

**JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE**

Court, Position, and Seat # for which you are applying:
Berkeley County Master-In-Equity

1. NAME: Mr. Robert Goodwin Jones
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TELEPHONE NUMBER: (office): (843) 577-3434
2. Date of Birth: 1971
Place of Birth: Greenville, SC
3. Are you a citizen of SC? Yes
Have you been a resident of this state for at least the immediate past five years?
Yes
5. Family Status: Married to Molly Jane Jones on April 2, 2005. Four children. Divorced from Angela P. Richardson Jones on September 20, 2000; Circuit Court of Jefferson County; State of Alabama; Moving party-Robert Jones; Irretrievable Breakdown/Incompatibility.
6. Have you served in the military?
No
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) I took various classes at Greenville Technical College 8/89 – 5/94. I did not attend full time. I transferred my credit hours to Anderson College;
 - (b) Anderson College 5/94 – 8/94 Associate of Arts Magna Cum Laude;
 - (c) Wofford College 5/95 – 1/97 Bachelor of Arts Magna Cum Laude;
 - (d) Cumberland School of Law at Samford University 8/97–5/00 Cum Laude.
8. 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. If you took the bar exam more than once in any of the states listed, please indicate the number of times you took the exam in each state.
 - (a) Admitted to all Courts in the State of Alabama, 2000;
 - (b) Admitted to all Courts in the State of SC, 2006.
9. List the significant activities in which you took part during your attendance at college, graduate, and law school. Give the dates you were involved in these activities and list any leadership positions you held.
 - (a) President of the SC Student Bar Association, Cumberland School of Law;
10. Describe your continuing legal or judicial education during the past five years. Include only the title and date of any continuing legal or judicial education course completed.

<u>Conference/CLE Name</u>	<u>Date</u>
(a) "Flood Insurance" Seminar	1/23/2014;
(b) Annual "What Works" Seminar	2/01/2013;
(c) In Search of a "Grand Unified Theory": Thirty Years with the Endorsement Test	4/15/2013;



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| (d) | “What’s New in Mortgage Foreclosures and Lawyers Epidemic” | 5/24/2013; |
| (e) | “How to Ease Your Stress About Medicare Medicaid Lien Issues” | 10/4/2013; |
| (f) | “Introduction to Court-Annexed ADR” | 11/8/2013; |
| (g) | Annual “What Works” Seminar | 2/03/2012; |
| (h) | “Recent Developments in Condominium
And Home Owner Association Law” | 2/10/2012; |
| (i) | “Recent Changes to the New Legal Residence Statute” | 10/18/2012; |
| (j) | Annual “What Works” Seminar | 2/04/2011; |
| (k) | “Free Speech and Civil Discourse in the 21 st Century” | 2/18/2011; |
| (l) | CCBA “Ethics” CLE | 08/12/2011; |
| (m) | “What Civil Court Judges Want You To Know” | 08/16/2011; |
| (n) | “Credit Reporting 101” | 11/29/2010; |
| (o) | Annual “What Works” Seminar | 2/18/2010; |
| (p) | “Moving Forward in 2010” | 5/13/2010; |
| (q) | “Custody and Guardian Ad Litem Training” | 1/30/2009; |
| (r) | “Beyond the Elements” | 9/25/2009; |
| (s) | “Federal Criminal Practice” | 10/29/2009; |
| (t) | “Termites and Other Wood Destroying Organisms” | 11/19/2009; |
| (u) | “Authority for Lawyer Trust Accounts and How to Set Them Up” | 12/02/2009; |
| (v) | “A Practical Guide to Construction Liens” | 7/30/2008; |
| (w) | “The Electronic Courtroom” | 10/15/2008; |
| (x) | “SC Tort Law Update” | 10/31/2008. |
11. Have you taught law-related courses or lectured at bar association conferences, educational institutions, or continuing legal or judicial education programs?
- (a) Yes. I taught a CLE course for Lorman Education Services regarding Disclosure of Information Under HIPAA;
- (b) I was invited by Cumberland School of Law at Samford University to lecture 3L’s regarding the practice of law and employment opportunities.
12. List all published books and articles you have written and give citations and the dates of publication for each.
- None
13. 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) Admitted to practice before all State Courts of Alabama on September 29, 2000;
- (b) Admitted to practice before all State Courts of SC on May 22, 2006;
- (c) Admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the Northern District of Alabama on January 22, 2001;
- (d) Admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the District of SC on June 17, 2008;
- (e) Admitted to practice before the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals on April 15, 2002.
14. Describe chronologically your legal experience since graduation from law school and include a list of all law firms with which you have been associated. Describe the general character of your practice and divide it into periods with dates if its character has changed over the years.

