

Tennessee Judicial Nominating Commission
Application for Nomination to Judicial Office

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INTRODUCTION

Tennessee Code Annotated section 17-4-101 charges the Judicial Nominating Commission with assisting the Governor and the People of Tennessee in finding and appointing the best qualified candidates for judicial offices in this State. Please consider the Commission's responsibility in answering the questions in this application questionnaire. For example, when a question asks you to "describe" certain things, please provide a description that contains relevant information about the subject of the question, and, especially, that contains detailed information that demonstrates that you are qualified for the judicial office you seek. In order to properly evaluate your application, the Commission needs information about the range of your experience, the depth and breadth of your legal knowledge, and your personal traits such as integrity, fairness, and work habits.

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THIS APPLICATION IS OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION AFTER YOU SUBMIT IT.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND WORK EXPERIENCE

1. State your present employment.

I am currently a partner with the law firm of Hodges, Doughty & Carson, PLLC, 617 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

2. State the year you were licensed to practice law in Tennessee and give your Tennessee Board of Professional Responsibility number.

I was licensed to practice law in 1998. My BPR number is 019487.

3. List all states in which you have been licensed to practice law and include your bar number or identifying number for each state of admission. Indicate the date of licensure and whether the license is currently active. If not active, explain.

Tennessee, BPR No. 019487. Licensed in October 1998. License is active.

4. Have you ever been denied admission to, suspended or placed on inactive status by the Bar of any State? If so, explain. (This applies even if the denial was temporary).

No.

5. List your professional or business employment/experience since the completion of your legal education. Also include here a description of any occupation, business, or profession other than the practice of law in which you have ever been engaged (excluding military service, which is covered by a separate question).

June 2000-present, civil litigation attorney with Hodges, Doughty & Carson, PLLC in Knoxville. Partner since January 2007.

May 1998-June 2000, Judicial Law Clerk for Judge Joseph M. Tipton, Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals.

6. If you have not been employed continuously since completion of your legal education,

describe what you did during periods of unemployment in excess of six months.

Not applicable.

7. Describe the nature of your present law practice, listing the major areas of law in which you practice and the percentage each constitutes of your total practice.

My practice is devoted 100% to litigation, and I represent both plaintiffs and defendants. Approximately 50% of my practice is in the area of employment law, including wrongful termination and retaliation based on race, gender and disability. Most of those cases are plaintiff's cases. The remaining 50% of my case load is comprised of a variety of different cases for plaintiffs and defendants, including workers' compensation, wrongful death, commercial litigation, property disputes, general tort cases, and appeals.

8. Describe generally your experience (over your entire time as a licensed attorney) in trial courts, appellate courts, administrative bodies, legislative or regulatory bodies, other forums, and/or transactional matters. In making your description, include information about the types of matters in which you have represented clients (e.g., information about whether you have handled criminal matters, civil matters, transactional matters, regulatory matters, etc.) and your own personal involvement and activities in the matters where you have been involved. In responding to this question, please be guided by the fact that in order to properly evaluate your application, the Commission needs information about your range of experience, your own personal work and work habits, and your work background, as your legal experience is a very important component of the evaluation required of the Commission. Please provide detailed information that will allow the Commission to evaluate your qualification for the judicial office for which you have applied. The failure to provide detailed information, especially in this question, will hamper the evaluation of your application. Also separately describe any matters of special note in trial courts, appellate courts, and administrative bodies.

Immediately after graduating from law school, I went to work as a judicial law clerk for Judge Joseph M. Tipton, Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals. In this role, I was responsible for reviewing all briefs submitted by the parties, preparing bench memoranda for the judge's use during oral argument, attending oral argument, attending post-oral argument briefings with all judges on the panel, performing legal research regarding the issues raised, drafting preliminary opinions, reviewing other judges' opinions, and drafting preliminary concurring and dissenting opinions, if warranted. The experience was incredibly valuable, as it gave me a solid foundation in legal analysis and writing, as well as the perspective of the appellate court. I knew that I ultimately wanted to be in the courtroom, and after two years as a judicial law clerk, I made the decision to seek employment with a law firm where I would have the opportunity to gain immediate trial experience. Judge Tipton suggested I send my resume to Hodges, Doughty & Carson, and I was fortunate to be hired in June of 2000. I have practiced there ever since.

