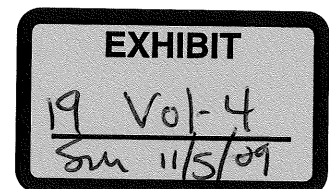


JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE
FOR RETIRED JUDGES/JUSTICES

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2. Date and Place of Birth: 1936, Florence, 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
5. Family Status: Widowed. Two children.
6. Briefly describe your continuing legal or judicial education since your last screening. 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) Annual Crim. Practice (Teach)	2/27/09;
(b) Public Defenders Best (Teach)	2/19/09;
(c) SC Criminal Law Update	1/23/09;
(d) Annual Civil Law Update	1/23/09;
(e) Judicial Conference	8/20/08;
(f) Bridge the Gap (Teach)	5/12/08;
(g) Bridge the Gap (Teach)	3/10/08;
(h) Nuts & Bolts (Write)	3/01/08;
(i) Bridge the Gap (Teach)	3/09/09;
(j) Tips from Bench (Teach)	2/15/08;
(k) Criminal Law Update	1/25/08;
(l) Criminal Law Update	1/25/08;
(m) Family Court Bench/Bar (Teach)	12/07/07;
(n) Tips and Techniques (Teach)	11/02/07;
(o) Annual Crim. Practice (Teach)	10/05/07;
(p) Annual Probate (Teach)	9/14/07;
(q) Annual Convention (Teach)	9/06/07;
(r) Judicial Conference	8/22/07;
(s) SCTL A Convention (Teach)	8/02/07;
(t) Bridge the Gap (Teach)	5/07/07;
(u) Bridge the Gap (Teach)	3/12/07;
(v) Request to Charge Crim. (Write)	3/01/07;
(w) Criminal Law Update	1/26/07;
(x) Civil Law Update	1/26/07;
(y) Truth About Opinions (Teach)	11/21/06;



(z)	Ultimate Trial Notebook (Teach)	11/17/06;
(aa)	Annual Crim. Practice (Teach)	11/10/06;
(bb)	Annual SC Solicitors (Teach)	9/24/06;
(cc)	Annual Judicial Conference	8/23/06;
(dd)	Annual Convention	8/3/06;
(ee)	Appellate Court (Teach)	6/13/06;
(ff)	Bridge the Gap (Teach)	3/6/06;
(gg)	Tips from Bench (Teach)	12/9/05
(hh)	Annual Crim. Practice	11/18/05;
(ii)	Annual Conference (Teach)	9/21/05;
(jj)	Annual Judicial Conference	8/24/05;
(kk)	Mendoza Line (Teach)	8/16/05;
(ll)	Attorney's Oath Seminar	5/20/05;
(mm)	Attorney's Oath Seminar	5/11/05;
(nn)	Attorney's Oath Seminar	4/29/05;
(oo)	Crawford (Teach)	4/15/05;
(pp)	Attorney's Oath Seminar	2/18/05;
(qq)	Crim. Law Update	1/21/05;
(rr)	Crim. Law Update	1/21/05;
(ss)	Revised Oath (Teach)	12/14/04;
(tt)	Labor and Employment	12/14/04;
(uu)	Annual Meeting	9/1/04;
(vv)	Judicial Conference	8/19/04;
(ww)	Statutory Research	8/5/04;
(xx)	Civil Law Update	1/23/04;
(yy)	Criminal Law Update	1/23/04;
(zz)	Advanced Westlaw	1/1/04;
(aaa)	Civil Charges in SC (Write)	3/16/04;
(bbb)	Beginning Westlaw	7/28/04;
(ccc)	Annual Crim. Practice (Teach)	11/19/04;
(ddd)	Judicial Oath of Office	8/19/04;
(eee)	SC Tort Law Update (Teach)	10/29/04;
(fff)	Annual Civil Law Update	1/23/04;
(ggg)	Solicitor's Association	9/28/03;
(hhh)	Expert Witness (Teach)	1/1/03;
(iii)	Judicial Conference	8/21/03;
(jjj)	Civil Charges in SC (Write)	3/7/03;
(kkk)	Ethics (Teach)	1/1/03.

7. Have you practiced law or served as a mediator or arbitrator since your retirement from the judiciary? No
8. List your positions of employment on and/or appointment to the bench chronologically. You are not required to list dates of employment or appointment prior to your last screening.

