

**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.

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

**PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND WORK EXPERIENCE**

1. State your present employment.

Robert T. Carter, Attorney at Law

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

Licensed in Tennessee in 1988, Bar No. 013185

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, 1988, Bar No. 013185, currently active; Florida Bar 1991, Bar No. 419037, currently inactive; suspended in 2012 for 3 years as a result of reciprocal discipline from Tennessee. I am eligible for re-instatement.

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).

Yes. My license was suspended by the Tennessee Supreme Court for 14 months active and 46 months probation due to my entry of a conditional guilty plea under Tenn. Code Ann. § 40-35-113 to theft of property. My license was re-instated in March 2012 with the condition that I remain active under contact with the Tennessee Lawyer's Assistance Program, which required bi-monthly drug screening, weekly participation in 12-step recovery meetings, and practice monitor supervision. I was discharged from probation in January 2016. My Florida bar license was suspended in

2012 as a part of reciprocal discipline. I have been eligible for re-instatement since 2015.

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 graduated from law school in 1988. After passing the Tennessee bar, I was commissioned as a Lieutenant (junior grade), in the United States Navy, Judge Advocate General's Corps, where I practiced military law from 1988 to 1992. In 1993, I was an associate attorney at Gabel, Taylor & Dees, in Jacksonville, Florida. I primarily practiced Admiralty Law. In 1994, I moved back to Tennessee and was employed as an associate at Patrick, Beard, & Richardson PLLC, in Chattanooga, where I practiced commercial law. Thereafter, in 1994-1995, I briefly practiced as an associate at Bullock, Fly, and McFarlin in Murfreesboro. I practiced criminal defense law, personal injury law and domestic relations law. In 1996, I moved back to my hometown of Tullahoma, where I was an associate, and then became a partner at Henry & McCord. I practiced at Henry and McCord for 11 years. In the early years of my practice in Tullahoma, I primarily practiced the three main small-town areas of practice: criminal law, domestic relations, and personal injury. Along with these main areas of practice, I drafted wills and contracts, practiced some estate law, and before the law had fundamentally changed, worker's compensation. I left Henry & McCord in 2008 and became employed as a partner at Roger's, Duncan, and North, and later, Robertson, Worsham, Gregory, and Giffin until 2010. In these positions I primarily practiced criminal defense law. I opened my law office as a sole practitioner in April 2012. Since then, my practice has involved mostly criminal defense law with some personal injury and domestic law. I have also developed a niche practice where I help health care professionals with licensing issues, mainly stemming from substance abuse.

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.

My current practice comprises of 90% criminal defense in Federal and State Courts, 5% personal injury, and 5% professional license issues.

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.

My experience over my career as an attorney has been almost entirely centered around trial work. For the first 5 years as an attorney, most of my time was devoted to either prosecuting or defending service members accused of offenses committed under the Uniform Code of Military Justice. Smaller offenses would be tried to a special court martial of which the jury would comprise of usually 3 or 4 officers from the defendant's command. Larger offenses would be tried by a general court martial which would comprise of somewhere between 8 and 12 officers from the defendant's area command. The procedure mirrored a state court prosecution, and the Military Rules of Evidence mirrored the Federal Rules of Evidence in most respects. Over the course of my time in the navy, I tried many court's martial, perhaps over 150. Most were drug possession or use cases, but some were much more serious; frauds against the government, drug conspiracy cases, arson, conduct unbecoming, and the most difficult I can remember—mail fraud and theft. I prosecuted the mail clerk assigned to the USS Mobile Bay for stealing high volumes of mail. It required the calling of witnesses from all over the world. I tried this case at the age of 27. After I left active duty, I must admit I bounced around a lot. I assisted an older attorney preparing and arguing motions in Federal Maritime Law in Jacksonville Florida. I worked as an associate in a law firm in Chattanooga that concentrated primarily on business/banking litigation. It was in Hamilton County Circuit Court that I tried my first Tennessee jury trial, an arson case. I moved back to my home-town of Tullahoma in 1996 and began practicing "small town law"; personal injury, worker's compensation, and criminal defense law. I would also occasionally prepare wills and powers of attorney but my career always revolved around trial work. I had been living in