When I began my private practice at Hodges, Doughty & Carson, I was given immediate responsibility for litigation files. I cut my teeth on a heavy general sessions case load. I appeared in courtrooms throughout East Tennessee and Southeast Tennessee and tried car wrecks, property disputes, premises liability, and breach of contract cases. I also had a large collections practice at that time. In addition, I agreed to accept appointed appellate cases from the Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals, and I represented many indigent criminal defendants in the early years of my practice.

After a few years, my civil litigation practice expanded into more complex cases, and from that point on, almost all my case load has been within the circuit and chancery courts in East Tennessee and the United States District Courts. Examples of the types of cases I have handled include civil rights, personal injury, commercial litigation, landlord/tenant, Tennessee Consumer Protection Act claims, representation of homeowner's associations, property disputes, and general negligence and tort claims. From the beginning of my civil litigation practice, my cases have been my own to handle from start to finish. Thus, in nearly every case I've had, I have been solely responsible for all pleadings, written discovery, depositions, motions, trials, settlements, and appeals.

Several years ago, I developed a particular interest in employment law, and I began receiving employment litigation files that were primarily defense files. These cases involved claims under the Tennessee Human Rights Act, the Tennessee Disability Act, the Family Medical Leave Act, Title VII, the Americans With Disabilities Act, and enforcement of non-compete agreements. Approximately six years ago, I began accepting plaintiff's employment cases, and now the majority of my employment case load is comprised of representing individuals who have been wrongfully terminated or have been the victims of discrimination within the workplace. These cases have been extremely rewarding and meaningful. I feel fortunate to be able to help people when they are at their most vulnerable- dependent upon employment to take care of themselves and their families but unable to work, either because of persistent harassment or because they have been wrongfully terminated. I am proud to say that a good percentage of those cases are referred to me by other lawyers in town who do not handle employment matters.

The remainder of my current practice encompasses a wide variety of civil litigation cases for plaintiffs and defendants, as well as appellate litigation. The defense cases I am currently working on include a \$20 million wrongful death claim, a \$10 million breach of fiduciary duty claim against an insurance broker, and a substantial number of workers' compensation cases from several different employers and insurance carriers. Some of the plaintiff's cases I currently have include a wrongful death/medical malpractice claim, a civil rights claim involving excessive force, a property damage claim in which a slope behind my clients' house slid down onto my clients' property, a \$3 million professional malpractice claim, a defamation case, and a breach of contract case relating to a university professor's tenure.

Approximately 10% of my practice is devoted to appellate litigation. During the course of my career, I have briefed and argued twenty-six appeals in the Tennessee Court of Appeals, Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals, Tennessee Supreme Court, and United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. I currently have two appeals pending in the Tennessee Court of

Appeals.

In addition to my own case load, I work with other attorneys in my office on cases that are particularly complex or that require significant research and legal writing. My partners frequently enlist my assistance in drafting dispositive motions and briefs and motions in limine. Also, I am often asked to prepare applications for permission to appeal and appellate briefs and to present oral argument in the appellate courts.

The diversity of my practice and the breadth and depth of my case load has been enjoyable and fulfilling. My firm is traditionally known as a defense firm. However, I have successfully developed my own unique practice that involves a significant amount of plaintiff's work. Representing both plaintiffs and defendants has given me a valuable perspective that would have been difficult to achieve if I had limited my practice to one side.

9. Also separately describe any matters of special note in trial courts, appellate courts, and administrative bodies.

LaMore v. Check Advance of Tennessee, LLC, 2010 WL 323077 (Tenn. Ct. App. Jan. 28, 2010). I represented the plaintiff in this wrongful termination case that I tried in Hamilton County in 2008. My client, a single mother of four who earned just above minimum wage, was terminated from her job after finding evidence on a company computer that her manager was sexually abusing a child. My client reported the information to the police and was terminated within a few days after the company found out. I learned in discovery that at the time my client reported the information to the authorities, the owner of the company was in the process of trying to sell the company for several million dollars and did not want to deal with the drama associated with my client's discovery. After trying the case for four days, the jury awarded my client \$8,250 in compensatory damages and \$500,000 in punitive damages. The trial judge remitted the punitive damages award to \$250,000, and the defendant appealed, arguing that the punitive damages award as remitted was unconstitutionally high in relation to the compensatory damages award. I argued that a review of proportionality between compensatory and punitive damages does not work in employment cases where the plaintiff is a low wage-earner and the defendant's conduct is egregious. This is because a low wage-earner will almost always have low compensatory damages that will not support a punitive damages award high enough to deter future conduct. The Court of Appeals agreed with my position and affirmed the award.

