

**JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION  
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE  
(AS AMENDED)**

Court, Position, and Seat # for which you are applying: Administrative Law Court, Seat 2

1. Name: The Honorable B. Keith Griffin (Bryan Keith Griffin)

Name that you are known by if different from above  
(Example: A Nickname): N/A

Are you currently serving in some capacity as a judge?  
I am serving as a full time Magistrate Judge for Sumter County. I am serving as a part-time Municipal Judge for the Town of Pinewood.

Home Address: [REDACTED]

Business Address: 190 E. Canal Street, Sumter, S.C., 29151

E-Mail Address: [REDACTED]

Telephone Number: (home): [REDACTED]  
(office): (803) 436-2280;

2. Date of Birth: [REDACTED] 1974  
Place of Birth: Sumter, South Carolina  
Social Security Number: [REDACTED]

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.

4. SCDL# or SCHD#: [REDACTED]  
Voter Registration Number: [REDACTED]

5. Family Status: In the space below, (a) state whether you are single, married, widowed, divorced, or separated; (b) if married, state the date of your marriage and your spouse's full name; (c) if you have ever been divorced or are in the process of obtaining a divorce, state the date, name of the moving party, court, and grounds; and (d) state the names of your children and their ages. If your children are old enough to work, include the occupation of each child.

(a) Married on April 20, 2002 to Elizabeth Brown Shuler Griffin

(b) Never divorced, one child.  
[REDACTED]

6. Have you served in the military? If so, give the dates, branch of service, highest rank attained, serial number (if applicable), present status, and the character of your discharge or release.

I have not served in the military.

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 attended Presbyterian College in the fall of 1992 and enrolled again in 1993. I received a Bachelor of Arts in History (Summa Cum Laude) and a minor in Political Science in 1996.

(b) I transferred to Wofford College in the spring of 1993 as I missed family and friends who were attending Wofford at that time. My father and twin brother are both Wofford graduates. I expected upon transferring to Wofford that I would have their same positive experience. Wofford is a wonderful academic institution, but I determined that I was happier at Presbyterian. I returned to Presbyterian and obtained my degree.

(c) I enrolled in the University Of South Carolina School Of Law in 1996. I received my Juris Doctor in 1999.

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) I was admitted to practice law in South Carolina in 1999.

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.

There were no significant activities that I was involved with other than academic honor societies or organizations resulting from my grade point average. I was either on the Dean's List or President's List each semester at Presbyterian. I participated in intramural sports at PC as well. I did not participate in any significant activities while in law school.

10. Describe your continuing legal or judicial education during the past five years.

<u>Conference/CLE Name</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>
(a)Annual Convention and Seminar	09/07/2011
(b)Summary Court Judges Fall Program	11/04/2011
(c)It's All a Game-Top Trial Lawyers Tackle Evidence	07/03/2012
(d)Magistrate's Mandatory School	11/03/2012
(e)Orientation School for Magistrates	03/24/2013
(f)Orientation School for Magistrates	07/22/2013
(g)Magistrate's Mandatory School	11/01/2013
(h)23 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Criminal Practice in SC	02/28/2014
(i)Orientation School for Magistrates	03/17/2014
(j)Prosecuting the Impaired Driver	06/18/2014
(k)Orientation School of Magistrates	07/21/2014
(l)Magistrate's Mandatory School	11/07/2014

(m)Orientation School-Magistrates	03/23/2015
(n)Prosecuting the Impaired Driver	04/22/2015
(o)Orientation School-Magistrates	07/20/2015
(p)Summary Court Mandatory Program	11/06/2015
(q)Orientation School-Magistrates and Municipal Judges	03/21/2016
(r)Orientation School-Magistrates and Municipal Judges	07/21/2016

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) I have been an adjunct instructor at Central Carolina Technical College since the 2003-4 academic year to the present. I have taught courses in the Paralegal, Criminal Justice, and Business/Management programs within the College respectively. All courses I have taught are survey courses students must complete as a part of obtaining an associate's degree in paralegal studies. I have taught Real Estate/Property (covers future interests, deeds, types of property, landlord-tenant matters, closing and title insurance issues, and easements); Wills, Trusts, and Estates, Torts, Workers Compensation, Legal Writing, and Legal Bibliography (a legal research course). I have also taught Criminal Law and Judicial Process for the Criminal Justice department and Business Law for the Management/Business department. I have for many years and currently serve on the Paralegal Advisory Board for Central Carolina.