I began my practice in 2000 with a top-tier law firm, Fees & Burgess, P.C., in Huntsville, Alabama. I learned the practice of law from a group of excellent mentors and gained practical experience defending municipalities, governmental entities and businesses in state and federal courts.

After careful deliberation and prayer, in 2005 my wife and I left Alabama to move back to my home state, SC. I sat for and passed the SC Bar in 2006, and I met Joe Qualey, Esq., through a mutual friend that same year. I have been practicing law with Joe since 2006. My practice has been devoted to general civil law with an emphasis in business and real property litigation and construction law. I have handled many cases before the Master-In-Equity and developed an advanced level of technical and practical experience handling cases before the Master.

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.

I have many years experience handling matters in the Master's Court representing both plaintiffs and defendants. I estimate that over half of my litigation practice in the last five years has been before the MIE. I understand and appreciate the complex and important role of the Master-In-Equity.

Through years of hard work and dedication I have developed extensive knowledge of the rules, procedures, and laws governing the Master-In-Equity, and I am prepared for the heavy workload and understand the sensitive nature of the cases heard by the Master-In-Equity.

I have represented all types of people and businesses, and I will do my best to ensure that the law is fairly and evenly applied and that all people regardless of income, race, gender, creed or color, have full and fair access to the courts and are treated with equal dignity and respect.

Below is a list of Master-In-Equity cases that I have either handled directly, or worked on with my law firm, over the past five years.

- (a) George J. Abar, et al., v. Benjamin Lofton Johnston, et al.
Case No.: 2011-CP-10-7286
(real property/easement dispute) (Chas. MIE);
- (b) Synovus Bank v. John A. Bobey, et al.
Case No.: 2012-CP-08-66
(foreclosure and counterclaim) (Berkeley MIE);
- (c) Palmetto Debt Holding Group, LLC v. Carolina Park Associates, LLC, et al.
Case No.: 2009-CP-10-5983
(commercial foreclosure) (Chas. MIE);
- (d) SunTrust v. Francess P. Hogan
Case No.: 2011-CP-10-5974
(residential foreclosure) (Chas. MIE);
- (e) Kaufmann and Associates, LLC, et al., v. William Ashley Byrd, et al.
Case No. 2011-CP-10-9308
(Partition action) (Chas. MIE);

