

JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION  
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE  
ADDENDUM



The Honorable Rosalyn W. Frierson Family Court, At Large, Seat #8

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.  
(a) Richland Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees 2008 - 2015  
(b) Palmetto Health Board of Directors 2010 – present
34. Has a tax lien or other collection procedure ever been instituted against you by federal, state, or local authorities? **State and federal tax liens were filed jointly against my former spouse and me during 1992 -1994, related to my spouse's self employment taxes. All liens have been satisfied to the best of my knowledge.**  
Have you ever defaulted on a student loan? Have you ever filed for bankruptcy? If so, give details. No.
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) Richland Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees, member 2008 – 2015  
(There are no other changes to the remainder of Item 52.)

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

Signature: Rosalyn W. Frierson

Date: 11/29/16

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Court, Position, and Seat # for which you are applying: Family Court, At-Large Seat # 8

1. Name: The Honorable Rosalyn Woodson Frierson  
Name that you are known by if different from above  
(Example: A Nickname): Mrs. Rosalyn Smith

Are you currently serving in some capacity as a judge? Yes, Municipal Judge  
(Includes Municipal, Magistrate, Etc.)

Home Address: [REDACTED]

Business Address: 1220 Senate St., Ste. 200, Columbia, S.C. 29201

E-Mail Address: [REDACTED]

Telephone Number: (home): [REDACTED]  
(office): 803 734-1802

2. Date of Birth: [REDACTED], 1958  
Place of Birth: Columbia, SC  
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.

Family Status: Married on October 11, 2014 to Leroy (Roy) Smith  
Divorced on April 16, 2009, Richland County, S.C. Family Court, Ms. Frierson was moving party, One Year's Continuous Separation  
Two Children

[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. 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, B.S. Business Administration 1975-1979  
 (b) University of South Carolina, School of Law, JD 1989-1992
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.  
 South Carolina 1992
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.

College:

- (a) Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. 1978 – 1979

Law School:

- (b) ABA Real Property, Probate and Trust Journal Student Editorial Board 1990-1992  
 (c) USC Pro Bono Board member 1990-1992  
 (d) Student Bar Association member 1989-1992  
 (e) Student Partnership Board 1991-1992  
 (f) Legal Writing Instructor 1991-1992  
 (g) Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity 1991-1992  
 (h) Black Law Student Association 1989-1992  
 (i) American Jurisprudence Award for Professional Responsibility Fall 1990

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

Conference/CLE Name

Date(s)

- |  |               |
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| (a) Elder Law                                      | 1/20/2011;    |
| (b) Criminal Law                                   | 1/21/2011;    |
| (c) Family Court Issues                            | 1/21/2011;    |
| (d) Law Firm Management                            | 1/22/2011;    |
| (e) Lawyer Mentoring 2 <sup>nd</sup> Pilot Program | 3/3/2011;     |
| (f) Family Court Judges Conference                 | 6/1/2011;     |
| (g) Annual Judicial Conference                     | 8/17/2011;    |
| (h) USC Law School Nonprofit Organizations Clinic  | 9/1/2011;     |
| (i) How Autopsies are Used in Trials               | 9/7/2011;     |
| (j) Southern Region High Court Conference          | 9/15-16/2011; |
| (k) Social Security Disability & Children          | 10/12/2011;   |
| (l) Masters-in-Equity 2011                         | 10/14/2011;   |
| (m) Women Lawyers & Leadership: Status             | 10/21/2011;   |

