

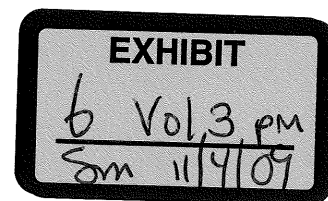
**JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE**

Court, Position, and Seat # for which you are applying:
Family Court Judge, Third Judicial Circuit, Seat 1:

1. NAME: Mr. George Marion McFaddin, Jr.
BUSINESS ADDRESS: 108 N. Magnolia Street
Sumter SC 29150
E-MAIL ADDRESS: gmcfaddinj@sccourts.org
TELEPHONE NUMBER: (office): 803 436 2373
2. Date of Birth: 1954
Place of Birth: Sumter SC
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, all of my life.
5. Family Status: Married on August 28, 1988, to Cindy Johnston McFaddin. Two children. Divorced March 1987, George M. McFaddin, Jr. moving party, one year separation ground. No children, no property, no debts, no alimony. Not contested. Parted as friends.
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, 1973-78, BA, History;
 - (b) University of South Carolina, 1978-79, Master of Public Administration;
 - (c) University of South Carolina, 1982-85, Law Degree.
(In the fall of 1975 I attended Francis Marion College but withdrew to return to the University of South Carolina. I was at FMC less than one semester.)
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.

Admitted only in South Carolina. I have never taken the bar exam in another state.
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 worked during undergraduate, graduate and law school. I had little time for school related activities. I studied a lot also.



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) Family Court Conference	4/23/09
(b) SC Bar Convention-Family Law	1/23/09
(c) Family Law Procedure	12/17/08
(d) Family Law Bench/Bar	12/05/08
(e) Judicial Discipline Committee Seminar	10/21/08
(f) Judicial Conference	8/20/08
(g) Family Court Conference	4/23/08
(h) Children's Issues In Family Court	3/28/08
(i) SC Bar Convention-Family Law	1/25/08
(j) Family Court Bench/Bar	12/07/07
(k) Family Law "Hot Tips"	9/07
(l) Judicial Conference	8/22/07
(m) Family Court Conference	4/25/07
(n) Chief Judges Seminar	2/15/07
(o) SC Bar Convention-Family Law	1/26/07
(p) Family Court Procedure	12/14/06
(q) Family Court Bench/Bar	12/1/06
(r) Judicial College (week long CLE)	9/24/06
(s) Judicial Conference	8/23/06
(t) Justice For Children	8/22/06
(u) Family Court Conference	4/26/06
(v) SC Bar Convention-Family Law	1/27/06
(w) Family Court Bench/Bar*	12/05
(x) Judicial Conference*	8/05
(y) Family Court Conference*	4/05
(z) SC Bar Convention-Family Law*	1/05

*I obtained my CLE records from the CLE Division of the Supreme Court; however, 2005 records were not included. The 2005 information I provided above is accurate as to CLEs I attended but not as to precise dates. The months and year of 2005 are correct.

(aa) Horry County Bar CLE	12/08/04
(bb) Family Law Hot Tips	9/24/04
(cc) Judicial Oath of Office	8/19/04
(dd) Judicial Conference	8/19/04
(ee) Family Court Conference	4/24/04
(ff) SC Bar Convention-Family Law	1/23/04

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.

- (a) During the early 1990s I taught paralegal courses at Sumter TEC to include personal injury law, family law, and trusts and estates;
 - (b) In 2002 I presented at a CLE on family law;
 - (c) In 2003 I presented at a local CLE in Horry County on family law.
12. List all published books and articles you have written and give citations and the dates of publication for each.
I have not published any articles.
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 SC Bar in November 1985;
 - (b) Admitted to Federal District Court in July 1993.
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) 1985 law school graduation to August 1986: Served as a law clerk to the Hon. Rodney A. Peeples;
 - (b) August 1986 to late 1987: Associate with Sumter law firm of Bryan, Bahnmuller, King, Goldman & McElveen. Personal injury and family law, some criminal;
 - (c) Fall 1987 to mid 1988: Associate with Sumter John E. Miles. Family law with some personal injury;
 - (d) Mid 1988 to August 1990: Associate with Sumter firm of Atkinson & Davis. Family law and some personal injury;
 - (e) August 1990 to August 1998: Opened sole practice in Sumter. Family law, personal injury law, criminal law. Also served as part-time general sessions public defender from 1990 to 1991. From 1992 to 1994 served as part-time county prosecutor. From 1994 to 1998 served also as part-time juvenile public defender;
 - (f) 1998-2002 served as chief magistrate of Sumter County on a full-time basis.
15. What is your rating in Martindale-Hubbell?
I have not practiced law since 1998. My rating then, as well as I recall, was BV.
22. Have you ever held judicial office? Describe the jurisdiction of each of the courts and note any limitations on the jurisdiction of each court.
From August 1998 to July 2002 I served as full-time chief magistrate for Sumter County. I was recommended by the SC Senate and appointed by the governor.
Currently, I have been serving as a family court judge since July 2002. I am seeking re-election.