- (f) Sanders Brothers Construction Company, Inc., v. AME Development Group, LLC, et al.
Case No.: 2010-CP-08-0448 (Berkeley MIE)
(foreclosure);
- (g) Christos Palles & Associates, LLC, v. AME Development Group, LLC
Case No.: 2013-LP-08-20 and 2013-LP-08-23 (Berkeley MIE)
(action involving validity of a security interest in real property and the validity of a commercial foreclosure);
- (h) First Citizens Bank and Trust Company v. John J. Reynolds, Jr. et al.
Case No.: 2011-CP-10-4525
(residential foreclosure) (Chas. MIE);
- (i) SunTrust Bank v. E. S. Bland, et al.
Case No.: 2012-CP-10-7885
(foreclosure) (Chas. MIE);
- (j) LFK Architects, LLC, v. C.R. Thompson & Sons, LLC
Case No.: 2009-CP-10-6040
(supplemental proceedings) (Chas. MIE);
- (k) Donald Finkell v. Tidal Creek Properties, LLC, et al.
Case No.: 2011-CP-10-3292
(commercial foreclosure and counterclaim) (Chas. MIE);
- (l) J. LeRoy Weathers v. Margaret Jefferson, et al.
Case No.: 2013-CP-10-5917
(breach of fiduciary duty, constructive trust) (Chas. MIE);
- (m) First Citizens Bank and Trust Company, Inc., v. John Duffy a/k/a John L. Duffy, et al.
Case No.: 2008-CP-10-3206
(foreclosure) (Chas. MIE);
- (n) First Citizens Bank and Trust Company, Inc., v. John Duffy a/k/a John L. Duffy, et al.
Case No.: 2008-CP-10-3207
(foreclosure) (Chas. MIE);
- (o) First Citizens Bank and Trust Company, Inc., v. John L. Duffy, et al.
Case No.: 2008-CP-10-3208
(foreclosure) (Chas. MIE);
- (p) Arrow Financial Services, LLC, v. John Beckham
Case Number: 2009-CP-10-6899
(claims based on alleged violations of the Fair Debt Collections Practices Act and collections practices) (Chas. MIE);
- (q) Dunes West Property Owners Association, Inc., v. John Wieland Homes and Neighborhoods, Inc.
Case No.: 2009-CP-10-654
(Injunction action regarding HOA dispute) (Chas. MIE);
- (r) Charles Bartow Branan v. Mark Herron
Case No.: 2009-CP-10-5636
(Business Dissolution) (Chas. MIE);
- (s) Otis Elevator v. Kalman Construction Corp.

- Case No.: 2004-CP-10-5233; and
 Reben Development, LLC, and Justin Kahn, v. Kalman Construction Corporation, et al.,
 Case No.: 2005-CP-10-3923.
 (consolidated construction cases with motions heard before Chas. MIE);
- (t) BDC Capital, LLC v. Dorchester Land Gov, LLC, et al.
 Case No.: 2008-CP-10-4864
 (suit on debt)(Chas. MIE);
- (u) Benjamin Feagin v. Betty Jean Feagin, et al.
 Case No.: 2013-CP-10-1696
 (Partition action) (Chas. MIE);
- (v) Res-Sc, LLC, v. Jessie Louise Lemacks Hayden, et al.
 Case No.: 2012-CP-10-0095
 (complaint on debt and Statute of Elizabeth claim) (Chas. MIE);
- (w) Elizabeth Cramer v. Cherie Lynn Shuler, Jeffrey Chaney, et al.
 Case No.: 2010-CP-10-9187
 (Business Dissolution) (Chas. MIE);
- (x) Salty Dawg, Inc., v. Mooney Player & Associates, Inc.
 Case No.: 2006-CP-10-2942
 (business dispute) (Chas. MIE);
- (y) William D. Hughes, et al., v. Mary Ann R. Legare, et al.
 Case No.: 2010-CP-10-2460
 (Easement/right-of-way dispute) (Chas. MIE);
- (z) Bank of North Carolina as successor in interests to Beach First National Bank v. Marty G. Belle, Bricena C. Belle, et al.,
 Case No.: 2011-CP-07-295
 (limited assistance with foreclosure default) (Beaufort MIE);
- (aa) Ian J. White and Kristin A. Daley v. Mary Scott Guest
 Case No.: 2008-CP-10-4581
 (Specific Performance) (Chas. MIE);
- (bb) Aurora Loan Services, LLC, v. T. S. Mallard, et al.
 Case No.: 2010-CP-10-1951
 (residential foreclosure, representing the homeowner) (Chas. MIE);
- (cc) Aahan Three, Inc., v. S&B Food, Inc., and Balvinder S. Dabra
 Case No.: 2010-CP-10-1890
 (business dispute, breach of contract) (Chas. MIE);
- (dd) First National Bank of the South v. M. Hammond Rauers, et al.
 Case No.: 2008-CP-10-6059
 (foreclosure) (Chas. MIE);
- (ee) First National Bank of the South v. M. Hammond Rauers, et al.
 Case No.: 2008-CP-10-6058
 (foreclosure) (Chas. MIE);
- (ff) M1 Construction, Inc., et al., v. Michael Colarusso, et al.
 Case No.: 2008-CP-10-2298
 (lien) (Chas. MIE);
- (gg) Southcoast Community Bank v. Donald C. Constantin et al.

