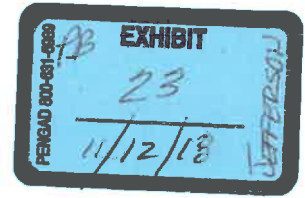


JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE



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

1. Name: Mr.
Mrs.
The Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson

Name that you are known by if different from above
(Example: A Nickname): None

Are you currently serving in some capacity as a judge? Yes.
Circuit Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1

Home Address: [REDACTED]

Business Address: 100 Broad Street, Suite 336, Charleston, SC 29401

E-Mail Address: [REDACTED]

Telephone Number: (home): [REDACTED]
(office): (843) 958-5147
(cell): [REDACTED]

2. Date of Birth: [REDACTED] 1963
Place of Birth: Charleston, 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. 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. Please provide a copy of your DD214 concerning your discharge.

No.

6. 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.

Single; Never divorced; No children.

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) Converse College, 1981-1985, BA English and BA Politics
- (b) College of Charleston, Fall 1985, Classes in Masters of Public Administration Program, No degree received left to attend law school at the University of South Carolina.
- (c) University of South Carolina, 1986-1989, Juris Doctor

8. List the significant activities in which you took part during your attendance at law school. Give the years you were involved in these activities and list any leadership positions you held.

- (a) Student Bar Association 1986-1989
- (b) Black Law Student Association 1986-1989, Editor Advocate 1988-1989
- (c) Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., 1982 to the present, Corresponding Secretary 1983-1985

9. 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. Please indicate the number of times you took the exam in each state.

- (a) Admitted to South Carolina Bar on November 15, 1989. I took the South Carolina bar exam one time. I have not taken the bar exam in any other state.

10. Describe chronologically, since graduation from law school, your legal experience. Please include a list of all positions held in which you worked in a legal capacity. Describe the general character of your practice and divide it into periods with dates if its character has changed over the years. Please also describe the extent to which you were involved with the administrative and financial management of each of these entities, including management of trust accounts.

- a) Law Clerk to the Honorable Richard E. Fields, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1, Charleston, South Carolina, August 1989 through August 1990. Primary Responsibilities: legal research, preparation of jury charges, preparation of Orders, scheduling of motions, all tasks required to prepare the Judge and myself for trials/hearings during the term and all other daily tasks as required by the Judge that ensured the smooth operation of Court.

- (b) McFarland and Associates, Attorney, October 1990 through March 1996. Trial practice focusing on the following areas: Civil Litigation, Domestic Relations, Probate Law, Real Estate Law, Workers Compensation and Criminal Law.
- (c) Resident Family Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 5 elected February 14, 1996 and served through June 2001.
- (d) Resident Circuit Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1, elected May 31, 2001 serving continuously.

Justices/judges applying for re-election to their current position may omit Questions 11–17. If you are a judge seeking a judgeship different than your current position, Questions 11-17 should be answered based on your experience *prior to serving on the bench.*

11. Please answer the following:

- (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 and procedural knowledge has prepared you to preside over such matters as a Family Court Judge. Please also indicate the frequency of your appearances before a Family Court Judge within the past five years.
- (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 and procedural knowledge 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. Please also indicate the frequency of your appearances before a Circuit Court Judge within the past five years.
- (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 or a Circuit Court Judge within the past five years.

(d) If you are a candidate for Administrative Law Court, 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 or Circuit Court within the past five years.

12. What was the frequency of your court appearances during the past five years or in the five years prior to your election to the bench?

(a) federal:

(b) state:

13. What percentage of your practice involved civil, criminal, domestic, and other matters during the past five years or in the five years prior to your election to the bench?

(a) civil:

(b) criminal:

(c) domestic:

(d) other:

14. What percentage of your practice in trial court during the past five years or in 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:

(b) non-jury:

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

15. List five of the most significant litigated matters you have personally handled in either trial or appellate court or before a state or federal agency. Give citations if the cases were reported and describe why these matters were significant.

