

# APPLICATION FOR MARION SUPERIOR COURT

NOTE: The information in this application may be considered a public record and disclosed in response to a request for public records under Indiana Code chapter 5-14-3.

## 1. General Background

- A. Full legal name, and any former names.
- B. Business address, business email, and contact telephone number.
- C. Attorney number.
- D. Provide your employment history in chronological order since graduation from law school. Include name of employer(s), titles or positions, locations, and dates of employment.
- E. Describe your legal experience, including number of years practicing law and the kind of law practiced.
- F. List all colleges and universities you attended, including law school(s). Include each school's name; dates enrolled; degree or certificate earned; and any academic honors, awards, or scholarships you received and when.

## 2. Personal Information

- A. County of current residence (with ZIP code) and date you first became a resident thereof.
- B. Month and year that you were admitted to the Indiana Bar.
  - 1) Indicate current law license status, *i.e.*, active/inactive/retired.
  - 2) If you are or have been a member of the Bar of any other state, identify the jurisdiction and provide the date(s) of admission and current license status.
- C. Anything you consider pertinent to the question of how you reflect the diversity and makeup of Marion County.
- D. Any current political party affiliation, if any, you have and its duration.
- E. Please attach a recent photograph to this application.

## 3. Military Experience

- A. If applicable, list any military service. Include the name of the military branch; dates of service; last rank achieved; and any honors, awards, or commendations received.

## 4. Trial/Judicial Experience

- A. Describe the extent of your jury trial and/or bench trial experience, if any.

- B. If applicable, describe the nature and extent of your judicial experience (including as a judge *pro tempore*).

**5. Statement of Interest and Writing Samples**

- A. Please briefly state (in one page or less) the reason that you believe you should be selected for this judgeship.
- B. Please provide up to two legal writing samples with this application which would reflect your aptitude for being a judge.
- C. Please list any contributions to scholarly journals and publications, legislative drafting, and legal briefs.

**6. Legal or Community Service**

- A. List your writings and speeches concerning public or civic affairs that are on public record, including but not limited to campaign speeches or writing letters to newspapers, and testimony before public agencies.
- B. List your efforts or contributions toward the improvement of the law, the Marion Superior Court, the legal system, the administration of justice (e.g., by providing *pro bono* legal services), and/or your community through charitable work or public service. In addition to any titles or memberships, please list your accomplishments.
- C. List any experience teaching, with emphasis on teaching the law or related subjects.

**7. Memberships and Other Activities**

- A. List any memberships and offices you have held in professional organizations, including dates and descriptions of the purposes of the organizations and of your involvement. List any accomplishments during your tenure.
- B. List any memberships and offices you have held in civic, charitable, or service organizations, including dates and descriptions of the purposes of the organizations and of your involvement. List any accomplishments during your tenure.
- C. List any memberships you hold in social clubs or similar organizations. If any of those clubs or organizations restrict its membership on the basis of race, sex, religion, or national origin, please identify and describe any efforts you have made, if any, within the applicable club or organization to eliminate the restriction(s).
- D. If you have ever been a candidate for election to public office or a political party office, please identify the race, the date, and the outcome.
- E. If you have served in any positions (including part-time board appointments) with federal, state, or local governments, please identify the position(s) and dates held.
- F. If you have taken a visible role in matters of significant public interest or controversy, please briefly describe the circumstances.

## 8. Legal Proceedings

- A. List any lawsuits or legal proceedings in any jurisdiction, including, but not limited to, bankruptcies, dissolutions, and criminal matters to which you have been a party. Provide the date, jurisdiction, and a brief explanation of the dispute and your role in it. If minor children are involved, *e.g.*, an adoption, use initials only.
- B. If you have any outstanding federal, state, or local tax obligations, please itemize them and explain.
- C. If you ever have been arrested or cited for any violation of the law other than for routine traffic violations, please provide the date, jurisdiction, and a brief explanation of the event and its resolution.
- D. If you have been disciplined or cautioned, formally or informally, by the Indiana Supreme Court Disciplinary Commission, by the Indiana Commission on Judicial Qualifications, by the Indiana Supreme Court, or by similar entities in any other jurisdiction, identify each instance by date and describe the circumstances and nature of the outcome or resolution.
- E. If you have ever been the subject of a background investigation for a state or federal position or security clearance, please identify the position, the date, and the outcome of the investigation.
- F. Please list any current child support arrearages for which you are responsible and any past child support arrearages that required judicial intervention of any kind to resolve.

## 9. Health

- A. Describe your general physical condition.
- B. Within the past three years, have you been diagnosed or treated for any emotional or mental condition or illness? Include any condition that involves treatment for drug or alcohol use. If so, provide the dates of assessment and/or treatment and the names and addresses of your doctors or other treatment providers.
- C. Are you able to perform the essential functions of a judge serving in superior court, with or without accommodation?

## 10. Statement of Economic Interests

- A. Indiana Code section 33-23-11-15 provides that “[i]n a county where judges are selected by a county commission on judicial qualifications, a candidate must file a [S]tatement [of Economic Interests] with the county commission on judicial qualifications and with the commission on judicial qualifications.” Please attach the Statement of Economic Interests required by Indiana Code section 33-23-11-15.

## 11. Miscellaneous

- A. Please consider carefully and disclose any other information that you feel there is a reasonable chance the Committee might consider significant, including, but not limited to
- 1) Information regarding your likely judicial temperament;
  - 2) Personality traits, including the exercise of sound judgment, ability to compromise and conciliate, patience, decisiveness, and dedication;
  - 3) Membership on a board of directors or in any organization, any financial interest, or any other consideration that might create a conflict of interest with a judicial office;
  - 4) Volunteer activities during your post-college career; and/or
  - 5) Supervisory, administrative, managerial, or budgeting experience with any organization.

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## WAIVER, RELEASE, AND CONSENT

The undersigned applicant authorizes the release to the Marion County Judicial Selection Committee, its staff, employees, agents and/or representatives, any records, reports, and documents, which may be requested by the Marion County Judicial Selection Committee in the performance of its evaluations of candidates. The scope of this authorization extends to, but is not necessarily limited to, requests from the Marion County Judicial Selection Committee for Federal, State, or local tax records, criminal and driving histories from any jurisdiction, employment and medical records, attorney and judicial disciplinary records from any jurisdiction (whether pending or closed), and credit reports and histories. Any such information is to be used for possible employment with the Marion Superior Court and will not be available for public inspection.

The undersigned waives, releases and discharges the Marion County Judicial Selection Committee, its staff, employees, agents and representatives, the Indiana State Police, the Indiana Department of Revenue, the Indiana Supreme Court Disciplinary Commission, the Indiana Commission on Judicial Qualifications, the Indiana Judicial Nominating Commission, and any other agency or person (including their staff, employees, agents and representatives) providing information to the Marion County Judicial Selection Committee, of and from any and all claims, actions, damages and liabilities arising from, out of or in connection with the furnishing and/or use of information (such as records, reports and documents) concerning the undersigned applicant.

The undersigned agrees and understands that the Marion County Judicial Selection Committee, its staff, employees, agents and/or representatives, may interview or otherwise consult with members of the legal, judicial, and general community concerning the professional qualifications and the integrity and reputation of the applicant.

The undersigned applicant hereby authorizes and consents to the public disclosure of my name as an applicant for the judgeship as more particularly identified in this application.

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Date

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Applicant Signature

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Printed Name