(n)	Summary Court Judges Fall Program	11/4/2011;
(o)	Elder Law Section CLE	1/19/2012;
(p)	Family Law Section	1/20/2012;
(q)	Government Law Section	1/20/2012;
(r)	Health Care Law Section	1/20/2012;
(s)	Probate Planning & Trust Section	1/20/2012;
(t)	Family Court Judges Conference	4/18/2012;
(u)	Intensive Training – Municipal Judge	8/19/2013;
(v)	Annual Judicial Conference	8/22-23/2013;
(w)	SCBLA Annual Retreat	9/26/2013;
(x)	Selected Criminal Procedure Issues & Affordable Housing	10/18/2013;
(y)	Pro Bono Summit	10/21/2013;
(z)	Summary Court Judges Mandatory School	11/1/2013;
(aa)	Dispute Resolution Section (Bar Convention)	1/23/2014;
(bb)	Criminal Law Section (Bar Convention)	1/24/2014;
(cc)	Family Law Section (Bar Convention)	1/24/2014;
(dd)	Children’s Law Committee (Bar Convention)	1/25/2014;
(ee)	Orientation School for Municipal Court Judges	3/17-28/2014;
(ff)	Understanding Banking & Finance Laws	4/10/2014;
(gg)	Family Court Judges Conference	4/23/2014;
(hh)	Orientation School for Municipal Judges	7/21/2014;
(ii)	Summary Court Intensive Training	8/18-20/2014;
(jj)	Annual Judicial Conference	8/21-22/2014;
(kk)	Understanding the Rules Governing Social Security	10/2/2014;
(ll)	Stress Management for the Legal Profession	2/5/2015;
(mm)	Basics of VA Benefits	3/5/2015;
(nn)	Family Court Judges Conference	4/16/2015;
(oo)	Highlights of the Current Term of U.S. Supreme Court	7/9/2015;
(pp)	ABA Standing Comm. on the American Judicial System	7/31/2015;
(qq)	Magistrate Intensive Training	8/17/2015;
(rr)	Annual Judicial Conference	8/20-21/2015;
(ss)	Persuasive Presentations and Rules Refresher	9/3/2015;
(tt)	Diversity, Inclusion & Leadership in Law	9/15/2015;
(uu)	S.C. Legislative Update	10/1/2015;
(vv)	SC Public Employee Benefit Authority	10/16/2015;
(ww)	National Summit on Human Trafficking & the State Courts (N.Y.)	10/7-9/2015;
(xx)	Summary Court Mandatory Program	11/6/2015;
(yy)	2015 Ethics and Discipline Update	1/7/2016;
(zz)	Pre-Legislative Session Kickoff	1/15/2016;
(aaa)	2015 Domestic Violence Reform Act: What Lawyers Need to Know	2/11/2016;
(bbb)	Circuit Court Judges Spring Conference	3/10/2016;
(ccc)	Communicating with the Other Side: Represented or Unrepresented	4/7/2016;
(ddd)	Family Court Judges Conference	4/14-15/2016;
(eee)	Overview of the Privacy Act & Deposing Govt. Officials	5/5/2016;
(fff)	Ethics and Electronic Communication	5/26/2016;
(ggg)	Military Justice & the Special Victim Counsel	6/17/2016.

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 made presentations at the S.C. Bar "Bridge the Gap" Program for new lawyers giving an overview of the State Court System. I have presented at almost all programs since becoming State Court Administrator in 1998 until 2012 when the program format changed.
  - (b) I have provided opening remarks and overview to Summary Court judges during the Orientation School for Summary Court judges twice a year for at least 14 years.
  - (c) I was a panelist at the University of Kentucky Law Journal Symposium on Court Funding, 9/23/2011. The topic was 18<sup>th</sup> Century Courts – 21<sup>st</sup> Century Expectations. The audience included State Chief Justices, State Court Administrators, attorneys and law professors from across the U.S. and territories.
  - (d) I was a presenter at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Conference of Chief Justices and State Court Administrators during an educational session. The educational session was a mock trial where I presented oral argument on behalf of the state in a hypothetical case related to ethical misconduct. The audience was State Chief Justices and State Court Administrators and other guests.
  - (e) I have made numerous presentations at the annual Clerks of Court Association conferences related to court related procedural issues, legislation affecting the courts and other pressing concerns affecting clerks of court and the operation of the courts.
  - (f) I was a presenter at the ABA Task Force on Preservation of the Justice System - General Counsel Summit May 2, 2012. The summit included chief legal counsel from America's leading corporations, Chief Justices and other attorneys.
  - (g) I was a presenter at the ABA Symposium titled Justice is the Business of Government: The Critical Role of Fair & Impartial State Courts, 5/7-9/2009. The invitation only national conference was hosted by the ABA Presidential Commission on Fair and Impartial State Courts and the National Center for State Courts. The discussion centered around best practices for improving inter-branch cooperation towards the goal of making the justice system more effective and efficient to meet the needs of the public.
  - (h) I was a panelist at the ABA Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section CLE 5/18/2012, discussing continuity of operations for state courts in the event of a disaster. The audience consisted of attorneys from various states.
  - (i) I was a presenter at the Master in Equity CLE discussing background leading to the mortgage foreclosure administrative order issued by the Supreme Court in May 2011 and provided information on recent court procedural changes.
  - (j) I was a presenter at a Bench Bar Hot Tips CLE December 7, 2012, discussing the requirements of the recently enacted Parenting Plan. The audience included the family court bench and attorneys.
  - (k) I was a presenter at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Conference of Chief Justices and State Court Administrators during an educational session. I served as moderator July 26, 2016, for the Session titled Third Party Evaluators in Child Custody Proceedings: Who Are They and What Are the Standards of Practice.

