**APPLICATION FOR PROSPECTIVE JUDICIAL NOMINEES**

**FOR THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

**FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA**

**Instructions for delivery of completed application: Please email one (1) PDF copy to** **nominations@young.senate.gov** **and one (1) paper copy to the following address:**

**Senator Todd Young**

**Attn: Nominations**

**310 E. 96th St., Suite 350**

**Indianapolis, IN 46240**

**Applications must be received no later than 11:59pm Eastern Daylight Time on Tuesday, April 30, 2024.**

*Note: The* *nominations@young.senate.gov* *address only accepts file sizes up to 20 mb. If your application and accompanying materials are larger than 20 mb, please use either a zip (compressed) file and/or send your application materials across multiple emails. If you choose the latter approach, please indicate in your final email the total number of emails you sent so that we can confirm we received all components of your application. Please note that Senators Young and Braun will not accept applications or accompanying materials submitted via a Dropbox or other link. Any applications submitted with hyperlinks to internet-based file folders will be deemed incomplete and ineligible for consideration.*

A lifetime appointment to the United States District Court is a matter of great consequence. An initial questionnaire from a home state U.S. Senate office is one method to get to know a potential applicant. It is important for any applicant to be as forthcoming as possible in responses to questions.

Openness and candor by a potential nominee can be very helpful to U.S. Senators as they exercise their solemn duty to advise and consent on presidential nominations.

