TWENTY-FIRST CIRCUIT JUDICIAL COMMISSION INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS FOR ALBUS CIRCUIT JUDGE VACANCY

Send one copy of the application and application materials – using Adobe PDF unless otherwise specified – via e-mail to the 21st Circuit Judicial Commission at 21stJudicialCommission@courts.mo.gov. The e-mail's subject line should reference the position for which the applicant is applying – Albus circuit vacancy. The application must be received electronically in the required format no later than 5 p.m. Tuesday, September 30, 2025.

The application and accompanying materials, saved as individual files in PDF format unless otherwise specified (i.e. jpeg photo), should include:

- 1. the completed application;
- 2. the signed authorization (there must be a signature on the authorization and NOT /s/ typed name);
- 3. a high-resolution photograph, at least 4x6 in size, saved as a JPEG file;
- 4. the completed biographical form;

In selecting references (#19 on the Application) who are thoroughly familiar with your personal and professional qualifications, please note these references cannot include any judge of the Supreme Court of Missouri, a judge of the Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District, or of the court to which you are applying. Please note it is your responsibility to contact these references. Please provide each reference with a copy of the "GUIDELINES FOR REFERENCES" and direct them to send their letters of reference (saved as Adobe PDF documents only) via e-mail to 21stJudicialCommission@courts.mo.gov. If a reference does not have access to e-mail, the reference may send the reference letter to Chief Judge John P. Torbitzky, chair of the commission, at the address listed below. All reference letters must be received by 5 p.m. Tuesday, September 30, 2025. The commissioners suggest that applicants submit no more than 10 letters of recommendation in addition to the letters from persons listed as references in Application Question 19.

The commission expects to conduct public interviews October 21, 2025, at the St. Louis County Court Building, Room 380, 105 South Central, Clayton, Missouri. You will be notified of the specific date and time approximately one week in advance. Applicants should not attend the interviews of other applicants.

A copy of the applications of the nominees submitted to the governor will be made public within 72 hours of submitting the certificate of nomination; the confidential cover sheet will not be published. If any applicant lists or attaches information concerning any confidential matters or cases on the application, the applicant shall utilize initials rather than party names for these confidential cases or matters.

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Individual commissioners may be willing to meet informally with applicants prior to the public interviews. Applicants should contact commissioners directly to inquire.