

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.

19th Judicial District Child Support Magistrate Judge

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

2015; TN BPR No. 33920

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 License No. 33920 issued in 2015. My license is currently active and has been active since issuance.

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).

Legal Experience:

My cumulative legal experience spans more than 20 years and is comprised of the following:

January 25, 2019 – Present: 19th Judicial District Child Support Magistrate Judge

I am a State of Tennessee IV-D Child Support Magistrate Judge. I am appointed to preside over Circuit and Chancery Court IV-D child support dockets in the 19th Judicial District, which consists of Montgomery and Robertson Counties. By a designation order from the Tennessee Supreme Court, I also preside over Juvenile Court IV-D child support filings in Montgomery County, and Circuit and Chancery Court IV-D child support filings in the 18th Judicial District, which is a single county district consisting of Sumner County.

My jurisdiction includes cases filed pursuant to Title IV-D of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 651-669), specifically 42 U.S.C. § 667 and 45 C.F.R. § 302.56, which requires the State of Tennessee to establish child support guidelines for setting and modifying child support award amounts, and Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 36-5-101(e), 71-1-105(a)(15), and 71-1-132 implement these requirements and direct the Tennessee Department of Human Services to establish those guidelines to enforce the provisions of federal law.

In the 18th and 19th Judicial Districts, cases of this type are assigned to an assistant district attorney general who represents the interest of the State of Tennessee and brings the action on behalf of the petitioner. As a result, my dockets involve the District Attorney General's Office on behalf of the petitioner and, approximately 70% of such cases, involve a *pro se* (unrepresented) respondent.

**March 2003 – April 2019: Bateman & Bateman, P.C., Attorneys at Law
(now Bateman Law, P.C.)**

Positions Held: **Associate Attorney**; April 2015 – April 2019
Paralegal / Legal Assistant; March, 2003 – April 2015

In March 2003, I began working as a legal assistant/paralegal at a local law firm known as Bateman & Bateman, P.C. At the time, Bateman & Bateman, P.C. was comprised of two partners, Mr. Thomas Neal Bateman and Mr. Robert T. Bateman. For most of my career at Bateman & Bateman, P.C., I worked predominately under the supervision of the senior partner of the firm, Thomas Neal Bateman, Esquire. As a legal assistant and paralegal, I customarily performed administrative functions such as drafting pleadings, meeting with clients, billing, filing pleadings, and otherwise performing all of the administrative functions to oversee a case from opening until closing.

While continuing to work full time at the law firm during the day, I attended law school at night. Upon completion of law school and successful completion of the bar exam, I was retained by Bateman & Bateman, P.C. as an associate attorney. As associate counsel, I often worked alongside both partners of the firm in high profile cases such as personal injury, estates and conservatorships involving significant assets, aided in trial preparation, and actively assisted during jury trials. In a short period of time, my own legal practice grew rapidly. I customarily handled misdemeanor criminal cases in General Sessions Court; felony criminal cases in Circuit Court; all issues of domestic relations within Juvenile, Circuit and Chancery Courts; performed the functions of Guardian Ad Litem; and litigated contested estates and conservatorships.

In January 2019, I accepted the appointment as the 19th Judicial District Child Support Magistrate Judge. By April 2019, I concluded or transferred all of my active cases and officially departed the law firm. For over 16 years, I was very fortunate to have the guidance and mentorship from both partners of Bateman & Bateman, P.C., who carry a combined 80 years of legal experience. In August 2021, Mr. Robert T. Bateman was appointed as 19th Judicial District Circuit Court Judge, Division IV, and the law firm of Bateman & Bateman, P.C. now continues as Bateman Law, P.C.

Experience Other Than Law:

My first job was at the age of 15 at a locally-owned hamburger and milkshake restaurant known as Super Giant. While I did not have a formal title at Super Giant, I performed the duties of head cook, opening and closing of the restaurant, reconciling cash registers, and assisting the owner in employee scheduling.