The audience was State Chief Justices, State Court Administrators and other guests.

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 books or 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) South Carolina, 1992;
  - (b) U.S. Supreme Court, May 15, 2006.
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) Substitute Municipal Court Judge – City of Columbia; August 2013 – Present  
I was appointed by Columbia City Council to serve as Substitute Municipal Court Judge. As a substitute judge, I hold court an average of two to five days per month. Municipal Court, with some exceptions, has jurisdiction over criminal offenses that are subject to fines of not more than \$500.00 and/or imprisonment of not more than 30 days. As Municipal Court judge I preside over preliminary hearings, bond court, non-jury criminal, domestic violence, and traffic cases.
  - (b) State Court Administrator, S.C. Judicial Department; November 1998 - Present  
As State Court Administrator, I am responsible for administering the state court system under the direction of the Chief Justice of the S.C. Supreme Court. My Responsibilities include developing procedures to implement Supreme Court rules, policies and state and federal law affecting state courts. Additional responsibilities include coordinating state judicial functions with county court officials; serving as State contact with the National Center for State Courts; serving as a conduit for information for the management of personnel and operations in support of the functions of the state courts at all levels. Duties include serving as liaison between the Legislative and Judicial Branch relating to the annual appropriation act and legislation affecting the courts. My duties involve managing Court Administration staff including five staff attorneys and over 100 Judicial Department Court Reporters. As State Court Administrator, my responsibilities include responding to legislative, governmental, media and citizen inquiries. Duties require frequent interaction with governmental agencies such as the Department of Social Services, Department of Juvenile Justice, Probation Parole and Pardon, Department of Corrections, Guardian ad Litem and Foster Care Review Board regarding state court policies and procedures. I assist the media with requests for court related information promoting public accountability and transparency. Duties include making recommendations to the Supreme Court to implement changes in state law and court rules. My office is responsible for providing education and direction to judges, clerks of court and the bar to implement new policies and procedures. This position involves identifying emerging issues that may impact the courts statewide or that may have precedent setting impact and making recommendations to the Supreme Court

to address the challenges. On a regular basis, I am required to exercise judgment and problem resolution skills particularly related to the interpretation of state law and court rules.

(c) Law Clerk to the Honorable Ernest A. Finney, Jr., Chief Justice

South Carolina Supreme Court, July 1993 - November 1998

As a Supreme Court law clerk, I researched complex legal issues on appeal to the Supreme Court. I wrote bench memoranda for the court providing legal case analysis and proposed recommendations and opinions in the areas of domestic, civil and criminal law. Because of my earlier experience as a Budget Research Analyst for the House of Representatives, Ways and Means Committee, I assumed the additional duty of monitoring legislative bills that affected the Judicial Branch, as well as the Appropriations Act.

(d) Legal Writing Instructor University of South Carolina School of Law 1998-1999

I taught legal writing to first year law students and was responsible for providing instruction on legal research and legal writing, graded assignments and provided course grades.