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.
- (a) Gainey v. Gainey (Ct. App. #4515, published);
 - (b) SCDSS v. Mother (Ct. App. #4294, published);
 - (c) Lewis v. Lewis (Ct. App. #2008-UP-645);
 - (d) State v. Avery (Ct. App. #4299, published);*
 - (e) SCDSS v. Doe (Ct. App. #2006-UP-077);
- *In this opinion my ruling regarding waiver of a juvenile to adult general sessions court is included.
24. Have you ever held public office other than judicial office? 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?
- I have not held public office.
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.
- As a full-time magistrate I did not hold any other job. As a family court judge I have not held any other jobs.
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?
- Since law school I have not had any job beyond practicing law of serving as a magistrate of family court judge.
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.
- There are no such arrangements or relationships.
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?

In November 1999 a SC state tax lien was filed against me for \$1,174 related to tax year 1998. I paid the tax and the lien was released in February 2000. As I explained in my re-election application filed in 2003 (and in my 2001 application) in 1999 I asked for an extension to file the 1998 return. I did not know the lien had been filed until late November 1999. Before I was aware of the lien I had spoken to Mr. Percy Harvin of the SC Department of Revenue about an extension beyond October of 1999 to pay the tax due. He told me it was granted; however, I was not aware then that a lien would be filed. I regret that it happened. To reiterated, I paid the lien in full. I explained this situation to JMSC in the fall of 2001 and again in the fall of 2003. I will be happy to again answer any questions about this very embarrassing event. (I have this month checked all three credit reporting entities and this lien no longer is showing on those credit reports.)

At the end of this section (the printed version) I am providing a copy of the records from the courthouse in Sumter County showing that the lien was filed on 11/3/99 and was paid/satisfied on 2/17/2000.

I did not default on any student loans and I have never filed for bankruptcy.

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?

I have never been sued personally or professionally as an attorney. However, I have been sued as a family court judge. Mr. Larry Hill, a disgruntled litigant, instead of appealing my rulings in his divorce case, sued me pro se in the local state court. I was represented by Mr. Mark Buyck who was provided by the state reserve fund. The case was removed to the federal court. Judge Matthew Perry dismissed the case on the ground of judicial immunity. I am providing with my printed PDQ form a copy of his complaint and a copy of the order of dismissal and other relevant copies from the lawsuit.

Mr. Hill filed his action in late 2006. Judgment in my favor (dismissal of the lawsuit) was entered/filed on 5 September 2007.

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.

There have not been any such charges.

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.

There have not been any such charges.

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.

As of this date, July 23, 2009, I have spent only \$.44 for a stamp. I will update this answer as needed.

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. None.

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? 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?

I have not in any way asked for a pledge. I have received no assurance of a pledge.

43. Have you requested a friend or colleague to contact members of the General Assembly on your behalf? Are you aware of any friends or colleagues contacting members of the General Assembly on your behalf? I have not done so.

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?

I alone responded to the JMSC inquiry as to whether I would seek re-election. Other than that, the answer is 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.

- (a) SC Bar as a member since 1985;
- (b) American Bar Association in 1985-86;
- (c) SC Trial Lawyers Association, 1990 to 1998.

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 have been only a church member where I attend church. I have served as an elder and clerk of session. I served as a volunteer firefighter/EMT for 29 years until 2003.

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.

