## **NOTICE OF JUDICIAL VACANCY**

## **Court of Appeals Eastern Section**

Pursuant to the State of Tennessee Executive Order 54, notice is hereby given that the Governor's Council for Judicial Appointments will soon meet in the Eastern Grand Division to initiate the process of filling a vacancy in the Eastern Section of the Court of Appeals following the retirement of Judge Charles D. Susano, Jr.

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 Grand Division. All interested candidates should submit a completed application, available at <a href="http://tncourts.gov/administration/judicial-resources">http://tncourts.gov/administration/judicial-resources</a>, by <a href="https://tncourts.gov/administration/judicial-resources">Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at noon CST</a>, to the Council for its consideration. Applications should be submitted through the Administrative Office of the Courts. The Council encourages all candidates to submit applications as early as possible. Candidates will be interviewed in the Eastern Tennessee Grand Division at a date, time, and location set by the Governor's Council for Judicial Appointments in the future.

Each candidate must submit the original application signed (unbound) <u>as well as a digital copy</u> of the application 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="http://tncourts.gov/administration/judicial-resources">http://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.

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.

If a candidate requires an accommodation and/or have special needs because of a qualified disability, have questions, or need additional information, please contact Ceesha Lofton at the Administrative Office of the Courts at 615-741-2687.

This the 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020.