(b) I have also taught as an adjunct criminal law instructor for Troy University's Shaw Air Force Base/Sumter Campus. The classes I taught were for students pursuing a master's degree in Criminal Justice. In 2008, I taught Court Administration, and Seminar in the Administration of Justice. According to Troy University's Course Catalog, Court Administration (CJ 6624) is a "study of the judicial process from the standpoint of its situational and legal basis, organization and management, and the technical aspects of the judicial function at both trial and appellate levels." Seminar in the Administration of Justice (CJ 6622) is described as a "critical examination of the administration of the criminal justice system in America, including the myths and misconceptions it generates, the controversial issues and trends it produces, and the current and future policies and administrative decision making it promotes." In 2011, I taught two semesters of Administrative Law. Administrative Law (CJ 6644) is "a study of the legal environment in which the public administrator functions. The process and procedures of administrative agencies including administrative discretion, rule-making, investigating, prosecuting, negotiating, and settling; constitutional law, statutory law, common law, and agency-made law. Liability of governments and their officers. Selected cases and decisions.

(c) Since 2013, Judge Phil Newsom and I have taught landlord-tenant law to newly appointed summary court judges at the request of South Carolina Court Administration. The class is taught twice a year. I last taught this class with Judge Newsom on July 21, 2016.

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.  
South Carolina, 1999
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) In 1999, I served as a law clerk to the Honorable Howard P. King, Resident Judge of the Third Judicial Circuit. I was responsible for assisting in management of the court docket, drafting of proposed orders, and document review.
- (b) In 2000, I served as a law clerk to the Honorable M. Duane Shuler, Judge of the South Carolina Court of Appeals. My responsibilities were to review trial transcripts and to write draft opinions for the judge.
- (c) In 2001, I was hired as an associate at the law firm of Robinson, Mcfadden, and Moore, P.C. I was responsible for a large collections practice inherited from a partner who subsequently left the firm. This practice included suits on account, actions for claim and delivery, foreclosure, foreign judgment actions, and an occasional mechanic's lien. I also assisted the partners as needed with legal drafting and handled appointed cases under Rule 608, SCACR. I was on the family court list at that time.
- (d) In August of 2002, I was appointed to the Sumter County Summary Court as a full-time summary court judge. I serve in this capacity to the present, and am currently the Associate Chief Magistrate. I have tried or handled all matters within the court's jurisdiction, including civil and criminal jury and non-jury trials, preliminary hearings, and bond hearings. I also served as a part time magistrate for Lee County per special order of Chief Justice Jean H. Toal. I served in Lee County from April 19, 2011, to July 28, 2014.
- (e) As previously mentioned, I am an adjunct instructor at Central Carolina Technical College and a former adjunct instructor for Troy University.
- (f) For one month in 2010 (November 15, 2010 to December 29, 2010) and since May 2012, I have served as a part-time municipal judge for the Town of Pinewood. I conduct criminal and traffic court on a bimonthly basis in the evenings to ensure no conflicts with my full time duties for Sumter County.
15. Please answer the following (if you are a judge and are not seeking a different type of judgeship, this question is 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.
- (b) If you are a candidate for Circuit Court, please provide a brief written description of your experience in criminal matters, including any cases handled over the past five years and include a brief description of the issues involved. Further, please provide a brief written description of your experience in civil matters, including any cases

handled over the past five years and include a brief description of the types of matters handled, issues involved, and procedural history. Please include information such as the primary areas in civil court in which you practice, whether you represent plaintiffs or defendants, or both. You may go back further than five years if you feel it would assist the Commission with its assessment of your experience. If you lack experience in an area, describe how your background has prepared you to preside over such matters as a Circuit Court Judge, or how you would compensate for your lack of experience in this area.

