

**APPLICATION OF ANTHONY REX GABBERT  
TO THE APPELLATE JUDICIAL COMMISSION FOR THE  
JUDGE SMART VACANCY  
MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS, WESTERN DISTRICT**

***RESPONSES TO THESE QUESTIONS WILL BE MADE PUBLIC IF THE  
APPLICANT IS NOMINATED FOR THIS VACANCY***

1. Present principal occupation or title:  
**Circuit Judge of the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit**
  
2. Are you at least 30 years of age? Yes (X) No ( )
  
3. (a) How many years have you been a citizen of the United States?  
**56 years**  
  
(b) How many consecutive years immediately preceding your application have you been a qualified voter of Missouri?  
**38 years**
  
4. State the date you were admitted to The Missouri Bar and whether your license is in good standing. If not, explain in detail.  
**Admitted 1986. License is in good standing.**
  
5. List any other states, courts, or agencies in which you are licensed as an attorney.  
**Kansas 1991 (Inactive since 1994 appointment to the Missouri Judiciary)  
United States District Court (Western District of Missouri and District of Kansas)**
  
6. (a) State the name and address of all colleges and universities attended, other than law school, together with the dates and degrees received.  
(b) List/describe any college or university activities, scholastic achievements and other awards or honors you think are relevant to the commission's decision.  
  
**University of Missouri-Columbia and University of Missouri-Kansas City (Bachelor of Arts - History 1980)**

(a) State the name and address of all law schools attended together with the dates and degrees received.

(b) List/describe any law school activities, scholastic achievements and other awards or honors you think are relevant to the commission's decision.

**Mississippi College School of Law (Juris Doctorate 1985)**

**Member Moot Court Board (Appellate Advocacy) (1984-1985)**

**President, Law Student Bar Association (1984-1985)**

7. State, in chronological order (starting with the earliest employment) (a) significant non-law-related employment prior to law school and (b) all employment from the beginning of law school to the present. To the extent reasonably available to you, include the name and address of each employer and the dates of employment, and, for legal employment, describe the positions you have held, e.g., associate, partner, law clerk, general counsel.

**A. Employment Prior to Law School**

**Hospital Ward and Emergency Room Clerk, Kansas City School of Osteopathic Medicine Health Sciences Hospital (1977-1978)  
(Hospital Closed- Now Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences)  
1750 Independence Avenue  
Kansas City, Missouri 64106**

**Substitute Teacher, Kansas City School District (1979-1980)  
1211 McGee Street  
Kansas City, Missouri 64106**

**Substitute Teacher, North Kansas City School District (1979-1980)  
2000 N.E. 46<sup>th</sup> Street  
Kansas City, Missouri 64106**

**Legal Assistant, Public Defender's Office, 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit (1980-1981)  
324 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
Kansas City, Missouri 64106**

**Deputy Clerk, United States Bankruptcy Court- Western District of Missouri  
(1981-1982)  
2710 Charles Evans Whittaker U.S. Courthouse  
400 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
Kansas City, Missouri 64106**

**B. Employment Beginning with Law School to Present:**

**Government Documents Librarian, Mississippi College School of Law (1982-1983)  
151 East Griffith Street  
Jackson, Mississippi 39201**

**Law Clerk, Law Offices of Edmonson, Biggs & Jelffe (1983-1985)  
(Now Biggs, Ingram and Solor & Carlson)  
Suite 101  
111 East Capitol Street  
Jackson, Mississippi 39201**

**Assistant Public Defender Graduate Intern, The Public Defender's Office of the  
10<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, State of Florida (1985)  
255 N. Broadway Avenue  
Bartow, Florida 33830**

**Associate Attorney, Law Offices of Duggan, Keleher and Svetlic (1986-1987)  
5716 N. Broadway  
Kansas City, Missouri 64118**

**Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Clay County, Missouri (1987-1991)  
11 South Water Street  
Liberty, Missouri 64068**

**Associate Attorney, Law Offices of Birmingham, Furry and Smith (1991-1992)  
(Now Furry and Smith, P.C.)  
Suite 300  
4215 South Hocker  
Independence, Missouri 64055**