- (a) September 1979 - South Carolina Circuit Court Judge
(Served Multiple Concurrent Terms)
 - (b) February 1996 - South Carolina Court of Appeals
(Served Concurrent Terms until Retirement- December 31, 2008)
 - (c) January 2009 - South Carolina Circuit Court Judge, Active/Retired
(Served Continuously until Present)
9. Are you now an officer or director or involved in the management of any business enterprise? No
 10. A complete, current financial net worth statement was provided to the Commission.
 11. Since your last screening, have you 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
 12. Since your last screening, have you, to your knowledge, been under federal, state, or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute? No
 13. Since your last screening, has a tax lien or other collection procedure been instituted against you by federal, state, or local authorities? Since your last screening, have you defaulted on a student loan? Since your last screening, have you filed for bankruptcy? No, No, No
 14. Since your last screening, have you been sued, either personally or professionally? No
 15. Since your last screening, have you, as a lawyer, judge, or other professional, in South Carolina or any other jurisdiction, been sanctioned for lawyer, judicial, or other professional misconduct or found to have committed such misconduct? No
 16. Since your last screening, have you been criticized, whether informally or in a matter taken to a disciplinary authority, for the manner in which you treated litigants or attorneys before you on the bench? No
 17. Describe your personal policy for the acceptance of food, meals, beverages, lodging, transportation, entertainment, social hospitality, or other things of value from an attorney, a group of attorneys, or from other individuals.
I follow the highest ethical standard and very seldom accept any social hospitality.
 18. Have you ever accepted anything of value from an attorney or litigant in a matter currently or previously before you or your court? No
 19. Provide any other information which 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.
No additional information.
 20. For the last fully completed calendar year, itemize the income, expenses, fees, payments, or additional benefits exceeding \$500, in the aggregate, received by

you or a member of your immediate family from South Carolina state and local entities. List the type, source, and amount or value of the benefit. Be sure to list any expense reimbursement you received separately from your income.

(a) 2008 Salary - \$133,741.00.

(b) Other Income - On a monthly basis, I received mileage reimbursement and the daily subsistence allowance if assigned out of my county of residence.

21. Describe any interest you or a member of your immediate family has in real property:

(a) in which there is a potential conflict of interest with your involvement in a South Carolina state or local public agency;

(b) in which there have been public improvements of \$200 or that adjoins property in which there have been public improvements of \$200; or

(c) which was sold, leased, or rented to a state or local public agency in South Carolina.

List the interest you hold and the value and location of the property. Identify as applicable the:

(a) nature of any potential conflict of interest;

(b) nature and value of any public improvements; and

(c) South Carolina state or local public agency which purchased or is leasing or renting such property.

No applicable property for any category listed in Question 21.

22. Identify any personal property interest you or a member of your immediate family sold, leased, or rented to a South Carolina state or local public agency. Identify the property, its amount or value, and the name of the agency.

No property applicable.

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

Signature: Ralph King Anderson, Jr.

Date: June 16, 2009

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

Retired Judge

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1. Have you met the Constitutional or statutory requirements for this position regarding age, residence, and years of practice?
Yes
2. Have you met the mandatory minimum hours requirement for continuing legal education courses? Yes
3. Do you have any plans to return to private practice one day?
No
4. Are you engaged in any legal activities other than your service as a retired judge, such as acting as an arbitrator or mediator?
No
5. Are you involved in any active investments from which you derive additional income that might impair your appearance of impartiality?
No
6. Do you belong to any organizations that discriminate based on race, religion, or gender? No
7. Have you engaged in any partisan political activity since your retirement? No
8. What do you feel is the appropriate demeanor for a judge?
To impartially try and determine the case in its entirety and to rule impartially with a pleasant and courteous demeanor.
9. In your position as a retired judge, what methods do you employ to ensure that deadlines for the timely issuance of orders are met?
Normally, I issue orders immediately, but on cases with delayed orders, a specific time frame is set not to exceed two weeks.
10. 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? No
11. How would you handle a situation in which you became aware of misconduct of a lawyer or fellow judge?
Reporting is mandated by the applicable ethical standards.
12. What is your philosophy on recusal, especially in situations in which lawyer-legislators, former associates, or law clerks are to appear before you?
In regard to law clerks, I have a one-year hiatus in reference to their appearance. Former associates is not applicable in this instance

because I have been on the bench for thirty years and my former law partners are deceased.

13. What is your philosophy regarding *ex parte* communications? Are there circumstances under which you could envision *ex parte* communications being tolerated?

Absolutely not tolerated. Under the administrative responsibilities of a judge, communications in regard to scheduling a motion or advising of docket times are an exception.

14. 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? Yes

15. What standards have you set for yourself regarding the acceptance of gifts or social hospitality?

The highest standard is in place and I very seldom accept social hospitality.

16. In order that we might advise court administration on steps that need to be taken, are there any limitations on your sight, hearing, or mobility that should be addressed by the court administrator?

None.

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

s/ Ralph King Anderson, Jr.

Sworn to before me this 15th day of June, 2009.

Notary Public for S.C.

My Commission Expires: 05-02-2010