

Tennessee Trial Court Vacancy Commission
Application for Nomination to Judicial Office

9/8/20

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INTRODUCTION

Tennessee Code Annotated section 17-4-301 et seq. charges the Trial Court Vacancy 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.

This document is available in Microsoft Word format from the Administrative Office of the Courts (telephone 800.448.7970 or 615.741.2687; website www.tncourts.gov). The Commission requests that applicants obtain the Microsoft Word form and respond directly on the form. Respond in the box provided below each question. (The box will expand as you type in the document.) **Review the separate instruction sheet prior to completing this document. Submit by the noon deadline date an original (unbound) completed application (with ink signature) to the Administrative Office of the Courts.** In addition, submit a digital copy with electronic or scanned signature via email to ceesha.lofton@tncourts.gov, or via another digital storage device such as a flash drive. See section 1(g) of the application instructions for additional information related to hand-delivery of application packages.

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

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND WORK EXPERIENCE

1. State your present employment.

I am a senior partner in the firm of Pryor, Priest, Harber, Floyd & Coffey.

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

Licensed in Tennessee on 4-15-78. BPR number is 005957.

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 only. Licensed in Tennessee on 4-15-78. BPR number is 005957.

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).

I practiced law as an associate with the firm of Gilreath, Pryor & Rowland from 1978 until 1980. I then practiced law as an associate with the firm of Pryor, Flynn & Priest until I became a partner in that firm in 1984 when the firm name changed to Pryor, Flynn, Priest & Harber. The firm name changed to Pryor, Priest, Harber, Floyd & Coffey in 2017. I have not engaged in any occupation, business, or profession other than the practice of law.

6. 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.

I am a board-certified general civil trial attorney, and my current practice consists of domestic/family law (60%), personal injury/professional negligence law (20%), and general civil mediation (20%).

7. 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.

As a young lawyer, I did most everything (domestic/family law, criminal defense, personal injury, worker's compensation, product liability, wrongful death, civil rights, and professional negligence). I have tried Federal jury trials before Judge Neese (deceased), Judge Jarvis (deceased), Judge Wilson (deceased), Judge Taylor (deceased), Judge Hull (deceased), Judge Jordan, Judge Phillips, and Magistrate Judge Murrian. I have tried a few criminal jury trials but mostly civil jury trials in Knox County and all surrounding counties. When I became board certified in 1995, I had to certify a minimum of 50 jury trials tried to conclusion, and I have tried many more jury trials since then. In the early 1990's, I was selected by our Federal Judges in Knoxville to be trained and certified in the first class of Federal civil mediators, and I have conducted hundreds of mediations over the last 30 years. I stopped doing criminal defense work after about 10 years of practice and, in the late 1990's, my civil trial practice began to trend more toward domestic litigation involving complicated, high-value marital estates with inter-related forensic business valuation issues. I have tried hundreds of divorces/domestic cases in both the Circuit and Chancery Courts of Knox County as well as all surrounding counties, and I have had to limit my mediation practice because of its tendency to compete with the time necessary for my busy trial practice. Included in my curriculum vitae is a list of reported appellate decisions in which I have participated. I have argued appellate cases in all of our appellate courts and the United States Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati. For the last 20 years, I have volunteered generally one day per month as a Special Master assisting both Knox County Chancery Court and Knox County Fourth Circuit Court trying domestic violence/Order of Protection cases. I would estimate that I have presided over at least 1,000 domestic violence/Order of Protection trials. Although infrequently, I have also appeared before the Knox County Commission as well as the Knoxville City Council representing the YMCA and various other client's interests.

8. Describe any matters of special note involving your practice in trial courts, appellate courts, and administrative bodies.

As I have already mentioned, for the last 20 years, I have volunteered generally one day per month as a Special Master assisting both Knox County Chancery Court and Knox County Fourth Circuit Court trying domestic violence/Order of Protection cases. I would estimate that I have presided over at least 1,000 domestic violence/Order of Protection trials. To the best of my knowledge, none of the Order of Protection cases over which I have presided have been appealed to the Tennessee Court of Appeals.