**Solo Practitioner, Law Offices of Anthony Rex Gabbert (1992-1994)  
Three Oaks Building  
5440 N. Oak Trafficway  
Kansas City, Missouri 64118**

**In addition to my full time employment during 1991-1994, I also served in the  
following part-time positions 1991-1994:**

**Municipal Prosecutor for the City of Gladstone, Missouri (1991-1993)  
Gladstone City Hall  
7010 N. Holmes  
Gladstone, Missouri 64118**

**Municipal Judge for the City of North Kansas City, Missouri (1993-1994)**  
**North Kansas City Municipal Court**  
**2010 Howell Street**  
**North Kansas City, Missouri 64116**

**Municipal Judge Pro tem of the City of Kansas City Missouri (1993-1994)**  
**16<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit**  
**Kansas City Municipal Division**  
**1101 Locust Street**  
**Kansas City, Missouri 64106**

**Associate Circuit Judge, 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit of the State of Missouri (1994-2004)**  
**7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit**  
**Clay County Courthouse**  
**11 South Water Street**  
**Liberty, Missouri 64068**

**Circuit Judge, 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit of the State of Missouri (2004-present).**  
**7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit**  
**Clay County Courthouse**  
**11 South Water Street**  
**Liberty, Missouri 64068**

8. If you were a student at any school from which you were suspended, placed on probation, or expelled by school authorities, for any reason, describe the circumstances.

**None**

9. Describe the nature of your experience in trial and appellate courts and explain how they demonstrate the quality of your legal work. (*You either may take as much space as you need here or attach your response on separate sheets*). Include in your response:
- a) **Appellate Experience:** Please include a representative list of cases you have briefed and/or argued (if you are a judge, include representative cases from your practice prior to your judicial appointment) including, to the extent reasonably available to you, the style, date, and court and, if published, the citation; identify the client(s) you represented and opposing counsel; give a one-paragraph description of the case and your role.
  - b) **Trial-Level Experience:** Please include a representative list of cases and/or administrative hearings you have handled (if you are a judge, include representative cases from your practice prior to your judicial appointment)

including, to the extent reasonably available to you, the style, date, and court; identify who you represented and opposing counsel; state whether the case was disposed of following a jury trial, bench trial or at what other stage; give a one-paragraph description of the case and your role.

- c) **Judicial Experience:** If you are a judge, commissioner, or are serving or have served in other judicial capacity, please describe the nature and extent of your judicial responsibilities, including the dates you have served as a judge at each level, the types of dockets you have handled, and any special expertise you have developed that you believe is relevant to your qualifications for the position for which you are applying.

**A. APPELLATE LEVEL EXPERIENCE**

None as an attorney (Served as Special Appellate Judge)

**B. TRIAL LEVEL EXPERIENCE:**

Prior to my appointment to the Missouri Judiciary in 1994, I worked as an attorney in private practice for approximately three years and nearly five years as an assistant prosecuting attorney. I handled hundreds of hearings and bench trials that were either criminal or civil in the state courts of both Missouri and Kansas. I had experience as an attorney working in different areas of civil law, including contracts, insurance, personal injury, property, domestic relations and juvenile. During my years as an assistant prosecuting attorney and in private practice, I participated as either lead attorney or co-counsel in approximately thirty jury trials. As a *representative list*, I have listed five (5) jury trials in which I was the lead attorney during the five (5) year period before my appointment to the Missouri Judiciary.

1. **State of Missouri v. Vernell Rooks** (Clay County Circuit Court) (Case No. CR191-402F). The Defendant was charged with a Class A Felony Robbery 1<sup>st</sup> Degree and Class A Felony of Armed Criminal Action. I was the lead attorney for the prosecution as the court appointed Special Prosecuting Attorney. The jury returned a verdict of guilty to Class B Felony of Robbery 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree and Armed Criminal Action ten (10) years on each count consecutively. The Defendant's attorney was Assistant Public Defender Mona Spencer, 234 Schrader, Liberty, Missouri; Telephone Number (816) 792-5394.
2. **Paul J. Marnett v. Jessie Nichols, et al.** (Clay County Circuit Court) (Case No. CV189-6530). This was a civil case for personal injuries resulting from an automobile case. I was the lead attorney for Defendant Nichols. Plaintiff sought \$500,000.00 in petition. The jury returned a verdict for Plaintiff assessing the damages at \$5,000.00 and that my client was 70% at fault for \$3,500.00 in damages. The Plaintiff's attorneys were S. Preston Williams (deceased), One

