

JUDICIAL EVALUATION QUESTIONNAIRE

This questionnaire is confidential and will be used to facilitate the Judicial Merit Selection Committee's recommendation of candidates for the United States District Court vacancies.

INSTRUCTIONS: Please answer the following questions in the space provided or as an attachment. The completed questionnaire should be sent electronically to WDWA_Submissions@mhb.com on or before **January 4, 2021**. *In addition you are reminded that any individual nominated for appointment to a federal judicial position must undergo an extensive FBI background check. You are encouraged to familiarize yourself with the nature of this background check.* Should you be selected as a finalist, Senators Murray and Cantwell and their staffs will personally interview you and will specifically inquire whether there is any subject, including those addressed by the FBI background check, which might raise concerns about your qualifications to serve as a federal judge, or your ability to be confirmed by the U.S. Senate.

1. _____
First Name Middle Last

2. _____
Home Address City State Zip

3. _____
Business Address City State Zip

4. _____
Date of Birth Place of Birth

5. Years of admission to practice law? _____ In Washington? _____

6. List colleges and universities attended, years of attendance, degree awarded and reason for leaving if no degree was awarded.

College/University Dates of Attendance Degree

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7. List law schools attended, years of attendance, degree awarded and reason for leaving if no degree was awarded.

Law School Dates of Attendance Degree

Law School

Dates of Attendance

Degree

8. Provide the following information concerning your legal experience:
- (a) if a practicing lawyer, the general nature of your current and past law practice and identify the firms or companies with whom you have worked;
 - (b) if a judicial officer, the court on which you serve, the dates of service, and your prior experience practicing law, including information responsive to 8(a) above;
 - (c) If you are neither a practicing lawyer nor judicial officer, describe with particularity the nature and extent of your legal experience.
 - (d) Please indicate whether you are interested in the vacancies in Seattle, Tacoma, or both.
9. List all courts and jurisdictions in which you have been admitted to practice and the date of admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies having special admission requirements.
10. Are you in good standing in every bar association of which you are a member? _____
If not, please explain.

15. Have you ever held public office other than a judicial office, or have you ever been a candidate for such an office? Yes: ___ No: ___. If yes, give the details, including the offices involved, whether elected or appointed, and the length of your service.

16. Have you ever been arrested, charged or held by federal, state, or other law enforcement authorities for violation of any federal law, state law, county or municipal law, regulation or ordinance? Yes: ___ No: ___. If yes, please give details. (Do not include traffic violations for which a fine of \$150.00 or less was imposed.) If any such episode occurred, you may give your view of how it bears on your present fitness for judicial office.

17. Has a client, lawyer or other party ever brought a claim or suit against you for malpractice or filed a complaint or other grievance against you with a bar association or other entity or organization charged with investigating claims of professional misconduct, including organizations charged with overseeing judicial conduct? Yes: ___ No: ___. If yes, please give particulars and the results.

18. Have you ever been a party or otherwise involved in any other legal proceedings?
Yes: ___ No: ___. If yes, give the particulars. Do not list proceedings in which you were merely a guardian ad litem or stakeholder. Include all legal proceedings in which you were a party in interest.
19. Are you aware of anything in your background or any event you anticipate in the future that might be considered to conflict with a lifetime appointment to the federal bench?
Yes: ___ No: ___. If yes, please provide details.
20. What is the state of your health? Do you have any current medical condition that might diminish or impair your ability to serve as federal judge during the next ten years?
Yes: ___ No: ___. If yes, please be prepared to discuss this with the Committee.

21. Are you now or have you ever been a member of an organization or club which excludes persons from membership on the basis of race, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, disability, or religion? Yes: ___ No: ___. If yes, please explain, and include in your answer any actions you undertook to change such policies.

22. List any non-legal activities in which you have been involved that enhance your qualifications for the federal bench, whether civic, charitable, or otherwise. Also list any military service, giving branch, rank, dates of service, and type of discharge.

23. State those qualities that you consider to be most important in a person holding judicial office.

24. State your reasons for seeking appointment to the federal district court. Include those qualities you possess that you list in question 23.

25. List any honors, prizes, awards, or other forms of recognition that you have received, whether professional or civic.

26. Give names, addresses, and telephone numbers of ten attorneys or judges who know you best, including at least five attorneys who have opposed you in cases. The Committee is not seeking letters of recommendation at this time.

27. Please provide information on:

1. Employment history (legal and non-legal).
2. (a). If you are or have been a practicing lawyer, the names, telephone numbers and other contact information of each co-counsel, opposing counsel and judge in all significant matters in which you have been involved during the past ten (10) years.
(b) If you are or have served as judge, the names, telephone numbers and other contact information for the lawyers who have appeared before you in all significant matters during the past ten (10) years.
3. Have you been ordered to pay sanctions to a Court? If your answer is yes, please provide details.
4. Provide the names of at least five (5) and no more than (10) professional references who have known you for at least ten (10) years.
5. Provide the names and telephone numbers of at least five (5) and no more than ten (10) personal references who have known you for at least ten (10) years.
6. Either in your own name or any pseudonym, have you written any published or posted article, editorial or opinion piece (paper or electronic), commented on any blog or other story, been quoted in any news article or blog post, or appeared in any content broadcast on the radio or television? If your answer is yes, please list all such items and provide copies if possible.

Dated: _____

Signature: _____

**Not For Completion, For Information Only:
Standard FBI Questions for Potential Nominees**

- * Do you have delinquent student loans or debts placed for collection, or have you had articles repossessed or undergone bankruptcy proceedings?
- * Are you current on all federal, state and local tax obligations? Have you made back payments on any tax, including income taxes, Medicare taxes, social security taxes, or unemployment taxes?
- * Have you been involved in civil suits as plaintiff or defendant, including divorce?
- * Have you had involvement in any criminal matters, as suspect or subject, including any criminal charges, arrests, or convictions?
- * Have you been denied employment or been dismissed?
- * Have you had any contact with representatives of foreign countries?
- * Are you concealing any activity or conduct that could be used to influence, pressure, coerce, or compromise you in any way, or that could have an adverse impact on your character, judgment, stability, discretion, trustworthiness, or responsibility?
- * Have you had any professional complaints or non-judicial disciplinary actions, bar association grievances, better business complaints, student or military disciplinary proceedings, Equal Employment Opportunity complaints, Office of Professional Responsibility inquiries, etc.?
- * Have you experienced any business/investment circumstances that could or have involved conflict of interest allegations?
- * Have you undergone any counseling with psychiatrists, psychologists, other qualified counselors, or others (including marital counseling)?
- * Have you, since your 18th birthday, used, possessed, purchased or sold illegal drugs, including marijuana, or abused either prescription drugs or alcohol? If so, what is the last date you have used such substances?
- * Have you been involved in any organization that advocates the use of force to overthrow the U.S. Government, or any involvement in the commission of sabotage, espionage, or assistance of others?
- * Do you have any other current or past circumstances that could have a bearing on your suitability for a judgeship?
- * Have you been a member of any organization or social or private club whose policies restrict membership on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, or national origin? Have you taken a leadership role in the organization or attempted to change its restrictive nature?

* Have you authored any “controversial” articles or given any such speeches? You will be asked to provide copies of all speeches, articles, etc.

* What real property do you own?

* Who is your personal physician?