1. **Name**: State full name (include any former names used).
2. **Address**: List current office address. If city and state of residence differs from your place of employment, please list the city and state where you currently reside.
3. **Birthplace**: State year and place of birth.
4. **Resume**: Provide a copy of your current resume.
5. **Education**: List in reverse chronological order each college, law school, or any other institution of higher education attended and indicate for each the dates of attendance, whether a degree was received, and the date each degree was received.
6. **Employment Record**: List in reverse chronological order all governmental agencies, business or professional corporations, companies, firms, or other enterprises, partnerships, institutions or organizations, non-profit or otherwise, with which you have been affiliated as an officer, director, partner, proprietor, or employee since graduation from college, whether or not you received payment for your services. Include the name and address of the employer and job title or description. For any teaching experience, please include a brief description of the subject matter taught.
7. **Military Service and Draft Status**: Identify any service in the U.S. Military, including dates of service, branch of service, rank or rate, serial number (if different from social security number) and type of discharge received, and whether you have registered for selective service.
8. **Honors and Awards**: List any scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees, academic or professional honors, honorary society memberships, military awards, and any other special recognition for outstanding service or achievement.
9. **Bar Associations**: List all bar associations or legal or judicial-related committees, selection panels or conferences of which you are or have been a member, and give the titles and dates of any offices which you have held in such groups.
10. **Bar and Court Admission**:
	1. List the date(s) you were admitted to the bar of any state and any lapses in membership. Please explain the reason for any lapse in membership.
	2. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, including dates of admission and any lapses in membership. Please explain the reason for any lapse in membership. Give the same information for administrative bodies that require special admission to practice.
11. **Memberships**:
	1. List all professional, business, fraternal, scholarly, civic, charitable, or other organizations, other than those listed in response to Questions 9 or 10 to which you belong, or to which you have belonged, since graduation from law school. Provide dates of membership or participation, and indicate any office you held. Include clubs, working groups, advisory or editorial boards, panels, committees, conferences, or publications.
	2. Indicate whether any of these organizations listed in response to 11a above currently discriminate or formerly discriminated on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin either through formal membership requirements or the practical implementation of membership policies. If so, describe any action you have taken to change these policies and practices.
12. **Published Writings and Public Statements**:
	1. List the titles, publishers, and dates of books, articles, reports, letters to the editor, editorial pieces, or other published material you have written or edited, including material published only on the Internet. Please supply a copy.
	2. Supply a copy of any reports, memoranda or policy statements you prepared or contributed in the preparation of on behalf of any bar association, committee, conference, or organization of which you were or are a member. If you do not have a copy of a report, memorandum or policy statement, give the name and address of the organization that issued it, the date of the document, and a summary of its subject matter.
	3. Supply a copy of any testimony, official statements or other communications relating, in whole or in part, to matters of public policy or legal interpretation, that you have issued or provided or that others presented on your behalf to public bodies or public officials.
	4. Supply a copy of transcripts or recordings of all speeches or talks delivered by you including commencement speeches, remarks, lectures, panel discussions, conferences, political speeches, and question-and-answer sessions. Include the date and place where they were delivered, and readily available press reports about the speech or talk. If you do not have a copy of the speech or a transcript or recording of your remarks, give the name and address of the group before whom the speech was given, the date of the speech, and a summary of its subject matter. If you did not speak from a prepared text, furnish a copy of any outline or notes from which you spoke.
	5. List all interviews you have given to newspapers, magazines or other publications, or radio or television stations, providing the dates of these interviews and a copy of the clips or transcripts of these interviews where they are available to you.
13. **Public Office, Political Activities and Affiliations**:
	1. List chronologically any public offices you have held, other than judicial offices, including the terms of service and whether such positions were elected or appointed. If appointed, please include the name of the individual who appointed you. Also, state chronologically any unsuccessful candidacies you have had for elective office or unsuccessful nominations for appointed office.
	2. List all memberships and offices held in and services rendered, whether compensated or not, to any political party or election committee. If you have ever held a position or played a role in a political campaign, identify the particulars of the campaign, including the candidate, dates of the campaign, your title and responsibilities.
14. **Litigation**: Describe the five (5) most significant litigated matters which you personally handled, whether or not you were the attorney of record. Give the citations, if the cases were reported, and the docket number and date if unreported. Give a capsule summary of the substance of each case. Identify the party or parties whom you represented; describe in detail the nature of your participation in the litigation and the final disposition of the case. Also state as to each case:
	1. the date of representation;
	2. the name of the court and the name of the judge or judges before whom the case was litigated; and
	3. the individual name, addresses, and telephone numbers of co-counsel and of principal counsel for each of the other parties.
15. **Judicial Office**: State (chronologically) any judicial offices you have held, including positions as an administrative law judge, whether such position was elected or appointed, and a description of the jurisdiction of each such court.
	1. Approximately how many cases have you presided over that have gone to verdict or judgment?
	2. Provide citations for all opinions you have written, including concurrences and dissents.
	3. For each of the five (5) most significant cases over which you presided, provide: (1) a capsule summary of the nature of the case; (2) the outcome of the case; (3) the name and contact information for counsel who had a significant role in the trial of the case, and (4) the citation of the case (if reported) or the docket number and a copy of the opinion or judgment (if not reported).
16. **Pro Bono Work**: Describe any pro bono legal services you have rendered, listing specific instances and the amount of time devoted to each.
17. **Legal Management and Supervisory Experience**: Provide a description, including dates, of your experience with management and supervision within the legal sector. This may include attorneys, paralegals, law clerks, contractors, and others in a private practice, civic, governmental, corporate, or not for profit setting. Include details if any particular experiences shaped your views regarding interpersonal relationships and coordination in a professional setting.
18. **Conflict Management and Resolution**: Describe how you anticipate conflicts can be appropriately and successfully managed by a judicial officer during the course of a matter before the court.
19. **Statutory and Regulatory Analysis**: Please note if your legal career has required you to do particular and extraordinary analysis of legislative acts that became law, enacted administrative regulations, or other lawful governmental rules. Describe any approach, method, or canons you employed. Include the outcome, or reference any litigation avoided by your work.
20. **Additional Work Product**: Beyond any submission relevant to Question 12 above, provide any work product or draft developed during your career that may reflect on your writing skills and communication and analytical abilities. This may or may not have been created for a particular case or matter, but it is an opportunity for your submission that doesn’t necessarily fit in any other category.
21. **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion**: This element of information request is an effort to obtain, and understand, your personal views. It is not designed to request any privileged work product or any professionally confidential material. Nor does it seek answers that would be appropriate to apply to any speculative scenarios in the future. We are not seeking any legal conclusion. We seek your most forthright response at this point in time, recognizing that some views do change over time.