- Case No.: 2009-CP-10-7672
(lis pendens/foreclosure) (Chas. MIE);
- (hh) Margaret D. Fabris v. Deborah H. Brigman
Case No.: 2010-CP-10-2440
(assisted with supplemental proceedings) (Chas. MIE);
- (ii) Branch Banking and Trust Company v. Westchester Homes, et al.
Case No.: 2010-CP-10-5949
(foreclosure) (Chas. MIE);
- (jj) Eric Shymanski and Retha A. Shymanski v. Inez V. Bright, et al.
Case No.: 06-CP-18-734
(Quiet Title action) (Berkeley MIE);
- (kk) SC Bank and Trust N.A., v. Fairview Plantation, LLC, et al.
Case No.: 2011-CP-10-1257
(foreclosure) (Chas. MIE);
- (ll) Edwin L. Bealer v. Brian D. Westover
Case No.: 2009-CP-10-7428
(foreclosure) (Chas. MIE).
15. What is your rating, if any, by any legal rating organization, such as, Best Lawyers, Chambers, Legal 500, Martindale-Hubbell, Who's Who Legal, Super Lawyers, etc.? If you are currently a member of the judiciary, list your last available rating, if any.
n/a
16. What was the frequency of your court appearances during the past five years?
(a) federal: 10%;
(b) state: 90%.
17. What percentage of your practice involved civil, criminal, domestic, and other matters during the past five years?
(a) civil: 70%;
(b) criminal: 0%;
(c) domestic: 2%.
(d) other: 28% property and business matters
18. What percentage of your practice in trial court during the past five years involved matters that went to a jury, including those that settled prior to trial?
(a) jury: I estimate that 40% of the litigation cases I handled over the last five years have jury demands, but most, if not all, cases settled prior to a jury trial. I do not recall any cases where a jury was struck and delivered a verdict in the last five years.
(b) non-jury: The other 60% of the litigation cases I handle are typically non-jury and are often referred to the Master-In-Equity. Most of the cases, with the exception of a few actions, have settled prior to trial.
- Did you most often serve as sole counsel, chief counsel, or associate counsel in these matters?
My firm handles cases with a team approach to files. We work on files together, and I usually serve as co-counsel or associate counsel.
19. 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) Ellington Woods I Homeowners' Association, Inc., v. Alison Dailey Properties, Inc., Dailey Development, Inc., and Ellington Woods, LLC
Case No.: 2008-CP-10-2518;
Ellington Woods II Homeowners' Association, Inc., v. Alison Dailey Properties, Inc., and Ellington Woods, LLC
Case No.: 2008-CP-10-2519;
Ellington Woods III Homeowners' Association, Inc., v. Alison Dailey Properties, Inc., and Ellington Woods, LLC
Case No.: 2008-CP-10-2520;
Ellington Woods IV Homeowners' Association, Inc., v. Alison Dailey Properties, Inc., and Ellington Woods, LLC
Case No.: 2008-CP-10-2521;
Ellington Woods V Homeowners' Association, Inc., v. Alison Dailey Properties, Inc., and Ellington Woods, LLC
Case No.: 2008-CP-10-2522.

These are complex, construction-defect lawsuits involving five HOA regimes and hundreds of homeowners. I represented all five HOA regimes. The lawsuits involved a large number of parties, defendants, insurance carriers, experts, repair contractors and attorneys. I managed all aspects of this complex litigation and was the point of contact for all homeowners and counsel and conducted numerous HOA informational meetings. The litigation was successfully resolved. These cases demonstrate my proven ability to handle large and complicated files and successfully bring such matters to a timely conclusion.