While also employed at Super Giant, I began employment at Arby's. I was quickly promoted to Team Trainer and assigned to train all new hires.

For a short period during the summer months, and also while employed at Super Giant and Arby's, I assisted a locally-owned (and now defunct) tanning salon on Riverside Drive in Clarksville, Tennessee, the exact name I cannot recall.

I value my experience working within the food service industry and believe it has enabled me to be more efficient and understanding. Since the age of 15, I have been gainfully employed without any gaps in employment and while obtaining my bachelor's, master's and juris doctorate degrees. My drive to work hard and learn has continued throughout my legal career.

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.

As a magistrate judge, I am restricted from the private practice of law. The major areas of law within my position are: 40% criminal contempt, 10% civil contempt, and 50% paternity determination, modifications and initial settings of child support.

While in private practice, the major areas of law in which I practiced and the correlating percentages of my total practice was:

- Family Law - 40%
- Estates / Estate Planning – 20%
- Criminal Defense - 20%
- Business Law – 10%
- Personal Injury / Torts – 10%

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.

Child Support Magistrate Experience:

Since my appointment as Child Support Magistrate Judge in January, 2019, I have held over 20,000 hearings (to include first appearances, arraignments, motions, trials, show cause

hearings, and attachment / conditional forfeiture reviews). I manage and preside over IV-D Child Support dockets for 7 courts across 2 judicial districts for 10 judges and 2 chancellors. Prior to my appointment, the child support dockets in the 19th Judicial District had a substantial backlog due to the prolonged illness of the prior magistrate. I immediately took the bench after my appointment and quickly absolved the backlog.

When the Covid-19 Pandemic hit in March 2020, I restructured my dockets so as to continue to allow litigants access to child support court within the 18th and 19th Judicial Districts. Upon entry of the Tennessee Supreme Court Order requiring courts to conduct business by means other than in-person, I worked closely with all of the judges within both judicial districts to develop a re-opening plan for my dockets for approval by the Tennessee Supreme Court. Throughout the height of the pandemic, I continued to conduct civil trials by teleconference and Zoom. By transitioning my dockets fast and efficiently, I successfully prevented a backlog of child support cases within the 18th and 19th Judicial Districts during the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Having successfully managed dockets throughout the Covid-19 Pandemic is one example of my ability to manage large dockets, change procedures, and continue to efficiently dissolve cases. If given the opportunity to be the next Division VI Circuit Court Judge, I will continue the same dedication and hard work ethic.

Attorney Experience:

While in private practice, my career spanned across many different areas of law and I routinely practiced in a wide range of courts. I have conducted hearings and trials within Municipal Courts, General Sessions, Juvenile, Chancery and Circuit Courts in numerous counties across the State of Tennessee, such as Montgomery, Robertson, Cheatham, Dickson, Stewart, Rutherford, Williamson and Davidson counties. I have also appeared before the Tennessee Court of Appeals on oral argument. My experience also consists of representing parties in a more administrative manner regarding insurance fraud disputes and Social Security Disability claims before an administrative law judge.

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

While in private practice, I represented litigants in hearings and trials as small as traffic citations and as big as appeals before the Tennessee Court of Appeals. As magistrate judge, I have conducted countless lengthy and complicated trials across two (2) judicial districts. A few matters of special note that particularly come to mind are:

In 2015, I represented a father in a child custody dispute. The father and mother were in a non-marital relationship prior to and several months after the minor child's birth. Father enlisted in the U.S. Army in January 2010 and deployed to Afghanistan in April 2012. While deployed, he was in a service related accident involving an improvised explosive device (IED) resulting in the loss of both of his legs. After the incident, he underwent extensive rehabilitation and approximately 30 surgeries. In April 2014, father was medically discharged from the U.S. Army.