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

In the early 1990's, U.S. Magistrate Judge Bob Murrian instituted a pilot program of civil mediation in the Federal Courts for the Eastern District of Tennessee. I was one of 12 candidates selected by our three Federal judges in Knoxville to be trained as a civil mediator in this pilot program which preceded by several years the adoption of Rule 31, Tennessee Supreme Court Rules, which governs mediation and alternative dispute resolution in the state court system. Thus, I was fortunate to have been selected for training and certification as a general civil mediator as early as anyone else in the State of Tennessee.

10. List and describe all prior occasions on which you have submitted an application for any state or federal judicial position.

I have not previously submitted an application for any state or federal judicial position.

EDUCATION

11. 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.

My curriculum vitae including all information requested is attached hereto.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

12. State your date of birth.

1952.

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

All my life.

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

I have lived in Knox County continuously since 1976.

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

Knox County, Tennessee.

16. 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.

None.

17. Have you ever pled guilty or been convicted or are now on diversion for violation of any law, regulation or ordinance other than minor traffic offenses? If so, state the approximate date, charge and disposition of the case.

No.

18. 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.

19. Please identify the number of formal complaints you have responded to that were filed against you with any supervisory authority, including but not limited to a court, a board of professional responsibility, or a board of judicial conduct, alleging any breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by you. Please provide any relevant details on any such complaint if the complaint was not dismissed by the court or board receiving the complaint. You may wish to request a report from the appropriate supervisory authority (or authorities) for a complete history.

Attached hereto is a copy of my Certificate of Good Standing from the Board of Professional Responsibility together with my disciplinary history report. With regard to the private informal admonition dated 9-18-06, I was serving as a mediator and inadvertently failed to disclose that 10 years earlier one of the firms involved in the mediation had represented me. I thought that the attorneys involved in the mediation had disclosed that fact to their respective clients as had occurred in previous mediations which I conducted for that firm. Please note that a private informal admonition does not constitute a finding of misconduct or an ethical violation.

20. 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.

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

No.

22. 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.

Yes, I was involved in a divorce proceeding which concluded on 1-10-96. The style of the case was Harber v. Harber, Knox County Chancery Court, Docket No. 121969-2, which was settled by agreement out of Court. Approximately 25 years ago, I was named as a defendant along with several state judges (Dale Workman, retired, and Harold Wimberly, deceased) and other attorneys in a pro se action filed in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee by two convicted felons (Rocky and Leon Houston) in a frivolous suit alleging conspiratorial conduct against them. The suit was summarily dismissed, and it happened so long ago that I have no records. Approximately 15 years ago, I was named as a defendant together with other

attorneys in another frivolous pro se action filed in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee by a woman (Heather Wilder) alleging conspiratorial conduct related to her divorce case (*Wilder v. Wilder*, Knox County Fourth Circuit Court, Docket No. 108931) in which I was the mediator. That action was summarily dismissed, and it also happened so long ago I do not have any records.

23. 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.

Please refer to my curriculum vitae. As you will note, I have been a lifelong member of the YMCA and have served as volunteer general counsel to the YMCA of East Tennessee for approximately 25 years. I have also served as a volunteer on the Committee on Membership Standards for the YMCA of the USA for also approximately 25 years. My wife and I are lifelong members of the Methodist Church. However, I have never held any church office.

24. 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.
- If so, list such organizations and describe the basis of the membership limitation.
 - 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.

While in undergraduate school at the University of Tennessee, I belonged to the Sigma Chi Fraternity which limits its membership to males only. The Sigma Chi Fraternity is a fraternal and social organization which gave me the opportunity to develop meaningful lifelong friendships and relationships. Although I am still an alumnus member, I have not been active in the fraternity since my graduation from the University of Tennessee, and I know of no reason why my fraternity membership would have any bearing on my application for Knox County Chancery Court.

ACHIEVEMENTS

25. 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.

Please refer to my curriculum vitae attached hereto.

26. 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.

Please refer to my curriculum vitae attached hereto.

27. 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.

I have not held any public office nor have I ever been a candidate or applicant for public office.

