

Tennessee Trial Court Vacancy Commission
Application for Nomination to Judicial Office

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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.

Attorney/Partner with Seiler & Houston, PLLC, in Jackson, Tennessee

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

Year Licensed: 2000

Board of Professional Responsibility Number: 020477

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.

State of Tennessee (BPR No. 020477)

Licensed on May 11, 2000. My license is currently 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).

During my last year in law school and after being licensed to practice law, I worked for Spragins, Barnett, & Cobb, PLC (f/k/a Spragins, Barnett, Cobb & Butler, PLC) beginning in June, 1999, until June, 2012. My work consisted of appellate, civil litigation, commercial litigation, contracts, family law, juvenile law, probate, and worker's compensation defense. After James F. Butler became the Chancellor of the Chancery Court for 26th Judicial District, State of Tennessee, I began practicing in juvenile and family law matters.

In 2011, I became a Rule 31 Listed Family Law Mediator and have conducted over 600 family law mediations. I have also mediated a few matters in contractual and employment law. I am still presently active as a mediator.

In 2012, I became a founding partner and attorney in the law firm of Seiler & Houston, PLLC. My primary focus has been in family law matters as an attorney and Rule 31 family law mediator. I have an active caseload of family law matters consisting of adoptions, appellate work, child custody (initial custody and modifications), child support (initial child support and modifications), dissolution of marriages, mediations, orders of protections, prenuptial agreements, and restraining orders.

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.

Domestic Relations (98%) – adoptions, appellate, child support, civil and criminal contempt, custody disputes, dependency and neglect, dissolution of marriages, mediations, orders of protection, parenting plans, prenuptial agreements, and restraining orders (This percentage includes my practice as a mediator.)

Probate and Miscellaneous Matters (2%) – drafting wills, powers of attorneys, probating estates, and name changes

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.

Beginning in 2000 and until 2012, I was employed with the law firm of Spragins, Barnett & Cobb, PLC (f/k/a Spragins, Barnett, Cobb & Butler, PLLC). My initial primary area of practice was worker's compensation defense from beginning to end, which included drafting pleadings, completing discovery, conducting and attending depositions, interviewing witnesses, preparing exhibits, attending motion and administrative hearings, and conducting trials.

I also worked on a high profile, time-intensive case involving the termination of a medical professional from a large practice group that involved large volumes of documents, organization, several depositions, discovery, hearings, and an appeal. I was involved in almost every aspect of that case as an associate and was able to watch some of the best attorneys in Jackson and Memphis formulate legal arguments, conduct depositions, attend hearings, and witness interviews. My primary function was to gather documents from

different agencies, complete discovery, draft memorandums of law, and ultimately given the task of drafting the appellee's brief. There were large volumes of documents that I maintained and organized for the use and benefit of the partners. The experience was very educational and am grateful to have been able to be involved in it.

While at Spragins, Barnett & Cobb, PLLC, I also worked for a period of time in the commercial side of the practice that involved the review and interpretation of contract language and gathering documents from corporate and state entities. I was tasked with writing contracts and understood the importance of the written language and that simple punctuation or a misspelled term can change the interpretation of a document. Transactional work is meticulous and involves large amounts of concentration and interpretation.

I have written appellate briefs involving employment law and family law matters. I also occasionally worked with the City Attorney of Jackson, which involved the interpretation of statutes in conjunction with finding the basis and status in the legislative branch. I also was tasked with performing legal research in support of or distinguishing against legal arguments in various areas of law.

After the Honorable James F. Butler left the firm of Spragins, Barnett & Cobb, PLC, to become the Chancellor for the 26th Judicial District, the law firm went a period of time without a family law practice. I re-established a family law practice, began building my own clientele, and learning every aspect of family law. My most notable case in the beginning of practicing family law as a sole attorney was a termination case and subsequent adoption that involved every aspect of a case including the use of expert witnesses during trial. One thing notable about handling family law cases is that you are dealing with two very important aspects of a person, which is their children and finances. It can be very difficult, emotional, and gratifying at the same time. As to the termination/adoption case mentioned above, just this past month I was sent a graduation card from the family who now reside in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and feel a sense of satisfaction in witnessing the success of that case.

In 2011, I went through the training and became a Rule 31 listed family law mediator and began conducting mediations. To date, I have conducted over 600 mediations in the family law arena and a few in civil litigation. As a mediator, I am attempting to get two opposed parties (and attorneys) to reach an agreement. I am tasked with questioning potential legal arguments, evidence, and strengths/weaknesses of the case in an effort to bring the parties to a resolution. In mediations, I have become efficient in notetaking to keep the various offers and new and old issues separate and organized as I caucus between the parties and attorneys, which I think is beneficial for a judge due to the large volume of cases that occurs in chancery court and the detailed facts that distinguish each case from the other. I also have to balance the personalities of the attorneys and parties. I need to be able to read into cues that are not spoken and adjust accordingly. During mediations, we try to address the unique circumstances of each case and reach a settlement that works for their specific needs to

alleviate the need for the parties to return to court.