I was raised in and still live in a rural community where both races live and work and know each other. My community includes the well-to-do financially, the poor, the middle class, and the land-rich but money-poor. I learned early on that all of us want the same for ourselves and our children. I believe that all people are basically good and I give all the benefit of that assumption until they show me otherwise.

I worked my way through college, graduate school and law school. Work was a good "teacher" in that I learned to be organized, punctual, and respectful of authority.

I am mindful that while many who see my robe think I am all powerful I realize that power has its limits and the foolish use of power is wrong. Although Atticus Finch was not a judge, I strive to carry his integrity and demeanor into the courtroom with me.

While I have learned a lot as a lawyer and a judge, I well know there is a lot I do not know. Going to work each day is like going to school each day. I learn something new at least weekly.

I am very blessed to have a good job.

49. References:

- (a) Mr. Mark Mossell
First Citizens Bank
803 775 7701
- (b) Mr. James Campbell
803 436 2373
- (c) Ms. Evelyn Dabbs
803 495 8220
- (d) Mr. Dale Galloway
803 775 4712
- (e) Mr. Jule Eldridge
803 491 6399

(I called JMSC on 4 August 2009 to ask if the letter writers were required to send the letters themselves to JMSC or if I am allowed to collect the letters and provide them to JMSC. I was told either way was acceptable. Thus, I will collect the SEALED letters and provide them to JMSC. If this is improper, please let me know. I instructed all

of the persons above to place his or her letter in a sealed envelope before giving them to me.)

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: George M. McFaddin, Jr.

Date: 8/6/09

PO Box 3130
Sumter, SC 29151
October 6, 2009

Jane O. Shuler, Esq.
Chief Counsel
Judicial Merit Selection Committee
PO Box 142
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RE: George M. McFaddin, Jr.
Family Court, Seat #1, 3rd Circuit
AMENDMENT TO PDQ
AMENDMENT TO STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS
AMENDMENT TO SWORN STATEMENT RE ORDERS
AMENDMENT TO SWORN STATEMENT RE FUNDS SPENT THUS FAR

Dear Ms. Shuler:

First, thank you for your patience and assistance in this process.

Regarding PDQ question #8, I was admitted to the SC Bar on November 12, 1985. I failed to answer that part of the question.

As to question #13 of the sworn statement related to the drafting of orders, I wish to clarify my answer. I stated that I prepare 25-30% of all orders I sign. I wish to amend that to



state that I prepare that percentage of all non-form orders that I sign. I do not prepare the many, many form orders arising from child support enforcement hearings, juvenile sentencing hearings, and the many other agency-based hearings. I prepare easily 90% of all temporary hearing rulings that are sent to the attorneys (or the attorney and self-represented litigant). As to final orders arising from non-agency trials, I prepare easily 90% of the typed ruling memoranda that are issued, and regarding the actual orders from such trials I prepare 25-30% of the final orders. I type reasonably well and with reasonably good speed, so I prepare a lot of my rulings and orders to eliminate turn-around time to include dictation and typing by the assistant.

I wish to amend question #26 of the sworn statement to reflect additional sums I have paid regarding my campaign for re-election. Since I submitted the sworn statement I have spent \$4.33 for the notebook used to hold my application papers. Also, I spent approximately \$13.50 for gasoline to drive to Columbia for my recent interview with Ms. Shuler and for the taking of the test. Also, this letter will require a \$.44 stamp. Thus, I have spent a total of \$18.71 as of this date.

I regret my oversight.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,



George M. McFaddin, Jr.

/gmmjr

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JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION
Sworn Statement to be included in Transcript of Public Hearings

Family Court
(Incumbent)

Full Name: George Marion McFaddin, Jr.
Business Address: 108 N. Magnolia Street
Sumter SC 29150
Business Telephone: 803 436 2373