He eventually recovered from his injuries and, with the assistance of prosthetic legs and a wheelchair, was not otherwise limited in his physical abilities and lived on his own. He could walk, drive a vehicle, get dressed, clean house, cook dinner, provide complete care for the parties' minor child, and do all things an otherwise able-bodied individual could do. While fighting for his life, father learned the parties' minor child was not living in a stable and conducive environment. Circumstances that determine what is in the best interest of a child can look very different in each family. Oftentimes counsel and courts must look to the stability and well-being of a child, which can come in many different forms. Father was successful within litigation, receiving primary residential parent status, substantial parenting time and with Mother's parenting time supervised. This case in particular is one of great importance to me and one that I take great pride and honor in. The names and juvenile court style have been omitted for the privacy of the child, who is still a minor.

In 2016, the 23rd Judicial District Drug Task Force, with the assistance of other mid-state agencies, initiated a methamphetamine bust resulting in the incarceration of approximately 75 people. I was appointed to represent the Defendant in *State of Tennessee vs. Caitla Worthy*, Montgomery County Circuit Docket Nos. CC-16-CR-257, CC-16-CR-452, CC-16-CR-508, and CC-16-CR-638. The State alleged my client to be the girlfriend of one of the largest methamphetamine dealers in Clarksville, Tennessee and she was facing numerous charges, to include a class B felony methamphetamine charge; possession of a firearm in commission of a dangerous felony; two counts of possession of a schedule IV controlled substance; evading arrest; and contraband in a penal facility. For protection, my client was jailed as a "safe-keeper" in the Dickson County Jail. High-profile cases such as this are often taken to trial, however I successfully argued for my client's furlough for rehabilitation, release on a cumulative \$102,500 own recognizance bond, and negotiated the eventual settlement of amended lesser charges without the necessity of trial resulting in my client receiving a sentence suspended to three (3) years of probation.

From late 2017 to early 2019, I assisted clients in the negotiation of multi-million-dollar contracts which had significant impact on the economy of Clarksville, Montgomery County. The exact details cannot be provided, as such would violate attorney-client privileges.

In the matter of *In Re: Conservatorship of LeMonte*, No. M2016-02205-COA-R3-CV, 2017 WL 5515862 (Tenn. Ct. App. Nov. 17, 2017), I represented two of the Ward's three children and was successful in receiving an appointment as Co-Conservator on my clients' behalf. The Ward's additional child was a convicted felon and, while he did not actually serve any time as a convicted felon, he was sentenced to serve a sentence which was suspended. Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 40-20-115, a convicted felon who is sentenced to prison is disqualified from serving as a Ward's agent or fiduciary. I successfully argued that the Ward's additional child should be disqualified from acting as Ms. LeMonte's agent or fiduciary due to his conviction and suspended sentence, although he did not serve time in prison. The trial court ruled in favor of my clients. The trial court's decision was appealed to the Tennessee Court of Appeals, which I argued in oral argument, and received a favorable decision on appeal.

In *Michael Peter Luebke vs. Shanna-Lynn Doyle*, Montgomery County, TN Circuit Court Docket No. MC CC CV DV 13 2315, I successfully defended a Petition to Modify Parenting

Plan and for Contempt to change the primary residential parent and move the parties' minor child from his home state and school, and to find Mother guilty of violating the parties' parenting plan. Father argued, among many things, that Mother was improperly treating the child for ADHD and a sleep disorder. The trial of this case was rather lengthy and included presenting medical proof. The trial court found a material change of circumstances did not exist, dismissed the contempt allegations and my client remained the primary residential parent with substantial parenting time.

As Child Support Magistrate Judge, in the matter of *Curtis M. LeBlanc vs. Anita M. Hart (formerly LeBlanc)*, Montgomery County, TN Circuit Court Docket No. CC-09-CV-1055, I ruled on the modification of child support spanning five (5) years due to the incremental aging out of the parties' four (4) children, as well as *alimony in futuro* and alimony arrears. Extensive testimony was necessary to determine child support, child support arrears, and alimony arrears, to include past and present incomes of the parties, dates of emancipation of home-schooled children, and varying recurring medical expenses incurred from May 2017 until June 2022 during the aging out of the parties' children. My findings and recommendations were confirmed by the trial court.

