

UNITED STATES SENATE  
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR JUDICIAL NOMINEES

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1. **Name**: State full name (include any former names used).

Cindy Kyounga Chung

2. **Position**: State the position for which you have been nominated.

United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit

3. **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.

United States Attorney's Office  
Western District of Pennsylvania  
700 Grant Street, Suite 4000  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15224

4. **Birthplace**: State year and place of birth.

1975; Omaha, Nebraska

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.

1999 – 2002, Columbia Law School; J.D., 2002

1997 (summer), University of California, Los Angeles; no degree received

1993 – 1997, Yale University; B.A., 1997

1995 (summer), Ewha Women's University; no degree 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.

2014 – present  
United States Attorney’s Office for the Western District of Pennsylvania  
700 Grant Street, Suite 4000  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219  
United States Attorney (2021 – present)  
Deputy Chief, Major Crimes Section (2018 – 2020)  
Acting Deputy Chief, Violent Crimes Section (various times 2015 – 2017)  
Assistant United States Attorney (2014 – 2021)

Spring 2021  
University of Pittsburgh School of Law  
Barco Law Building  
3900 Forbes Avenue  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15260  
Adjunct Professor

2009 – 2014  
United States Department of Justice  
Civil Rights Division, Criminal Section  
150 M Street, Northeast, 7th Floor  
Washington, DC 20002  
Trial Attorney

2003 – 2009  
District Attorney’s Office, New York County  
One Hogan Place  
New York, New York 10013  
Investigation Counsel, Official Corruption Unit (2007 – 2009)  
Assistant District Attorney, Trial Bureau 50 (2003 – 2007)

2002 – 2003  
United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama  
Frank M. Johnson Jr., U.S. Courthouse Complex  
One Church Street  
Montgomery, Alabama 36104  
Law Clerk to the Honorable Myron Thompson

Fall 2001  
District Attorney’s Office, New York County  
One Hogan Place  
New York, New York 10013  
Intern

Summer 2001  
Willkie, Farr, and Gallagher LLP  
787 Seventh Avenue

New York, New York 10019  
Summer Associate

Spring 2001  
United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit  
Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse  
40 Foley Square  
New York, New York 10007  
Intern for the Honorable Sonia Sotomayor

Fall 2000  
Columbia Law School  
435 West 116th Street  
New York, New York 10027  
Research Assistant for Professor Elizabeth Schneider

Summer 2000  
Lawyers Alliance  
171 Madison Avenue, 9th Floor  
New York, New York 10016  
Intern

1997 – 1999  
Yale-China Association  
Yali Middle School  
428 Laodong Western Road  
Yuhua District, Changsha, Hunan, 410007  
Fellow

Summer 1997  
University of California, Los Angeles  
Contributions of 20th Century Women to Physics Project  
Assistant to Professor Nina Byers

Other Affiliations (Uncompensated)

2021 – present  
Ohio High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA)  
4781 Hinckley Industrial Parkway  
Cleveland, Ohio 44109  
Board Member

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.

I did not serve in the military. I was not required to register for the 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.

Hong Yen Chang Award, Columbia Law School Asian Pacific American Law Students Association (2022)

Law Enforcement Agency Directors, Team Award for Outstanding Performance (2020)

Federal Executive Board (FEB), Gold Award for Outstanding Team Excellence in Government Award (2019)

Pennsylvania Narcotic Officers' Association, Outstanding Prosecutor Award (2019)

Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Certificate of Appreciation for Outstanding Contributions to DEA's Mission (2017)

Attorney General's Award for Exceptional Service (2012)

Civil Rights Division Assistant Attorney General's Distinguished Service Award (2011)

Columbia Law School

Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar (Academic Years 2000 – 2002)

Columbia Public Interest Fellow (Summer 2001)

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.

Allegheny County Bar Association (ACBA) (2013 – present)

ACBA Asian Attorneys Committee (2013 – present)

Asian Bar Association of New York (approximately 2007 – 2009)

Asian Pacific American Bar Association of Pennsylvania (2021 – present)

United States Attorney General's Advisory Committee, Vice-Chair (2022 – present)

United States Department of Justice Juvenile Violence Working Group, Chair (2022 – present)

Wendell Freeland Society (approximately 2020 – present)

10. **Bar and Court Admission:**

- a. 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.