1. Why do you want to serve another term as a Family Court Judge?
Despite many trying days and hearing many sad and tragic stories, I believe that I can and do serve a purpose in adjusting the lives of people who need structure or plans for the balances of their lives. I have also set certain goals that I want to accomplish such as working with the Children's Law Center to improve the DSS abuse and neglect procedures throughout the state. I want to seek ways to lessen docket overcrowding in the third circuit. I also want to continue holding semi-annual adoption days to expedite the adoption of abused and neglected children. I want to work to make the judicial system more "citizen friendly."
2. Do you plan to serve your full term if re-elected?
Yes.
3. Do you have any plans to return to private practice one day?
Yes. When I do retire I would like to become a mediator. If I actually practiced law I would most likely restrict my practice to adoptions and low-conflict cases.
4. Have you met the Constitutional requirements for this position regarding age, residence, and years of practice?
Yes.
5. What is your philosophy regarding *ex parte* communications? Are there circumstances under which you could envision *ex parte* communications being tolerated?
I abhor such communications. I am always on guard to prevent such from occurring. The only time I entertain such communications is when a case has just been filed and an attorney seeks an order to prevent harm to a child or a party. However, when all parties to a case are "lawyered up" I do not entertain such communications.
6. What is your philosophy on recusal, especially in situations in which lawyer-legislators, former associates, or law partners are to appear before you?
I do not recuse myself when lawyer-legislators appear before me, but I do not hesitate to rule with his or her client or against his or her client, and I have done just that. I do not favor a party because he or she is

- represented by a legislator. I was never a partner with anyone else in a law firm so the partner issue is not an issue. As to lawyers I have worked with in the past, such occurred up until 1990 when I opened my office as a solo practice attorney.
7. If you disclosed something that had the appearance of bias, but you believed it would not actually prejudice your impartiality, what deference would you give a party that requested your recusal? Would you grant such a motion?
I would and have granted recusal motions in those situations because I do not want a party to believe my ruling was biased in any way. In such situations, I have tried to reschedule the hearing or trial as soon as possible to avoid a long delay.
8. How would you handle the appearance of impropriety because of the financial or social involvement of your spouse or a close relative?
I would disclose to the parties and attorneys such involvement and would recuse myself if any person so desired.
9. What standards have you set for yourself regarding the acceptance of gifts or social hospitality?
Except for gifts exchanged within my family to include my parents and sisters, I do not accept gifts. When I have accepted hospitality gifts such as motel accommodations, meals or CLE participation such has been offered to all judges, e.g., SC Bar functions where all judges are treated equally in terms of such amenities.
10. How would you handle a situation in which you became aware of misconduct of a lawyer or of a fellow judge?
As I recall, Judicial Canon 3(D) relates to such a situation. This canon requires that a judge "shall" inform the proper authority.
11. Are you affiliated with any political parties, boards or commissions that, if you were re-elected, would need to be re-evaluated?
No.
12. Do you have any business activities that you would envision remaining involved with if reelected to the bench?
No.
13. Since family court judges do not have law clerks, how do you handle the drafting of orders?
I probably prepare 25-30% of all orders I sign. I type many of my rulings. When I ask an attorney to prepare an order I send or give the ruling to all attorneys involved. The drafting attorney is directed to share the proposed order with the other attorney. When I receive the proposed order the drafting attorney will usually indicate that opposing counsel has reviewed the order and approved it as drafted. If not, my assistant or I will contact opposing counsel to insure he or she has approved the order as prepared.

14. What methods do you use to ensure that you and your staff meet deadlines?

I keep a copy of all dockets with notes showing what orders have been signed and what cases are under consideration. My assistant also does so with her copy of the docket but she also keeps a record of all outstanding rulings by computer. She has a system devised whereby reminders are issued. Ms. Morris does an excellent job of monitoring deadlines.

15. What specific actions or steps do you take to ensure that the guidelines of the Guardian Ad Litem statutes are followed during the pendency of a case?

At the outset of a case or when the GAL is appointed the GAL by order is directed to comply with the statutory requirements to include the filing of his or her affidavit. At any pre-trial meetings the GAL is required to attend and the parties and attorneys are asked if the GAL is engaged and involved. I ask also if there are any complaints or concerns about the GAL's participation. At the final hearing I ask of the parties or attorneys on the record if they are satisfied with the GAL's participation. At any stage where the GAL's information is used, I review the file and the GAL's report seeking to be sure the GAL has performed a "balanced and independent" investigation. I also review the itemized time sheet of the GAL to insure it is proper and that it indeed reflects the actions of the GAL. Reviewing the time sheet allows me to determine how much actual time the GAL spent with the child/children and the parents as opposed to administrative actions. I read with keen interest any appellate court opinions addressing GAL issues and duties.

