

APPLICATION (Revised April 2008)
22ND CIRCUIT JUDICIAL COMMISSION
CIRCUIT JUDGE

RESPONSE TO THESE QUESTIONS WILL BE MADE PUBLIC IF THE APPLICANT IS SELECTED AS A NOMINEE.



NAME: Bridget Halquist

1. State your present principal occupation: **Attorney at Law.**
2. Are you at least 30 years of age? **Yes.**
3. (a) How long have you been a citizen of the United States? **All my life, i.e., 43 years.**
(b) Have you been a resident of the City of St. Louis for at least one year immediately prior to the date of this application? **Yes.**
(c) How long have you been a qualified voter of Missouri? **Approximately 15 years.**
4. Are you licensed to practice law in Missouri? **Yes.**

List any other states, courts, or agencies in which you are licensed as an attorney:

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri.

5. State the date you were admitted to the Bar in Missouri? **September 24, 1999.**

Missouri Bar Number: **50317**

(In completing items 6 and 7, please account for all time periods between post-high school education and the date of this application.)

6. State the name and address of all colleges and universities you have attended, together with the dates and degrees received:

Saint Louis University School of Law **Juris Doctorate**
St. Louis, Missouri **1996 – 1999**

Chaminade University **Master of Science**
Honolulu, Hawaii **1993 – 1995**

Wilmington College **Bachelor of Arts**
New Castle, Delaware **1989 – 1992**

7. State, in chronological order, your entire working career, including non-legal employment, if any. Include the name and address of each firm, corporation, partnership, or governmental body with which you have been associated, and the dates thereof. (Start with earliest date, conclude with present.)

United States Air Force **Weather Specialist**
Dover AFB, Delaware **1989 – 1993**
Hickam AFB, Hawaii

Hawaii Air National Guard **Weather Specialist**
Wheeler AFB, Hawaii **1993 – 1994**

Miller Hale **Offender Supervisor**
Honolulu, Hawaii **1993 – 1994**

Gussie L'Amour's **Waitress/Server**
Honolulu, Hawaii **1994 – 1994**

Hickam Harbor Beach **Lifeguard/Outdoor Recreation**
Hickam AFB, Hawaii **1995 – 1996**

Chaminade University **Adjunct Professor**
Honolulu, Hawaii **1995 – 1996**

Kevin Boyne, P.C. **Law Clerk/Intern**
Belleville, Illinois **1997 – 1998**

Saint Louis University **Research Asst. to Prof. Michael Wolff**
St. Louis, Missouri **May 1997 – May 1998**

Federal Public Defender St. Louis, Missouri	Law Clerk/Intern May 1998 – May 1999
St. Francois Co. Prosecuting Attorney Farmington, Missouri	Law Clerk/Intern June 1999 – September 1999
Missouri State Public Defender St. Louis, Missouri	Trial Attorney October 1999 – May 2001
Rabbitt, Pitzer, & Snodgrass, P.C. St. Louis, Missouri	Associate Attorney May 2001 – October 2002
U.S. District Court, EDMO St. Louis, Missouri	Law Clerk to Hon. Henry E. Autrey November 2002 – October 2006
Armstrong Teasdale LLP St. Louis, Missouri	Associate Attorney October 2006 – August 2008
Harris-Stowe State University St. Louis, Missouri	Adjunct Professor, Business School Spring 2011 & Fall 2011
Chackes, Carlson, Halquist, LLP (formerly known as: Chackes, Carlson, Spritzer, LLP) Clayton, Missouri	Partner (formerly “Of Counsel”) September 2008 – Present

8. If you are presently an associate circuit judge and have served for two years or longer, attach a list of ten significant cases over which you presided to completion. Set forth the style, cause number, date and name and current address of the primary attorneys participating in each case, identifying the party each attorney represented. Indicate whether bench or jury tried and give a one-three sentence description of each case and its outcome. N/A.
- (b) In addition, you may attach a list of cases you tried as an attorney in the last five years before becoming a judge. Set forth the style, cause number, date and jurisdiction and identify who you represented, whether you were first or second chair and the name and address of opposing counsel. State for each case whether bench or jury tried and give a one-three sentence description of each case and its outcome.
9. Are you able, with or without a reasonable accommodation, to perform the essential functions of a judge including the ability to preside over trials, perform legal research, attend court anywhere in the state, communicate clearly and effectively both orally and in writing, and expeditiously decide issues coming before the court? **Yes.**

