

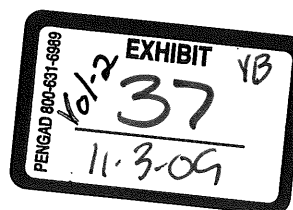
**JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE**

Court, Position, and Seat # for which you are applying:
Family Court, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2

1. NAME: Ms. Angela M. Killian
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2. Date of Birth: 1973
Place of Birth: Chester County, South Carolina
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.
5. Family Status: Single, never divorced, no children.
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) University of South Carolina: Attended from January 1993-May 1995 and received Associate's in Science (Criminal Justice) in May 1995;
 - (b) Winthrop University: Attended August 1995-May 1998 and received Bachelor in Arts (Sociology) May 1998;
 - (c) University of the District of Columbia David A. Clarke School of Law: Attended August 1998-May 2001 and received Juris Doctorate in May 2001;
 - (d) American University Washington College of Law: Attended August 2001-December 2002 and received Master of Laws in Law and Government with a concentration on employment and labor law.
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.

I was admitted to the practice of law in the state South Carolina on November 13, 2001.
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.

I served as Editor-in-Chief of the University of the District of Columbia Law Review from May 2000 until May 2001.



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(s)</u>
(a) Foreclosure and Collection	06/11/04
(b) Ethics with Oath	09/17/04
(c) Revised Lawyers Oath with Ethic with Oath CLE	09/17/04
(d) Hot Tips from the Coolest Domestic Law Practitioners	09/24/04
(e) Nuts and Bolts of Family Court	02/18/05
(f) SCDSS-OGC Seminar	09/03/05
(g) SCDSS-OGC Seminar	03/17/06
(h) Mini Summit on Justice for Children	08/22/06
(i) SCDSS-OGC Seminar	12/08/06
(j) SCDSS-OGC Seminar	02/27/09
(k) Training for Attorneys Appointed in Abuse & Neglect Cases in the 6 th and 16 th Judicial Circuits	02/27/09

11. 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.

I have conducted a presentation on the overview of child protection proceedings for attorneys appointed in abuse and neglect cases in the 6th and 16th Judicial Circuits at training sponsored by the Children's Law Center.

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

Killian, Angela M. Comment. *Mandatory minimum sentences coupled with multi-facet interventions: an effective response to domestic violence*. 6 U.D.C.L.Rev. 51-72 (2001).

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 the State Courts of South Carolina in 2001;
- (b) Also admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina in 2003.

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.

- (a) Managing Attorney for the Sixth Judicial Circuit, The South Carolina Department of Social Services, Lancaster, SC, May, 2005-present.
Provides legal services and representation in family court and other courts on issues relative to child protection, foster care, adoption, adult protection, and economic services. Supervises the legal department for the Sixth Judicial Circuit;

- (b) Staff Attorney. *The South Carolina Centers for Equal Justice*, Spartanburg, SC, February 2003-May 2005.
Provided representation to low-income individuals and families in civil matters such as divorces, custody, evictions, claim and delivery, wills, expulsion and suspension hearings, school enrollment, wage claims and unemployment compensation;
- (c) Staff Attorney. *Our Place DC*, Washington, DC, February 2002-December 2003.
Assisted women with landlord and tenant matters, parole matters, obtaining adequate institutional medical care, submitting sexual harassment claims, challenging discriminatory and unfair halfway house practices;
- (d) Law Clerk. *Judge David L. Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law*, Washington, DC, October 2001-January 2002.
Drafted legal documents and conducted legal research in support of Bazelon's advocacy efforts to challenge the unnecessary incarceration of people with mental illnesses who committed minor offenses.

If you are a judge and are not seeking a different type of judgeship, the following questions are inapplicable:

- (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 has prepared you to preside over such matters as a Family Court Judge.

While serving as staff attorney for the South Carolina Centers for Equal Justice, I handled a number of family law cases in which I pursued orders of protection, divorces, separate maintenance and support decrees, and child custody on behalf of my clients. The divorce cases that I handled involved such issues as child custody, equitable distribution of property and debt, alimony, and child support.

In my current position as managing attorney for the Sixth Judicial Circuit for the South Carolina Department of Social Services, I litigate a number of abuse and neglect proceedings including probable cause, removal, intervention, review, rule to show cause, and termination of parental rights hearings.

Additionally, I have handled a contested adoption hearing. For approximately about two years, I solely litigated all of the abuse and neglect proceedings in Chester, Fairfield, and Lancaster counties. I have also handled two name changes and a juvenile proceeding in family court.

