



**JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE
2024**

Court, Position, and Seat # for which you are applying: Circuit Court, At-Large, Seat 7

1. Name: Joshua Chuck Bronson Allen

Name that you are known by if different from above
(Example: A Nickname): Josh

Are you currently serving in some capacity as a judge? If part-time, please note.
(Includes Municipal, Magistrate, Etc.) Yes, I am currently serving as the Chief Municipal
Judge for the City of Anderson, SC

Home Address: [Redacted]
County of Residence: Anderson
Business Address: 1209 North Main Street, Anderson, SC 29621
E-Mail Address: [Redacted]
Telephone Number: (home): [Redacted]
(office): 864-226-6184
(cell): [Redacted]

2. Date of Birth: [Redacted]/1981
Place of Birth: Columbia, SC
Social Security Number: [Redacted]

3. Are you a citizen of South Carolina? Yes
Have you been a resident of this state for at least the immediate past five years?
Yes.

4. SCDL# or SCHD#: [Redacted]
Voter Registration Number: [Redacted]

5. Have you served in the military? If so, give the dates, branch of service, highest rank
attained, serial number (if applicable), present status, and the character of your discharge or
release. Please provide a copy of your DD214 concerning your discharge.
Not applicable.

6. Family Status:
(a) State whether you are single, married, widowed, divorced, or separated.
(b) If married, state the date of your marriage and your spouse's full name and
occupation.
(c) If widowed, list the name(s) of spouse(s).

(d) If you have ever been divorced or are in the process of obtaining a divorce, state the date, name of the moving party, court, and grounds.

(e) State the names of your children and their ages. If your children are NOT full-time students, also include the occupation and employer of each child.

Married on May 6, 2011 to Taylor McCade Allen (homemaker).

Never divorced, four children.

[Redacted]

7. List each college and law school you attended, including the dates of your attendance, the degrees you received, and if you left an institution without receiving a degree, the reason for your departure.

(a) Fork Union Military Academy: August 1999-May 2000

(b) Appalachian State University: August 2000-August 2002

(c) Tri-County Technical College: Fall of 2002, Summer of 2003, Summer of 2004, Summer of 2005

(d) Anderson University: January 2003-May 2006

(e) John Marshall School of Law: August 2007-May 2008

(f) University of South Carolina School of Law: August 2008-May 2010

8. List the significant activities in which you took part during your attendance at law school. Give the years you were involved in these activities and list any leadership positions you held.

I worked in the summer at the Fifth Circuit Solicitor's office assisting attorneys with research, writing, and other miscellaneous duties as well as viewing various trials and other Court hearings.

9. List the states in which you have been admitted to practice law and the year of each admission. Also list any states in which you took the bar exam but were never admitted to the practice of law. Please indicate the number of times you took the exam in each state.

I am admitted to practice law in South Carolina and was admitted in 2011.

I have never taken any other bar exams in any other state. I took the SC Bar Exam twice.

10. Describe chronologically, since graduation from law school, your legal experience. Please include a list of all positions held in which you worked in a legal capacity. Describe the general character of your practice and divide it into periods with dates if its character changed over the years. Please also describe the extent to which you were involved with the administrative and financial management of each of these entities, including management of trust accounts.

(a) 2010-2011: Law Clerk to the Honorable R. Lawton McIntosh;

(b) 2011-2014: Assistant Solicitor for the 10th Judicial Circuit prosecuting primarily narcotics, property crimes, and DUIs, while also sitting second chair in other various cases. Additionally, I was the Solicitor's Office representative on the Anderson County Drug Court panel;

(c) 2014-Present: Attorney at the Allen and Allen Law Firm focusing

primarily on personal injury litigation, workers compensation, divorce/child custody, probate matters, and criminal defense; includes all stages of litigation such as filing of pleadings, discovery, mediation, and trial or settlement prior to trial;

(d) 2015-2016: Associate Municipal Court Judge for the City of Anderson, SC conducting bond hearings and presiding over summary court level criminal offenses and vehicular traffic matters;

(e) 2016-Present: Chief Municipal Judge for the City of Anderson, SC presiding over summary court level criminal cases, as well as City Code violations, and vehicular traffic matters. Duties also include overseeing five associate judges that primarily conduct bond hearings and provide availability when scheduling conflicts may arise; and

(f) 2016-Present: Associate Judge for the Anderson County Drug Court assisting in all matters related to the program such as issuing bench warrants, attending weekly panel discussion sessions with participants, and attending various substance abuse conferences on behalf of Anderson County, SC.

