**TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT NOMINATING COMMISSION**

**DISTRICT JUDGE POSITION**

The original and 15 copies each of (1) this application form; (2) a **maximum** of 5 supporting letters; (3) a writing sample; and (4) a copy of your continuing legal education reports (MCLE Annual Report) for the past three years (see, www.kscle.org) should be delivered to the Commission Secretary listed at the bottom of this form no later than noon on the date the application is due. **Only one original of the Authorization for Release should be provided.** It should be attached separately in a sealed envelope. Please answer the following questions on 8½” by 11” paper. If you are asked to provide the name of an attorney or judge, please include the **person’s name, address, zip code, phone, and e-mail**. Applicants are encouraged, but not required, to provide a photograph with their application.

For more information go to: <http://www.jocojnc.org>.

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| Full name: | |  | | | |  | |
| Office address: | | | |  | | Phone: |  |
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| Are you between the ages of 30 and 75?  Yes  No | | | | | | | |
| Place of birth: | | | City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | State: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | |

1. Schools and colleges you have attended, diplomas, degrees and dates.

2. List all courts, state bars, and administrative bodies having special admission requirements to which you are presently admitted to practice, specifying the dates of admission, whether you are currently a member in good standing, and whether there are any current restrictions on your ability to practice law.

3. Describe chronologically your legal employment since becoming a member of any state bar. Include dates, names and addresses of all law offices, firms, companies or government agencies with which you have ever practiced, the nature of your affiliation with each, the general nature of your practice, and any other relevant particulars. Also, please provide the name, current address and telephone number of a person, preferably your supervisor, who can verify your employment for each position listed below.

4. Describe the general nature of your current professional legal work.

5. If in private legal practice, describe your typical client(s). If not in private legal practice, describe your employer or work arrangement, your position within the structure (are you supervised, how is work assigned, who receives your work product), and other information you feel would assist the commission in understanding the nature of your professional responsibilities.

6. (a) What percentage of your appearance in courts in the last five years was in:

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| **Court** | | **Approximate Number of Appearances** |  | **Percentage of Your Practice** |
| Federal District Court | |  |  | % |
| Federal Appellate Court | |  |  | % |
| State General Jurisdiction Court | |  |  | % |
| State Appellate Court | |  |  | % |
| State Limited /Special Court  Specify the Court: | |  |  |  |
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| Administrative Bodies | |  |  | % |

(b) Of that state general jurisdiction percentage, indicate \_     \_% civil, \_      % criminal, \_     % domestic, \_     % probate, \_      % juvenile.

(c) In the last five years, how many jury trials have you participated in as first chair? \_     \_

(d) In the last five years, how many bench trials have you participated in as first chair? \_     \_

7. List and describe the five most significant cases which you personally litigated, giving case style, number and citation to reported decisions, if any. Identify your client and describe the nature of your participation in the case and the reason you believe it to be significant. Give the name of the court and judge, the date tried, and the names of other attorneys involved.

8. Describe any additional arbitration, mediation or other alternative dispute resolution experience that you would like to bring to the attention of the commission.

9. Have you ever held judicial office or been a candidate for judicial office? If so, state the courts involved and the dates of service, including service as a judge pro tempore.

10. Have you ever held or been a candidate for any other public office? If so, state the office, location, and dates of service or candidacy. If you currently hold such office, would you be willing to resign from this position?

11. Have you made any special contributions to the legal profession, such as writings or lectures? If so, state the nature.

12. List all legal associations and professional societies of which you are a member, and give the titles and dates of any office which you may have held in such groups and committees to which you belong(ed) and offices held.

13. For the last five years, list, in a fully identifiable fashion, all civic, charitable, sports-related or cultural organizations of which you have been a member, including the titles and dates of any offices which you have held and the activities in which you have been or are engaged in each such organization.

14. Are you a director or officer of any business, corporation, partnership or joint venture? Do you hold an ownership interest of more than $5,000 in value (stock, partnership or proprietorship equity, or otherwise) in any business or corporation? Is there any such connection that you would not be willing to sever if the relationship resulted in your frequent disqualification?

15. Have you ever been sued by a client? If so, give particulars, including case numbers.

16. Have you ever been a party in any other legal proceeding? If so, give the particulars. Include all legal proceedings in which you were a party in interest, including divorce proceedings; a material witness; a named co-conspirator or co-respondent; and any grand jury investigation in which you figured as a subject, or in which you appeared as a witness. Do not list proceedings in which you were sued only in a representative capacity (e.g., guardian *ad litem*).

17. Have you ever been the subject of an order or other discipline imposed by a professional disciplinary body, or found in contempt? Identify the body or court involved.

18. Do you have a professional, business, family or personal relationship with any member of the Judicial Nominating Commission to whom you are submitting this application? If so, provide a description of this relationship.

19. Do you currently use illegal drugs? Illegal use of drugs means the use of one or more drugs, the possession or distribution of which is illegal under the laws of Kansas or of the United States. If so, please explain.

20. Have you ever filed for bankruptcy or had bankruptcy proceedings initiated against you? If so, please explain.

21. Do you presently have any non-current unpaid tax obligations? If so, please explain.

22. List the names, addresses, phone, and email of **two persons** whom the nominating commission may contact who can discuss your **general character and background**.

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23. List the names, addresses, phone, and email of **three other persons** whom the nominating commission may contact who can discuss your **professional competence and qualifications** for a judicial position.

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24. List the **names, address, *zip code,* phone, and email** of attorneys involved in your three most recent cases that were resolved, either through trial or alternative dispute resolution, in which you did significant work. List only those cases that were resolved in the past three years. Please include the **judges' names, address, *zip code, phone, and email*** and the **case names** and **numbers**.

**Case 1**:

**Case 2:**

**Case 3:**

25. Applicants who are currently judges should list the three most recent trials over which they presided, or cases over which they presided that did not go to trial, but in which they did significant work. Please include the **case names** and **numbers**, and the **names** of attorneys who were involved. Include their **address, *zip code,* phone,** and **email**.

26. Any other information you wish the Commission to consider.

(Signature) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

SUBMIT TO:

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**AUTHORIZATION OF RELEASE**

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Date

I hereby authorize and request any former and/or present employer, creditor, bank, savings and loan, credit union, finance company, mortgage company, credit card company, credit reporting agency, collection agency, school, college, university, agencies in the criminal justice system or any other person company or corporation to release any and all information and documentation relating to my employment, personnel records, evaluations, credit, financial condition, financial information, school activities, grades, degrees, character, integrity, criminal history including expunged records and diversions and any other information whatsoever to any person of the 10th Judicial Nominating Commission.

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| (Signature) | |
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| (Typed Name) | |
| Social Security Number: |  |
| Driver’s License Number: |  |
| Date of Birth: |  |
| Kansas Bar Number: |  |
| Residence Address: |  |
| Street: |  |
| City, State, Zip: |  |
| Personal Cell Phone: |  |

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 201\_\_\_.

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Notary Public