15. What is your rating in Martindale-Hubbell?

I do not have rating in *Martindale-Hubbell*. I do not know why I am not listed in *Martindale-Hubbell*. I can only assume that I do not have a rating in *Martindale-Hubbell* because I have held public interest legal positions throughout my legal career.

Retired judges/justices and judges/justices applying for reelection to their current position may omit Questions 16-21. If a candidate is seeking a judgeship different than his or her current position, Questions 16-21 should be answered based on experience prior to serving on the bench.

16. What was the frequency of your court appearances during the last five years?
- (a) federal: N/A;
 - (b) state: on average four to six court appearances per month.
17. What percentage of your practice involved civil, criminal, and domestic matters during the last five years?
- (a) civil: 1%;
 - (b) criminal: 1%;
 - (c) domestic: 98%.
18. What percentage of your practice in trial court during the last five years involved matters that went to a jury, including those that settled prior to trial?
- (a) jury: N/A;
 - (b) non-jury: 100%.

Did you most often serve as sole counsel, chief counsel, or associate counsel in these matters? I served as sole counsel in those matters.

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) South Carolina Department of Social Services vs. A.H., T.H., and John Doe, Jack Doe, Robert Doe and James Doe, 2008-UP-298 (2008). This is an unpublished opinion. This case involves an appeal where a mother appealed the termination of her parental rights to the South Carolina Court of Appeals. Accordingly, the Court affirmed the family court's ruling. This matter was significant in that the children are presently in the process of being adopted by persons who can provide them with loving and stable environments;
 - (b) South Carolina Department of Social Services vs. Charmaine H. and John Doe in the interests of Charnell N.T., 2006-UP-409 (2006). This is an unpublished opinion. This case involves an appeal where a mother appealed the termination of her parental rights to the South Carolina Court of Appeals. Accordingly, the Court affirmed the family court's ruling. This matter is significant in that this child has been adopted and is now in a stable, nurturing, and loving environment;
 - (c) I have handled several termination of parental rights hearing in the past five years; however, I cannot release the names of those cases as that information is confidential pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §63-7-1990. These cases are significant in that all of the children in those cases have

been or are in the process of being adopted by persons who can provide them with safe, loving, and nurturing environments;

- (d) I am currently handling an appeal before the South Carolina Court of Appeals where the mother appealed the removal of her children by the family court. This case has been pending for approximately two years. This case is significant in that mother over a period of time had subjected her children to psychological abuse and the children are now safe with their fathers. I cannot release the name of this case as that information is confidential pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §63-7-1990.
- (e) I have handled several family court cases involving victims of domestic violence where I obtained order of protections, divorces, and separate maintenance and support decrees for my clients. These cases are significant in that these abused women were able to leave their abusive partners.
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. If you are a candidate for an appellate court judgeship (please attach one copy of briefs filed by you in each matter). N/A.
21. List up to five criminal appeals that you have personally handled. Give the case name, the court, the date of decision and the citation if the case was reported. If you are a candidate for an appellate court judgeship (please attach one copy of briefs filed by you in each matter).
- I have handled one criminal appeal before the Court of Common Pleas in York County. In this appeal, I appealed the decision from the municipal court.
22. Have you ever held judicial office? No.
23. If the answer to question 22 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. N/A.
24. Have you ever held public office other than judicial office? No.
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?
- Yes. I am presently a part-time Associate Professor at Clinton Junior College where I teach Freshman Seminar and a Honors/Scholarship course. I have held this position for more than four years.
28. 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. N/A.

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. N/A. Explain how you would resolve any potential conflict of interest.
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? No. Have you ever defaulted on a student loan? No. 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. 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.
37. 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.
38. 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. N/A.
39. 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. N/A.
40. 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. N/A.
41. 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. N/A.

42. 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? No. 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.
43. Have you requested a friend or colleague to contact members of the General Assembly on your behalf? No. Are you aware of any friends or colleagues contacting members of the General Assembly on your behalf? No.
44. Have you or has anyone acting on your behalf solicited or collected funds to aid in the promotion of your candidacy? No.
45. 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.
46. 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.
South Carolina Bar.
47. 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.
I am presently serving on the board of Voices of Diversity, a prospective nonprofit organization, in the Liberty Hill community located in York County. I am assisting Voices of Diversity in obtaining its 501(c) status.
48. 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. N/A.
49. References:
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 - (d) Blondean Funderburk
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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT MY ANSWERS ARE TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

Signature: Angela M. Killian
Date: 8/11/09