Justices/judges applying for re-election to their current position may omit Questions 11–17. If you are a full-time judge seeking a judgeship different than your current position, Questions 11-17 should be answered based on your experience prior to serving on the bench.

11. Please answer the following:

(a) If you are a candidate for Family Court, please provide a brief written description of your experience within each of the following Family Court practice areas: divorce and equitable division of property, child custody, adoption, abuse and neglect, and juvenile justice. Include information about cases you have handled in each of these practice areas, or if you have not practiced in an area, describe how your background and procedural knowledge has prepared you to preside over such matters as a Family Court judge. Please also indicate the frequency of your appearances before a Family Court judge within the past five years.

Not applicable.

(b) If you are a candidate for Circuit Court, please provide a brief written description of your experience in criminal matters, including any cases handled over the past five years, and include a brief description of the issues involved. Further, please provide a brief written description of your experience in civil matters, including any cases handled over the past five years, and include a brief description of the types of matters handled, issues involved, and procedural history. Please include information such as the primary areas in civil court in which you practice, and whether you represent plaintiffs or defendants, or both.

You may go back further than five years if you feel it would assist the Commission with its assessment of your experience. If you lack experience in an area, describe how your background and procedural knowledge has prepared you to preside over such matters as a Circuit Court judge, or how you would compensate for your lack of experience in this area. Please also indicate the frequency of your appearances before a Circuit Court judge within the past five years.

Over the past five years and prior, I have handled a variety of criminal matters including Attempted Murder, Criminal Domestic Violence, Assault and Battery, drug offenses, as well as a variety of traffic offenses (including DUIs) among others as a defense attorney. The issues in these cases involved probable cause in preliminary hearings, strengths or weaknesses of evidence, search and seizure issues, chain of custody issues, compliance with various evidentiary rules, and any others issues that may arise in a criminal case. I also have extensive experience from my time as an Assistant Solicitor where I handled primarily drug offenses and DUI prosecution. I was also co-counsel in other violent crime cases while in the Solicitor's Office.

As to civil matters, I have routinely handled cases involving personal injury, premises liability, and workplace injuries. The issues involved in the vast majority of personal injury cases are issues regarding the severity of injuries, proximate causation, damages, and the strengths and weaknesses of party, witness, and expert testimony. Discovery issues also often arise in these cases related to interrogatories, requests to admit, motions to compel, deposition objections, sufficiency of answers to discovery, and many others that can be relevant in discovery disputes.

- (c) If you are a candidate for Master-In-Equity, please provide a brief written description of your experience in the Master's court, including any cases handled over the past five years, and include a brief description of the issues involved. Please include the frequency of your appearances before a Master-In-Equity or a Circuit Court judge within the past five years.

Not applicable.

- (d) If you are a candidate for Administrative Law Court, please provide a brief written description of your experience before an Administrative Law Judge, including any issues discussed and the frequency of your appearances before the Administrative Law or Circuit Court within the past five years.

Not applicable.

12. What was the frequency of your court appearances during the past five years or in the five years prior to your election to the bench?

- (a) federal: less than 5 in the last five years
(b) state: 4-5 times per month

13. What percentage of your practice involved civil, criminal, domestic, and other matters during the past five years or in the five years prior to your election to the bench?

- (a) civil: 60%
(b) criminal: 10%
(c) domestic: 25%
(d) other: 5% (Probate)

14. During the past five years

- (a) What percentage of your practice was in trial court, including cases that settled prior to

trial?

100%

(b) What number of cases went to trial and resulted in a verdict?

Less than five.