In 2012, I left the firm of Spragins, Barnett, & Cobb, PLC, to start my own practice with Vincent Seiler, and we established Seiler & Houston, PLLC. My partner, Mr. Seiler, primarily handles business formation, business transactions, and civil litigation while I continue to practice primarily family law cases and mediations. After establishing our law firm, I continued to take on all sizes of cases, including complex family law cases involving several days of trial, fact witnesses, expert witnesses including Vanderbilt psychologists, law enforcement personnel, and various types of exhibits.

In one case that continues to this day (which is in the appellate process), I have had five different judges hear the case over a period of eleven years due to various reasons. Each time, I would need to establish the initial groundwork for each time we appeared in trial as it related to the case and newly formed evidence. It is currently in its third appeal. Each appeal has been filed by the opposing party and the latest one is currently pending and awaiting oral arguments.

I have also served as a guardian ad litem in a termination case representing the interests of the minor child. The case took place in the Chancery Court of Madison County.

In preparing cases for trial, I review documents, complete discovery, determine admissibility of evidence, prepare fact witnesses and expert witnesses, and prepare exhibits. Exhibits for trial in a divorce include, but not limited to, the preparation of balance sheets, personal property and business valuations, financial affidavits, parenting plans, and income statements and the organization of same.

The majority of my caseload is heard in the Chancery Court of the 26th Judicial District of the State of Tennessee. I have handled a minority of cases in the Tennessee General Sessions Court for Orders of Protection, Tennessee Juvenile Court for dependency and neglect and unmarried parties with children, and Tennessee Probate Court for name changes, probate, and a Will contest.

Since transitioning from working as an associate to becoming a founding partner in Seiler & Houston, PLLC, I also have had to learn the aspects of a business from hiring employees, bookkeeping, computer and phone systems, management of expenses, and general office maintenance and duties. During this time, I was a mother of two teenagers who were heavily involved in academic and extracurricular activities, a full-time attorney, and maintained a full caseload. Organization skills are a must to be able to maintain the continuity of the family, office, and case workload.

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

A case of special significance to me is *Alexander v. Jackson Radiology Associates, P.A.*, 156 S.W.3d 11 (2004). This case involved a doctor committing spoliation of evidence on camera during his videotaped deposition. The court was asked to dismiss the case for discovery abuse even when the doctor hadn't violated any court order. The case involved many underlying claims, several depositions of prominent members of the community, and hours of written discovery and preparation, only to be dismissed based on a 2-minute video beginning with the doctor writing out calculations during the deposition. Arguably, a task he was not required to do, but he did. As testimony resumed, the doctor was asked to produce the paper that had the calculations. The doctor denied that he had it. On video, you can see him putting the piece of paper in his lap and then you can hear the paper be crumpled up on the audio. When asked about the missing paper, he lied about its whereabouts. Upon motion for sanctions and presentation of the video at a hearing, the trial court imposed sanctions on the doctor for the "surreptitious destruction of evidence" by dismissing the entire case. The dismissal was upheld by the appellate court and writ of certiorari to the Tennessee Supreme Court was denied. At the time, I was a young associate attorney able to witness and participate in a case with some of the most experienced and skilled lawyers in West Tennessee learning invaluable lessons about legal creativity, skillful maneuvering, and judicial powers.

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

June 1989 to August 1991: I was hired as a file clerk in the law firm of Goldman, Pressman, Nussbaum & Stephenson, in Jacksonville, Florida. I eventually became a legal secretary and office assistant. This is when I became introduced to the law in many different forms. I prepared corporate filings, worked in business litigation, and assisted in residential and commercial real estate closings. I was also responsible for maintaining individual accounts, handling and reconciling office bank ledgers, and dealing directly with clients.

October 1991 to August 1996: I began working as a legal secretary at Clark, Partington, Hart, PLC, in Pensacola, Florida. After graduating with my Bachelor of Arts in Legal Administration at the University of West Florida, I was promoted to full-time paralegal status at the law firm with my primary focus in governmental litigation involving military contracts and employment law. I was also a member of the Pensacola Legal Assistants (an active organization in the local legal community) involving monthly speakers and community projects.

June 1995- June 1996: I was the Vice President of the Pensacola Legal Assistants. I was involved with community organizations to create a bridge to the non-legal community and

spoke at the monthly meetings. We participated in a community project of gathering donations of goods and money to create a store for indigent parents to “shop” for Christmas gifts for their children with free tickets.