ESSAYS/PERSONAL STATEMENTS

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

I have accumulated a broad range of legal experience as a trial attorney over the last 42 years, and I have the greatest respect for our legal system and the quality of our State judiciary. If I am fortunate enough to be nominated and subsequently appointed as Chancellor, I will have the opportunity to share my accumulated legal experience and the practical wisdom derived from that experience in an objective, balanced, and fair-minded manner with the litigants and the attorneys who regularly practice in Knox County Chancery Court. Domestic/family law matters now constitute the majority of cases filed and tried in that court, and I am uniquely qualified because of my domestic trial background and experience to hear those cases. I have experienced almost every type of trial court situation that one can imagine. Although the office of Chancellor would result in a significant decrease of income, the opportunity to serve would offer more than sufficient compensation to me personally. We have all known lawyers whose demeanors changed for the worse when they became judges, and I will not be one of those. I have worked hard to develop a reputation for integrity, hard-work, objectivity, balance, and fair-mindedness, and I will never lose sight of nor will I forget the practical challenges of having been a trial attorney for 42 years. In my many years of volunteer work for the YMCA and my 20 years of volunteer experience as a Special Master, I have developed a true appreciation for public service and the need for committed public servants.

29. 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)*

The Sixth Judicial District of Tennessee constitutes Knox County only, and there are three divisions of Knox County Chancery Court. I am applying for the position of Chancellor in Knox

County Chancery Court, Part 3, which is currently held by Chancellor Michael W. Moyers who has announced his retirement effective 1-23-21. Chancery Court is a court of equity which exercises equitable, inherent, and statutory jurisdiction. Most commonly in Knox County Chancery Court, the types of cases filed and tried include divorce/domestic matters, contract disputes, probate matters, adoptions, actual or constructive fraud, specific performance of contracts, conservatorships, actions for an accounting, real estate disputes, receiverships, injunctive relief, title disputes, and disputes where there is no adequate remedy in any other court. In Knox County, the case load statistics support the conclusion that domestic issues such as divorce, child support, contempt, parenting plans, Orders of Protection, and custody disputes constitute the majority of the cases which proceed to an evidentiary hearing or trial. My trial experience uniquely qualifies me for this position.

30. 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. I was recently involved in a same-sex divorce and custody dispute involving a child born during the parties' marriage through the artificial insemination of the biological mother by an anonymous donor. I represented the biological mother in the custody dispute which required the application of T.C.A. Section 68-3-306, the Artificial Insemination Statute. On behalf of my client, I advocated the strict construction of that statute even though I personally thought that the statute should be construed in a gender-neutral manner consistent with the Obergefell decision of the U.S. Supreme Court holding that same-sex marriage is legal in all states.

REFERENCES

31. 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.	Hon. Bill Swann, Knox County Fourth Circuit Court (retired)	
B.	Hon. Cliff Shirley, United States Magistrate Judge	
C.	Sarah Y. Sheppard, Attorney, Knoxville, Tennessee	
D.	Susan Richardson Williams, Knoxville, Tennessee	
E.	Van H. Stokes, Clarksville, Tennessee	
F.	Dr. Les Cunningham, Knoxville, Tennessee	

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 [Court] Knox County Chancery Court, Part 3 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: September 25, 2020.



Signature

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



**TENNESSEE TRIAL COURT VACANCY COMMISSION
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS**

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**TENNESSEE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
TENNESSEE BOARD OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT
AND OTHER LICENSING BOARDS**

WAIVER OF CONFIDENTIALITY

I hereby waive the privilege of confidentiality with respect to any information that 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 Board of Judicial Conduct (previously known as the Court of the 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 Trial Court Vacancy Commission to request and receive any such information and distribute it to the membership of the Commission and to the Office of the Governor.

John Keith Harber, Sr.

Type or Print Name

John K. Harber

Signature

9-25-20

Date

005957

BPR #

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

None.

CURRICULUM VITAE

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BIRTH DATE AND BIRTH PLACE

 1952, Chattanooga, Tennessee

EDUCATION

Preparatory: McCallie School, Chattanooga, Tennessee.
graduated 1970.