- (c) 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.
- (d) If you are a candidate for Administrative Law Judge, please provide a brief written description of your experience before an Administrative Law Judge, including any issues discussed and the frequency of your appearances before the Administrative Law Judge Court.

I have never appeared before the Administrative Law Court.

16. 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.

\* **Retired justices/judges and justices/judges applying for re-election to their current position may omit Questions 17-22. If a candidate is seeking a judgeship different than his or her current position, Questions 17-22 should be answered based on experience prior to serving on the bench.**

17. What was the frequency of your court appearances during the five years prior to your election to the bench?
- (a) federal: zero percent (0)%
  - (b) state: one hundred percent (100)%
18. What percentage of your practice involved civil, criminal, domestic, and other matters during the five years prior to your election to the bench?
- (a) civil: ninety nine percent (99)%
  - (b) criminal: zero percent (0%)
  - (c) domestic: one percent (1%)-appointed cases only.
  - (d) other:
19. What percentage of your practice in trial court during the five years prior to your election to the bench involved matters that went to a jury, including those that settled prior to trial?
- (a) jury: less than one percent
  - (b) non-jury: almost one hundred percent

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

20. 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, prior to your election to the bench. Give citations if the cases were reported and describe why these matters were significant. I cannot say with particularity five significant litigated matters that stood out, as the majority of my practice was in collections. Most matters were handled as default matters or through summary judgment. Most of my cases were referred to the Master in Equity and were mostly uncontested.

21. List up to five civil appeals you have personally handled, prior to your election to the bench. Give the case name, the court, the date of decision, and the citation if the case was reported. I have never carried a case prior entirely through the appellate process.

I had one case appealed to the South Carolina Court of Appeals by the defendant, but the matter was pending before the court at the time of my appointment as a summary court Judge.

22. List up to five criminal appeals that you have personally handled, prior to your election to the bench. Give the case name, the court, the date of decision and the citation if the case was reported.

N/A.

23. Have you ever held judicial office? If so, list the periods of your service, the courts involved, and whether you were elected or appointed. Describe the jurisdiction of each of the courts and note any limitations on the jurisdiction of each court.

(a) Yes. I was appointed to the Sumter County Summary Court in August of 2002, and am currently serving in the same capacity. The summary court has criminal trial jurisdiction over all offenses subject to the penalty of a fine, as set by statute, but generally the court's jurisdiction does not exceed a five hundred dollar fine (\$500.00) or imprisonment not exceeding 30 days, or both. In addition, summary court judges are responsible for setting bail, conducting preliminary hearings, and issuing arrest, courtesy summons, and search warrants. Although there are exceptions to the amount in controversy such as evictions, summary court judges have civil jurisdiction when the amount in controversy does not exceed Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00). I have performed all functions required of a summary court judge whether it is a civil or criminal jury trial, non-jury trial, bond hearing, or a preliminary hearing. I have also served as a summary court judge for Lee County per order of Chief Justice Toal from April 19, 2011, to July 28, 2014.

(b) I currently serve as an appointed part-time municipal judge for the Town of Pinewood. I served initially for one month in 2010 before the town suspended court operations. I was reappointed in May 2012 and currently hold court on a bimonthly basis in the evening. I have criminal jurisdiction over cases arising under ordinances of the town, and over all offenses which are subject to a fine not exceeding \$500.00 or imprisonment not exceeding 30 days, or both, and which occur within the town.

24. If the answer to question 23 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) Cain v. Avant- This case involved an alleged failure of a landlord to return a security deposit in accordance with Section 27-40-410. The landlord did not send the tenants a letter explaining why the landlord wished to withhold their security deposit within thirty days as required by the statute. The case was legally significant because the landlord argued that a good faith exception applied in the case due to the nature of the damages allegedly caused by the plaintiff. The landlord argued that despite the letter's noncompliance with the statute, the court had the right to make a factual determination whether the deposit was "wrongfully withheld" under the statute. I ruled that strict construction of the statute was required in this case and that I could not make such a determination despite her argument having some factual merit. The docket number for the case was 2015-CV-43101-1780. The case was appealed to the Circuit Court but was eventually settled between the parties. The Circuit Court docket number was 2015-CP-43-1866.