August 1996 to December 1999: I attended and graduated with my juris doctorate from the University of Memphis, Cecil C. Humphrey’s School of Law.

June 1997 to August 1997: I worked for Amicus Staffing as a temporary secretary and paralegal during the summer for various law firms in many areas of law including, but not limited to, working at Glankler & Brown in the employment law section, Waring Cox in the business section, and Burch, Porter & Johnson in the litigation section.

August 1997 to August 1998: I was a staff member of the University of Memphis Law Review. During the school year, I attended classes and was tasked with verifying case information referenced in articles. I spent many hours reading cases and verifying facts for articles that were going to be published.

January 1998 to February 1998: I worked at Memphis, Light, Gas & Water Company (utility company) in Memphis, Tennessee, as a temporary law clerk for a specific project researching governmental statutes and supporting case law.

June 1998 to September 1998: I was a Research Assistant for Janet Richards (University of Memphis, Family Law Professor) and assisted her with the legal research for the article titled “Children’s Rights v. Parents’ Rights: A Proposed Solution to the Custodial Relocation Conundrum” that was published by the New Mexico Law Review, Vol. 29 (Summer 1999) and was recognized by Professor Richards in the footnote of the article. I was responsible for gathering and researching the various state and case laws concerning parental relocation.

August 1998 to May 1999: I was a member on the Editorial Board of the University of Memphis Law Review as a Comments Editor. I edited articles to be published, read and judged law review submissions for new members, and assisted editing in the quarterly publications.

September 1998 to December 1998: I interned with the United States Attorney Office in Memphis, Tennessee. I conducted legal research and was able to attend criminal trials.

January 1999 to May 1999: I worked as a student attorney in the Child Advocacy Clinic representing juveniles in the Juvenile Court in Shelby County. I prepared and presented cases

as a student attorney in child delinquency matters and was a guardian ad litem in a juvenile dependency and neglect matter.

June 1999 to August 1999: I worked as a law clerk at Spragins, Barnett, Cobb & Butler, PLC. I conducted legal research, drafted memorandums of law and pleadings, attended depositions and hearings.

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

None.

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.

August 1985 to May 1986 – Jackson Community College (Jackson, Michigan). It was a community college to obtain my prerequisites, and I left to attend Michigan State University.

September 1986 to September 1988 – Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan). Advertising Major. I received a Michigan Competitive Scholarship. I reluctantly left Michigan State University because I was a first generational college student and couldn't afford to continue to pay for my education. Both of my parents worked menial task jobs in a factory, which provided for our living expenses but not college expenses. They made too much for me to receive pell grants.

September 1989 to June 1991 – University of North Florida (Jacksonville, Florida). Accounting Major. I relocated to Pensacola, Florida.

January 1992 to May 1994 – University of West Florida (Pensacola, Florida). Graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Legal Administration.

September 1993 to December 1993 – Pensacola Junior College (Pensacola, Florida). I attended one semester while attending University of West Florida to obtain credit for a class that was not offered at the University of West Florida that same semester.

August 1996 to December 1999 – University of Memphis, Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law. Graduated with a Juris Doctorate. (I graduated in December 1999 rather than in May 1999 because I gave birth to my son on January 5, 1999, returned to school on January 11, 1999, and only attended three classes that semester. I could have pushed myself to graduate in May 1999, but I would have had to continue living in Memphis until December because my husband did not graduate from University of Tennessee, Memphis, physical therapy program until December 1999. By taking a few less classes in the spring semester, I was able to participate as a student attorney in the Child Advocacy Clinic.)

PERSONAL INFORMATION

12. State your date of birth.

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

I have continuously lived in Tennessee since August, 1996 (24+ years).

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

I have lived in Madison County, Tennessee, since January, 2001 (20+ years).

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

Madison 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.

Not applicable. (My husband served in the military during our marriage as a helicopter crewman/rescue swimmer instructor. He received an honorable discharge.)

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.

I recall receiving one speeding ticket within the past ten years. I don't recall the exact date. I attended driving school and believe the ticket was ultimately dismissed.

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.

One written complaint was made to the Board of Professional Responsibility by a party in a mediation that I conducted. Both parties were represented by attorneys, and it appeared to have been based in "buyer's remorse". I was not present when the settlement paperwork was drafted nor executed. The complainant was not required to sign any paperwork to proceed to court. He also had every right to terminate the mediation, and I would have simply reported to the court that no issues were resolved. The complaint was dismissed by the Board of Professional Responsibility on October 17, 2018.

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.

I was granted an uncontested divorce in 1991 in the Circuit Court of Duval County, Florida, Family Law Division, No. 1991-CA-011099.