(e) Staff Attorney: South Carolina Supreme Court, August 1992 - July 1993

I researched legal issues; prepared screening memoranda and reviewed appellate motions for the Supreme Court Justices.

(f) Summer Associate, Nelson, Mullins, Riley & Scarborough,

Columbia, South Carolina, May 1990 - August 1990; May 1991 - August 1991

Researched legal issues and drafted memoranda with emphasis in Workers' Compensation, Bankruptcy and Commercial Law.

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.

My exceptional readiness to oversee Family Court matters is based on my sharply honed legal skills and relevant experiences as an active State Court Administrator and licensed attorney. As my profile indicates, I currently serve as State Court Administrator and Municipal Court judge. I have previously served as a Supreme Court staff attorney and law clerk. I have initiated, directed and supported the jurisprudence of family law justice on the local and national level. Herein are the succinct highlights of these experiences.

My experience is based on my service as a Supreme Court staff attorney and law clerk, State Court Administrator, Municipal Court Judge and substantial involvement in family law issues on the local and national level.

As a state employee for the last twenty four years, I am prohibited from representing clients for compensation. However, I have accepted pro bono family court cases through the S.C. Bar representing indigent plaintiffs in divorce actions. My experience as a Municipal Court Judge has provided me an opportunity to manage non-jury dockets and to preside over domestic violence dockets and matters involving juveniles appearing in bond and traffic court. I am familiar with and have a working knowledge of laws related to divorce, juvenile justice and adoptions. I

review all appellate published and non-published opinions and other relevant publications including ABA Family Law section publications. I will continue to study relevant family law publications.

As State Court Administrator, I have assisted in the development of Family Court administrative orders issued by the Supreme Court related to the management of the family court docket. Such orders include procedures to monitor family court cases that are older than 365 days; revisions to the Order of Protection from Domestic Abuse; and development of a court coordination protocol to improve efficient management of child abuse and neglect cases that also include criminal charges. I have worked with the DSS Office of Child Support Enforcement in the periodic review of the Child Support Guidelines. Since 2015 I have been working with the Governor's Domestic Violence Task Force and Leadership Team, Criminal Justice Division, to help identify problems and propose solutions to address the culture of domestic violence in S.C.

I organized a team to represent S.C. at the National Summit on Human Trafficking and the State Courts which included two state court judges and an Assistant Deputy Attorney General. As a result of the team's report from the Summit, the Supreme Court approved the plan to convene a multi disciplinary Summit on Human Trafficking in state courts for August 2016 and development of a pilot human trafficking juvenile intervention court. I initiated and we received grant funding from the State Justice Institute to assist in implementation of the Summit and pilot court in Family Court.

I initiated efforts to receive federal Court Improvement Grant funds to assist S.C. in implementing systematic improvements in the courts handling of child abuse and neglect proceedings. One of the initiatives accomplished with grant funds was the development of a video educational tool for judges to hear directly from foster care youth on the impact of the foster care system to their lives and their desire to be heard by the court. I participated in the National Leadership Summit on the Protection of Children funded largely by the PEW Charitable Trusts. This Summit began the national discussion on the importance of exercising leadership in each state to make child protection a priority. I organized a S.C. team which as a result of our participation led to the planning of two subsequent S.C. Summits bringing the Family Court, Appellate Courts, Department of Social Services attorneys, child service workers, guardian ad litem attorneys and Foster Care agencies together to discuss ways to improve the child protection system at the county and state levels. Also, as a direct result of the National Summit, we recommended that the Appellate Court amend the Appellate Court Rules to expedite termination of parental rights cases.

I was selected in January 2016 to serve on the 21 member National Task Force on Court Fines, Fees, and Bail Practices to address the ongoing impact that court fines and fees and bail practices have on communities across the United States. I co-chair one of the three working groups along with the Chief Justice of Missouri.

