

APPLICATION FOR CANDIDATES FOR JUDICIAL OFFICE

(Please type responses if possible)

Date of Application: _____

Position applied for: _____

GENERAL

1. **Name:** _____

2. **Mailing address:** _____

Business address: _____

Email address: _____

3. **Social Security No.:** _____

Date of Birth: _____

4. **Town of Residence:** _____

5. **Telephone Nos. Home:** _____ **Business:** _____ **Cell** _____

6. **Length of residence in State of Vermont:** _____

EDUCATION

7. **Secondary schools, colleges and law schools attended:** _____

Dates of attendance: _____

Degree or Credits received: _____

8. **Academic honors, if any:** _____

9. **If you clerked for admission to the bar instead of attending law school, please state the dates and for whom you clerked.** _____

14. During the past five years what percentage of your practice has involved litigation, including motions, hearings, appellate arguments, administrative hearings, trials, and other contested hearings?

Please describe the rest of your practice.

15. During the past five years what percentage of that litigation practice has involved each of the following matters:

- a. domestic relations _____
- b. juvenile matters _____
- c. civil matters _____
- d. criminal matters _____
- e. probate _____
- f. administrative _____
- g. other _____

16. A. Estimate how many contested cases you have tried to conclusion before the following decision makers over the past five years:

- a. a jury _____
- b. a judge _____
- c. a hearing officer, board, commission or administrative law judge _____

B. Estimate how many cases you have begun, but not concluded, before the following decision makers over the past five years:

- a. a jury _____
- b. a judge _____
- c. a hearing officer, board, commission or administrative law judge _____

17. A. How many times over the past five years have you appeared in the following courts:

- a. district _____
- b. family _____
- c. superior _____
- d. probate _____
- e. federal trial _____
- f. federal appellate _____
- g. Vermont Supreme Court _____
- h. administrative body _____
- i. other court _____

B. Estimate the percentage of your total court time spent in each of the above courts over the last five years.

- a. district _____
- b. family _____
- c. superior _____
- d. probate _____
- e. federal trial _____
- f. federal appellate _____
- g. Vermont Supreme Court _____
- h. administrative body _____
- i. other court _____

18. Please describe your experience in each of the following areas:

- a. academics, including teaching, presentations, seminars

b. family dynamics, including domestic violence, child development, families in stress, divorce, etc.

c. management, including business, law firm, human relations, or other

d. mediation, arbitration, or other dispute resolution

e. writing, including articles, journals, books, etc.

JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE

19. Have you ever held judicial office? If so, please state your position, the name of the court(s) and dates of your service.

20. Have you ever served as an Acting Judge or Acting Magistrate in the Vermont court system? If so, please state the courts to which you have been assigned, approximate dates and the approximate number of assignments you have had.

21. Have you ever served as an arbitrator, hearing officer, administrative law judge, or other administrative decision maker? If so, please describe the service and the approximate number of assignments you have had.

22. Please state any quasi-judicial boards or commissions on which you have served, including the name(s) of the agency(ies) for which you served, the position(s) held, the issues under your jurisdiction, and the dates of such service.

23. Calculating all of your judicial or quasi-judicial experience, approximately how many times have you:

- a. prepared a written decision on a contested matter** _____
- b. issued an oral decision on a contested matter** _____
- c. handled motions or other contested proceedings** _____
- d. conducted an evidentiary hearing or proceeding** _____

PUBLICATIONS

24. If you have published any books or articles not identified in response to previous questions, please list them, giving titles, citations, and dates.

PROFESSIONAL, CIVIL AND PUBLIC SERVICE

25. If you have experience as a member of any administrative, legislative, judicial, or regulatory boards, commissions, study committees, or agencies, or any private, corporate or non-profit boards, please list them, giving names and dates served.

26. If you have served as an appointed or elected official in any local, county, state, or federal government position, please provide details and dates.

27. Please list all Bar associations and professional societies of which you are a member, give the titles and dates of any office which you may have held in such groups, and identify committees in which you were active.

28. List any honors, prizes or awards you have received, including the name of the award, the organization granting it, and the date of the award.

29. Please list all other non-profit, community, service, or such other organizations, of which you have been a member during the past ten years, including the titles and dates of any offices which you have held in each such organization.

BUSINESS INVOLVEMENT

30. If you are now an officer, director, or otherwise engaged in the management of any business enterprise, (including a law firm), state the name of such enterprise, the nature of the business, the nature of your duties, and whether you intend to resign such position immediately upon your appointment to judicial office.