(b) Bazen v. Anderson- This case involved a dispute between a buyer and seller of real estate under a contract of sale. Normally, the summary court has no jurisdiction to hear a matter involving title to real estate. However, the parties in this case signed a mutual release which nullified their sales contract. Accordingly, I ruled a tenancy at will now existed between the parties as the release was properly executed, was clear and unambiguous, and no evidence of fraud existed in the inducement or execution of the release. My ruling regarding the release and finding of a tenancy at will was upheld via order of the Circuit Court dated February 9, 2016. The Circuit Court order was not appealed. Our docket number for the case was 2015-CV-43101-1968. The Circuit Court docket number was 2015-CP-43-02031.

(c) Lee County School District v. Mary L. Dinkins Higher Learning Academy- This case was a commercial eviction of a charter school by the Lee County School District. The parties did not have a true landlord tenant relationship as the charter school occupied the building owned by the district through a settlement of prior litigation between the two entities. When the time allowed for occupancy in the settlement agreement expired, the charter school refused to vacate. The case garnered local media attention (printed and television) due to the contentious relationship of the parties. I ruled that the School District had the legal right to evict. The defendant appealed the ruling, which required me to set an appeal bond and make a factual determination of the property's fair rental value. Eventually, I had to issue an order dismissing the appeal by statute as the defendant did not comply with the bonding requirements as enumerated in Section 27-37-130 of the South Carolina Code. The Circuit Court affirmed my rulings in an order dated September 24, 2012. The docket number for the case was 2012-CV-31101-336. The docket number for the appeal was 2012-CP-31-0192. The case was appealed to the South Carolina Court of Appeals and given a docket number of 2012-213251. The case was dismissed by the Court of Appeals in accordance with Rule 203, SCACR on November 20, 2012.

(d) American Acceptance Co. v. Sheila Stuckey and Eric Davis, d/b/a Eazy Towing- This case involved a lienholder who filed a claim under the South Carolina Unfair Trade Practices Act against a local Towing Company who was asserting a sham lien on a vehicle financed by the Plaintiff. The legal significance of the case was that the plaintiff was able to

prove a valid UTPA claim which would affect the public interest. The case was also important because it clearly showed that this particular business was using state statutes and potentially this court's processes as a vehicle for fraud and deception of the citizens of Sumter County. This case was not appealed. The docket number was 2012-CV-43101-2394.

(e) Ross v. June- This was a bailment case in which plaintiff's vehicle was stolen while in the possession of the defendant for repair. The court ruled that this was a bailment for mutual benefit under existing South Carolina Law and Plaintiff could not prove that defendant did not exercise due care in the possession and keeping of her vehicle. As the vehicle was locked inside a gate that was tall and secured with barbed wire, this court cannot say that as a factual matter that ordinary care was not exercised. There was no evidence that there were prior break-ins. The fact that the keys were in his shop building and a burglary was necessary to retrieve the keys also indicates ordinary care was exercised. I included this case simply to show the wide variety of litigation summary court judges must sometime entertain, and to show that summary court judges must be able to frequently perform significant legal research. The docket number was 2015-CV-43101-0853. The case was appealed to the Circuit Court and dismissed in accordance with Rule 41(a), SCRCF on May 4, 2015. The Circuit Court docket number was 2015-CP-43-1071.

25. Have you ever held public office other than judicial office? If so, list the periods of your service, the office or offices involved, and whether you were elected or appointed. 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? If so, give details, including dates.  
N/A.
26. 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.  
(a) 2003- Present- Adjunct Instructor, Central Carolina Technical College. Over the years, I have taught classes in the paralegal, criminal justice, and business management programs. My current supervisor is Leonard Hopkins.  
(b) In 2008 and 2011, I served as an adjunct instructor for Troy University's Shaw Air Force Base/Sumter Campus. I taught three master's degree courses in Troy's criminal justice program. My supervisors were Lisa Bennett and Jim Egan.
27. Have you ever been an unsuccessful candidate for elective, judicial, or other public office? If so, give details, including dates.  
I previously ran for the South Carolina Administrative Law Court in 2009. I was found to be qualified but not nominated.



