## NOTICE OF JUDICIAL VACANCY

## Criminal Court 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Loudon, Meigs, Morgan, and Roane Counties

Pursuant to the State of Tennessee Executive Order 41, notice is hereby given that the Governor's Council for Judicial Appointments will meet in the 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District on September 25, 2015 to initiate the process of filling an upcoming vacancy in the District's Criminal Court. The Honorable E. Eugene Eblen has given notice that he will retire effective December 31, 2015.

Any member of the public, either lay or attorney, shall be entitled to attend the public hearing to express, orally or in writing, such citizen's objections to any suggested nominee for the judicial vacancy.

Any interested applicant must be an attorney licensed in Tennessee who is at least 30 years of age, a resident of the state for five years, and must reside in the Judicial District. All interested candidates should submit a completed Applicant Questionnaire, available on our website at <a href="www.TNCourts.gov">www.TNCourts.gov</a>, to the Council for its consideration. Questionnaires should be submitted to the Administrative Office of the Courts by no later than September 1, 2015 at Noon CDT. The Council encourages all candidates to submit applications as early as possible.

Each candidate must submit by the deadline the original signed (unbound) Applicant Questionnaire <u>as well as a digital copy</u> in order to have his/her name placed on the list of candidates for the judicial vacancy for which he/she is applying. Complete application instructions are on our website at: <a href="https://www.tncourts.gov/administration/judicial-resources">www.tncourts.gov/administration/judicial-resources</a>.

The Council is committed to the goal of a diverse judiciary and encourages all qualified attorneys to apply for any judicial vacancy for consideration without regard to race, ethnicity, or gender.

If you require an accommodation and/or have special needs because of a qualified disability, have questions, or need additional information, please contact Debra Hayes at the Administrative Office of the Courts at 615-741-2687.

This the 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.