## NOTICE OF JUDICIAL VACANCY

## Tennessee Supreme Court Eastern Division

Pursuant to State of Tennessee Executive Order No. 87 issued on September 17, 2021, notice is hereby given that the Governor's Council for Judicial Appointments will meet in the Eastern Grand Division to initiate the process of filling a vacancy on the Tennessee Supreme Court occurring on September 1, 2023, following the retirement of Justice Sharon G. Lee on August 31, 2023. The Council will meet Wednesday, January 4th at the Howard H. Baker Jr. Center for Public Policy, Knoxville, Tennessee at 9:00 a.m. EST.

Qualified applicants must be licensed attorneys who are at least 35 years of age, have been residents of the state for five years, and must reside in the Eastern Grand Division of Tennessee. Interested applicants must complete the Governor's Council for Judicial Appointments' application, which is available at <u>www.TNCourts.gov</u>, and submit it to the Administrative Office of the Courts <u>by 12:00 p.m. CST on Monday, December 12th.</u>

Applicants must submit by the deadline: (1) the original signed and unbound application (updated version posted on 11/28/22) with writing samples; and (2) a digital copy of the application (updated version posted on 11/28/22) with writing samples in order to have his/her name placed on the list of candidates for consideration for the judicial vacancy for which he/she is applying. Complete application instructions can be found at: www.tncourts.gov/administration/judicial-resources. The Council encourages all candidates to submit applications as early as possible.

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

Any member of the public may attend the public hearing to express, orally or in writing, their objections concerning applicant(s) for the judicial vacancy.

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

This is the 28th day of November, 2022.