16. What is your philosophy on "judicial activism," and what effect should judges have in setting or promoting public policy?

I do not believe in judicial activism. My job as a judge is to apply the law. I realize that judges sometimes make "case law" but that is usually closely connected to existing law or precedent.

17. Canon 4 allows a judge to engage in activities to improve the law, legal system, and administration of justice. What activities do you plan to undertake to further this improvement of the legal system?

I am currently a member of a committee related to the Children's Law Committee which is working to streamline DSS abuse and neglect procedures throughout the state. Our product will be presented to the chief justice for her approval. I am also working with the SC Bar CLE division to create a CLE for new lawyers entering the family court. I also hold semi-annual adoption days to help expedite the adoptions of children placed in foster care.

18. Do you feel that the pressure of serving as a judge strains personal relationships (i.e. spouse, children, friends, or relatives)? How do you address this?
Judging is a lonely business. I belong to no clubs or organizations except my church. I rarely go to any social activities with attorneys (or anyone else) unless they do not practice in the family court. I accept this loneliness. But, then, I have always been something of a loner. As for my family, I try hard to leave the work at the office although I do a tremendous amount of work at home at night related to rulings.
19. Are you involved in any active investments from which you derive additional income that might impair your appearance of impartiality?
No. I have some money invested in an EdwardJones account. If any case came before me that even remotely related to that account I would make a full disclosure and grant any recusal request. I own some land that I have considered renting or leasing but I have not done so yet. If I do, I would not hear a case involving the lessee or his or her family.
20. Would you hear a case where you or a member of your family held a *de minimis* financial interest in a party involved? No.
21. Do you belong to any organizations that discriminate based on race, religion, or gender? No. I am a member of only one organization, my church. Our church does not discriminate in any way.
22. Have you met the mandatory minimum hours requirement for continuing legal education courses?
Yes. I have a surplus of hours each year based upon mandatory participation. I also usually take extra CLE course at my own expense even if not mandatory.
23. What do you feel is the appropriate demeanor for a judge?
Patient, firm but respectful, merciful. Quick to admit that he or she makes mistakes. Drenched in humility. As I often say, the robe comes only with cleaning instructions, not omniscience. I do not own the courtroom; it is not "my" courtroom because it belongs to the people. I strive to exercise the demeanor of Atticus Finch if he had been a judge.
24. Do the rules that you expressed in your previous answer apply only while you are on the bench or in chambers, or do these rules apply seven days a week, twenty-four hours a day? I try to live by those rules or ideals all the time. I am merely a state employee, not God.
25. Do you feel that it is ever appropriate to be angry with a member of the public, especially with a criminal defendant? Is anger ever appropriate in dealing with attorneys or a pro se litigant?
No and no.

26. How much money have you spent on your campaign? If it is over \$100, has that amount been reported to the House and Senate Ethics Committees?
As of 27 July 2009 I have spent only \$.44 for one stamp to send to JMISC my intention of seeking re-election. I will update this information if it changes.
27. While campaigning for this office, have you used judicial letterhead or the services of your staff for your campaign?
I have not used letterhead in any way unless a fax transmittal cover sheet showed letterhead and if so it was something faxed to Judicial Screening. I have not used any employee or assistant to help with campaigning. I am typing all of my application, not my assistant.
28. Have you sought or received the pledge of any legislator prior to this date?
No. I will not do so until I am properly allowed to do so.
29. Have you sought or been offered a conditional pledge of support by any legislator pending the outcome of your screening? No.
30. Have you asked any third parties to contact members of the General Assembly on your behalf before the final and formal screening report has been released? Are you aware of any friends or colleagues contacting members of the General Assembly on your behalf?
No. No.
31. Have you contacted any members of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission? No. I have responded to the Commission to indicate I was offering for re-election.
32. Are you familiar with the 48-hour rule, which prohibits a candidate from seeking pledges for 48 hours after the draft report has been submitted? Yes.

(NOTE: After I learned I had completed the wrong form I revised this form to comply with the correct form. If I missed a question or made an error please contact me.)

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ANSWERS TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS ARE TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

/S/ George M. McFaddin, Jr.

Sworn to before me this 6TH day of August, 2009.

Notary Public for South Carolina

My commission expires: 01-11-2016