Meadows v. Allen et al., Blount County Circuit Court No. L-16070. I tried this case with my partner, Josh Ball, over eight days in April of 2012. The minor plaintiff was sexually assaulted on a school bus by another student. We represented the school bus owner and the driver. The plaintiffs also sued the school system. The plaintiffs sought \$500,000 in damages. This case presented a lot of interesting and challenging legal issues, including the proper application of Tennessee's Governmental Tort Liability Act when one defendant is subject to the act but another defendant is not. Ultimately, the jury returned a verdict in favor of our clients, finding

that they were not negligent.

In re Estate of George C. Vincent, 98 S.W.3d 146 (Tenn. 2003). I briefed and argued this will construction case before the Tennessee Supreme Court. The issue was whether the doctrine of exoneration applies to a mortgage on real property passing by right of survivorship where the decedent's will directed that his personal representative pay all his "just debts." The Court of Appeals had determined that the decedent was solely responsible for the mortgage and that the mortgage was a "just debt" of the estate. The Tennessee Supreme Court granted permission to appeal and reversed the Court of Appeals, adopting my argument that the direction to pay "just debts" was not sufficiently clear to require that the estate pay the remaining balance on the mortgage of non-probate property. This case has been cited many times by the Tennessee Court of Appeals and by courts in other states.

10. If you have served as a mediator, an arbitrator or a judicial officer, describe your experience (including dates and details of the position, the courts or agencies involved, whether elected or appointed, and a description of your duties). Include here detailed description(s) of any noteworthy cases over which you presided or which you heard as a judge, mediator or arbitrator. Please state, as to each case: (1) the date or period of the proceedings; (2) the name of the court or agency; (3) a summary of the substance of each case; and (4) a statement of the significance of the case.

Not applicable.

11. Describe generally any experience you have of serving in a fiduciary capacity such as guardian ad litem, conservator, or trustee other than as a lawyer representing clients.

Not applicable.

12. Describe any other legal experience, not stated above, that you would like to bring to the attention of the Commission.

I have had the pleasure of practicing in courtrooms in almost every county in East Tennessee, from Jasper to Elizabethton. The diversity of my practice, both in terms of substance and geography, has provided me with opportunities to work with clients, witnesses, opposing parties, and opposing counsel from all walks of life. I have appeared before many judges and have observed the intellect, professionalism, and demeanor required of our judicial officers. Our judges must be impartial. They must be of high moral character and integrity. They must have the requisite knowledge and experience to perform their tasks. Lastly, they must treat each and every person who enters the courtroom with respect and dignity. I believe my background and experiences have prepared me for the duties of a circuit court judge, and I would handle those duties with the guiding principle that a judge occupies a position of public trust and service to the community.

13. List all prior occasions on which you have submitted an application for judgeship to the Judicial Nominating Commission or any predecessor commission or body. Include the specific position applied for, the date of the meeting at which the body considered your application, and whether or not the body submitted your name to the Governor as a nominee.

I have not made any previous applications for judgeship.

EDUCATION

14. List each college, law school, and other graduate school which you have attended, including dates of attendance, degree awarded, major, any form of recognition or other aspects of your education you believe are relevant, and your reason for leaving each school if no degree was awarded.

1991-1995: The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, B.S. in Communications with a major in broadcasting and a minor in political science. I graduated *cum laude* and was awarded an academic scholarship my senior year. As a member of Pi Beta Phi fraternity for women, I served as a Pledge Educator and Vice President for Moral Advancement. I also served on the Senior Gift Challenge Steering Committee and was a member of Vol Corps, a group of student ambassadors for UT.

1995-1998: The University of Tennessee College of Law, J.D. I graduated *magna cum laude* in the top 15% of my class. I was a member of the *Tennessee Law Review* and served as a Student Materials Editor. I was also a member of the Jerome Prince National Evidence Moot Court Team. Our team placed second overall at the national competition in New York, and I was privileged to be one of the advocates in the final round of the competition. Our team placed first in brief writing. I received the John C. Baugh Award for Excellence in Oral Advocacy, the Gunn, Ogden & Sullivan Award for Excellence in Brief Writing, and the E. Bruce & Mary Evelyn Foster Scholarship. I served as a member of the Moot Court Board, and I coached the Karns High School Mock Trial Team, which placed first in Knox County in 1998 and 1999.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

15. State your age and date of birth.

I am 39 years old. My date of birth is April 17, 1973.

16. How long have you lived continuously in the State of Tennessee?

I have lived continuously in the State of Tennessee since birth.

17. How long have you lived continuously in the county where you are now living?

Approximately 36 years.