(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

(e)

16. List up to five civil appeals you have personally handled. Give the case name, the court, the date of decision, and the citation if the case was reported.

(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

(e)

17. List up to five criminal appeals you have personally handled. Give the case name, the court, the date of decision and the citation if the case was reported.
- (a)
 - (b)
 - (c)
 - (d)
 - (e)

18. 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.

Yes. Resident Family Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat Five, elected February 14, 1996. My service began on April 1, 1996, and concluded in June 2001 when I was elected to the Circuit Court. I was elected to this position by the General Assembly. The Family Court is a statutory court of limited and specific jurisdiction. The jurisdiction of the Family Court is set forth in S.C. Code Annotated § 20-7-420, et seq. (i.e. divorce, custody, child support, name changes, juveniles, equitable distribution, adoptions, abuse and neglect, and as further set forth in the statute).

Currently, Resident Circuit Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1. My service began on July 2, 2001. I was elected to this position by the General Assembly on May 30, 2001. The Circuit Court is South Carolina's Court of general jurisdiction. It has a civil court, the Court of Common Pleas, and a criminal court, the Court of General Sessions. In addition to its general trial jurisdiction, the Circuit Court has limited appellate jurisdiction over appeals from the Probate Court, Magistrate's Court, Municipal Court, Zoning and any residual Workers Compensation appeals. I have served continuously since July 2, 2001.

19. If the answer to question 18 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) Beachfront Entertainment, Inc., et al. v. Town of Sullivan's Island, 379 SC 602, 666 S.E.2d 921 (2008);
- (b) State v. Washington, 367 S.C. 76, 623 S.E.2d 836 (Ct. App. 2006); 379 S.C. 120, 665 S.E.2d 602 (2008);
- (c) Home Port Rentals, Inc. v. Moore, 369 S.C. 493, 632 S.E.2d 862 (2006);
- (d) State v. Stephen C. Stanko, 376 S.C. 571, 658 S.E.2d 94 (2008);
- (e) Donevant vs Town of Surfside Beach, 422 S.C. 264, 811 S.E.2d 744 (2018).

20. 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.

All South Carolina Courts-November 15, 1989

United States District Court-District of South Carolina-December 29, 1992

United States Supreme Court-May 17, 2004

21. 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) Business Law Instructor, Trident Technical College Paralegal Program, 1993-1994;
- (b) March 20, 1998, "Rules, Rules, Rules" South Carolina Practice and Procedures Update, Presenter on the issue of Family Court Rules, SC Bar;
- (c) October 24, 1998, Speaker/Panel Participant Wiley A. Branton Symposium, National Bar Association;
- (d) November 6, 1998, "Current Issues in Attorney's Fees," Presenter, SC Bar Association;
- (e) December 10, 1998, Recent Developments in Family Law, "Six by Six" CLE Seminar, Presenter, Charleston County Bar Association;
- (f) May 20, 1999, "Adjudication Hearings," Presenter and Contributor to Family Court Judges Juvenile Workbook, SC Association of Family Court Judges;
- (g) February 25, 2000, "Tips from the Bench," Adoption, Presenter, SC Bar Association;
- (h) April 14, 2000, "The Role of the Judge and Guardian ad Litem in Abuse and Neglect Proceedings" Judges Panel, South Carolina Guardian ad Litem Conference;
- (i) September 22, 2000, "Women, Leadership and the Law," Brown Bag Lunch Panel Participant, SC Women Lawyers Association and College of Charleston Women's Studies Program;
- (j) May 2, 2001, Family Law Update and Tips from the Bench, Presenter, Charleston Lawyers Club;
- (k) May 18, 2001, "The Use of Psychological Evaluations in Juvenile Proceedings," Panel, Children's Law Center;
- (l) May, 2001, Judges Panel, 3rd Annual Children's Law Conference;
- (m) December 13, 2002, Hot Tips III, "Appeals and Motions;"
- (n) April 11, 2003, Speaker, Women Lawyers in the New Millennium, "Ethics Issues from Various Judicial Perspectives;"
- (o) November 15-19, 2004, National Judicial College, Advanced Evidence, Group Discussion Leader;
- (p) June 20, 2003, SCDTAA Trial Academy Judge;
- (q) September, 2005, SC Black Lawyers Association, Judicial Selection in South Carolina, Judicial Panel;