(c) What number of cases went to trial and resolved after the plaintiff's or State's case?

(Resolved may include settlement, plea, by Judge's order during a motion hearing, etc.)

None.

(d) What number of your cases settled after a jury was selected but prior to opening statements?

None.

During the past five years, did you most often serve as sole counsel, chief counsel, or co-counsel?

During the past five years, in nearly all cases I have been sole counsel. I have been co-counsel on less than five cases during that same period of time.

For sitting judges seeking a judgeship different than your current position,

During the five years prior to your election to the bench, what percentage of your practice was in trial court, including matters that settled prior to trial?

100%

15. List five of the most significant litigated matters you have personally handled in either trial or appellate court, or before a state or federal agency. Give citations if the cases were reported and describe why these matters were significant.

(a) Robert William Goodwin and Marian Charlene Goodwin vs. Varkey Alencheril Joseph, April Desiree Chappell, individually and as agent of Swift Transportation Company of Arizona, LLC and Swift Transportation Company of Arizona, LLC (Case #2021-CP-04-00234): This is a personal injury case that arose from multiple tortfeasors that led to serious and catastrophic injuries to the client wherein the client was struck by a vehicle while directing traffic. This case is significant because of the various issues involved including duty, comparative negligence, and violations of industry standards. It is also significant because of the extensive discovery process that required numerous motions and hearings related to discovery as well as the significant amount of various expert witnesses involved. This case is set for a date certain trial on October 28, 2024.

(b) Henry D. Adair vs Lloyd Allen Davenport, individually and as agent of Specialty Freight Services, LLC and Specialty Freight Services, LLC (2024-CP-04-01478): This case was significant because of the gross negligence that took place and the resulting injuries that were suffered by the client. This case involved the driver of an 18 wheeler tractor trailer running a stop sign and pulling into oncoming traffic. The client suffered catastrophic injuries. The issues involved were the level of negligence, breach of duty by the Defendant, whether additional liability coverage was available under GEICO vs. Poole were relevant, and many others. The case also involved extensive accident reconstruction as there were possible issues of contributory negligence. The case ultimately settled before trial.

(c) Amanda Santos and Deryck Santos as parents and guardian of A.M., a minor under the age of 18 vs. Camden Military Academy, Inc., and John Heflin, individually and as agent of Camden Military Academy, Inc. (Case #: 3:17-CV-02281-CMC): This case was significant because it involved very traumatic mental injuries suffered by a minor that was heard in federal court. From the beginning, this case was highly contentious and most every issue relating to duty, causation, and damages was contested. After extensive discovery, multiple hearings and depositions, the case ultimately settled before trial primarily because the minor was set to enlist in the Army and did not want to continue with the litigation.

(d) Carlton J. Slade and Debbie Slade, as joint Personal Representatives of the Estate of William Shamari Slade vs. Bougie Lounge, LLC d/b/a 821 Greenville, Danielle Britt, individually and as agent of Boudie Lounge, LLC d/b/a 821 Greenville, Armani Peters, individually and as agent of 821 Greenville, and Falls Land, LLC (Case #: 2024-CP-23-04940): This case is significant as it involves the tragic shooting death of Mr. Slade at an establishment in Greenville, SC. This case involves primarily issues of duty and causation and more specifically issues of concurring causation. Expert witness testimony regarding proper security measures inside businesses as well as in common areas is critical. This lawsuit was recently filed and is in litigation.

(e) State of South Carolina vs. Daniel Kyle Scroggs (Case #2018-GS-04-20455). This case was significant because it involved criminal charges against my client that were brought as a result of a highly contentious custody battle in family court. My client was charged with Domestic Violence, 2nd Degree. After extensive plea negotiations with the prosecutor, the case was ultimately tried to a verdict. The majority female jury saw that there was little evidence that my client had committed these acts and that it was done for the purpose of having his rights to his children taken away. Thankfully, the jury refused to convict him of this charge and Mr. Scroggs ultimately gained visitation rights to his two young sons and they maintain a strong relationship to this day.

16. List up to five civil appeals you have personally handled. Give the case name, the court, the date of decision, and the citation if the case was reported.

