (b)
 - (c)
 - (d)
 - (e)
- 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.
 - (a) Family Court Judge elected by the General Assembly February 2017
 - (b) Substitute Municipal Court Judge, appointed by Columbia City Council; August 2013 June 2017. Municipal Court, with some exceptions, has jurisdiction over criminal offenses that are subject to fines of not more than \$500.00 and/or imprisonment of not more than 30 days. Municipal judges preside over traffic court, criminal court, quality of life court, domestic violence court, and bond court.
- 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) Gwendolyn Stanley v. James Gardner, 2016-DR-28-317
 - (b) Gregory Charles v. Sherilyn Charles, 2015-DR-40-2978
 - (c) <u>SCDSS v. Edward Larsen, Karen Larsen</u>, 2017-DR-40-0259, Op. No. 2019-UP-372 & 2019-UP-373, (S.C. Ct. App. filed Dec. 3, 2019)
 - (d) Malinda Sullivan-Carter v. Sammy Joe Carter, 2017-DR-28-112
 - (e) Joshua Crowell v. Samantha Brown, 2019-DR-40-0974
- 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, Admitted to practice in South Carolina 1992
 - (b) U.S. Supreme Court, May 15, 2006.
- 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) I have served on a panel of judges for the Statewide Guardian ad Litem CLE Training, January 31, 2020.
 - (b) I have served as a panelist on the Access to Justice in Civil Cases, for the S.C. Legal Services 50th Anniversary Celebration representing Family Court, February 15, 2018.
 - (c) I was the Honors Day Convocation Speaker at Morris College, February 10, 2022.
 - (d) I served on a Roundtable Panel at the Probate Bench Bar CLE Intersection of Family Court and Probate Court, September 7, 2018.

- (e) I made a presentation to the Clerks of Court and Register of Deeds Conference on the perspective from the administrative and judicial sides of the court system, April 30, 2018.
- (f) I have served as a panelist on the 2021 ABA Judicial Panel-Demystifying the Judicial Election and Selection Process: State and Federal Courts, January 19, 2021.
- (g) I have made presentations at the S.C. Bar "Bridge the Gap" Program for new lawyers giving an overview of the State Court System. I have presented at almost all programs since becoming State Court Administrator in 1998 until 2012 when the program format changed.
- (h) I have provided opening remarks and overview to Summary Court judges during the Orientation School for Summary Court judges twice a year for at least 14 years.
- (i) I was a panelist at the University of Kentucky Law Journal Symposium on Court Funding, 9/23/2011. The topic was 18th Century Courts 21st Century Expectations. The audience included State Chief Justices, State Court Administrators, attorneys and law professors from across the U.S. and territories.
- (j) I was a presenter at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Conference of Chief Justices and State Court Administrators during an educational session. The educational session was a mock trial where I presented oral argument on behalf of the state in a hypothetical case related to ethical misconduct. The audience was State Chief Justices and State Court Administrators and other guests.
- (k) I have made numerous presentations at the annual Clerks of Court Association conferences related to court related procedural issues, legislation affecting the courts and other pressing concerns affecting clerks of court and the operation of the courts.
- (l) I was a presenter at the ABA Task Force on Preservation of the Justice System General Counsel Summit May 2, 2012. The summit included chief legal counsel from America's leading corporations, Chief Justices and other attorneys.
- (m) I was a presenter at the ABA Symposium titled Justice is the Business of Government: The Critical Role of Fair & Impartial State Courts, 5/7-9/2009. The invitation only national conference was hosted by the ABA Presidential Commission on Fair and Impartial State Courts and the National Center for State Courts. The discussion centered around best practices for improving inter-branch cooperation towards the goal of making the justice system more effective and efficient to meet the needs of the public.
- (n) I was a panelist at the ABA Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section CLE 5/18/2012, discussing continuity of operations for state courts in the event of a disaster. The audience consisted of attorneys from various states.
- (o) I was a presenter at the Master in Equity CLE discussing background leading to the mortgage foreclosure administrative order issued by the Supreme Court in May 2011 and provided information on recent court procedural changes.
- (p) I was a presenter at a Bench Bar Hot Tips CLE December 7, 2012, discussing the requirements of the recently enacted Parenting Plan. The audience included the family court bench and attorneys.

- (q) I was a presenter at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Conference of Chief Justices and State Court Administrators during an educational session. I served as moderator July 26, 2016, for the Session titled Third Party Evaluators in Child Custody Proceedings: Who Are They and What Are the Standards of Practice. The audience was State Chief Justices, State Court Administrators and other guests.
- 22. Provide, as a separate attachment, your continuing legal or judicial education report from the past five years. The past reports have been provided.
- 23. List all published books and articles you have written and give citations and the dates of publication for each.
 - I have not published any books or articles.
- 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.)
- 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 have not been rated by any legal rating 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) S.C. Women Lawyers Association, President 2007
 - (b) S.C. Bar House of Delegates, 2010 2017
 - (c) ABA State Delegate representing SC Bar, 2010 2014
 - (d) Richland County Bar Association member, 2000 present
 - (e) Richland County Bar Association Civic Star Award, 2002
 - (f) American Bar Association member, 2008- present
 - (g) ABA Family Law Section
 - (h) S.C. Black Lawyers Association
 - (i) S.C. Supreme Court Commission on Judicial Conduct
 - (j) Family Court Bench Bar Committee
 - (k) S.C. Children's Justice Act Task Force
 - (1) Supreme Court Committee on Private Guardian ad Litem Issues
 - (m) Pro Bono Board of the South Carolina Bar
 - (n) One Judge One Case Committee Meeting
 - (o) S.C. Family Law American Inn of Court
 - (p) President Conference of State Court Administrators, 7/2011 -8/2012
 - (q) Vice Chair, National Center for State Courts, 7/2011–8/2012

