Tenth Judicial District
Judicial Nominating Commission
Minutes April 26, 2012 Meeting

Date: April 26, 2012
Time: 12:00 p.m.
Location: Johnson County Courthouse, 100 N. Kansas, Room 337, Olathe, KS
In attendance: Justice Lee Johnson, Chair; Hon. Karen Arnold-Burger, Secretary, Edna Baginsky, Ron Ryckman, Charley German, Gregory Doring, Steve Howe, Brett Milbourn, Marcia Rinehart, Lee Smithyman, Richard Merker, Terry Presta and Hon. Kevin Moriarty
Absent (Excused): Michelle Kinzer, Vivien Jennings.

After lunch was provided, the meeting was called to order by Justice Lee Johnson at 12:20 p.m.

After the meeting was called to order and a quorum declared, members introduced themselves one by one around the table. Charley German then moved to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2008 meeting. Marcia Rinehart seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the minutes were thereby approved.

A general discussion was had concerning potential openings in 2012 and the first 6 months of 2013. It was anticipated that there could be as many as six openings. Judge Alan Slater has indicated that he will be retiring in July and a decision was made to set an application deadline for his position and determine the date to review applications and the date to interview applicants. May 30 at noon was selected as the application deadline, June 6 at 2:00 p.m. to discuss applications and determine interviewees, and June 28th beginning at 8:00 a.m. to interview applicants. The location was to be determined by Judge Moriarty at a later date based on availability of space in the general administration building and the courthouse. Justice Johnson was going to handle getting the postcards out as required. There was some discussion that there may be another opening this summer and the Commission may be able to conduct interviews for two positions at one time, as was done in 2007.

Returning commissioners reviewed the process the Commission has traditionally followed for openings. The updated Rules of Procedure were reviewed. Marcia Rinehart moved to approve the Rules as revised. Edna Baginsky seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and each member in attendance signed the Rules. It was decided that no additional changes would be necessary
to the application with the exception of having them delivered to Judge Moriarty instead of Judge Arnold-Burger. A new group picture for the website will be taken at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:05 p.m.

Approved this 6th day of June, 2012.

Karen Arnold-Burger
Secretary