- (r) September 26, 2005, SC Solicitors' Association Conference, Criminal Law Update, "Recent Court Decisions;"
- (s) October 20, 2005, Charleston School of Law Professionalism Series, "Civility and Ethics;"
- (t) November 4, 2005, SC Defense Trial Lawyers Ethics and Civility **In Trial unable to make the presentation;
- (u) February 15, 2006, Charleston School of Law Ethics & Professionalism Series Panelist, "Civil Justice Reform;"
- (v) May 1, 2006, Law Day, Panel Presentation "Judicial Selection in South Carolina" Charleston School of Law;
- (w) June 10, 2006, National Judicial College, Handling Capital Cases, Group Discussion Leader;
- (x) September 29, 2006, SC Black Lawyers Association, "Civil Practice."
- (y) November 16, 2006, Young Lawyers Division, New Admittees Reception, Presentation;
- (z) May 24, 2007, Young Lawyers Division, "Tips for Young Lawyers in Circuit Court;"
- (aa) March 1, 2008, "We Shape the World" Charleston School of Law, Minority Law Day, Speaker;
- (bb) March 8, 2008, Women of Wisdom Expo 2008 "Daring to Embrace New Beginnings," Bibleway Church, Columbia, SC;
- (cc) March 10, 2008, National Association for Court Management, Mid-Year Conference, Welcome Presentation;
- (dd) June 11, 2008, Pro-Bono Legal Service Summer Intern Class, In-Court Seminar;
- (ee) June 12, 2008, "Governors' School of SC" Summer Class;
- (ff) July 29, 2008, Magistrate Seminar, Presenter, "Appeals, Returns and Ethics;"
- (gg) August 21, 2008, Annual Judicial Conference, South Carolina Access to Justice Commission, Panelist;
- (hh) December 9, 2008, Young Lawyers Association Luncheon, Speaker, "Professionalism Series;"
- (ii) March 19, 2009, Charleston School of Law Professionalism Series Lecture, Panelist, "Access to Justice;"
- (jj) July 31, 2009, CLE "Limitations on Questioning Judges under the Judicial Cannons;"
- (kk) February 24, 2010, Charleston Lawyer's Club CLE "Advice from the Bench: Likes and Dislikes in Motion Practice, Briefs and Oral Argument;"
- (ll) February 26, 2010, Stono Park Elementary Career Day;
- (mm) March 10, 2010, Junior Girls Day Out Community Project-Courthouse Observation, Question and Answer Session on Judicial Proceedings;
- (nn) July 22, 2010, Metanoia Freedom School "Read-A-Loud," Chicora Elementary;
- (oo) November 19, 2010, South Carolina Legal Services Statewide Conference, Panelist;
- (pp) April 29, 2011, South Eastern Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates Annual Conference CLE, "Excellent, Advocacy and the Preservation of the Civil Jury Trial: Views from the Bench," Panelist;