In recent years, many in society have identified as values, the concepts of diversity, equity, and inclusion (hereafter referred to as DEI) and developed institutional activities in support. Please provide your personal definition of each element of DEI. Then explain how you support or do not support these concepts. Please cite any examples of your advocacy of, or disagreement with, any DEI initiatives you have been associated with, or encountered. This could have occurred through formal organizations or committees, or less formal private or social settings.

1. **Employment History**: State whether you have ever been discharged from employment for any reason or have ever resigned after being informed that your employer intended to discharge you.
2. **Bankruptcy and Tax Information**: Information under this heading must be provided for yourself and your spouse.
	1. Have you and your spouse filed and paid all taxes (federal, state and local) as of the date of your application? Indicate if you filed “married filing separately.”
	2. Have you ever made any back tax payments? If so, indicate if you have made any back tax payments, and provide full details.
	3. Has a tax lien or other collection procedure(s) ever been instituted against you or your spouse by federal, state, or local authorities? If so, provide full details.
	4. Have you or your spouse ever been the subject of any audit, investigation, or inquiry for federal, state, or local taxes? If so, provide full details.
	5. Have you or your spouse ever declared bankruptcy? If so, provide full details.
	6. Are there any unsatisfied judgments against you, or are you in default in any way in the performance or discharge of any duty or obligation imposed upon you by decree or order of any court (including any orders for child and spousal support)? If so, state the full details.
	7. Have you ever been delinquent on any debts, including debts arising from defaults on Federally-guaranteed or State-guaranteed or insured loans such as student loans or home mortgages? If so, state the following: the date and name of agency issuing the loan, the date of default, and the final disposition of the default, including any legal action taken.
3. **Past Investigations and Complaints**:
	1. State whether, to your knowledge, you or any organization of which you were or are an officer, director, or active participant at a relevant time has ever been under federal, state, or local investigation for a possible violation of any civil or criminal statute or administrative agency regulation. If so, provide full details.
	2. Have you ever been the subject of a complaint to any court, administrative agency, bar association, disciplinary committee, or other professional group for a breach of ethics, unprofessional conduct or a violation of any rule of practice? If so, provide full details.
	3. Have you ever been sanctioned by any court, or have you ever been cited for contempt of any court or tribunal having the power of contempt? If so, give details, including dates.
	4. As a member of any organization (including as a student or employee of a college or university), or as a holder of any office or license (including a driver’s license), have you ever been suspended, or otherwise disqualified, or had such license suspended or revoked? Have you ever been reprimanded, censured or otherwise disciplined? Have any complaints, formal or informal, ever been made or filed against you? If so, state the complete facts, dates, disposition and organization in possession of the records thereof.
	5. Have you ever been sued by a client? If so, provide the particulars, including the case name and number, court, and resolution.
	6. Have you, or your professional liability insurance carrier, ever settled a claim against you for professional malpractice? If so, provide the particulars, including the amounts involved.
4. **Party to Civil Legal or Administrative Proceedings**: State whether you, or any business of which you are or were an officer at a relevant time, have ever been a party to or otherwise involved as a party in any civil, legal or administrative proceedings. If so, describe in detail the nature of your participation in the litigation and the final disposition of the case. Include all proceedings in which you were a party in interest. If you are or were a party as part of a partnership, include only if you were involved in a personal, managerial, or supervisory capacity.
5. **Prior Arrests**: Have you ever been arrested for, charged with, or convicted of a crime, other than a minor traffic violation? If so, provide the relevant dates of arrest, charge and disposition, and describe the particulars of the offense.
6. **Health**:
	1. What is the present state of your health?
	2. List the date of your last physical examination.
	3. Have you ever been treated for or had any problem with alcoholism or any related condition associated with consumption of alcoholic beverages or any other form of drug addiction or dependence? If so, give details.
7. **Letters of Recommendation**: Please provide three (and only three) letters of recommendation in support of your application.

**Note: Once a candidate is under consideration by the President, the candidate will be required to complete a comprehensive background investigation, full financial disclosure, and answer a series of additional questions for the Senate Judiciary Committee regarding his or her fitness for judicial office.**

**CERTIFICATION**

*I certify that all of the information provided in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and accurate*.

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(Signature of Applicant\*) (Date)

\*electronic signatures are accepted