31. State whether during the past five years you have received any fees or compensation of any kind, with a value in excess of \$500.00, other than for legal services rendered, from any business enterprise, institution, or association of any kind. If so, identify the source of such compensation, the nature of the business enterprise, institution, organization or association involved, and the dates such compensation was paid.

32. List sources, amounts and dates of all anticipated receipts from deferred income arrangements, stock options, uncompleted contracts and other future benefits which you expect to derive from legal or previous business relationships, professional services, firm membership, former employers, clients or customers. Please describe the arrangements you have made to be compensated in the future for any financial, legal, or business interest if you are appointed to judicial office.

33. Do you have any plans, commitments, or agreements to pursue outside employment, with or without compensation, during your service to the Court? If so, please explain.

CONFLICTS

34. Do you have any significant personal relationship(s) which in your view might present conflicts of interest in the position you are seeking? If so, please explain.

35. Explain how you will resolve any potential conflict of interest, including the procedure you will follow in determining these areas of concern. Identify the categories of litigation and financial arrangements that are likely to present potential conflicts of interest during your initial service if you are appointed to the position for which you are applying.

FINANCIAL

36. List sources and amounts of all income received by you during the calendar year preceding your application and for the current calendar year, including all salaries, fees, dividends, interest, gifts, rents, royalties, patents, honoraria, and other items exceeding \$500.00 in value. You need not identify each individual client who may have paid you a fee.

37. Provide a complete current financial net worth statement which itemizes in detail all assets (including bank accounts, real estate, securities, trusts, investments, and other financial holdings) and all liabilities (including debts, mortgages, loans, and other financial obligations) of yourself, your spouse, and other immediate members of your household: (Please use attached financial sheet).

MISCELLANEOUS

38. Have you ever been arrested, charged, held, or convicted by federal, state or other law enforcement authorities for a violation of any federal law, state law, or county or municipal law, regulation or ordinance? If so, please give details. Do not include traffic violations for which a fine of \$80.00 or less was imposed, unless it also included a jail sentence.

39. Have you ever been sued? If so, please provide details about the case and its disposition.

40. Have you or your professional liability insurance carrier ever settled a claim against you for professional malpractice? If so, please give particulars, including the amounts paid.

44. Have you ever been the subject of any audit, investigation, or inquiry for either federal, state or local taxes? If so, give full details.

45. Have you ever declared bankruptcy? If so, give details.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

NET WORTH

Provide a complete, current financial net worth statement which itemizes in detail all assets (including bank accounts, real estate, securities, trusts, investments, and other financial holdings), all liabilities (including debts, mortgages, loans, and other financial obligations) of yourself, your spouse, and other immediate members of your household.

ASSETS

LIABILITIES

Cash on hand and in banks \$ _____
Securities (attach schedule) _____
Real estate owned _____
(attach schedule) _____
Accounts and notes receivable _____
(attach schedule) _____
Autos and other tangible property _____
(attach schedule) _____
Other assets (attach schedule) _____

Real estate mortgages \$ _____
(attach schedule) _____
Credit cards or personal loans _____
(attach schedule) _____
Other secured notes _____
(attach schedule) _____
Other unsecured notes _____
(attach schedule) _____
Accounts and bills due _____
(attach schedule) _____
Unpaid taxes _____
(attach schedule) _____
Other debts _____
(attach schedule) _____

TOTAL ASSETS \$ _____

TOTAL LIABILITIES \$ _____

TOTAL NET WORTH: \$ _____

AFFIDAVIT

_____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that all of the information I have provided in this Application is true.

Signature of Candidate

STATE OF VERMONT
COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing Application was acknowledged before me this ____ day of _____, 20____, at _____, Vermont by _____ who is personally known to me, who acknowledged his/her signature before me.

Notary Public
My Commission Expires:
02/10/20____

WAIVER

I hereby waive my right to privacy as it relates to the Judicial Nominating Board of any information I have provided herein, including the right of the Board to freely communicate with any names listed on my reference sheet, unless otherwise indicated, with the understanding that any information will be held in confidence by the Board. I hereby authorize the custodian of any records or information to permit the examination or receipt of such information, whether written or oral, by the Judicial Nominating Board. I also understand and agree that if I am determined to be qualified by the Board, this application shall be forwarded to the Governor's office.

Dated: _____

Signature of Candidate

STATE OF VERMONT

COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing Waiver was acknowledged before me this ____ day of _____, 20____, at _____, Vermont by _____ who is personally known to me, who acknowledged his/her signature before me.

Notary Public
My Commission Expires:
02/10/20_____