(a) Randall Dixon vs. Nationwide Property & Casualty Insurance Company (Case # 2016-000987), South Carolina Court of Appeals, Date of Decision – November 15, 2017.

17. List up to five criminal appeals you have personally handled. Give the case name, the court, the date of decision and the citation if the case was reported.

I have had no criminal appeals.

18. Have you ever held judicial office? If so, list the periods of your service, the courts involved, and whether you were elected or appointed. Describe the jurisdiction of each of the courts and note any limitations on the jurisdiction of each court.

I was appointed Associate Municipal Court Judge in 2015 and then appointed Chief Municipal Judge for the City of Anderson, SC, both unanimously by the Anderson City Council. Starting in 2016, I was also named Associate Judge for the Anderson County Drug Court by Court Order from then Chief Justice Costa M. Pleicones. I have continued to serve in these positions.

19. If the answer to question 18 is yes, describe or list five of your most significant orders or opinions and give the citations if they were reported. Also, list citations to any appellate review of these orders or opinions.
Having jurisdiction at the Summary Court level, I have not had significant opinions or orders.
20. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice and list the dates of your admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies that require a special admission to practice.
South Carolina State Courts-2011
United States District Court of South Carolina-2017
21. Have you taught law-related courses or lectured at bar association conferences, educational institutions, or continuing legal or judicial education programs? If so, briefly describe each course or lecture.
Yes, I have taught the criminal law class for the Law School for Non-Lawyers held at Tri-County Technical College in Pendleton, SC, a program for members of the public to learn the basics of criminal law, probate law, family law, etc.
22. Provide, as a separate attachment, your continuing legal or judicial education report from the past five years.
Please see attached Judicial Ethics Reports.
23. List all published books and articles you have written and give citations and the dates of publication for each.
I have not published any books nor written any articles.
24. Please furnish as a separate attachment, two examples of legal articles, briefs, orders, or other legal writings for which you can claim sole or primary authorship. If you cannot claim sole authorship, please explain the extent to which you are the primary author, to include a description of the other authors and their contributions. The writing samples are for the Commission's use only and will not be published. (If you are a judge and are not seeking a different type of judgeship, this question is inapplicable.)
See attachments.
25. What is your rating or membership status, if any, by any legal rating organization; such as, Best Lawyers, Chambers, Legal 500, Martindale-Hubbell, Who's Who Legal, Super Lawyers, Million Dollar Advocates Forum, etc.? If you are currently a member of the judiciary, list your last available rating, if any.
I am not rated by any legal rating organization nor have I paid any dues or fees required for some rating services even though I am eligible, such as the Million Dollar Advocates Forum.
26. List all bar associations and professional organizations of which you are a member and give the titles and dates of any offices you have held in such groups.

- (a) Anderson County Bar Association
- (b) South Carolina Bar Association
- (c) South Carolina Association of Justice

27. Have you ever held public office other than judicial office? If so, list the periods of your service, the office or offices involved, and whether you were elected or appointed. Also, state whether or not you have timely filed your report with the State Ethics Commission during the period you held public office. If not, were you ever subject to a penalty? If so, give details, including dates.
No.
28. For sitting or former judges, list all employment you had while serving as a judge (whether full-time or part-time, contractual or at will, consulting or otherwise) other than elected judicial office. Specify your dates of employment, employer, major job responsibilities, and supervisor.
2014-Present: Full time as Attorney at the Allen & Allen Law Firm, LLC focusing primarily on personal injury litigation, workers compensation, divorce/child custody, probate matter, and criminal defense.
29. Have you ever been an unsuccessful candidate for elective, judicial, or other public office? If so, give details, including dates.
No.
30. Have you ever been engaged in any occupation, business, or profession other than the practice of law, teaching of law, or holding judicial or other public office? If so, give details, including a description of your occupation, business, or profession, the dates of your employment, and the name of your business or employer.
Yes, I was employed at Energy Conversion Corp. in Anderson, SC from 2003-2005. My duties primarily focused on locating potential land acquisitions and/or leases.
31. Are you now an officer or director or involved in the management of any business enterprise? Explain the nature of the business, your duties, and the term of your service.
I am not involved in the management of any business enterprise.
32. Are you now or have you ever been employed as a “lobbyist,” as defined by S.C. Code § 2-17-10(13), or have you acted in the capacity of a “lobbyist’s principal,” as defined by S.C. Code § 2-17-10(14)? If so, give the dates of your employment or activity in such capacity and specify by whom you were directed or employed.
I am not currently nor have I ever been employed as a “lobbyist” or acted in the capacity of a “lobbyist’s principal”.
33. Provide, as a separate attachment, a complete, current financial net worth statement that itemizes in detail:
- (a) the identity and value of all financial assets held, directly or indirectly, including, but not limited to, bank accounts, real estate, securities, trusts, investments, and other financial holdings; and