I have chaired the Courts, Children and Families Committee for the Conference of State Court Administrators for over eight years and co-chaired the committee for several years prior to that time. Over the years I have been involved in national policy issues such as reviewing federal legislation and making



recommendations on policy positions such as child welfare, child support, domestic violence and elder abuse. I have represented the committee on the Department of State Advisory Committee on Private International Law's Study Group on the 1006 Hague Convention on Jurisdiction, Applicable Law, Recognition, Enforcement and Co-operation in respect of parental responsibility and measures for the protection of children. Discussion involved the role of state courts in implementing the provisions and assisting judges in complying with the treaties if ratified. Additionally, the Courts Children and Families Committee is involved in issues including child welfare, adoption, domestic violence, guardianship and elder abuse. I also served as a liaison to the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and worked on common issues in the family court area. As liaison, I participated in the Work Group of Permanency Planning for Children Department of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges to develop a bench card entitled "Courts Catalyzing Change: Achieving Equity and Fairness in Foster Care." The bench card serves as a checklist for judges to use in preliminary protective hearings.

In 2012, I worked with the National Center for State Courts, Conference of Chief Justices and American Bar Association on Language Access issues. I worked as part of a small group to refine the proposed ABA Language Access Standards in the courts to produce a document that was acceptable to state courts. Also, as a result of discussion on Language Access Standards I assisted in the planning a Language Access Summit for all states to provide best practices to ensure courts are accessible.

As a Supreme Court Law Clerk, I was assigned to Doe v. Clark, an adoption case where the issue on appeal related to whether a mother's consent to relinquish her parental rights before the birth of her child was valid. Gilley v. Gilley, consolidated appeals from circuit and family court orders related to partition of property held as tenants-in-common and claim for equitable apportionment was precluded based on a prenuptial agreement.

In summary, as an experienced court administrator and legal practitioner I have presented relevant and noteworthy evidence of my legal engagement which has demonstrably prepared me for service on the family court bench. If appointed, I pledge to be a resolute guardian of jurisprudence.

- (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.

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.  
Not rated.

**\* 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: 0  
(b) state: 10%\*

\*Note: 10% is listed considering my appearances are limited by available pro bono cases and personal time available using annual leave while maintaining full time state employment. This does not include my involvement in family court matters in my role as Court Administrator. I estimate that I spend at least 50% of my full time work on family court related matters.

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:  
(b) criminal: 30% (Municipal Court as substitute or part-time service)  
(c) domestic: 10% see above note\*  
(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: 0  
(b) non-jury: 100% (all matters that I have been involved in Family Court and Municipal Court are non-jury matters)

Did you most often serve as sole counsel, chief counsel, or associate counsel in these matters? I served as sole counsel when representing pro bono clients in family court divorces and presided over non-jury municipal court 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.

(a) Davis v. Davis. I represented a pro bono plaintiff in a divorce action based on One Year's Continuous Separation. This case was significant because it gave me the opportunity to represent a client in need of assistance who otherwise would not have been able to move forward with her life.

(b) Sutton v. Sutton, represented pro bono plaintiff in divorce action based on One Year's Continuous separation. This case was significant because the plaintiff was in need of representation and had limited abilities to navigate the legal system. The plaintiff's wife was non-responsive.

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 provide appellate cases handled as a Supreme Court Law Clerk. There are significant more cases that I worked on as law clerk, however records of my involvement are stored in Word Perfect and are no longer retrievable. Below are cases that I can document at this date.

(a) Thomas v. Grayson, 456 S.E.2d 377 (1995) – Certified question from the U.S. District Court involving determination whether amendment to complaint to assert qualification in S.C. of foreign personal representative would be allowed in an which was otherwise timely.

(b) Gilley v. Gilley, 488 S.E.2d 310 (1997) - consolidated appeals from circuit and family court orders related to partition of property held as tenants-in-common and claim for equitable apportionment was precluded based on prenuptial agreement.

(c) Doe v. Clark, 457 S.E.2d 336 (1995) – involved an adoption case where the issue on appeal related to whether a mother's consent to relinquish her parental rights before the birth of her child was valid.