10. If you have never served as an associate circuit judge or have served for fewer than two years, attach a list of cases you have tried in the last five years. Set forth the style, cause number, date, and court, and identify who you represented, whether you were first or second chair, and the name and address of opposing counsel. Indicate for each case whether bench or jury tried and provide a one to three sentence description of each case and its outcome. If, during any of the last five years, you served as a commissioner or in any other judicial capacity, set forth the dates of same and a description of the duties performed.

See attached, Appendix A -- Trial Practice.

11. Have you briefed or argued any case in an appellate court? **Yes.**

If yes, attach a list showing the citation for each case and describe the extent of your participation in briefing and arguing the case.

See attached, Appendix B – Appellate Practice.

12. Set forth any additional information that demonstrates the quality of your legal work as an attorney.

As a federal judicial law clerk, I researched, drafted, and finalized numerous Orders on behalf of Honorable Henry Edward Autrey, United States District Court. I have also participated as the primary resource for Judge Autrey in several trials, assisting him with substantive and procedural matters including, but not limited to, motions in limine, evidentiary issues, and jury instructions.

13. Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony? **No.**

If yes, provide details, including the style of the case, cause number, name of the jurisdiction, and date of conviction: **N/A.**

14. Have you ever been sued by a client or been a party to any other litigation, other than as guardian ad litem, plaintiff ad litem or defendant ad litem?

I have never been sued by a client, but I have been a party to litigation as indicated below.

If yes, provide details, including the style of the case, cause number, name of the jurisdiction and the approximate year in which such litigation was commenced and in which it was terminated:

Bridget Halquist v. Jeffrey Frye, Cause No. 22003-05404

In the Circuit Court for the City of St. Louis, November 2000 – January 2001

▲ Dissolution of marriage.

Ronald Leggett v. Bridget Halquist, Cause No. 22032-02334

In the Circuit Court for the City of St. Louis, July 2003 – August 2003

- ^ Suit initiated for alleged failure to pay motor vehicle personal property tax. Cause dismissed *with prejudice* and no costs were assessed.

Bridget Halquist v. James Crisel and Kathleen Maddox, Cause No. 030-12772

In the Circuit Court for the City of St. Louis, October 2003 – January 2004

- ^ As the owner of rental property in the City of St. Louis, I filed suit for the expedited eviction of tenants occupying the premises pursuant to Section 441.740 of the Missouri Revised Statutes. Consent Judgment against Defendants.

15. Have you ever been disciplined or cited for breach of ethics or professional conduct by a court or by any bar association or committee thereof? **No.**

If yes, provide details: **N/A.**

16. Have you ever been held in contempt of court? **No.**

If yes, provide details: **N/A.**

17. If you are or were a member of the Judiciary of the State of Missouri, please state:

- (a) Whether an order of reprimand, removal, retirement, suspension or other disciplinary action has ever been entered against you by the Supreme Court of Missouri for breach of the Code of Judicial Conduct or the Canons of Judicial Conduct? **N/A.**

If yes, state the nature of such breach, the date discipline was imposed and the exact nature and duration of the discipline imposed: **N/A.**

- (b) Whether a reprimand or admonishment has ever been entered against you by the Commission on Retirement, Removal and Discipline for any of the causes specified in Rule 12.07 of the Supreme Court Rules Governing the Judiciary. **N/A.**

If yes, provide details including date the order was entered, the date of your consent, and a description of the conduct you were ordered to cease and desist: **N/A.**

- (c) Whether, to your knowledge, you have been a subject of a complaint and investigation by the Commission on Retirement, Removal and Discipline, which did not result in any action by the Commission? **N/A.**

If yes, provide details: **N/A.**

18. To your knowledge, have you been investigated by a court or by any bar association or committee thereof for breach of ethics or professional conduct? **No.**

If yes, provide details: **N/A.**

19. List all bar associations and other professional societies, of which you are a member, with any offices held and dates:

Missouri Bar

Missouri Association of Trial Attorneys (MATA)