- (b) the identity and amount of each liability owed, directly or indirectly, which is in excess of \$1,000, including, but not limited to, debts, mortgages, loans, and other financial obligations.

Please see attached Personal Financial Statement

(A net worth statement form is provided with this questionnaire and you must use this format for submission of your financial statement.)

NOTE: The Commission may require written confirmation that financial obligations have been satisfied or that the parties have agreed upon a payment schedule.

34. (a) Have you filed state and federal income tax returns for the last 5 years? If no, please provide details.
Yes.
- (b) Have you or any business with which you are associated been delinquent in any local, state, or federal taxes? If yes, please provide details.
Yes, in 2023 and 2024 my investment real estate tax payments were delayed in order for me to acquire additional properties
- (c) Has a tax lien or other collection procedure ever been instituted against you by federal, state, or local authorities? If yes, please provide details.
No.
- (d) Have you ever defaulted on a student loan? If so, please provide details.
No.
- (e) Have you ever filed for bankruptcy? If so, please provide details, along with proof of satisfaction of any liens or defaults.
No.
35. Since filing with the Commission your letter of intent to run for judicial office, have you accepted lodging, transportation, entertainment, food, meals, beverages, money, or any other thing of value as defined by S.C. Code § 2-17-10(1) from a lobbyist or lobbyist's principal? If so, please specify the item or items you received, the date of receipt, and the lobbyist or lobbyist's principal involved.
No
36. Itemize (by amount, type, and date) all expenditures, other than those for travel and room and board, made by you, or on your behalf in furtherance of your candidacy for the position you seek. If you have spent over \$100, have you reported your expenditures to the House and Senate Ethics Committees?
None
37. List the recipient and amount of all contributions made by you, a member of your immediate family, or by a business with whom you are associated, to members of the General Assembly within the past four years. If you participate in any employer-mandated contributions to a PAC or any other political entity, please describe and note your personal

involvement in contributions. If you are a sitting judge, please include such contributions since your last screening.

A member of my immediate family, my father, has contribute in the last four years to the following:

- (a) Senator Richard Cash;
- (b) Representative Don Chapman;
- (c) Representative Brian White; and
- (d) Representative West Cox

38. Have you or has anyone acting on your behalf solicited or collected funds to aid in the promotion of your candidacy? If so, please specify the amount, solicitor, donor, and date of the solicitation.
No.

39. Describe any financial arrangements or business relationships you have, or have had in the past, that could constitute or result in a possible conflict of interest in the position you seek or currently hold. Explain how you would resolve any potential conflict of interest.
None.

40. Describe any interest you or a member of your immediate family has in real property:
(a) in which there is a potential conflict of interest with your involvement in a South Carolina state or local public agency;
(b) in which there have been public improvements of \$200 or more that adjoins property in which there have been public improvements of \$200 or more; or
(c) which was sold, leased, or rented to a state or local public agency in South Carolina.
None.

List the interest you hold and the value and location of the property. Identify as applicable the:

- (a) nature of any potential conflict of interest;
- (b) nature and value of any public improvements; and
- (c) South Carolina state or local public agency which purchased or is leasing or renting such property.

Attach a copy of any contract or agreement.

None.

