

Pee Dee Citizens Committee Report Supreme Court Seat 5 Honorable George C. James, Jr. Fall Screening 2019

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<u>SUMMARY STATEMENT</u>: All comments, both on a personal and professional basis, regarding Justice James were extremely positive.

<u>Diane Rabon Bagnal</u> <u>George C. James, Jr.</u>

<u>9/19/2019</u>
<u>Honorable</u>

Committee Chair's Name

Date

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Candidate's Name: Hephanie Fendaryis McUnald

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Related Comments:

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4. Trentolm Waller 9-13-19 Stephane Rudavus McDonald
Committee Chair's Name

Candidate's Name

Midlands Citizens Committee Report Circuit Court, At-Large Circuit, Seat 11 Candidate's Name: The Honorable Alison Renee Lee,

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VERY WELL QUALIFIED IN ALL ASPECTS **Related Comments:**

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9/10/19 ACISON RENET LEE
Candidate's Name

Pee Dee Citizens Committee Report Circuit Court At-Large Seat 12 Honorable Thomas A. Russo Fall Screening 2019

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SUMMARY STATEMENT: Judge Russo is engaging, personable and highly intelligent. He obviously loves his job and is well-respected in the community.

Diane Rabon Bagnal9/19/19Honorable ThomasA. RussoCommittee Chair's NameDateCandidate's Name

Pee Dee Citizens Committee Report Circuit Court, At-Large Seat 13 Amanda A. Bailey Fall Screening 2019

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<u>SUMMARY STATEMENT</u>: Mrs. Bailey is highly intelligent and articulate. We believe she would make an excellent judge and would run a very efficient court.

Diane Rabon Bagnal Committee Chair's Name 9/19/19 Date Amanda A. Bailey Candidate's Name Candidate's Name: Even Backey

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Related Comments:

Qualified-could benefit from more civil experience

Midlands Citizens Committee Report Circuit Court, At-Large Circuit, Seat 13 Candidate's Name: Debbie Chapman **FALL 2019**

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CIVIL ExpEDIENCE is limited but WILL HAVE NO PROBLEM BRINING Experience

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Pee Dee Citizens Committee Report Circuit Court At-Large, Seat 13 Honorable Joe M. Crosby Fall Screening 2019

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<u>SUMMARY STATEMENT</u>: Mr. Crosby enjoys a good reputation in the community and has experience as a judge through his work as a part-time Master-in-Equity.

Diane Rabon Bagnal 9/19/19 Honorable Joe M.

Crosby

Committee Chair's Name Date Candidate's Name

Pee Dee Citizens Committee Report Circuit Court At-Large Seat 13 H. Steven DeBerry Fall Screening 2019

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SUMMARY STATEMENT: Concerns exist in the community regarding this candidate's work ethic and lack of maturity for the seat.

Diane Rabon Bagnal9/19/19H. Steven DeBerryCommittee Chair's NameDateCandidate's Name

Candidate's Name: Mr. V.n. W. Dykes III.

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Pee Dee Citizens Committee Report Circuit Court At-Large Seat 13 Sanford Cox Graves Fall Screening 2019

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<u>SUMMARY STATEMENT</u>: Mr. Graves interviewed well with this committee but there are some in the community who are uncomfortable and concerned about his current capability to handle this position.

<u>Diane Rabon Bagnal</u> Committee Chair's Name 9/19/19 Date Sanford Cox Graves
Candidate's Name

Midlands Citizens Committee Report Circuit Court, At-Large Circuit, Seat 13 Candidate's Name: Janice Holmes FALL 2019

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Midlands Citizens Committee Report Circuit Court, At-Large Circuit, Seat 13 Candidate's Name: Kyliene L. Keesley **FALL 2019**

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Candidate's Name

Pee Dee Citizens Committee Report Circuit Court At-Large Seat 13 William Vickery Meetze Fall Screening 2019

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<u>SUMMARY STATEMENT</u>: Mr. Meetze is well-known to this committee and we continue to like this candidate. He has the reputation of being a top-notch lawyer, has good presence and would make an excellent judge.

<u>Diane Rabon Bagnal</u> <u>9/19/19</u> <u>William Vickery</u>

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Committee Chair's Name Date Candidate's Name

Piedmont Citizens Committee Report Circuit Court, At Large Circuit, Scat ____13 Candidate's Name: Jane Merrill FALL 2019

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Related Comments:

Though she has been a lawyer for only 12 years, Ms. Merrill brings an impressive range of experience—as a judicial law clerk, solicitor, criminal defense lawyer, and civil lawyer for both plaintiffs and defendants—to her candidacy. She is deeply involved in her community and has the strong work ethic, diligence and fairness needed for an effective Circuit Court Judge.