Tullahoma a short amount of time when I defended an indigent defendant in a week-long kidnapping case which achieved some notoriety. It was a difficult case for the defense given the defendant, who had a long record, and the facts, but I managed to obtain an acquittal for the defendant. After that case, my criminal defense practice accelerated to the point that I have represented hundreds of criminal defendants. I have represented several defendants charged with murder, two of which gained statewide if not nationwide attention. In *State of Tenn. v. Louise Marlow*, I represented a widow who was accused of having her husband killed. In *State v. Andy Houser*, I represented a father who was accused of killing his infant son under the “shaken baby” theory of prosecution. This case ended in a dismissal and was the subject of a prominent Nashville Tennessean series of articles. (See Nashville, Tennessee October 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>, 2005). In addition to state trials, I also represented defendants in appeals and in Federal District Court. Although I do not represent many domestic relations clients currently, I still maintain some domestic relations files so that I can stay abreast of current divorce law. I have also over the years represented a few plaintiffs in personal injury matters. Over the last 25 years, I have probably represented plaintiffs and one defendant in about 10 jury trials of this nature. Most recently, I represented a young veteran who sustained severe injuries in a motorcycle wreck. I was able to negotiate a settlement over one million dollars, which has changed this young man’s life. In sum, I have a vast and varied amount of litigation experience that I can draw upon as a trial judge.

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

As is evident from some of the information submitted herein, several years ago, I developed a substance abuse problem; one that could have ended my career if not my life. Current statistics bear out that approximately one in three families have a family member who is an addict or a substance abuser. The US Department of Justice studies estimate that upwards of 70% of people incarcerated in the US are incarcerated due to substance abuse issues. These statistics never had much impact on me until I became one of them. Lawyers certainly are not immune from the affects of substance abuse. On May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1985, when I was standing under the stately Spanish oaks of the Citadel Parade ground in Charleston South Carolina and US Secretary of Education William Bennett handed me my diploma, I never in my wildest dreams thought I would flash forward 20 years and would be fighting

for my career, my family, and my life. This was all due to me failing to recognize that I was not immune to addiction. It did not happen overnight. The research has been around since the 1960's that there is a strong genetic component to alcoholism and addiction. I, like many, had this gene in my family. High school is where my path started. I was an awkward teenager and alcohol brought me out of my shell. I attended a tough, disciplined college. On weekends, however, cadets (as my college students were known) terrorized lower South Carolina. I was one of them. I attended the parties in law school, and in fact led most of them, but managed to keep good grades so it never occurred to me that I had a problem. My time spent in the US Navy was the same. I was a single officer, so every night I could usually be found at some officer's club or bar. By the time I left the navy, there were a few incidents that should have gotten my attention; wrecked cars, hangovers, but I always consoled myself that I was an educated professional and "could handle it". In any event, by the time I began my civilian legal career, I was well on my way to being an alcoholic, I just could not see it. Twelve years of successful private practice, a career, a family, I was the typical young successful lawyer, or at least that is how it appeared. I was the person that led the way at all the bar parties and functions, and I think that deep down, at least by 2003, I knew I had an issue and by 2005 I could no longer ignore it. I was involved in an alcohol related incident with my son and that got my attention. I quit drinking that day. The problem with substance abuse is more complicated than simply putting down the bottle. I quit drinking alcohol and everyone close to me was relieved but I still didn't "get it". For me however, there is more to recovery than abstinence from alcohol. It involves rebuilding your thought process, your character and your faith. Services were available to me such as Alcoholics Anonymous and the Tennessee Lawyer's Assistance Program, but I thought that since I had stopped drinking I was ok. I was worried about the stigma of being seen in an AA meeting or being associated with TLAP, and I think that this is a huge impediment to people in the legal profession that think they may have a problem. They do not want to be "found out". In any event, I was unprepared when in February 2007, I was in a car wreck that broke my C-3 vertebrae. My doctor prescribed opiate pain medication and because of my genetics, I took to these pain pills like a duck to water. After 3 to 4 months I was addicted. This led to extremely bad judgements over the next two years. I took money that should have gone to my firm account and went on doctor shopping expeditions all over Southern Tennessee. I felt insulated from consequences, and it took longer for the world to come crashing down on me because I was good at what I did and good at hiding my problem or so I thought. The addiction turned me into someone who lied and betrayed people that I was closest to, character traits alien to me both before and after. Things