**Town Square, North Kansas City, Missouri 64116 and David Q. Reed (deceased), 106 W. 106 W. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64105.**

3. **State of Missouri v. Gary Engel (Clay County Circuit Court) (Case No. CR190-1698F). The Defendant was a former Chicago, Illinois area police officer charged with a Class A Felony of Kidnapping, Class A Felony of Armed Criminal Action, Class A Felony of Kidnapping and Class A Felony of Armed Criminal Action. I was the lead attorney for the prosecution. The jury returned a verdict of guilty on all four counts, thirty (30) years on Counts I and Counts III; and fifteen (15) years on Counts II and IV. The Court sentenced the Defendant to consecutive sentences for a total of ninety (90) years. The Defendant's attorney was F.A. (Al) White, Jr., 5440 North Oak Trafficway, Kansas City, Missouri 64116; Telephone Number (816) 454-5300.**
4. **State of Missouri v. Neal Davis (Clay County Circuit Court) (Case No. CR190-2006FX). The Defendant was charged with a Class A Felony of Robbery in the First Degree and Class A Felony of Armed Criminal Action. I was the lead attorney for the prosecution. The jury convicted the Defendant on both counts. The Court imposed thirty (30) years on each count consecutive. The Defendant's attorney was Assistant Public Defender Mona Spencer, 234 Schrader, Liberty, Missouri 64068; Telephone Number (816) 792-5394.**
5. **State of Missouri v. Richard D. Collins (Clay County Circuit Court) (Case No. CR190-1249FX). The Defendant was charged with a Class C Felony of Stealing over \$150.00 and a Class C Felony of Burglary in the Second Degree. I was lead attorney for the prosecution. The jury returned a verdict of guilty to both counts. The Defendant was sentenced on both to fifteen (15) years consecutive. The Defendant's attorney was David Rauzi, Suite 700 Harzfield Building, 1111 main Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; Telephone Number (816) 474-3300.**

**C. JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE:**

**Municipal Judge of the City of North Kansas City      1993-1994**

**Municipal Judge Pro tem of the City of Kansas City Missouri 1993-1994**

**Associate Circuit Judge of the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit      1994-2004**

**Circuit Judge of the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit                      2004-Present**

**Presiding Judge of the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit July 31, 2008 through December 31, 2010**

### **Municipal Judge and Municipal Judge Pro tem 1993-1994**

**Beginning in 1993, I first served in a judicial position as both Municipal Judge for the City of North Kansas City, and as Municipal Judge Pro tem for the City of Kansas City Missouri handling weekly dockets involving hundreds of ordinance violations. There were a variety of the types of cases, including traffic violations, assaults, drug and alcohol violations, stealing and driving while intoxicated. I conducted bench trials that required evidentiary findings and the rendering of a verdict at the conclusion of the evidence.**

### **Associate Circuit Judge 1994-2004**

**In 1994, I was nominated by the non-partisan judicial commission and appointed by Governor Mel Carnahan as Associate Circuit Judge for the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. I was retained by the voters in the General Elections of 1996 and 2000. Prior to the retention votes in each election, I was honored to receive favorable public evaluations from members of the bar, including approval ratings over 90% in each election.**

**As Associate Circuit Judge of Division 6, I conducted hundreds of hearings and bench trials, as well as jury trials during my years of service. My docket consisted of civil, criminal and traffic cases.**

**My Associate Circuit caseload included a variety of litigation in contracts, property rights, personal injury and other torts, domestic relations, juvenile, Department of Revenue driving privileges suspension and revocation hearings, state and county tax assessments and miscellaneous other types of cases.**

**My Associate Circuit division criminal docket included both misdemeanor and felony criminal cases. I conducted hundreds of hearings, bench and jury trials in misdemeanor cases. I further conducted hundreds of preliminary hearings in felony criminal cases. I was also assigned to preside over felony criminal jury trials under the rules applicable to Circuit Judges.**