18. State the county in which you are registered to vote.

Knox County.

19. Describe your military Service, if applicable, including branch of service, dates of active duty, rank at separation, and decorations, honors, or achievements. Please also state whether you received an honorable discharge and, if not, describe why not.

Not applicable.

20. Have you ever pled guilty or been convicted or are you now on diversion for violation of any law, regulation or ordinance? Give date, court, charge and disposition.

No, other than two speeding tickets in 1991 and 2004.

21. To your knowledge, are you now under federal, state or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute or disciplinary rule? If so, give details.

No.

22. If you have been disciplined or cited for breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by any court, administrative agency, bar association, disciplinary committee, or other professional group, give details.

Not applicable.

23. Has a tax lien or other collection procedure been instituted against you by federal, state, or local authorities or creditors within the last five (5) years? If so, give details.

No.

24. Have you ever filed bankruptcy (including personally or as part of any partnership, LLC, corporation, or other business organization)?

No.

25. Have you ever been a party in any legal proceedings (including divorces, domestic proceedings, and other types of proceedings)? If so, give details including the date, court and docket number and disposition. Provide a brief description of the case. This question does not seek, and you may exclude from your response, any matter where you were involved only as a nominal party, such as if you were the trustee under a deed of trust in a foreclosure proceeding.

No.

26. List all organizations other than professional associations to which you have belonged within the last five (5) years, including civic, charitable, religious, educational, social and fraternal organizations. Give the titles and dates of any offices which you have held in such organizations.

- Sacred Heart Cathedral (May 2012-present).
- Middlebrook Pike United Methodist Church (1999-2012). Served as a Sunday School teacher and Vacation Bible School volunteer.
- American Heart Association's Circle of Red.
- Friends of Literacy.
- Pellissippi State Technical and Community College, Paralegal Studies Advisory Committee.
- University of Tennessee College of Law Alumni Networking Group.

27. Have you ever belonged to any organization, association, club or society which limits its membership to those of any particular race, religion, or gender? Do not include in your answer those organizations specifically formed for a religious purpose, such as churches or synagogues.

- a. If so, list such organizations and describe the basis of the membership limitation.
- b. If it is not your intention to resign from such organization(s) and withdraw from any participation in their activities should you be nominated and selected for the position for which you are applying, state your reasons.

No, other than my college sorority.

ACHIEVEMENTS

28. List all bar associations and professional societies of which you have been a member within the last ten years, including dates. Give the titles and dates of any offices which you have held in such groups. List memberships and responsibilities on any committee of professional associations which you consider significant.

•Knoxville Bar Association, 1998-present. I am currently the co-chair of the Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee. I have also been a member of the Judicial Committee, Membership Committee, and Work-Life Balance Committee.

•Tennessee Bar Association, 1998-present.

•Defense Research Institute, approximately 2005-present. I am a member of the Employment Law Section and Appellate Advocacy Section.

•Tennessee Defense Lawyers Association, June 2012-present.

•American Inns of Court, Hamilton Burnett Chapter, approximately 2006-2009.

29. List honors, prizes, awards or other forms of recognition which you have received since your graduation from law school which are directly related to professional accomplishments.

•*Cityview Magazine* Top Attorney in Appellate Law, 2012.

•*Cityview Magazine* Top Attorney in Labor and Employment Law, 2011.

•*MidSouth Super Lawyer's* Rising Star Award, 2012.

30. List the citations of any legal articles or books you have published.

•*The Knoxville News Sentinel Business Journal*, "Know What To Expect When Co-worker Is

Expecting," October 2012.

•*KBA Dicta*, "A Bundle of Joy and a Bundle of Questions: Navigating Maternity Leave Laws," June 2012.

•*KBA Dicta*, "There's More to It Than Passing the Bar Exam: What Every Law Firm Needs to Teach Its New Lawyers," August 2008.

•*Smoky Mountain Paralegal Association*, "Appellate Practice Tips," February 11, 2004.

31. List law school courses, CLE seminars, or other law related courses for which credit is given that you have taught within the last five (5) years.

•*National Business Institute*, "Strategic Trial Techniques for Employment Discrimination Cases," March 2008.

•*National Business Institute*, "Employment Issues in the Paperless Workplace," December 2007.

32. List any public office you have held or for which you have been candidate or applicant. Include the date, the position, and whether the position was elective or appointive.

None.

33. Have you ever been a registered lobbyist? If yes, please describe your service fully.

No.