Undergraduate: University of Tennessee at Knoxville,
B.A., cum laude, 1974.

Post Graduate: University of Tennessee, College of Law,
J.D., 1977.

BAR LICENSURE AND ADMISSIONS

1978, Supreme Court of Tennessee and Courts of Appeal.
1978, Interstate Commerce Commission of the United States.
1979, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Tennessee.
1980, U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit.
1986, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Kentucky.
1989, U.S. District Court, Middle District of Tennessee.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association
Association of Trial Lawyers of America
Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association
American Board of Trial Advocacy
Tennessee Bar Association
Knoxville Bar Association
American Judicature Society
American Inns of Court

HONORS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

1978-1985	Board of Governors, Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association
1985-1990	Board of Governors, Tennessee Bar Association
1986	President, Tennessee Young Lawyers' Conference
1988	Alumni Leadership Award, U.T. College of Law
1986-1989	Alumni Advisory Council, U.T. College of Law
1983	President, Knoxville Barristers
1983-1992	Board of Governors, Knoxville Bar Association
1991	President, Knoxville Bar Association
1992-1996	Adjunct Associate Professor of Law (Trial Practice), U.T. College of Law
1989-Present	Hamilton Burnett American Inn of Court, Master of the Bench Emeritus
1994-Present	Certified Federal Mediator, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Tennessee
1995	Knoxville Bar Association President's Award
1995-Present	Board Certified Civil Trial Specialist, National Board of Trial Advocacy and Tennessee Commission of Continuing Legal Education and Specialization
1997	Raisch Award, ABA Standing Committee on Lawyer Referral and Information Service
1997-Present	American Board of Trial Advocates
1997-Present	Certified Civil Mediator, Tennessee Commission on Alternative Dispute Resolution
1997-2003	Chairman, Knoxville Bar Foundation
2001	Founder, Knoxville Bar Foundation
2001-Present	Special Master, Knox County Fourth Circuit Court and Knox County Chancery Court
2004	Fellow, Tennessee Bar Foundation
2006-Present	The Best Lawyers In America
2015	Top 10 Family Attorneys in Tennessee, National Academy of Family Law Attorneys
2016	America's Top 100 Attorneys for Tennessee
2017	Best Lawyers in America, Mediation "Lawyer of the Year"
2020	Ten Best Family Law Attorneys in Tennessee, American Institute of Family Law Attorneys

PUBLICATIONS

"The Tennessee Governmental Tort Liability Act Since 1974,"
Volume 2, The Tennessee Trial Lawyer (Winter, 1983).
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Harris v. Pettibone Corporation, et al, 488 F.Supp. 1129
(E.D.Tenn., 1980).

U.S. v. McCullah, et al, 745 F.2d 350 (6th Cir., 1984).

Brandenburg v. Cureton, et al, 882 F.2d 211 (6th Cir., 1989).

Volunteer Medical Clinic, Inc. v. Operation Rescue, et al,
948 F.2d 218 (6th Cir., 1991).

Wilkerson v. Altizer, 845 S.W.2d 744 (Tenn.App., 1992).

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86 S.W.3d 543 (Tenn.App., 2001).

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Witt v. Witt, 2018 WL 1505485 (Tenn.App., 2018).

Gibson v. Gibson, Memorandum Opinion (Tenn.App., 2020).

CIVIC ACTIVITIES

1978-1999	Little League Baseball Coach, Knox Youth Sports
1980-1988	Board of Management, Downtown YMCA
1986-1988	Chairman of the Board of Management, Downtown YMCA
1986-Present	Board of Directors, Metropolitan YMCA
1990-1992	Chairman of the Board of Directors, Metropolitan YMCA
1995-Present	Committee on Membership Standards, YMCA of the USA, Region II
1995-2000	Chairman, Tennessee Cluster of YMCA's
1999-Present	General Counsel, YMCA of East Tennessee
1999-2000	Leadership Knoxville, Class of 2000
2001	Volunteer of the Year, Downtown YMCA
2002-2006	Chairman, Committee on Membership Standards, YMCA of the USA, Region II