- (qq) June 20, 2011, SC Supreme Court Institute for Middle and High school Teachers, Panelist;
- (rr) July 22, 2011, Seminar "What Works for Me in Practice"; "Practical tips from the Bench;"
- (ss) April 24, 2012, Charleston Lion Club Luncheon, "SC Court Structure," Speaker;
- (tt) July 20, 2012, "Seminar "What Works for Me in Practice: Practical tips from the Bench;"
- (uu) July 10, 2014, Berkeley County School District 8th Annual Junior Scholarship Institute;
- (vv) September 22, 2014, SC Solicitor's Association Fall Conference Panelist Covering "Significant Cases: 2013-2014;"
- (ww) May 6, 2015, Military Magnet Academy Law Enforcement Class, "Law Day;"
- (xx) July 10, 2015, Orientation School for New Circuit Court Judges; Presenter, "Civil Non-Jury;"
- (yy) February 16, 2016, "Seminar "What Works for Me in Practice: Practical tips from the Bench;"
- (zz) February, 25, 2016, Memminger Elementary 4th grade students, Court Observation, The Judicial Branch of Government, Questions and Answers;
- (aaa) March, 22, 2016, "Seminar "What Works for Me in Practice: Practical tips from the Bench;"
- (bbb) July 22, 2016, "Charleston Pro Bono Legal Services, "What works for Me in Practice," Seminar;
- (ccc) March 14, 2017, Memminger Elementary 4th grade Students, Court Observation, The Judicial Branch of Government, Questions and Answers;
- (ddd) March 22, 2017, Military Magnet Academy Law Enforcement Class "Law Day;"
- (eee) July 6, 2017, Orientation School for New Circuit Court Judges; Presenter, "Civil Non-Jury;"
- (fff) November 3, 2017, SC Young Lawyers Division, Law Week, Mock Trial Judge, Deer Park Middle School;
- (ggg) June 22, 2017, Charleston County Junior Scholars, Court Observation, The Judicial Branch of Government, Questions and Answers;
- (hhh) June 28, 2017, Charleston County Junior Scholars, Court Observation, The Judicial Branch of Government, Questions and Answers;
- (iii) July 12, 2018, Orientation School for New Circuit Court Judges; Presenter, "Civil Non-Jury."

22. Provide, as a separate attachment, your continuing legal or judicial education report from the past five years.

See Attached.

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

(a) Marital Litigation in SC, Roy T. Stuckey and F. Glenn Smith (SC Bar CLE 2001), Editorial Board.

(b) The Law of Automobile Insurance in SC, Elizabeth Scott Moise (SC Bar CLE 2009), Editorial Board.

(c) I have provided written seminar materials for the S.C. bar in conjunction with CLE Seminar presentations. These materials have been published by the S.C. Bar as a part of their published seminar materials. I have not published any books or articles.

24. Please furnish as a separate attachment, two examples of legal articles, briefs, orders, or other legal writings for which you can claim sole or primary authorship. If you cannot claim sole authorship, please explain the extent to which you are the primary author, to include a description of the other authors and their contributions. The writing samples are for the Commission's use only and will not be published. (If you are a judge and are not seeking a different type of judgeship, this question is inapplicable.)

25. What is your rating or membership status, if any, by any legal rating organization, such as, Best Lawyers, Chambers, Legal 500, Martindale-Hubbell, Who's Who Legal, Super Lawyers, Million Dollar Advocates Forum, etc.? If you are currently a member of the judiciary, list your last available rating, if any.

I am listed in Martindale-Hubbell but have not been rated.

26. 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) South Carolina Bar Association;

(b) Charleston County Bar Association;

(c) S.C. Association of Circuit Court Judges; Secretary, 2011-2013;
Vice President, 2013-2015; President, 2015-2017;

(d) S.C. Women Lawyers Association;

(e) S. C. Black Lawyers Association.

27. 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.

28. For sitting or former judges, 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.

None.

29. Have you ever been an unsuccessful candidate for elective, judicial, or other public office? If so, give details, including dates.

Candidate- Family Court of S.C., Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat to be vacated by the Hon. Robert R. Mallard in or about January 1995 through March of 1995. I went through the screening process successfully and was found Qualified to hold judicial office. I voluntarily withdrew from the process prior to the election.

Candidate – Supreme Court of South Carolina, Seat 3, to be vacated by the Hon. Justice James E. Moore in or about September 2007. I went through the screening process successfully and was found Qualified to hold judicial office but not nominated.

Candidate- Supreme Court of South Carolina, Seat 4, to be vacated by the Hon. Justice John Henry Waller, Jr. in or about February 2009. I went through the screening process successfully and was found Qualified and Nominated.