SUMMARY STATEMENT:			
Stephen M. Cox Committee Chair's Name	Date	Jane Merrill Candidate's Name	_

Pee Dee Citizens Committee Report Family Court 3rd Judicial Circuit, Seat 3 W.T. Geddings, Jr. Fall Screening 2019

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<u>SUMMARY STATEMENT</u>: Mr. Geddings has a great demeanor – calm and contemplative. He has a good reputation in the community.

Diane Rabon Bagnal Committee Chair's Name 9/19/19 Date W.T. Geddings, Jr. Candidate's Name

Pee Dee Citizens Committee Report Family Court 3rd Judicial Circuit Seat 3 Ernest J. Jarrett Fall Screening 2019

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<u>SUMMARY STATEMENT</u>: Mr. Jarrett is an enthusiastic candidate who has been working his entire legal career with an eye towards a family court seat and we believe he will be an asset on the bench.

<u>Diane Rabon Bagnal</u> Committee Chair's Name 9/19/19 Date Ernest J. Jarrett Candidate's Name

Pee Dee Citizens Committee Report Family Court 4th Judicial Circuit Seat 3 Honorable Michael S. Holt Fall Screening 2019

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<u>SUMMARY STATEMENT</u>: Judge Holt enjoys a reputation of being a compassionate judge who is committed to doing his best. Other words used to describe him were "caring" and "committed".

<u>Diane Rabon Bagnal</u> 9/19/19 <u>Honorable Michael</u>

S. Holt

Committee Chair's Name Date Candidate's Name

Midlands Citizens Committee Report Family Court, Fifth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1 Candidate's Name: Blakely Copeland Cahoon **FALL 2019**

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Piedmont Citizens Committee Report Family Court, Sixth Circuit, Seat 2

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Judge Matthews has been on the bench for only a year and a half, but she has already acquired a reputation as a diligent, thoughtful and fairminded Family Court Judge. The Committee strongly urges her reappointment to the bench for another term.

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Upstate Citizens Committee Report Family Court, 10th Circuit, Seat 3 Candidate's Name: M. Scott McElhannon FALL 2019

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The persons interviewed regarding Mr. McElhannon described a candidate who meets or exceeds all of the requirements of the evaluative criteria.

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Nancy Jo Thomason, Chair

M. Scott McElhannon

Upstate Citizens Committee Report Family Court, 10th Circuit, Seat 3 Candidate's Name: Brittany Dreher Senerius FALL 2019

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In private cases, which constitute a large and important portion of the family court's workload, a large portion of the candidate's experience has been as a Guardian ad Litem, instead of representing a party in the litigation. Therefore, the committee rated her "qualified."

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Nancy Jo Thomason, Chair

Brittany Dreher Senerius

Upstate Citizens Committee Report Family Court, 13th Circuit, Seat 5 Candidate's Name: The Honorable Tarita Dunbar FALL 2019

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SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Nancy Jo Thomason, Chair

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The Honorable Tarita A. Dunbar

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Tamily Court, / H Circuit, Seat 2

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Family Court, Ith Circuit, Seat 72

Candidate's Name: Douglas L. Novak

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Related Comments:

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Pee Dee Citizens Committee Report Family Court 15th Judicial Circuit Ronald R. Norton Fall Screening 2019

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<u>SUMMARY STATEMENT</u>: Judge Norton has the reputation of a hardworking, kind, good-hearted judge who loves his job.

<u>Diane Rabon Bagnal</u> <u>9/19/19</u> <u>Honorable Ronald</u>

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Committee Chair's Name Date Candidate's Name

Upstate Citizens Committee Report Family Court, At Large, Seat 1 Candidate's Name: Ashley Phillips Case FALL 2019

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Nancy Jo Thomasou, Chair

Ashley Phillips Case

Midlands Citizens Committee Report Family Court, At-Large Circuit, Seat 1 Candidate's Name: Martha M. Rivers Davisson **FALL 2019**

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Upstate Citizens Committee Report Family Court, At Large, Seat 1 Candidate's Name: Kimaka Nichols-Graham FALL 2019

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The committee has rated this candidate "well qualified" in the past and continues to believe she is well qualified.