34. Attach to this questionnaire at least two examples of legal articles, books, briefs, or other legal writings which reflect your personal work. Indicate the degree to which each example reflects your own personal effort.

I have attached two writing samples, both of which were researched and written solely by me.

ESSAYS/PERSONAL STATEMENTS

35. What are your reasons for seeking this position? (150 words or less)

I am seeking the position of circuit court judge because I understand the crucial role judges play in our legal system, and I believe I have the appropriate skills, background, and demeanor to be

of service to the community in this position. As a Knoxville native, I have a genuine love for this community and its people. The role of circuit court judge is truly a service position, and the individual who fills that role must understand the significant responsibilities that come with a position of public trust. Our community depends on the integrity, impartiality, and competence of our judges. Knox County has seen the turmoil that occurs when a judge abuses that position. Ultimately, I believe that when the judicial system functions as it should, the entire community is the better for it. Being an advocate is rewarding. However, I believe I am at the right place in my life, both professionally and personally, to take on the challenge of being a circuit court judge. I view this position as a tremendous opportunity to use what I have learned as a practitioner in a way that has a positive impact on the community.

36. State any achievements or activities in which you have been involved which demonstrate your commitment to equal justice under the law; include here a discussion of your pro bono service throughout your time as a licensed attorney. (150 words or less)

When my children were in preschool, I performed a wide variety of *pro bono* legal services for the teachers at their school, who often could not afford to hire a lawyer for their legal issues. In this capacity, I prepared wills, filed suits for breach of contract and property damage, and stopped harassing calls from collectors regarding debts that were not owed. More recently, I have discovered that there are many people who need basic legal advice regarding their rights in the workplace. These people do not have grounds for a lawsuit. They simply need help navigating issues at work, and they are not able to pay an hourly rate for legal advice. I assist these people free of charge on a regular basis, and I estimate that I spend from one to two hours per week in this capacity. I am currently a volunteer for the *Pro Bono* Appellate Case Referral program sponsored by the Tennessee Bar Association, although I have not yet had a case through that program. In the past, I have accepted cases from Legal Aid, and I have donated to the Legal Aid annual fundraising campaigns.

37. Describe the judgeship you seek (i.e. geographic area, types of cases, number of judges, etc. and explain how your selection would impact the court. (150 words or less)

I am seeking the position of Circuit Court Judge for the Sixth Judicial District in Knox County. There are four circuit court judges. One of the judges hears only domestic cases. The other three hear civil cases of all kinds. I am applying for the Division III position, which hears civil cases of all kinds.

My selection would impact the court in a positive way for several reasons. First, because of the wide variety of cases heard in circuit court, the individual selected for the position must have broad experience in civil litigation and must have an in-depth knowledge of the Tennessee Rules of Civil Procedure and the Tennessee Rules of Evidence. I believe I possess the necessary experience and knowledge to hit the ground running on day one. Second, I believe my selection would provide a positive impact because of my significant appellate experience. Having had the opportunity to serve as a judicial law clerk, I have the unique advantage of having viewed issues

through the lens of an appellate court. I understand the issues that are of concern at the appellate level, and I would work to ensure that my decisions were sound and consistent with existing law, thereby minimizing the possibility of reversal on appeal and the resulting additional expense to the litigants. Finally, while Knox County is blessed with talented and hard-working judges, the one thing lacking in our civil courts of record is diversity. The fact that I would bring diversity to the bench is a positive factor.

38. Describe your participation in community services or organizations, and what community involvement you intend to have if you are appointed judge? *(250 words or less)*

Judges should be visible in the community and should participate in community activities to the extent permitted by the Rules of Judicial Conduct. I am involved in my church and in my children's school and activities. I am also involved in the American Heart Association's Circle of Red, which is a group of community leaders dedicated to raising awareness of heart disease in women. In addition, I have always been active in the Knoxville Bar Association. I would like to continue my involvement in these causes and organizations if I am selected for the position.

39. Describe life experiences, personal involvements, or talents that you have that you feel will be of assistance to the Commission in evaluating and understanding your candidacy for this judicial position. *(250 words or less)*

I grew up in Karns, which is a rural community in Northwest Knox County. I don't have any family members who are lawyers, and I didn't know any lawyers growing up. I became interested in the legal profession when I participated in the mock trial program in school, and I realized that being a lawyer was the perfect way to help others while doing the things I naturally enjoyed- writing, reasoning, and speaking. As a practitioner, I have come to appreciate that we lawyers are ultimately problem solvers. People come to us because they need our professional help to navigate the legal system. The ultimate goal, of course, is justice- to right wrongs. I am proud of the role we lawyers play in that system of justice, but I also feel that I can use my experiences and skills in other ways that can be of service to my community. I can think of no better or more natural progression than serving Knoxville as a circuit court judge. I was fortunate to grow up in a home where hard work, personal responsibility, and a love of learning were valued. I have been guided by those values throughout my career. I want the Commission to know that if I am selected, I would bring those values, along with my commitment and enthusiasm for the position, to the bench.