(d) Gilliam v. Woodside Mills, 461 S.E.2d 818 (1995) – Workers' Compensation matter regarding degree to which claimant was disabled

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.

(a) State v. Cooney, 463 S.E.2d 597 (1995) – Review of murder conviction and determination whether there was error in not charging on common law of citizen's arrest and use of reasonable force and exclusion of evidence.

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.

I was appointed Substitute Municipal Judge for the City of Columbia and have served from August 2013 to the present. The Municipal Court, with some exceptions, has jurisdiction over criminal offenses that are subject to fines of not more than \$500.00 and/or imprisonment of not more than 30 days. Municipal judges preside over traffic court, criminal court, quality of life court, domestic violence court, and bond court.

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. Municipal Court matters were disposed of without written orders or opinions.

- (a)
- (b)
- (c)
- (d)
- (e)

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. No.
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) State Court Administrator, S.C. Judicial Department; November 1998 – Present, Supervisor – S.C. Chief Justice. See Item 14 for responsibilities.
27. Have you ever been an unsuccessful candidate for elective, judicial, or other public office? If so, give details, including dates.  
I ran for family court at-large seat #1, Jan. 2013. I was found qualified and nominated. The first ballot was tied and I lost on the second ballot by one vote.
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.  
(a) Research/Budget Analyst: House Ways and Means Committee  
South Carolina House of Representatives, December 1984 - August 1989  
Researched, drafted and analyzed tax legislation; drafted legislation and amendments as requested by House members; advised legislators on annual Appropriations Act recommendations and served as liaison between the committee and various state agencies on budget related matters.  
(b) Assistant Auditor: Bank of America (Formerly Bankers Trust of South Carolina)  
Columbia, South Carolina, March 1980 - December 1984  
Implemented internal audits, supervised and trained three staff members on audit assignments; conducted audit review meetings with management and wrote formal audit reports.
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.  
(a) Richland Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees 2008 - present  
(b) Palmetto Health Board of Directors 2010 – present

30. Provide, **as a separate attachment**, a complete, current financial net worth statement that itemizes in detail: A complete, current financial net worth statement was provided to the Commission.
- (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").  
See attached.  
(A net worth statement is provided with this questionnaire and you must use this format for submission of your financial statement.)

**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.  
No conflicting financial or business relationships.
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. No.
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.
- (a) Finch v. Frierson – Inmate petition, dismissed by circuit court, 2/5/2007.
  - (b) Green v. Frierson, Green v. Court Administration - Inmate petition, complainant amended complaint to remove me as defendant and named Court Administration as defendant. Defendant's Motion to Dismiss granted 4/21/2016, and awaiting formal order from circuit court.
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 have Facebook and LinkedIn accounts primarily to view information from family and friends. However, I rarely if ever post information and occasionally respond to family and friend's personal posts.
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.  
I have not been employed as a lobbyist.
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 known.
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 known

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? I have not spent any funds related to my candidacy.

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. \$0.

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.**

I have not directly or indirectly requested the pledge of any member and have not received the assurance of a pledge.

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.

I have not requested any third parties to contact members on my behalf and I am not aware of any third parties contacting members on my behalf.

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, I am familiar with the 48-hour rule.

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. No.

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. No.