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS, ORGANIZATIONS, AND AFFILIATIONS

Member, Association of Trial Lawyers of America, 1978 to present.
Member, American Bar Association, 1978 to present.
Member, Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association, 1978 to present.
 -Board of Governors, 1979-1985.
Member, Tennessee Bar Association, 1978 to present.
 -Board of Governors, 1985-1990.
 -President, Tennessee Young Lawyers Conference, 1986-1987.
Member, Knoxville Bar Association, 1978 to present.
 -President, 1991.
 -Secretary, 1984-1989.
 -President, Knoxville Barristers, 1983.
 -Board of Governors, 1983-1992.
American Inn of Court, Master of the Bench, 1988 to present.
Adjunct Associate Professor of Law (instructor: Trial Practice),
 University of Tennessee College of Law, 1992-1996.
Certified Federal Mediator, United States District Court, Eastern
 District of Tennessee, 1994 to present.
Certified Civil Trial Specialist, National Board of Trial Advocacy
 and Tennessee Commission on Continuing Legal Education and
 Specialization, 1995 to present.
Certified Civil Mediator, Tennessee Commission on Alternative
 Dispute Resolution, 1998 to present.
Hearing Officer, Tennessee Board of Professional Responsibility,
 2003 to 2009.



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May 28, 2020

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Re: John K. Harber
BPR #005957

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On December 18, 1975, the Tennessee Supreme Court established the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Supreme Court of Tennessee to supervise the conduct of attorneys licensed to practice law in this state.

The records of the Board of Professional Responsibility indicate that the attorney referenced above was licensed in Tennessee to practice law and sworn in on 4/15/1978. The attorney's license is currently Active and is in good standing.

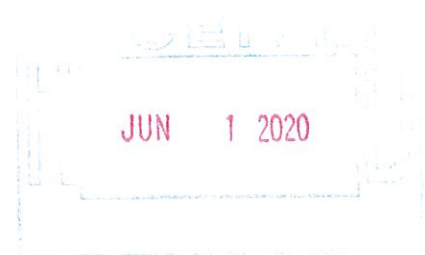
Enclosed for your review is a report generated from our case management system. A blank report indicates that our office has never opened an investigative file on this attorney.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary McKnight".

Mary McKnight
Registration Manager

MLM/lw



Disciplinary History Report

Harber, John K.

005957

Filed	Closed	Complainant	Status	Sub Status
3986-2(K)-F(B)				
11/1/1985	6/4/1986	Russell, James Sr.	Closed	Dismissed by Investigations
3266-2(K)				
8/24/1984	9/12/1984	Smith, Mildred	Closed	Dismissed by Investigations
18004-2(K)-TH				
7/21/1997	8/5/1998	Moberg, Warren	Closed	Dismissed by Investigations
20844-2(K)-jw(B)				
4/7/1999	7/30/1999	Thornton, John	Closed	Dismissed by Investigations
22992-2(K)-tc				
9/14/2000	5/30/2002	May, Lyvia J	Closed	Dismissed by Investigations
23349-2(K)-tc				
12/12/2000	10/23/2002	Hunter, Richard C	Closed	Dismissed by Investigations
25274-2(K)-sg				
4/26/2002	8/29/2003	Hendrix, Rusty	Closed	Dismissed by Investigations
25471-2(K)-tc				
7/22/2002	6/20/2003	Lee, Kelly M	Closed	Dismissed by Investigations
28342-2(K)(9)-LC				
7/11/2005	10/19/2005	Castle, Steven R	Closed	Dismissed by Investigations
29151-2(K)-sg				
5/9/2006	9/18/2006	Atkins, Michael K	Closed	Private Informal Admonition
30346-2(K)(9)-SG				
7/20/2007	1/23/2008	Bee, L. C	Closed	Dismissed by Investigations
30346-2(K)(9)-SG-DUP				
7/20/2007	10/31/2007	Bee, L. C	Closed	Other

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3/4/2009	8/24/2009	Odum, Deborah	Closed	Dismissed by Investigations
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