41. Identify any personal property interest you or a member of your immediate family sold, leased, or rented to a South Carolina state or local public agency. Identify the property, its amount or value, and the name of the agency. Attach a copy of any contract or agreement.
I nor any member of my family have a personal property interest sold, leased, or rented to a South Carolina state or local agency.
None.

42. For sitting judges, if you currently hold an interest in stock or other securities or have held such an interest, list each stock you currently own or owned during the prior calendar year.

If you prefer, you may attach broker or account records containing the requested information instead of listing it here.
See attachment.

43. For sitting judges, have you ever accepted anything of value from an attorney or litigant in a matter currently or previously before you or your court? If so, please give the details, including the name of the attorney or litigant and the thing of value you received.
No.
44. For sitting judges, have you used the services of your staff, for which you did not pay, while campaigning for this office?
No.
45. Have you ever been arrested, charged, or held by federal, state, or other law enforcement authorities for violation or for suspicion of violation of any federal law or regulation, state law or regulation, or county or municipal law, regulation, or ordinance, or any other law, including another country's law? If so, give details but do not include traffic violations subject to a penalty of \$125 or less. You must include any and all arrests, including, but not limited to, offenses for driving under the influence or similar traffic offenses. Include all arrests that resulted in expungement, which will be redacted. If you have questions regarding whether to include an offense, please contact the Commission.
Yes. Those are: 1) Open Container and 2) Baiting Dove Field
46. Have you, to your knowledge, ever been under federal, state, or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute? If yes, explain.
No.
47. Have you ever been sued by a client? Have you ever been a named party (personally or professionally) in or had a pecuniary interest in any civil or criminal proceedings? If so, give details, including, but not limited to, dates, and resolutions.
Yes, Eric Boland v. Donald L. "Chuck" Allen, Joshua C. B. Allen, Allen & Allen Law Firm (Defamation)
Case No.: 2021-CP-04-01698
Filed on 8-27-2021
Settled on 5-30-2023
48. If you are in private practice, are you covered by malpractice insurance and, if so, how long have you carried malpractice insurance? If applicable, have you ever been covered by a tail policy? If so, please explain when you were covered by a tail policy. Also, if applicable, indicate your coverage and deductible for your current malpractice policy.
No, the firm has a general business liability policy.
49. Have you ever, in South Carolina or any other jurisdiction, as a lawyer, judge, or other professional, been cautioned with or without a finding of misconduct, sanctioned, or disciplined for lawyer, judicial, or other professional misconduct or has any jurisdiction found that you committed any misconduct? If so, give the details and describe any final

disposition. Include any and all confidential and public sanctions, disciplines, letters of caution, or findings of misconduct of any kind. Private or confidential dispositions will be redacted.

[Yes and no responses are redacted for all candidates unless there is a public discipline.]

50. Have you ever been investigated by the Department of Social Services? If so, give the details and the resolution. Has your name ever been enrolled on the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect? If so, give the details.
No.
51. Have you directly or indirectly requested the pledge of any member of the General Assembly as to your election for the position for which you are being screened, or have you been offered a conditional pledge of support by any legislator pending the outcome of your screening? Have you received the assurance of any public official or public employee that they will seek the pledge of any member of the General Assembly as to your election for the position for which you are being screened? If so, give details.
No.
52. Have you requested any third parties to contact members of the General Assembly on your behalf before the final and formal screening report has been released? Describe the campaigning you have done for this election and include a list of those individuals you have asked to campaign on your behalf and, to the best of your knowledge, those who have campaigned for you on their own initiative.
No.
53. Are you familiar with the 48-hour rule, which prohibits a candidate from seeking pledges until after the draft report becomes final, which occurs on the day and time specified on the Commission's published screening schedule?
Yes, I am familiar.
54. Since submitting your letter of intent to become a candidate, have you or has anyone acting on your behalf contacted any member of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission about your candidacy or intention to become a candidate? If so, give details.
No.
55. List the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of five (5) persons from whom you are providing references. Also, provide the Commission with original letters of recommendation from each person listed herein, including their signature (preferably in blue ink). The Commission will not accept a photocopy or electronic submission of a letter of recommendation and failure to include all five (5) original letters of recommendation in your packet when you submit it will render your packet incomplete. Please do not have references mail your reference letters to the Commission directly. *You must return the five (5) original letters of recommendation to the Commission with your application.*