30. 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.

None. I was employed in various part and full time jobs during college and law school.

31. 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.

32. 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.

33. 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.

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

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. 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.

36. 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. I anticipate that I will expend less than \$100.00 in furtherance of my candidacy.

37. List the recipient and amount of all contributions made by you, a member of your immediate family, or by a business with whom you are associated, to members of the General Assembly within the past four years.

None.

38. 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.

39. 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 or currently hold. Explain how you would resolve any potential conflict of interest.

None.

40. 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.

None.

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.

41. 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.

42. For sitting judges, if you currently hold an interest in stock or other securities or have held such an interest, list each stock you currently own or owned during the prior calendar year. If you prefer, you may attach broker or account records containing the requested information instead of listing it here.

None.

43. For sitting judges, have you ever accepted anything of value from an attorney or litigant in a matter currently or previously before you or your court? If so, please give the details, including the name of the attorney or litigant and the thing of value you received.

No.

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

No.

45. 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 which are subject to a penalty of \$125 or less. You must include any and all arrests, including, but not limited to, offenses for driving under the influence or similar traffic offenses. Include all arrests that resulted in expungement, which will be redacted. If you have questions regarding whether to include an offense, please contact the Commission.

[All answers have been received and considered by the Commission, and as noted above, any expunged matters are redacted from the record.]

46. Have you, to your knowledge, ever been under federal, state, or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute? If yes, explain.

No.

47. Have you ever been sued by a client? Have you ever been a named party (personally or professionally) in or had a pecuniary interest in any civil or criminal proceedings? If so, give details, including, but not limited to, dates, and resolutions.

I was sued personally due to an automobile collision. This occurred approximately twenty-five (25) years ago. This was a minor fender bender. The case was settled by my automobile insurance company and dismissed approximately two (2) weeks after I was served with notice of the lawsuit.

I have been sued in my official capacity while serving on the Family Court bench on October 2, 2001 by King David Singletary (Case Number: 4:01-CV-03916-JFA). This case was dismissed without prejudice and without issuance and service of process on November 19, 2001.

I have been sued in my official capacity while serving on the Circuit Court bench on October 3, 2011 by Kevin Robert Groover (Case Number: 2011-CP-10-7148). This case was dismissed with prejudice on summary judgment on March 20, 2012.

I have been sued in my official capacity while serving on the Circuit Court bench on March 31, 2017 by Glynndeavin Von Fox (Case Number: 2017-CP-10-1638). This case was dismissed with prejudice on July 5, 2017.

48. 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.

Not applicable.

49. 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. Include any and all confidential and public sanction, discipline, or finding of misconduct of any kind.

[Yes and no responses are redacted for all candidates unless there is a public discipline.]

50. 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.

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.

51. 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.

No.

52. 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? Describe the campaigning you have done for this election and include a list of those individuals you have asked to campaign on your behalf and, to the best of your knowledge, those who have campaigned for you on their own initiative.

No.

53. 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.

54. 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.

55. List the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of five (5) persons 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) Hon. Richard E. Fields
1707 Heritage Park Road, Charleston, S.C. 29407 (843) 571-2381
- (b) Bishop Brian D. Moore, Pastor, Life Center Cathedral
7190 Cross County Road, Charleston, SC 29418 (843) 552-4111
- (c) J. Rutledge Young, Jr., Esquire
96 Broad Street, Charleston, SC 29201 (843) 720-2044
- (d) Hon. Glenn F. McConnell
27 Bainbridge Drive, Charleston, SC 29407 (843) 412-9029
- (e) Hon. Jean H. Toal
1701 Main Street/Suite 326
P.O. Box 192
Columbia, SC 29202 (803) 530-0457

56. 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 inactive member of Facebook. I do not post, comment or otherwise participate.