28. 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? If so, give details, including a description of your occupation, business, or profession, the dates of your employment, and the name of your business or employer.  
No.
29. 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.  
No.
30. Provide, as a **separate attachment**, a complete, current financial net worth statement that itemizes in detail:
- (a) the identity and value of all financial assets held, directly or indirectly, including, but not limited to, bank accounts, real estate, securities, trusts, investments, and other financial holdings; and
  - (b) the identity and amount of each liability owed, directly or indirectly, which is in excess of \$1,000, including, but not limited to, debts, mortgages, loans, and other financial obligations.
- (Your response to this question may state "see attached").

A complete, current, financial net worth statement was provided to the Commission.

**NOTE: The Commission may require written confirmation that financial obligations have been satisfied or that the parties have agreed upon a payment schedule.**

31. 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.
32. 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? If so, give details but do not include traffic violations for which a fine of \$125 or less was imposed.  
I received a traffic ticket in 2007. The fine, with assessments, was one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00)
33. Have you, to your knowledge, ever been under federal, state, or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute? If yes, explain.  
No.
34. 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? If so, give details.  
No.

35. 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? If so, give details, including, but not limited to, dates and resolution.  
No.
36. Have you ever, in South Carolina or any other jurisdiction, as a lawyer, judge, or other professional, been sanctioned or disciplined for lawyer, judicial, or other professional misconduct or has any jurisdiction found that you committed any misconduct? If so, give the details and describe any final disposition.  
[Yes and no responses are redacted for all candidates unless there is a public discipline.]
37. Have you ever been investigated by the Department of Social Services? If so, give the details and the resolution. Has your name ever been enrolled on the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect? If so, give the details.  
No.
38. 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? If so, please explain when you were covered by a tail policy. Also, if applicable, indicate your coverage and deductible for your current malpractice policy.  
N/A.
39. 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.? If so, how would your use of social media or other similar types of Internet sites be affected if you were serving in a judicial capacity?  
I am an active member of Facebook. I do not however refer to myself as a judge on Facebook. I have accounts on LinkedIn and Twitter but never use them. Regarding my use of social media, such use is and will continue to remain in compliance with any applicable portions of the Canons of Judicial Conduct as I am a sitting judge.
40. 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)? If so, give the dates of your employment or activity in such capacity and specify by whom you were directed or employed.  
No.
41. 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? If so, please specify the item or items you received, the date of receipt, and the lobbyist or lobbyist's principal involved.  
No.

42. 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. Include the disposition, if any, of such charges or allegations.  
None.
43. 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. Include the disposition, if any, of such charges or allegations.  
None.
44. 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. If you have spent over \$100, have you reported your expenditures to the House and Senate Ethics Committees?  
None.
45. 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.
46. 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 or have you been offered a conditional pledge of support by any legislator pending the outcome of your screening? 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? If so, give details.  
**Note: The flash drive with your application materials contains (1) Section 2-19-70(c); (2) JMSC Rule 24, and (3) informal opinions and letters concerning pledging prohibitions, with which third parties acting on your behalf, as well as you, must comply.**  
No.
47. Have you requested any third parties to contact members of the General Assembly on your behalf before the final and formal screening report has been released? If so, give details. Are you aware of any third parties contacting members of the General Assembly on your behalf? If so, give details.  
No.

48. Are you familiar with the 48-hour rule, which prohibits a candidate from seeking pledges until after the draft report becomes final, which occurs on the day and time specified on the Commission's published screening schedule?  
Yes.
49. Have you or has anyone acting on your behalf solicited or collected funds to aid in the promotion of your candidacy? If so, please specify the amount, solicitor, donor, and date of the solicitation.  
None.
50. Since submitting your letter of intent to become a candidate, have you or has anyone acting on your behalf contacted any member of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission about your candidacy or intention to become a candidate? If so, give details.  
None.
51. 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) Sumter County Bar- 1999, August 2002-present  
(b) I was a member of the Richland County Bar during my employment with Robinson, McFadden, and Moore, P.C.
52. 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.  
(a) Central Carolina Technical College Paralegal Advisory Board  
(b) Former member, Presbyterian College Board of Visitors.
53. 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. This information may include how your life experiences have affected or influenced the kind or type of judge you have been or plan to be.