I was in a car accident in 2011. I filed a complaint to ensure that the statute of limitations did not expire while we were negotiating a settlement. The matter settled and the case dismissed. The case was filed in the Madison County Circuit Court, Docket No. C-12-202.

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.

tnAchieves, Mentor (2017- current)

Madison County Republican Women, Member (2019, current)

My son graduated high school in 2017 and my daughter graduated high school in 2019. My primary focus at that time was being successful in my career and being actively involved with my family. My children were involved in many activities, and I attended every school-related function and extracurricular game. Now that my children have embarked on their own path, I am looking forward to being even more involved in community organizations.

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.

- 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.

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.

Tennessee Board of Professional Responsibility Hearing Office (current)

Jackson Madison County Bar Association, Vice President (exact date unknown)

Jackson Madison County Bar Association, Member (most of my career)

Howell Edmunds Jackson American Inns of Court, Master (2020-present). I was a Barrister at the inception of the Inns of Court in 2010 until my membership "rolled off."

Lawyers Association of Women Attorneys, Anne Harris Schneider Chapter (most of my career)

Tennessee Bar Association (most of my career)

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.

2018 Attorney for Justice (recognized by the Tennessee Supreme Court for pro bono service)

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.

None.

ESSAYS/PERSONAL STATEMENTS

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

Over the past few years, I have been approached by several legal members in the community to see if I would consider applying for the position. After careful consideration and reflection, I believe this is the right choice. My previous legal knowledge in various areas of law, including my current work as a practicing family law attorney and as a mediator, provides me with valuable experiences and unique perspectives for the position of Chancellor.

I also have the time, energy, and personal resources to continue to serve and represent the community at a higher level. My family supports the time commitments that will be required, and I am fully aware of the types of cases, personalities, and the need to expand knowledge and ideas to be an effective judge and make a positive impact in the community.

I am not seeking a position to be a judge because of the power and respect that it yields, I am applying to be the Chancellor of the 26th District of the State of Tennessee because I believe I can do the position justice and make a difference.

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)*

I am seeking appointment of the Chancellor for the Chancery Court of the 26th Judicial District, which handles cases in Chester, Henderson, and Madison Counties. It is my understanding that the large majority of the cases in chancery court involves family law, but it also deals with contracts, contempts, municipal law, real estate, and other matters. There is only one Chancellor for the 26th Judicial District. My appointment would be a positive impact to the court because I could immediately resume the caseload that has fallen behind due to the pandemic and the retirement of James F. Butler, Chancellor.

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. My job as a judge would be to apply the law as written by the legislative branch and interpreted by the higher courts. I realize, and have stated this in mediations many times, that

not everything is fair as in your meaning of fairness. You do what you are required to do and then proceed forward. If I thought that there was a need for a change, then as a judge, I would bring it to the attention of the legislative branch to see if it could be addressed.

An example of an area of law that I disagree with is the law concerning child support modifications, which provides that a modification can only go back as far as the motion filed to request the modification. For example, I represented a father who was ordered to pay child support to the mother. A few years after their initial parenting plan was in place, mother moved to Memphis and left the minor children in Jackson with their father for three years. Neither party addressed the change as to the designation of the primary parent or child support in court. After three years, Mother returns to Jackson and the remaining minor child moves back in with her. She then filed a motion in court seeking to have Father pay her for all of the child support due from father from the previous order for the three years she lived in Memphis alone.

The policy behind child support does not support this proposition because the child received no benefit in that mother was not retroactively required to pay support, and Father had the burden to locate documentation to argue that he provided necessities for the child. We were able to set off the majority of the child support due by reducing it by necessities provided by the father; however, the law seems inequitable and not fulfilling the policy of providing assistance to who is actually caring for the minor child. I had to explain to my client that there may be legitimate reasons for a law to be in place and sometimes there is inadvertent collateral damage.

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. Captain James Bates, Deputy Superintendent/Chief of Staff, United States Naval Academy, [REDACTED] Annapolis, MD 21402; [REDACTED]

B. Angela Snider, Byrd & Byrd, PLLC, [REDACTED] Jackson, TN 38305; [REDACTED]

C. Edward L. Martindale, Law Offices of Edward L. Martindale, Jr., P.C., [REDACTED] Jackson, TN 38305 [REDACTED]

D. Jen Free, Byrd & Byrd, PLLC, [REDACTED] Jackson, TN 38301; [REDACTED]

E. Jonathan Adamson, [REDACTED] Jackson, TN 38305; [REDACTED]

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 26th Judicial District, Chancery Court 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: June 15, 2021.


Signature

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



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**TENNESSEE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
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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.

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

Lisa A. Houston
Type or Print Name


Signature

June 15, 2021
Date

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