57. 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) The Life Center Cathedral, Charleston, S.C., Board of Trustees 2001-2017, Vision Steering Committee 2017-present;
Co-Founder and Director of Young Women's Ministry "YWCE", 1999-2015;
- (b) Charleston, SC Chapter of the Links, Inc., Co-Chair Services to Youth 2000-2001; Corresponding Secretary 2004-2006; Recording Secretary 2006-2007; Chair Bylaws Committee 2006-2007; 2014- 2018; Vice President 2007- 2009; President 2009-2013; Parliamentarian 2014-2018; Ethics Chair 2016-present;
- (c) Former member Junior League of Charleston, former Strategic Planning Committee, Community Project Development Committee, Advisory Planning Committee, and President's Ad Hoc Committee on Diversity; 1993-2003;

- (d) Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., 1982-present;
- (e) The Post and Courier Feature Article August 6, 2001;
- (f) The Post and Courier “High Profile” Article May 7, 2005;
- (g) “The Heritage List, 9 Dazzling Women of Spirit and Humility” Celebrate Your Heritage Magazine, Spring 2005;
- (h) NAACP Lifetime Achievement Award 2003;
- (i) Greater Charleston YWCA Lifetime Achievement Award 2004;
- (j) Advisory Board Charleston School of Law 2002-present;
- (k) Converse College Board of Trustees; 2002-2010; 2011- present;
Academic Affairs; Legal Affairs Sub-Committee; Enrollment
& Marketing Committee; Student Affairs Committee; Investment
Sub-Committee; Committee on Trustees; Enrollment and Programs Committee;
Legal and Risk Management Subcommittee;
- (l) Converse College Board of Visitors 2001-2002;
- (m) April 24, 2003 Founder’s Day Speaker Converse College;
- (n) Governor’s Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee 2000-2007;
- (o) South Carolina Commission on Alternative Dispute Resolution 2002-2006, User
Education Sub-Committee;
- (p) Co-Chair 9th Circuit Courthouse Security Commission August 4, 2006-present;
- (q) Associate Acting Justice South Carolina Supreme Court for the terms December
1, 2005, June 10, 2004 and November 2, 2006;
- (r) Associate Acting Judge South Carolina Court of Appeals for the term June 11-13,
2003, October 7, 2003 and March 17, 2004 during these terms I sat En Banc with
the Court, authored two (2) opinions and participated on seven (7) other
panels/opinions;
- (s) Designated by Chief Justice Toal as state liaison to The National Consortium on
Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts February 7, 2005-present; Board of
Directors of April 2011-present;
- (t) Designated as Chief Judge for Administrative Purposes for the 9th Circuit as
follows: General Sessions July 1, 2002-January 5, 2003; Common Pleas January
6, 2003-January 3 2004; General Sessions January 4, 2004-July 3, 2004 and
Common Pleas January 1, 2006-December 30, 2006; General Sessions, Jan. 1-
July 31, 2008. Common Pleas January 1, 2009-December 31, 2009; General
Sessions, January 2011-December 30, 2011; and Common Pleas, January 1, 2012-
December 30, 2013; General Sessions, January 3, 2016-July 1, 2017; Common
Pleas(Charleston) January 1, 2017-December 30, 2017; Common Pleas and
General Sessions (Berkeley) December 31, 2017-present;
- (u) Assigned exclusive jurisdiction of the following cases by the Supreme Court:
April 29, 2003 (03-GS-47-4) Statewide Grand Jury, State v. Bunker, et al.;
December 2, 2003 (01-CP-18-0074A) Boyd v. Nationwide; June 28, 2004 (03-
GS-38-2411-2413) State v. Levi Bing, Jr.; October 3, 2004 (2002-CP-15-471 and
494) Carter v. Steedley, et. al.; May 6, 2005 (05-GS-22-0918) State v. Stephen C.
Stanko; October 3, 2005 (1996-GS-32-3341) State v. Jeffrey L. Jones; March 7,
2006 (04-CP-18-1951) Price v. Jones Ford, Inc.; October 5, 2007 State v.
Broughton; (2006-GS-082164,2165,2182,2183,2184 & 2185); September 20,
2010 (2004-CP-37-834) Rhoades, et al. v. Kenyon, et al.; April 23, 2014, State vs