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) S.C. Women Lawyers Association, President 2007
- (b) S.C. Children's Justice Act Task Force
- (c) S.C. Commission on Alternative Dispute Resolution
- (d) Family Court Bench Bar Committee
- (e) S.C. Bar House of Delegates 2010 - present
- (f) ABA State Delegate representing SC Bar 2010 - 2014
- (g) Richland County Bar Association member 2000 - present
- (h) Richland County Bar Association Civic Star Award 2002
- (i) S.C. Access to Justice Commission 2007 - present
- (j) American Bar Association member 2008- present
- (k) S.C. Black Lawyers Association
- (l) S.C. Legal Services Board of Directors 2007-2011
- (m) President Conference of State Court Administrators 7/2011 -8/2012
- (n) Vice Chair, National Center for State Courts 7/2011-8/2012
- (o) S.C. Lawyer Magazine Articles Editorial Board 2006 - present  
- Editor 2014-2016
- (p) Executive Session for State Court Leaders in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century  
Harvard Kennedy School of Government (participation by invitation) 2009 -2011
- (q) Graduate, Midlands Furman Diversity Leadership Institute 2009
- (r) Graduate S. C. Executive Institute 2004
- (s) S.C. Bar Practice and Procedure Committee
- (t) S.C. Bar CLE - Seminar Committee
- (u) CCJ/COSCA Joint Courts, Children and Families Committee, co-chair 2007-present
- (v) Inductee, National Center for State Courts Warren E. Burger Society 2014
- (w) S.C. Lawyers Weekly Leadership in Law Award Honoree 2015
- (y) Gold Compleat Lawyer Awardee, USC School of Law Alumni Council 2016
- (z) ABA Committee on the American Judicial System 2012-2015
- (aa) ABA Standing Committee on Governmental Affairs 2015-present
- (bb) National Task Force on Fines, Fees, & Bail Practices, Advisory Board 2015-present
- (cc) ABA Family Law Section

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) Richland Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees, member 2008 - present
  - Secretary 2009-2010
  - Vice Chair 2015
  - Chair 2014
- (b) Palmetto Health Board of Directors 2010 - present
- (c) Columbia Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.,
  - President 2007 - 2011
  - Parliamentarian 2003 - 2007
- (d) St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church, collection counter 2007 - present
- (e) St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church, Lector (Lay Reader) 2005 - present
- (f) St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church, Women's Gospel Choir 2008 - 2010



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 I have the skills required of a judge. Over my years of service as a Court Administrator, I have worked on many educational programs for family court judges. Through my close working relationship with family court judges, I understand what is involved with service as a family court judge. I believe that my experiences are valuable training for the bench. I acknowledge that there are areas that I will have to educate myself on and I am willing to spend the time to enhance my skills. I believe that the depth and breadth of my experience far exceed that of the traditional candidate. Additionally, my varied background gives me a well rounded perspective of the family court. My unique experience gives me an in-depth understanding and view of the family court system.

I have had the opportunity to devote a great deal of time to examining systemic problems within the court system. Additionally, my experiences as a Municipal Court Judge and presiding officer of professional and civic organizations have allowed me to perfect my analytical, communication, organization and problem solving skills. All of these skills would be beneficial to presiding as a Family Court Judge. I believe that my ability to listen to all sides, along with my patience, passion for justice and fairness are all essential attributes for service as a judge

The South Carolina legal community has found me to be competent, fair, and impartial in the advocacy and advancement of court administrative matters and the legal system. I am confident this chorus of support will be reflected in my letters of recommendation and other related inquiries. My professional and personal conviction has always been to unbiasedly respect an individual's rights and to concurrently leverage our system of laws and objective rule making for the greater good. I therefore humbly declare my candidacy to serve on the Family Court.

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) Heather L. Utsey; S. C. State Credit Union, P.O. Box 726, Columbia, SC 29202; 803-343-0300/ 803-255-8483
  - (b) Pamela D. Robinson; University of S.C., 701 South Main Street, Columbia, SC 29208; 803-777-3405
  - (c) J. Steedley Bogan; 1320 Washington St., Columbia, SC 29201; 803 256-6747
  - (d) Donald Gist; P.O. Box 30007, Columbia, SC 29230; 803 771-8007

(e) Carol H. Sanders; 1819 Marion St., Columbia, SC 29201; 803 799-7666

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; none
  - (b) in which there have been public improvements of \$200 or that adjoins property in which there have been public improvements of \$200; or none
  - (c) which was sold, leased, or rented to a state or local public agency in South Carolina. none

List the interest you hold and the value and location of the property. Identify as applicable the: none

- (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.

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? N/A

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: Ray W. Juen

Sworn to before me this 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2016.

[Signature]  
(Notary Signature)

Hector M. Garcia Lexington County  
(Notary Printed Name)  
Notary Public for South Carolina  
My Commission Expires: June 4, 2022