came to a head in June 2008 when I entered Cumberland Heights for rehabilitation. I was in free fall for several months. My father was dying of cancer in 2009 and I never really came to terms with this grief. Although I tried to maintain sobriety, I could not, and I entered a long-term rehabilitation facility in July 2010. I used to think July 23, 2010 was the worst day of my life, but I have come to see it as probably one of the best. This is when at the “invitation” of the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program I began in earnest my long road to recovery. I spent 3 months in the Recovery Ranch in Only Tennessee. Thereafter, I moved to Nashville and was in a sober living home for 3 months. I attended AA meetings religiously, sometimes 3 times a day. I returned to Tullahoma and attempted to re-establish my relationship with my family. I became involved in the local recovery community and the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance program. I rehabilitated myself physically primarily through swimming laps, which I still do today. Perhaps most importantly, I found my faith. Thereafter, I became active in my church and my children’s youth groups. I was under the TLAP contract by virtue of my re-instatement conditions, which required bi-monthly drug testing and AA/NA attendance every couple of days. Although these conditions were demanding, I am thankful for them because they required strict accountability of me. In all, I have been through some challenges; recovery from a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burn as a child, law school, plebe year at the Citadel, challenging cases, but none matching recovery and overcoming the obstacles to me returning to my career. People tell me that they wished I did not have to go through all of this but I cannot completely agree. These challenges toughened me mentally and gave me experience that I have used going forward. I was re-admitted to practice and opened my office in Coffee County on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012. Since then, I have re-built my practice, my family, my reputation, and most importantly, my faith. I chose this section to relay my story because I believe this experience has given me unique perspective on how to manage cases where there is substance abuse present. Since 2012, I have used the criminal justice system to help dozens of my clients to obtain sobriety and thus not be a burden to the legal system anymore. I helped a client a few years ago who had been convicted of shoplifting every year of his life since he was 18. This last stint, I made him stay in jail long enough to clear his head. I then found a state sponsored re-hab for him to attend and he now has a job, a new home, and a new family. In sum, I believe that the crucible I endured places me in a unique position to help the citizens of this jurisdiction where these issues are present.

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

attention of the Commission.

From 2004 through 2009, I was a Certified Criminal Trial Specialist, certified by the Tennessee Commission on Continuing Legal Educations and Specialization. I have planned to renew it but have not had the time to devote to it.

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

I have never submitted an application.

### 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.

College; The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina, B.A. (Departmental Honors) 1985, History Major, Dean's List, Commandant's List, Gold Star Student (3.75 GPA), Cadet Color Corporal, Cadet Color Sergeant, Cadet First Lieutenant, Executive Officer, Regimental Band & Pipes, NROTC Scholarship, Citadel Development Foundation Scholarship, Honor Committee

University of Mississippi, College of Law (attended first 2 semesters) 1985-86, transferred to UT law school

University of Tennessee, College of Law 1988, Dean's List, Moot Court Board, Navy JAG Student Program, Contributing Author, Tennessee Judicial Newsletter

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

12. State your date of birth.

1963



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

Lived in Tennessee since May 1993

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

Lived in Coffee County Tennessee since April 1995

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

Coffee

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.

Commissioned in US Naval Reserve as Ensign, June 1986, Commissioned into US Navy Judge Advocate General Corps. 1988, Active Duty 1988-1992, Lieutenant (junior grade), October 1988, Lieutenant, May 1989, Lieutenant Commander, 1995, awarded Navy Commendation Medal, awarded National Defense Service Medal, Honorably Discharged 1995

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.

Was granted judicial diversion under Tenn Code Ann. 40-35-313, January 28, 2011; Theft of Property greater than \$10,000, 6 years probation supervised by TLAP, Expunged May 2017

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.

In 2011, I was given a public censure for failure to file a transcript in the appeal of a sentence hearing. Also, in 2010, I was suspended from the practice due to failure to comply with Tenn. Lawyers Assistant Contract. This was later modified to a consent decree in July 2011 when I was suspended for 14 months active supervision, 46 months probation for entry of a conditional guilty plea to theft of property over \$10,000. My license was re-instated in March 2012

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.

There were tax liens filed against me for interest for 2008, 2010 and 2011, these have been paid in full but I am not sure if they have been released yet due to COVID delays.

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

Filed Chapter 13 July 2014, Order of Discharge granted August 2019 after all creditors paid

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.

Miller, et al. v. Robert Carter, Coffee County Circuit Court, Case # 2012-cv-39355 This was a lawsuit for contribution on a land partnership. The case was dismissed and the claims were paid through Chapter 13 bankruptcy payments.