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

In 2017 and 2019, I actively assisted as a judge and speaker at the Middle Tennessee High School Mock Trials.

In May 2020, I co-hosted a virtual continuing legal education seminar on the new child support guidelines to the Montgomery County and Robertson County Bar Associations, with over 90 persons in attendance.

In August 2020, I was contacted by the Administrative Office of the Courts to serve as the State Child Support Magistrate representative on the Administrative Office of the Courts and Tennessee Department of Human Services Joint Child Support Committee. I immediately accepted the invitation, finding it to be an honor to serve with esteemed members of the judiciary, Administrative Office of the Courts, and Tennessee Department of Human Services. The committee was charged with modifying the Tennessee Child Support Guidelines. On October 1, 2021, the recommendation of the committee was formed into law.

I have the following article published in the Tennessee Department of Human Services, Child Support Services of Tennessee, "Everything, but the kitchen sink" newsletter:

July 2021; Vol. 3, Issue 2: "Who Decides the Child's Surname Once Paternity is Established."

In September 2022, upon request of the Tennessee Department of Human Services, I was a public speaker to new employees of the State of Tennessee Child Support Re-Entry Unit to educate the department in assisting individuals who have been incarcerated and are re-entering

the workforce.

In September 2022, upon request of the Administrative Office of the Courts, I co-moderated a continuing legal education seminar at the State of Tennessee Child Support Magistrate's Conference held in Knoxville, Tennessee, which is attended by county and state magistrates across 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.

In January 2019, I applied for and received the appointment as the 19th Judicial District Child Support Magistrate Judge.

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.

Nashville School of Law; 2010 – 2014

Degree Awarded: Doctor of Jurisprudence

Forms of Recognition: Peer Elected to Honor Society 2013 & 2014

Austin Peay State University; 2008 – 2009

Degree Awarded: Master of Science in Business Management

Major: Business Management

Forms of Recognition: *Magna Cum Laude*

Austin Peay State University; 2004 - 2008

Degree Awarded: Bachelor of Business Administration

Major: General Business

Forms of Recognition: Dean's List

PERSONAL INFORMATION

12. State your date of birth.

██████ 1986

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

I am a lifetime resident of the State of Tennessee.

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

I am a lifetime resident of Montgomery County.

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

Montgomery 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.

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.

The Board of Judicial Conduct has not required that I respond to any complaints filed against me. Any such complaints were found to be without merit and dismissed without the requirement of my response. Therefore, no relevant details are provided herein.

No complaints have been filed against me with the Board of Professional Conduct.

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.

No.

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.

Austin Peay State University National Alumni & Student Alumni Associations

Central Civitan

Clarksville Chamber of Commerce

Clarksville Rotary Club

Board of Directors (Eff. 7/1/2023)

Cumberland Heights Elementary School PTO
Finance Review Committee 2020 – 2021

Customs House Museum and Cultural Center Member

Leadership Clarksville
President of the Class of 2022

Montgomery County Republican Women

Robertson County Chamber of Commerce

Salem Community Church
Serve Team, 2022-Present

TN Achieves Mentor

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.

I am a member of the Montgomery County, Tennessee Republican Women’s Chapter. While the predominate members of the organization are women, membership is also extended to men. If membership was limited in the future, I would withdraw my membership. Also, if such membership is deemed to be a conflict for the position I seek, I will withdraw my membership.

In my youth, I was a member of the Girl Scouts of America, however I have had no affiliation with the organization since my youth.

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.

Administrative Office of the Courts / Department of Human Services Joint Child Support Committee, *State of Tennessee Child Support Magistrate Representative*, 2020

Leadership Clarksville, *President of the Class of 2022*

Montgomery Co., Tennessee Bar Association, *Member*, 2015 – Present

Robertson Co., Tennessee Bar Association, *Member*, 2021 – Present

Tennessee Bar Association, *Member*, 2014 – Present

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.