- (B) William David Smith, III, et al., v. City of Huntsville, Alabama
Case No.: CV-03-S-635-NE

This was a federal case in which the plaintiff asserted federal copyright-infringement claims against a large municipality. The claims arose out of the construction of multiple public buildings. I defended the City of Huntsville and managed the federal aspect of the case. Since this was a sensitive public matter involving public buildings and significant allegations of intrigue, the case was closely scrutinized and followed by the public. This case is significant because it demonstrates that I am adept at handling sensitive cases that involve complex state and federal laws, regulations and procedures.

- (C) Charles Bartow Branan v. Mark Herron
Case No.: 2009-CP-10-5636

This case involved a heated and bitter business dissolution claim. The case was referred to the Master-In-Equity for trial. The parties had been friends for years and operated a successful and well-known business together in Charleston. The friendship abruptly ended with allegations of breaches of fiduciary duty and self dealing. The case was covered by the press and drew significant attention locally. I worked well with opposing counsel in handling this case, and the case was mediated multiple times and successfully resolved on the eve of trial. This case demonstrates my ability to handle complex and highly contentious business disputes in the Master's court. Furthermore, it demonstrates my ability to bring a calming voice to emotionally charged matters and get the matters resolved.

- (D) Thrash v. Wild Dunes Real Estate, LLC, et al.
Case No.: 2:09-cv-00978-DCN

This case involved a dispute over the Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act. One of the principal issues involved was a question of first impression regarding the interpretation of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act. The issue was litigated and my arguments prevailed. This case demonstrates my ability to understand, interpret and apply complex statutes and issues of first impression and properly interpret the law.

- (E) George J. Abar, et al., v. Benjamin Lofton Johnston, et al.
Case No.: 2011-CP-10-7286

This action involved a property dispute stemming from a series of convoluted and contradictory easements and deeds. The matter was referred to the Master-In-Equity. Through tremendous effort of the part of the lawyers, parties, experts and mediator, the case was resolved to the satisfaction of all parties and the deeds and easements were corrected and the resolution was approved by the Court and the local BOZA. The action is significant, because it demonstrates my ability to handle complex property and equity claims that are common in the Master's court.

20. 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.

Although I do not typically handle appellate cases, I have experience with various appeals, particularly with issue involving equity, real property and insurance issues.

- (A) Steve P. Simpson v. City of Huntsville, Alabama
Case No.: CV-01-1261

This case involved a constitutional takings claim and an inverse condemnation claim. The facts centered on alleged down zoning of a commercial parcel of property. I represented the municipality and the case was dismissed on a unique question of jurisdiction and ripeness grounds. I handled the case at the trial and appellate levels;

- (B) Arrow Financial Services, LLC, v. John Beckham
Case Number: 2009-CP-10-6899

This case involved an appeal from a judgment before the Master-In-Equity. Through diligent effort of all parties and lawyers involved, the matter was resolved while the appeal was pending;

- (C) Auto-Owners Inc. Co., Inc., v. Newman, Op No. 1383 (S. C. S. Ct. Filed March 10, 2008)

This case involved the complex and important issue of whether insurance coverage for construction defects is a covered loss under standard CGL insurance policies. I was not lead counsel in this case, but assisted with all research, preparation of the briefs and preparation for the oral arguments.