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Date

Nancy Jo Thomason, Chair

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Upstate Citizens Committee Report Family Court, At Large, Seat 1 Candidate's Name: Heather Vry Scalzo FALL 2019

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The candidate is well qualified in most areas. She has informed the committee that since 2015, 5% of her cases have been divorce and 10% custody and adoption. A large part of the family court workload is divorce, custody and adoption. Given the candidate's limited experience in these important areas, the committee rated her "qualified."

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Nancy Jo Thomason, Chair

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Heather Vry Scalzo

Upstate Citizens Committee Report Family Court, At Large, Seat 1 Candidate's Name: Kenneth P. Shabel FALL 2019

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The candidate is well qualified in all levels and areas of the family court process. The committee notes that the candidate has very strong support in the community and in the Bar for his good character.

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Nancy Jo Thomason, Chair

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Kenneth P. Shabel

Piedmont Citizens Committee Report Family Court, At Large Circuit, Seat ___1 Candidate's Name: R. Chadwick Smith FALL 2019

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Related Comments:

The Committee was impressed by Mr. Smith's diligence, thoughtfulness, and determination to provide a fair forum to all litigants in Family Court. We believe that he would bring a balanced perspective and empathy to the bench, enhanced by over 15 years of experience in family court matters.

SUMMARY STATEMENT:			
Stephen M. Cox		R. Chadwick Smith	
Committee Chair's Name	Date	Candidate's Name	778

Midlands Citizens Committee Report Administrative Law Court, Seat 3

Candidate's Name: The Honorable Harold W. (Bill) Funderburk, Jr. FALL 2019

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Midlands Citizens Committee Report Administrative Law Court, Seat 4

Candidate's Name: The Honorable Deborah Brooks Durden **FALL 2019**

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EXCELLENT CANDIDAL! **Related Comments:**

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Candidate's Name

Citizens Committee Report

City Court Circuit, Seat MC

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Piedmont Citizens Committee Report Family Court, At Large Circuit, Seat 2 Candidate's Name: Bryan Able FALL 2019

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Related Comments:

Mr. Able has served as a part-time Associate Judge of Probate in Laurens County since 2013 and as a general practitioner specializing in family law issues for three decades. The Committee believes that this breadth of experience has given him the skills, subject matter expertise, and judicial temperament that would make for a well-qualified and capable Family Court Judge.

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SUMMARY STATEMENT:			
Stephen M. Cox Committee Chair's Name	Date	Bryan Able Candidate's Name	

Piedmont Citizens Committee Report Family Court, At Large Circuit, Seat 2

Candidate's Name: Robert Cone FALL 2019

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Mr. Cone served as a private practitioner with a heavy family law emphasis for over ten years before joining the Department of Social Services, where he has served as a practicing lawyer and managing lawyer at multiple levels. He would bring to the Family Court bench a breadth and depth of family court experience (especially in child abuse and neglect cases) that would be of great service to our State.

Stephen M. Cox		Robert Cone	
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Upstate Citizens Committee Report Family Court, At Large, Seat 2 Candidate's Name: Timothy E. Madden FALL 2019

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3. Professional and Academic Ability: A candidate is expected to be well-versed in fundamental legal principles and in procedural and evidentiary rules. A candidate must have the ability to communicate in a style that is both lucid and persuasive and must have the intellectual capacity to interpret established legal principles, apply them to specific factual situations, and clearly and logically communicate the reasoning leading up to his or her conclusion. A candidate's academic record, participation in continuing legal education or other seminars, legal writing, and reputation among professional colleagues to evaluate legal knowledge and ability will be reviewed. On the appellate court level, consideration will be given to a candidate's ability to work well with others and to build or reach a consensus when appropriate.			XX
4. Character : The character of a candidate regarding his or her ethical standards, work habits, and financial responsibility, will be reviewed, as well as a thorough investigation of any complaints, grievances, or criminal allegations made against a candidate.			XX
5. Reputation: Consideration of a candidate's background will include the following: 1) the non-legal experience; 2) the candidate's involvement in community affairs, public office, or pro bono work; or 3) the candidate's views on social issues and his or her desire to affect public policy. A review will be undertaken to ensure a candidate has followed the Code of Judicial Conduct's prohibition against certain extra-judicial activities and rules governing the use of judicial office.			X
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Mr. Madden has an extensive amount of experience in private cases, including all types of divorce, equitable division, custody, child support, etc. and is well respected by members of the bar and the community. However, he has had little to no experience with DJJ cases. While he has experience with DSS cases, it is also limited.

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Nancy Jo Thomason, Chair

Timothy E. Madden

Midlands Citizens Committee Report Family Court, At-Large Circuit, Seat 2 Candidate's Name: Rebecca West FALL 2019

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