I believe that my previous experience as a law clerk, attorney and summary court judge have prepared me well to serve on the Administrative Law Court. Being a law clerk, attorney, and judge has taught me the importance of proper legal drafting, the importance of writing clearly, and how to write to a wide audience. Writing over hundreds of formal orders, opinions, and magistrate's returns has allowed me to greatly improve my legal writing. My experience at different levels of our judicial system is also important as the jurisdiction of the Administrative Law Court includes contested cases and appellate review. My service as a magistrate has taught me how to efficiently handle but professionally resolve a high volume of cases. My service as a summary court judge has also given me a good working knowledge in civil and criminal law. Serving as a summary court judge has also given me the opportunity to develop the proper judicial temperament necessary for service at any level of the judiciary. As summary court judges hear cases daily involving pro se litigants, it is imperative that you develop patience, fairness, and to respect everyone

in order to properly fulfill one's duties as a public servant. Serving fourteen years on the bench has taught me humility, compassion, and restraint. I am proud that Chief Justice entrusted me to serve Lee County in their time of need for a summary court judge. I am also thankful that South Carolina Court Administration has requested my services as an instructor of new judges since 2013.

As in 2009, I acknowledge my inexperience practicing in front of the Administrative Law Court. I taught courses in Administrative Law to compensate for my lack of actual practice before this court. I do believe that I would adjust quickly to the new environment if nominated and elected. I am willing to work as hard as required for the citizens of South Carolina as I have for Sumter County for the last fourteen years. Serving on the judiciary at any level is a privilege for which I am thankful.

54. List the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of five (5) persons, including your banker, from whom you are providing references. Also, provide the Commission with **original letters** of recommendation from each person listed herein, including their signature (preferably in blue ink). **The Commission will not accept a photocopy or electronic submission of a letter of recommendation and failure to include all five (5) original letters of recommendation in your packet when you submit it will render your packet incomplete.** Please **do not** have references mail your reference letters to the Commission directly. *You must return the five (5) original letters of recommendation to the Commission with your application packet.*
- (a) Ms. Alison Davis, Branch Banking and Trust  
498 N. Guignard Drive  
Sumter, S.C., 29150  
(803) 778-2602
  - (b) Mr. John M. Mahon, Jr.  
1420 Wellington Drive  
Columbia, S.C., 29204  
(803) 331-3735
  - (c) Mr. William Mattison Gamble  
P.O. Box 11561  
Columbia, S.C., 29211  
(803) 343-0765
  - (d) Ms. Margaret Ellen Pender  
328 Etiwan Avenue  
Columbia, S.C., 29205  
(803) 422-2056
  - (e) Mr. John C. Land, III  
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55. 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.

Attach a copy of any contract or agreement.

None.

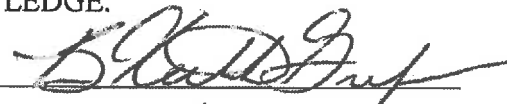
56. Identify any personal property interest you or a member of your immediate family sold, leased, or rented to a South Carolina state or local public agency. Identify the property, its amount or value, and the name of the agency. Attach a copy of any contract or agreement.  
None.

57. For sitting judges, have you used judicial letterhead or the services of your staff, for which you did not pay, while campaigning for this office?


I used a Fax Cover sheet from my office only to fax my Acknowledgment of Intent to run for the Administrative Law Court, Seat 2. I have not used my current staff or judicial letterhead in any other manner.

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: 

Sworn to before me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2016.

  
(Notary Signature)

Honela B. Anderson Perry  
(Notary Printed Name)

Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: 6-15-17