- (r) S.C. Lawyer Magazine Articles Editorial Board, 2006 2017 Editor 2014-2016
- (s) Executive Session for State Court Leaders in the 21st Century
 Harvard Kennedy School of Government (participation by invitation), 2009 -2011
- (t) Inductee, National Center for State Courts Warren E. Burger Society, 2014
- (u) S.C. Lawyers Weekly Leadership in Law Award Honoree, 2015
- (v) Gold Compleat Lawyer Awardee, USC School of Law Alumni Council, 2016
- (w) National Task Force on Fines, Fees, & Bail Practices, Advisory Board, 2015-2021
- 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 not held public office other than judicial office.
- 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 not held other employment while serving as a Family Court Judge.
- 29. Have you ever been an unsuccessful candidate for elective, judicial, or other public office? If so, give details, including dates.
 - I ran for Family Court At-Large seat #1, Jan. 2013. I was found qualified and nominated. The first ballot was tied and I lost on the second ballot by one vote.
- 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) Research/Budget Analyst: House Ways and Means Committee South Carolina House of Representatives, December 1984 - August 1989
 - Researched, drafted and analyzed tax legislation; drafted legislation and amendments as requested by House members; advised legislators on annual Appropriations Act recommendations and served as liaison between the committee and various state agencies on budget related matters.
 - (b) Assistant Auditor: Bank of America (Formerly Bankers Trust of South Carolina) Columbia, South Carolina, March 1980 - December 1984 Implemented internal audits, supervised and trained three staff members on audit
 - assignments; conducted audit review meetings with management and wrote formal audit reports.
- 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 the above 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 spent any funds to date.
- 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. If you are a sitting judge, please include such contributions since your last screening. No contributions have been made.

- 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. I have not had any financial arrangements or business relationships that could constitute or result in a conflict 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;" None.
 - (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 None.
 - (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.

I nor a member of my immediate family has an interest in real property as described above.

- 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. No stock owned as an individual. Any stock would be associated with my State 401 K Investment funds.
- 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.

 I have attended large group dinners during the S.C. Association for Justice Annual Convention with a number of judges, attorneys and other individuals and the dinner was covered by the law firms. The law firms are: The Strom Family Law, Strom Law Firm and Harrison/White, P.C. I do not know the individual costs of the dinner. I have also attended the Kershaw County Bar Association Christmas Party/Dinner.

- 44. For sitting judges, have you used the services of your staff, for which you did not pay, while campaigning for this office? I have not used the services of staff.
- 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.

I have never been arrested or charged. I had a traffic violation May 24, 2021, and received a speeding ticket. The initial fine was \$180.00, however the Officer reduced the fine to \$76.88 and I paid that amount to the Elgin Municipal Court prior to the court date.

- 46. Have you, to your knowledge, ever been under federal, state, or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute? If yes, explain. Not to my knowledge.
- 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.
 - (a) <u>Finch v. Frierson</u> Inmate petition in my capacity as State Court Administrator, dismissed by circuit court, 2/5/2007.
 - (b) <u>Green v. Frierson</u>, <u>Green v. Court Administration</u> Inmate petition, complainant amended complaint to remove me as defendant and named Court Administration as defendant. Defendant's Motion to Dismiss granted 4/21/2016
- 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. Not applicable.
- 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.
- 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. I have not.
- 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. I have not requested any third parties to contact members of the General Assembly. I have not campaigned for this election at this time.
- 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 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 <u>original letters</u> 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 <u>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.</u> Please <u>do not</u> 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) Steedley Bogan, (Redacted)
 - (b) I.S. Leevy Johnson, (Redacted)
 - (c) Pamela Robinson, (Redacted)
 - (d) Patricia S. Parr, (Redacted)
 - (e) Donald Gist, (Redacted)
- 56. Are you active on or a member of a social media or Internet site such as, Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, Instagram, etc.? While I have accounts, I am not an active poster of content.

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

Facebook – (Redacted) Twitter – (Redacted) Instagram – (Redacted) LinkedIn - (Redacted)

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

I have the above social media accounts primarily to view information from family and friends. However, I rarely if ever post information and occasionally respond to family and friend's personal posts to send congratulations or birthday wishes. I do not believe that my service as a judge is affected by the sites as I try to limit accepting friend requests.

- 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.
 - (a) Columbia Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.,
 - President, 2007 2011
 - Parliamentarian, 2003 2007
 - (b) St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church, Member and Lector (Lay Reader)
 - (c) St. Martin de Porres Rosary Altar Society, Parliamentarian, 2011 2012
 - (d) Rosary Altar Society Vice President, 2018 present
 - (e) Columbia Deanery Council of Catholic Women, Parliamentarian, 2020-2022
 - (f) Columbia Deanery, Catholic Woman of the Year, 2020
 - (g) Diocese of Charleston, Catholic Woman of the Year, 2020
 - (h) Columbia Chapter of The Links, Incorporated
 - (i) Delta House Inc., Board of Directors, 2021-present
 - (j) Columbia Alumni Chapter Silhouettes member (Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity)
- 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.

By all measures I am grateful for and humbled by the public trust to serve as a Family Court Judge. Early in my appointment to the bench, I was cautioned to exemplify the type of judgeship that offers each litigant due respect and objective fairness. I accepted this challenge as a core principle of how I interact with all parties, irrespective of their position taken in a case. I am forever mindful that my deliberations and decisions carry far reaching consequences, which I pledge to give my full attention.

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	, 2022.
(Notary Signature)		
(Notary Printed Name) Notary Public for South Care My Commission Expires:	olina	