Robert T. Carter v. Cindy Jean Carter, Moore County Chancery Court, Case # 2564, settled April 2013

Daonda Payne v. Jarrell Wigger P.C and Robert T. Carter, Coffee County, case filed against me and S.C. Lawyer who associated me to file a Federal District Court Case pro hac vice, Case # 2020-cv-46594

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.

The American Legion, The Tennessee Bar Association, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

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.

None

#### 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.

The Tennessee Bar

The National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

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.

Board Certified Criminal Trial Specialist, 2004-2009

Tullahoma's Finest Lawyer, 2004

Navy Commendation Medal

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)*

I am seeking the circuit judgeship because I believe that there is a vital need for my particular background. First, because of the restrictions placed on trial courts in the wake of the COVID pandemic, there has been an alarming backlog of criminal and civil cases that need immediate attention. Because of my 25 plus years of civil and criminal trial experience, I believe that I can "hit the ground running". I will not need much of a training period. Second, and more long term, our jurisdiction is facing a crisis with substance abuse, especially among younger people. I was required to learn the "ins and outs" of alcohol and drug recovery because my life depended on it. Since my own recovery, I have used my knowledge of recovery, coupled with my knowledge of the legal system, to help many clients and non-clients to attempt to achieve sobriety.

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 jurisdiction for which I seek the judgeship is the 14<sup>th</sup> district of the State of Tennessee. It comprises all of Coffee County, about 55,000 citizens. The Coffee County judicial system has a Circuit Court and a Chancery Court. The Circuit Court is the court of general jurisdiction in my county. It is where a plaintiff seeking unliquidated damages would file suit or where a criminal felony defendant

would have his or her case resolved. Coffee County has no Chancellor, so the Chancery jurisdiction is conferred on our Circuit judges. Thus, in addition to current jurisdiction, the Circuit judgeship would also include responsibility for divorces, child custody, adoptions and real estate matters. As I have previously explained, because of my extensive trial experience, I believe I could immediately start presiding over cases, which would help lessen the backlog. Furthermore, and in light of my background, I would like assume leadership of the drug and veteran's courts.

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)*

I would certainly pledge to uphold the law notwithstanding my personal feelings or agreement with the law. Since my practice since 2002 has been primarily criminal defense law, most of my personal disagreements with the substance of the law came from legislated no-probation cases for several drug offenses. Recently, I was called upon to represent the daughter of a friend who was arrested in another jurisdiction for possession with intent to re-sell drugs. It was clear from the facts that although this person had a significant quantity of drugs, the circumstances made it clear to me that this young defendant and her friend were buying the drugs for friends to have a party. Unfortunately, one of the type of drugs was a Schedule I drug. Under current Tennessee sentencing laws, if a defendant were to be found to have trafficked this drug, she would have been sentenced to an 8 year sentence that required mandatory service of the sentence. The threshold for whether or not this drug possession was for personal use or trafficking is very small. Any possession over .05 grams is presumptively possessed for trafficking. In our case, the weight of the Schedule I drugs was over .05 grams. Half a gram would be the cut-off between sending this young woman to the penitentiary, or placing her on probation. Technically, she was subject to the mandatory sentence, but there was a little more substance to the matter. The defendant was a college student who had absolutely no prior involvement with the law. She was picking up the drugs for her friends to have a party on spring break. I do not in any way condone the possession of drugs but these were college "party drugs". This defendant could either be "thrown away" or this event could be used to save this young person's life. Luckily, I was able to persuade the district attorney and ultimately the sentencing court, that this defendant was worthy of saving, notwithstanding her being

technically guilty of the trafficking charge. This young defendant successfully completed her probated sentence and is a speech therapist now.

**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. William T. Ramsey, Attorney, Nashville, TN	[REDACTED]
B. Thomas C. Watson, Retired Navy Captain, Tullahoma, TN	[REDACTED]
C. H. Thomas Parsons, Attorney, Manchester, TN	[REDACTED]
D. John L. Parish Sr., Entrepreneur, Tullahoma, TN (o)	[REDACTED] (c) [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
E. Forest Durard, Circuit Judge, 17 <sup>th</sup> Judicial Dist.	[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 [Court] CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE CO. 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: April 11th, 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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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.

ROBERT THOMAS CARTER

Type or Print Name

Signature

April 11th, 2021

Date

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

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