**I founded the Clay County Drug Court in 1999 and presided over its proceedings. The program was a post plea program that involved intensive supervision by the Court to address addiction related issues for non-violent felony offenders. The participants were required to complete the required inpatient and outpatient substance abuse treatment, strict probationary compliance, monitoring and maintain full time employment. The goal of the Drug Court was to have a lower criminal recidivism rate for its graduates.**

**I handled traffic criminal dockets from the Missouri Highway Patrol, Missouri Water Patrol, Clay County Sheriff's Department and the Clay County Park Rangers Department. I conducted hundred of hearings and bench trials related to traffic violations and misdemeanor crimes for drug and alcohol related offenses, assault, and miscellaneous other types of misdemeanor crimes and ordinance violations.**

I handled both the appeals and disqualification of municipal judge cases from the various municipal divisions of the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. I conducted bench trials and other hearings relating to ordinance violations from the municipalities.

#### Circuit Judge 2004-present

In 2004, I was nominated by the non-partisan judicial commission and appointed by Governor Bob Holden as Circuit Judge for the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. I was retained by the voters in the General Elections of 2006 and 2012. Prior to the retention votes in each election, I was honored to receive favorable public evaluations from members of the bar, including approval ratings over 90% in each election. I received the highest approval recording of 99.2% in 2006. I received a similar recommendation under the current evaluating system for retention by the Missouri Bar Evaluation Commission for the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit in 2012.

My dockets are both circuit civil and felony criminal dockets. Among the four circuit divisions of the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, I am assigned fifty percent (50%) of all circuit civil cases and twenty percent (20%) of all circuit felony cases. I have presided over approximately 100 circuit civil and felony criminal jury trials, as well as hundreds of bench trials and hearings since 2004.

My civil caseload has consisted of a variety of litigation, including cases in medical mal-practice and personal injury, class actions, contracts, property, domestic, probate, juvenile, Director of Revenue cases and miscellaneous other types of civil cases.

My criminal caseload has been a variety of felony criminal cases, including murders in the first degree jury trials. In addition to the number of jury trials referenced above, I handle numerous pre-trial hearings concerning matters related to alleged constitutional and statutory violations.

Additionally I continued as Circuit Judge to preside over the Clay County Drug Court program until 2008 when I transferred the assignment passed to another Circuit Judge after nearing ten years of service.

By Supreme Court assignment I have served as a special judge in numerous circuits throughout the state. I served as a special appellate judge in State ex rel. KCP&L v. Cook, 353 S.W.3d 14 (Mo. App. 2011).

While Presiding Judge of the Circuit Court from July 31, 2008 until December 31, 2010, I handled all of the administrative duties and responsibilities for the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court.

11. Describe any additional legal experience that you believe may be relevant to the decision of the commission (e.g., work as a law professor, in government, as corporate or other legal counsel).

**Since 1996, I have been teaching at various universities and colleges throughout the Kansas City Metropolitan area law related courses to graduate, undergraduate and paralegal students. As an adjunct professor in the schools of business at the various institutions, I teach graduate and undergraduate courses in the area of business and employment law. In the paralegal programs, I am an adjunct professor for various law subjects, including past courses in civil procedure, contracts, criminal law and procedure, constitutional law, ethics, estates and trusts, evidence, family law, legal research and writing, litigation, property and torts. I teach several courses each semester during the evening hours and weekends, as well as I am an online instructor. I am currently an adjunct professor at the following universities and colleges:**

**School of Business and formerly the School of Continuing Education, William Jewell College (1998-present)**

**School of Graduate and Professional Studies, Rockhurst University (2001-present)**

**School of Business, Ottawa University (2011-present)**

**School of Business- MBA Program, Mid America Nazarene University (2013-present)**

**School of Criminal Justice and School of Business, Park University (1997-1998; 2007-present)**

**School of Social Sciences, Penn Valley Community College (1996-present)**

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

**American Bar Association (1986-present)**

**American Judges Association (1994-present)**

**The Missouri Bar (1986-present)**

**Kansas Bar Association (1991-Inactive Status since 1994 Missouri Judicial Appointment)**

**Clay County Bar Association (1986-present). Secretary-Treasurer 1988-1989**

**Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association (1986-present)**

**Missouri Circuit Judges Association (2004-present). Currently serving my second three year term as a Circuit Judge Member of the Executive Council of the Missouri Judiciary**

**Missouri Association of Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges (1993-2004)  
Former Board Member of the Board of Directors**

**Missouri Association of Associate Circuit and Probate Judges (1994-2004) Former Member of the Board of Directors**

**Legislative Steering Committee of the Missouri Judiciary (1999-2004)**

13. List any professional articles or books authored by you that have been published or any special recognition or award of a professional nature you have received.