40. Will you uphold the law even if you disagree with the substance of the law (e.g., statute or rule) at issue? Give an example from your experience as a licensed attorney that supports your response to this question. *(250 words or less)*

Yes. A trial judge's role is not to create the law or critique the law but rather to apply existing

law. The Code of Judicial Conduct specifically requires judges to uphold and apply the law. I have never been involved in a case in which I personally disagreed with the law, but I have been called upon to represent people with whom I disagreed and who have been convicted of criminal acts that are particularly repugnant. As an example, I was appointed to represent an individual on appeal who had been convicted of aggravated rape. The evidence presented against him at trial was significant. Nevertheless, there were several issues that needed to be raised on appeal, and under our system, the state's proof must be put to the test no matter how strongly the evidence points toward guilt. I researched the issues for appeal, wrote the brief, and vigorously argued the issues before the Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals, despite the fact that the crimes for which my client had been convicted were egregious. That was my job as his lawyer, and he was entitled to nothing less. Although his convictions were ultimately upheld on appeal, I am still proud of the role I played in the administration of justice, a role that was necessary regardless of my personal feelings about my client or the acts for which he was convicted.

REFERENCES

41. List five (5) persons, and their current positions and contact information, who would recommend you for the judicial position for which you are applying. Please list at least two persons who are not lawyers. Please note that the Commission or someone on its behalf may contact these persons regarding your application.

A. Mr. Robert R. Campbell, Hodges, Doughty & Carson, PLLC- Of Counsel. 617 W. Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902. (865) 292-2307.

B. Mr. David N. Wedekind, Hodges, Doughty & Carson, PLLC- Of Counsel. 617 W. Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902. (865) 292-2307.

C. Ms. Tasha Blakney, Eldridge, Blakney & Trant, P.C., The Cherokee Building, Suite 101, 400 W. Church Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37902, (865) 544-2010.

D. Ms. Janet Kite, Director, The Children's Center of Knoxville, 301 Frank Street, Knoxville, TN 37919, (865) 523-2672.

E. Ms. Alison Diggs, Manager of Business Operations, System Improvements, Inc., 238 S. Peters Rd., Ste. 301, Knoxville, TN 37923.

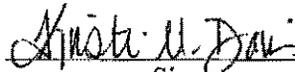
AFFIRMATION CONCERNING APPLICATION

Read, and if you agree to the provisions, sign the following:

I have read the foregoing questions and have answered them in good faith and as completely as my records and recollections permit. I hereby agree to be considered for nomination to the Governor for the office of Judge of the Circuit Court for the Sixth Judicial District of Tennessee, and if appointed by the Governor, agree to serve that office. In the event any changes occur between the time this application is filed and the public hearing, I hereby agree to file an amended questionnaire with the Administrative Office of the Courts for distribution to the Commission members.

I understand that the information provided in this questionnaire shall be open to public inspection upon filing with the Administrative Office of the Courts and that the Commission may publicize the names of persons who apply for nomination and the names of those persons the Commission nominates to the Governor for the judicial vacancy in question.

Dated: November 1, 2012.


Signature

When completed, return this questionnaire to Debbie Hayes, Administrative Office of the Courts, 511 Union Street, Suite 600, Nashville, TN 37219.



TENNESSEE JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION

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NASHVILLE, TN 37219

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WAIVER OF CONFIDENTIALITY

I hereby waive the privilege of confidentiality with respect to any information which concerns me, including public discipline, private discipline, deferred discipline agreements, diversions, dismissed complaints and any complaints erased by law, and is known to, recorded with, on file with the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, the Tennessee Court of Judiciary and any other licensing board, whether within or outside the state of Tennessee, from which I have been issued a license that is currently active, inactive or other status. I hereby authorize a representative of the Tennessee Judicial Nominating Commission to request and receive any such information and distribute it to the membership of the Judicial Nominating Commission.

Kristi M. Davis
Type or Printed Name

Kristi M. Davis
Signature

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Please identify other licensing boards that have issued you a license, including the state issuing the license and the license number.