Leadership Clarksville, Peer-Elected President of the Class of 2022.

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.

On January 25, 2019, I was appointed as the 19th Judicial District Child Support Magistrate Judge. I have continuously held that position since appointed.

ESSAYS/PERSONAL STATEMENTS

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

I seek the position of 19th Judicial District Circuit Court Judge, Division VI, because I have the experience, knowledge, skills and judicial temperament to successfully perform the duties with impartiality, fairness and while following the law.

While on the bench, I am often commended on my patience with pro se litigants and attorneys. It is important that the residents of Montgomery and Robertson Counties are given the opportunity to be heard, the opportunity for a fair trial, and are treated with respect throughout the litigation process. If given the opportunity to serve as the next Circuit Court Judge, I will continue to afford the residents, attorneys and court staff of the 19th Judicial District with the utmost respect and dignity that they each deserve.

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 seek the appointment as Circuit Court Judge, Division VI, for the 19th Judicial District. The 19th Judicial District consists of Montgomery and Robertson Counties in Tennessee. Robertson County is predominately rural and Montgomery County has some rural areas, but is more urban.

The 19th Judicial District is comprised of five Circuit Court Judges, one Chancellor, and one Child Support Magistrate Judge. The population of the 19th Judicial District has grown immensely, which has affected the caseload among the judges and has created the Division VI position for which I seek appointment.

Circuit Court Judge, Division VI, is a general jurisdiction judicial position that will cover misdemeanor criminal and civil domestic cases. I am uniquely qualified for the position in that I have experience presiding over civil and criminal dockets within both counties. If appointed, I am capable of presiding over dockets immediately to meet the demands of our judicial district.

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 will most certainly uphold the law. As Child Support Magistrate Judge, I took an oath of office that I will follow the law and I uphold that oath. Since my appointment, I am often confronted with challenging issues within the law. For instance, Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-5-101(c)(2)(A)(ii) provides: “...no credit shall be given by the court, the court clerk or the department of human services, for child support payments required by the support order that are made in contravention of such requirements...”.

Parties going through a divorce are confronted with an exorbitant amount of change and oftentimes overlook the requirement that child support payments are ordered to be made through the child support disbursement office for the State of Tennessee. This results in a parent paying child support to the other parent directly. Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-5-101(c)(2)(A)(ii), even if a parent provides proof of direct payments of prior child support, I cannot give credit for such payments and must deem the payments a gift. This often leads to a large amount of gifted support from one parent to the other. Despite my feelings towards this statute, I follow the law and find such payments are a gift. This is just one example of upholding my oath to follow the law. If appointed as Circuit Court Judge, Division VI, I will continue to uphold such oath.

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. Billy Atkins , Founder and Senior Chairman of the Board of Directors of Legends Bank; and Board of Trustees for Austin Peay State University ████████████████████ Clarksville, TN 37043 Phone: ██████████
B. Judge (Retired) Ross H. Hicks , 19 th Judicial District Circuit Court Judge, Div. I (Retired) ████████████████████ Clarksville, TN 37043 Phone ██████████
C. Representative Curtis G. Johnson , Tennessee House of Representatives, 68 th District ████████████████████ Clarksville, TN 37043 Phone: ██████████
D. Jordan Osborne , President of Robertson County Chamber of Commerce ████████████████████ Springfield, TN 37172 Phone: ██████████
E. Jack B. Turner , Principal of Jack B. Turner & Associates ████████████████████ Clarksville, TN 37040 Phone: ██████████

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 19th Judicial District Circuit Court Judge, Division VI, 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: May 30, 2023.


Signature

When completed, return this questionnaire to John Jefferson at the 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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NASHVILLE, TN 37219

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.

Ashleigh L. Travis
Type or Print Name


Signature

5/30/2023
Date

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BPR #

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