21. List up to five criminal appeals that you have personally handled.

None

22. Have you ever held judicial office?

No

24. Have you ever held public office other than judicial office?
n/a
25. 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
26. Have you ever been an unsuccessful candidate for elective, judicial, or other public office?
No
27. 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?
No. After I graduated High School, my family and I worked to responsibly develop a large parcel of real property for rural residential housing. I assisted with the development efforts and eventually the development was completed and all lots were sold. The development in Simpsonville, SC, and is a rural oasis in a rapidly growing and densely populated area.
28. Are you now an officer or director or involved in the management of any business enterprise?
No
29. A complete, current financial net worth statement was provided to the Commission.
30. 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. Explain how you would resolve any potential conflict of interest.
None
31. 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
No
32. Have you, to your knowledge, ever been under federal, state, or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute?
No
33. 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?
No
34. Have you ever been sued, either personally or professionally, that is, have you ever been named as defendant or respondent in any court of law?
No
36. Have you ever been investigated by the Department of Social Services?
No
37. 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?
I am covered under the Qualey Law Firm malpractice insurance policy. I have been covered since I started working there in 2006.

38. Are you active on or a member of a social media or Internet site or have you, to your knowledge, been featured or depicted on a social media or Internet site, such as, Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, etc.?

I have a Facebook account. If I am selected to serve as the Master-In-Equity, I will close my Facebook account.

39. 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)?

No

40. 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?

No

41. S.C. Code § 8-13-700 provides, in part, that “[n]o public official, public member, or public employee may knowingly use his official office, membership, or employment to obtain an economic interest for himself, a member of his immediate family, an individual with whom he is associated, or a business with which he is associated.” Please detail any knowledge you have of any formal charges or informal allegations against you or any other candidate for violations of these provisions.

None

42. S.C. Code § 8-13-765 provides, in part, that “[n]o person may use government personnel, equipment, materials, or an office building in an election campaign.” Please detail any knowledge you have of any formal charges or informal allegations against you or any other candidate for violations of these provisions.

None

43. 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.

None

44. List the amount and recipient of all contributions made by you or on your behalf to members of the General Assembly since the announcement of your intent to seek election to a judgeship.

None

45. 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? 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?

No

46. Have you requested a friend or colleague to contact members of the General Assembly on your behalf?

No

47. Have you or has anyone acting on your behalf solicited or collected funds to aid in the promotion of your candidacy?

No

48. Have you or has anyone acting on your behalf contacted members of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission about your candidacy or intention to become a candidate?

No

49. 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) Charleston County Bar Association 2006-present;
(b) Huntsville/Madison County Bar Association 2000-present.

50. 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, any professional honors, awards, or other forms of recognition received and not listed elsewhere.

Member, Old Saint Andrews Episcopal Church

51. 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.

I am honored to be a lawyer, husband, and father in SC. My roots in SC run deep. I was born in the Upstate and attended public schools at Greenville High School and Hughes Middle School.

My grandfather and great grandmother were huge influences on my life. They were both from Rock Hill and imparted years of wisdom to me. My great grandmother was born in humble circumstances in a log cabin. She was a quiet and dignified lady who lived through several wars, the great depression and countless smiles and tears. She died when she was 103 years old. She knew the value of faith, home and family and the importance of honesty and integrity. She instilled those traditional values in me.

My grandfather was a cotton broker, and in his line of work he dealt with all types of people, urban and rural, rich and poor, black and white. He was respected by everyone and treated everyone fairly, when perhaps others would not. He taught me to be thoughtful and wise and impressed upon me to always treat everyone with equal dignity and respect.

I learned from them that honestly, integrity and respect are values that are hard to earn and easy to lose.

My grandmother, aunt, brother and sister-in-law were teachers in SC public schools. My brother and sister-in-law still teach in Berkeley County Public Schools and are dedicated public servants. Watching their dedication, hard work and countless sacrifices for the people and children of our state and community has inspired me to be a public servant and impressed upon me an honest desire to serve the public and people of Berkeley County.

If I am selected to be the next Berkeley County Master-In-Equity, I will draw upon these life experiences and inspirations to be a judge that will uphold the respect and honor of the judicial office and enhance and maintain the confidence in our legal system.

52. References

- (a) Vance L. Brabham, III, Esq.
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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT MY ANSWERS ARE TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

Signature: Robert G. Jones

Date: 3/14/14