- (a) Chad McBride (Anderson County Sheriff)
Anderson County Sheriff's Office
[Redacted]
- (b) Tommy Edwards (retired Family Court judge)
[Redacted]
- (c) Frankie McClain (retired Family Court Judge)
Anderson City Attorney
[Redacted]
- (d) Druanne White (current practitioner and former 10th Circuit Solicitor)
White Davis & White Law Firm
[Redacted]
- (e) Billy Epps (senior member of Anderson County bar)
The Law Office of Epps & Epps, LLC
[Redacted]

56. Are you active on or a member of a social media or Internet site such as, Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, Instagram, etc.?

Yes, on Facebook and Instagram.

If so, please list the account names for each account and the relevant platform.

Facebook: [Redacted]

Instagram: [Redacted]

How would your use of social media or other similar types of Internet sites be affected if you were serving in a judicial capacity?

It would have little to no effect as I very rarely make posts and it is primarily family photos.

57. List all civic, charitable, educational, social, and fraternal organizations of which you are or have been a member during the past five years and include any offices held in such a group, and any professional honors, awards, or other forms of recognition received and not listed elsewhere. My current position as Chief Judge for the City of Anderson has limited and/or prohibited my involvement with many local organizations; however, I have at various points in the past been associated with the following:

- (a) Board member of Anderson Interfaith Ministries;
- (b) Board member at St. John's United Methodist Church;

- (c) Coach of Church League Youth Basketball;
- (d) Member of Board of Emerging Leaders at Anderson University; and
- (f) Anderson Independent Mail Top 20 under 40.

58. Provide any other information that may reflect positively or negatively on your candidacy, or which you believe should be disclosed in connection with consideration of you for nomination for the position you seek. This information may include how your life experiences have affected or influenced the kind or type of judge you have been or plan to be.

I believe my diverse background during my professional and legal career gives me a unique perspective in presiding over matters heard in Circuit Court. I began my career as a prosecutor and tried a number of cases to a verdict and prosecuted a wide variety of crimes. I also argued for the State in the first vehicle related “Stand Your Ground” challenge in Anderson County while at the Solicitor’s office. In my career in private practice, I have represented clients in a variety of different cases in family court ranging from mothers and fathers in child custody matters, victims of domestic violence, significant asset divisions, and adoptions. In personal injury cases, I have represented clients with catastrophic injuries, victims of abuse, and clients who have had life changing workplace accidents.

Additionally, my experience as Chief Judge for the City of Anderson, SC exposes me on a daily basis to many people from many different backgrounds on a personal level as often these litigants are unrepresented. This experience has provided valuable lessons in communication, judicial temperament, and respectful interaction with litigants from all walks of life. Finally, my experience as the Associate Judge for the Anderson County Drug Court has given me valuable experience to see firsthand the devastation to families and communities caused by substance abuse and the way in which the community can provide resources to break the family cycle of drug abuse.

I would also like to mention that my experience in many different courtrooms as a practicing private attorney has given me the understanding of the demands of the profession. Whether that be advising clients, meeting deadlines, coordinating and scheduling different witnesses available for trial, and many more of the various challenges that attorneys face. This experience gives me a real world perspective as to the challenges the attorneys that would come before me face and will allow me to work with them in a manner that is flexible while also ensuring the timely disposition of cases. All of these experiences along with my work history have prepared me to be a fair and impartial candidate for the Circuit Court bench.

YOUR SIGNATURE WILL BE HELD TO CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF ANY PROCEEDING BEFORE A GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE OR ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING YOUR CREDIT.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT MY ANSWERS ARE TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

Signature: _____

Sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 2024.

(Notary Signature)

(Notary Printed Name)
Notary Public for South Carolina
My Commission Expires: _____