**Publication: "Justice Hugo Black: An Invaluable Experience into Human Nature", Benchmark New Publication, October 1996.**

**Award: William Jewell College Professor of the Year (Evening Division 2002-2003)**

**Award: Tri-County Mental Health Services Appreciation Award 2001  
(For Establishing the Clay County Drug Court)**

**Award: Appreciation Award from the City of Buffalo Grove, Illinois (with Letter of Appreciation from the Director of the FBI) for prosecution of two former law enforcement officers charged with felony crimes both in Missouri and Illinois**

**Inductee to the North Kansas City High School Hall of Fame (2007)**

14. Describe your community activities, including any organizations not listed elsewhere with which you are affiliated.

**United States Sixth District Congressional District Member (appointed by Congresswoman Danner) to serve on the United States Attorney and United States Marshall Nomination Selection Commission (1993)**

**Member of the Board of Trustees of North Kansas City Hospital (1989-1992) Past Secretary of the Board 1991-1992**

**Member of the Board of Trustees of the Clay-Platte-Ray Mental Health Tax Levy Board (1986-1989)**

**Paralegal Education Advisory Committee, Metropolitan Community Colleges of Kansas City (2004-present)**

15. Do you now hold or have you ever held an elective or an appointive public office or position? If yes, provide details.

**Circuit Judge of the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit (2004-present)**

**Associate Circuit Judge of the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit (1994-2004)**

**Municipal Judge of the City of North Kansas City Missouri (1993-1994)**

**Municipal Judge Pro Tem of the City of Kansas City Missouri (1993-1994)**

**Municipal Prosecuting Attorney of the City of Gladstone Missouri (1991-1993)**

**Assistant Prosecuting Attorney of Clay County Missouri (1987-1992)**

16. Provide the branches and dates of (a) military service or (b) other public service not otherwise disclosed in this application. If discharged from the military, state whether the discharge was other than honorable.

**(Not Applicable)**

17. State whether you are able, with or without a reasonable accommodation, to perform the essential functions of being an appellate judge, including participating in oral argument; performing legal research; communicating clearly and effectively, both orally and in writing; supervising the lower courts, serving on court committees and performing other administrative functions; and expeditiously deciding issues coming before the court.

**I have no physical or mental impairments that would require accommodation during service on the Missouri Court of Appeals for the Western District.**

**I have no problems or issues participating in oral argument. Oral arguments are presented daily in the trial courtroom and I have inquired and asked questions of attorneys in clarifying stated positions under existing constitutional, statutory and case law.**

**As a trial judge, I conduct my own legal research and writing. I am the adjunct professor for the legal research and writing course in the School of Graduate and Professional Studies at Rockhurst University. I have previously taught several legal research classes at Penn Valley Community College. I am familiar with current**

legal research technology.

**I am able to communicate to audiences without any issue. I talk to fellow judges, lawyers, pro se litigants, criminal defendants or members of the community at their level of understanding. I both teach and lecture to classrooms with a variety of student ages and backgrounds. Overall I enjoy public speaking to different groups and organizations. As a trial judge for nineteen years, I have communicated through voluminous written orders and judgments, including findings of facts and conclusions of law.**

**I have served as Presiding Judge. I am familiar with supervising lower courts. My background in the various levels from Municipal Court to Circuit Court has given me a good insight into the responsibilities and issues at the different levels.**

**I have served in numerous organizations and committee assignments as Municipal, Associate Circuit and Circuit Judge. My willingness to serve and assist the Judiciary will continue if appointed to the appellate level.**

**It has been and will continue to be my goal to handle cases in an efficient and effective process and follow the law in accordance with the Constitution, statutory and case law.**

**I will bring to the appellate court my legal knowledge and extensive experience as both an attorney and as a trial judge, which I believe will benefit both the judiciary and citizens of the State of Missouri.**

18. Were you ever refused admission to the bar of Missouri or the bar of another state or the federal courts? If yes, provide details.