- Timothy D. Rogers (1993-GS-18-0101, Resentencing; May 20, 2016 (2016-GS-47-02 and 2016-GS-47-03) Statewide Grand Jury Case, State vs Emory Roberts, Justin Gordon Hunter, William Orlando Brown, Rosemary Quezada and Lassain Dixon Johnson; May 31, 2017 (1993-GS-10-00090,00091,00092) State vs Corey L. Sparkman, Aiken Resentencing; December 27, 2017 (2017-GS-47-31 and 2017-GS-47-50) Statewide Grand Jury Case, State vs Brantley D. Thomas, III;
- (v) September 6, 2005 Nominated for the inaugural class of the Lowcountry Diversity Leadership Academy developed by the American Institute for Managing Diversity and the Richard W. Riley Institute of Government, Politics and Public Leadership at Furman (had to decline due to the demands of the Court schedule);
 - (w) September 21, 2006 Nominated for the Lowcountry Diversity Leadership Academy (had to decline due to the demands of the Court Schedule);
 - (x) July 2006 Invited by the National Judicial College to be a group discussion leader for the General Jurisdiction Course (had to decline due to the demands of the Court schedule, however, I have been asked to participate when the schedule will allow my participation);
 - (y) Supreme Court Access to Justice Commission 2007-2016;
 - (z) S.C. Liberty Fellow-Class of 2009. 2007-2009;
 - (aa) August 17, 2010, Federal Court, Merit Selection Panel for Magistrate Judges;
 - (bb) League of Women Voters of the Charleston Area Women of Distinction Award-August 26, 2010;
 - (cc) February 10, 2011, Center for Heirs Property; Presenter, Celebration;
 - (dd) Bon Secour St. Francis Hospital Board Member. July 1, 2008-Sept. 20, 2011;
 - (ee) Supreme Court Docket Management Task Force, Common Pleas Reform Subcommittee, Rule 40/Status Conference Subcommittee, February 17, 2011-present;
 - (ff) Appointed to the Supreme Court to the General Sessions Docket Committee (Langford Committee), January 7, 2014-present;
 - (gg) Appointed by Justice Jean H. Toal to the Circuit Court Judges Advisory Committee, June 24, 2014-present;
 - (hh) February 9, 2018, Converse College "Celebrating Courage and Charting the Future: Commemorating 50 years of Black Women at Converse," Panel.

58. 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 served as law clerk to the Hon. Richard E. Fields (retired) of the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit. During my time with him I had the unique opportunity to observe and participate in dozens of trials and hearings and observe a "master jurist." He taught me the importance of "people skills." I learned the role of judge is central to the lawyers and the litigant's perception that the system afforded them a fair trial/hearing. In addition, my legal research and writing skills were refined during this process. These skills have been further refined during my time on the bench. I count myself fortunate to

have found my vocation in life and attempt to walk worthy of that vocation. It is a rare privilege to have been allowed to serve the citizens of South Carolina as a Family Court Judge and Circuit Court Judge for the past twenty-two (22) years. The past twenty-two (22) years have been enjoyable, rewarding and intellectually challenging. I have learned much about the law and human nature. I was taught that the position of a judge should be a continual growth process. I believe that I have continuously grown in my judicial perspective. I still have the same enjoyment for my work as the day I began twenty-two (22) years ago. The Circuit Court has one of the largest caseloads within the judicial system with over five thousand (5000) filings per judge. I believe that I have been a productive member of the Court. My re-election to the Circuit Court would allow the opportunity for continued intellectual growth while allowing my continued contribution to the court system and the welfare of this state.

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 ____ day of _____, 2018.

(Notary Signature)

(Notary Printed Name)
Notary Public for South Carolina
My Commission Expires: _____