National Employment Lawyer's Association (NELA)

American Bar Association, Litigation Section and Labor & Employment Section

Lawyer's Association of St. Louis

Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis (BAMSL)

Women Lawyer's Association of St. Louis (WLA)

Tower Grove Heights Neighborhood Association

Board Member & Secretary, Nursery Foundation of St. Louis, 2006-2011

20. Describe your community activities, including any organizations, not listed above, with which you are affiliated; activities, including any organizations, not listed above, with which you are affiliated:

From 2006 to late 2011, I proudly served as a Board Member and Secretary of the Nursery Foundation of St. Louis, a multicultural day nursery founded in 1947 by Mrs. Frances "Queenie" Schiele. The Nursery Foundation' mission is to provide quality, developmentally appropriate childcare and education to preschool children ages 12 months through five years regardless of their families' ability to pay. It was the first program of its kind in the state of Missouri. Fees for the organization's services are calculated on a sliding scale that is based upon family size and income. Services are open and available to anyone, but the organization tends to reach out to lower-income families in North St. Louis. For almost 60 years, proceeds raised by the Greater St. Louis Book Fair have helped support the organization.

21. Do you now hold or have you ever held any elective or appointive public office or position? **No.** If yes, provide details: **N/A.**

22. Provide the branches and dates of (a) military service, or (b) other public service, not otherwise covered in this application. If discharged from the military, was the discharge other than honorable? If military service continues, so state:

**United States Air Force
Weather Specialist (E-4)**

**Feb 1989 – Jul 1993
Honorable Discharge**

**Hawaii Air National Guard
Weather Specialist (E-4)**

**Jul 1993 – Jul 1994
Honorable Discharge**

23. List any professional articles or books which have been published or any special recognition or award of a professional nature which you have received:

Articles & Presentations:

- a) Author, "Individual Liability for Supervisors Under the MHRA"
Missouri Employment Law Letter, December 2006.
- b) Author, "Eighth Circuit Rejects Employee's Claim of Hostile Environment When Employer Fired Harasser," *Missouri Employment Law Letter*, December 2006.
- c) Author, "Employee's Inability to Use Arm Not a "Disability" Under the ADA"
Missouri Employment Law Letter, February 2007.
- d) Author, "Excluding Contraceptives From Health Care Plan Does Not Violate PDA"
Missouri Employment Law Letter, May 2007.
- e) Author, "Eighth Circuit Rejects Employee's Claim of Verbal Abuse by Supervisor"
Missouri Employment Law Letter, July 2008.
- f) Speaker, "Employment Law Panel Discussion," *Washington University School of Law*, March 2010.
- g) Speaker, "Evaluating and Valuing Employment Litigation Cases: Practice Perspectives on Employment Litigation," *Missouri Bar 2012 Employment Litigation Seminar*, June 2012.

Awards & Recognition:

- a) 1998 National Moot Court Team
 - b) Recipient of the 1998 Judge Robert G. Dowd, Sr. Appellate Advocacy Award
 - c) Winner, 1998 Moot Court Competition, St. Louis University School of Law
 - d) Moot Court Board, 1998-1999, St. Louis University School of Law
24. Furnish the names and addresses, including zip codes and telephone numbers of not more than five persons, who are not judges, as references with respect to your judicial qualifications:

Rep. Susan Carlson
Missouri House of Representatives
201 W. Capitol Ave., Rm 109D
Jefferson, Missouri 65101
(573) 751-1400

Robert Kenney, Commissioner
Missouri Public Service Commission
200 Madison Street, PO Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102
(314) 340-4700 (ext. 30)

Joan Lockwood
Gray, Ritter & Graham, P.C.
701 Market Street, Suite 800
St. Louis, Missouri 63101
(314) 241-5620

Peter J. Dunne
Pitzer Snodgrass, P.C.
100 S. Fourth Street, Suite 400
St. Louis, Missouri 63102
(314) 421-5545

Thomas B. Weaver
Armstrong Teasdale
7700 Forsyth Blvd.
St. Louis, Missouri 63105
(314) 621-5070

25. State any additional data you deem relevant:

Please see attached appendices:
Appendix A – Trial Practice;
Appendix B – Appellate Practice; and
Appendix C – Writing Sample.