No

19. Have you ever been disciplined, admonished or cited for breach of ethics or professional conduct by the Supreme Court of Missouri or by any court or bar association or committee thereof? If yes, provide details.

No

20. If you are or were a member of the judiciary of the State of Missouri, please

state:

a) Whether an order of discipline ever has been entered against you by the Supreme Court of Missouri for breach of the Code of Judicial Conduct or the Canons of Judicial Conduct. If yes, provide details.

**No**

b) Whether a reprimand or admonition ever has been entered against you by the Commission on Retirement, Removal and Discipline for any of the causes specified in Supreme Court Rule 12.07. If yes, provide details.

**No**

21. Have you have ever been held in contempt of court? If yes, provide details.

**No**

22. 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?

If your answer is yes, state the style of the case, where it was filed, and explain in detail. If you are a judge and you have been sued in your judicial capacity, list only those cases where you are or were other than a nominal party.

**Yes. I have been sued numerous times in my official capacities as both Circuit Judge, Associate Circuit Judge and as a former member of the Board of Trustees of North Kansas City Hospital. The cases were disposed without my personal knowledge or participation other than being named in my official capacity.**

**In Rutter v. Maloney, et al, CV199-8286CC, Clay County Circuit Court, the Plaintiff personally sued every sitting judge of the Circuit Court when his change of judge motion was denied in a lawsuit pending in another judge's division. A special judge was appointed by the Supreme Court to preside over the case which was later dismissed.**

**My former spouse and I amicably dissolved our marriage in 2006. Melissa Pate-Gabbert v. Anthony Rex Gabbert, 0616-FC10295. We did not litigate any issues since we had agreed in advance to both joint custody and a property settlement.**

23. Have you ever been convicted or received a suspended imposition of sentence

for a felony or misdemeanor in state, federal or military court? *(Note that this question does not require that traffic offenses or other infractions be listed.)*

If your answer is yes, state the style of the case, where it was filed, and explain in detail.

No

24. Are you delinquent in the payment of any federal, state, county or city taxes? If yes, provide details.

No

25. You must attach to this application at least one, but not more than three, writing samples that comply with the requirements set out in the instructions for applicants.

**(See attachments)**

26. List/describe any additional honors or awards you have received, activities you have performed, or any other information not set out above that demonstrates the quality of your work as an attorney or that you otherwise believe is relevant to the commission's decision.

**I have been an active member of the Missouri Judiciary since 1994. I was retained by the voters in the General Elections of 1996, 2000, 2006 and 2012. Prior to these elections, I was honored to receive favorable performance evaluations from members of the bar, including an approval rating over 90% under the former evaluation system in each election, including the highest approval recording of 99.2% in 2006. I also received a similar recommendation under the current evaluating system for retention by the Missouri Bar Evaluation Commission for the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit in 2012.**

**I founded the Clay County Drug Court in 1999. I applied for various grants to obtain the necessary funding for the establishment of the program. I assisted in the writing of the guidelines for participation. I have assisted drug free graduates to find employment with local companies.**

**I have attended numerous judicial educational and training courses, including the National Judicial College.**

**In addition to the various colleges and universities where I teach law related courses, I have given numerous lectures at public forums in the community and local schools that are related to educating citizens about the court system and other related topics.**

Please list the names of *five* persons whom you will ask to provide letters of reference for you with respect to your judicial qualifications. Do **not** list as a reference a judge of the court involved. As to each of the (5) references, **please provide name, title, mailing address, telephone and e-mail address. Please note that it is your responsibility to contact your references**, although if you intend to use as a reference a federal judge or other individual who only can provide a reference upon a specific request by the interviewing authority, please advise the commission and it will send that reference such a request. As to all references, it is your responsibility to see that they send the requested letters in a timely manner.

Provide your references with the attached Guidelines for References. The commission must receive your letters of reference, **via e-mail**, to [WDjudgevacancy@courts.mo.gov](mailto:WDjudgevacancy@courts.mo.gov), by the date indicated in the Instructions to Applicants.

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