New York, 2002  
Pennsylvania, 2013

There have been no lapses in membership.

- b. 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.

United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, 2015

There have been no lapses in membership.

11. **Memberships:**

- a. 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.

Ohio High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA)  
Board Member (2021 – present)

- b. The American Bar Association's Commentary to its Code of Judicial Conduct states that it is inappropriate for a judge to hold membership in any organization that invidiously discriminates on the basis of race, sex, or religion, or national origin. 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.

To the best of my knowledge, the organization listed above does not currently discriminate nor has ever discriminated on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin, either through formal membership requirements or the practical implementation of membership policies.

12. **Published Writings and Public Statements:**

- a. 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. Supply four (4) copies of all published material to the Committee.

11(1) Colum. J. Gender & Law (2001), Managing Editor, available at:  
<https://journals.library.columbia.edu/index.php/cjgl/issue/view/179>.

10(2) Colum. J. Gender & Law (2000), Articles Editor, available at:  
<https://journals.library.columbia.edu/index.php/cjgl/issue/view/178>.

(Because I held these editorial positions as a law student, these entries are not responsive to this question; I am including them because they were inadvertently listed in my 2021 Senate Judiciary Questionnaire.)

- b. Supply four (4) copies 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.

None.

- c. Supply four (4) copies 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.

None.

- d. Supply four (4) copies, 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.

I have done my best to identify transcripts or recordings of all speeches or talks delivered, including through a review of my personal files and searches of publicly available electronic databases. Where notes or outlines are included, my actual remarks may have varied as I do not strictly adhere to notes when speaking. In addition, I frequently speak without notes and when I have spoken with the aid

of notes or an outline, I have not always retained these materials. Despite my searches, there may be other talks or materials I have been unable to identify, find, or remember. Finally, because many of my appearances as United States Attorney are public, I am often unaware if people record my remarks on their digital devices. When aware of a recording, I have so indicated below. I have identified the following events:

July 11, 2022: Moderator, Youth Enrichment Services Teen Public Safety and Violence Prevention Summit, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I moderated a panel of teens and professionals discussing violence. I have no notes or transcript, but press coverage is available at <https://www.wtae.com/article/pittsburgh-teen-summit-violence-larimer/40560147>. The address for Youth Enrichment Services is 6031 Broad Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15206.

June 9, 2022: Remarks, Allegheny County Chiefs of Police Association, Carnegie, Pennsylvania. Notes supplied.

May 31, 2022: Presenter, Police Week Certificates, Indiana Borough Police Department, Indiana, Pennsylvania. Notes supplied.

May 24, 2022: Introductory Remarks, FBI Cellular Analysis Survey Team Training, New Castle, Pennsylvania. I welcomed law enforcement officers attending the training and briefly discussed the value of the training. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the local FBI is 3311 East Carson Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15203.

May 20, 2022: Introductory Remarks and Remarks, Meeting with community partners regarding the mass shooting in Buffalo, New York, United States Attorney's Office, via WebEx, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Notes supplied.

May 19, 2022: Welcoming Remarks, Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Notes supplied.

May 19, 2022: Presenter, Police Week Certificates, Warren County Sheriff's Department, Warren, Pennsylvania. Notes and press coverage supplied.

May 17 and 18, 2022: Moderator, Project Safe Neighborhood National Summit, Tackling Youth Violence Panel (held once on each day), via WebEx. Notes supplied.

May 16, 2022: Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald Press Conference regarding Intimate Partner Violence Reform Leadership Team, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I spoke extemporaneously about the importance of addressing domestic violence. I have no notes, transcript, or recording, but press coverage is supplied. The address for the County Executive is P.O. Box 23175, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222.

May 16, 2022: Presenter, Police Week Certificates, Pittsburgh Bureau of Police, Zone 1 Police Station, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Notes supplied.

May 4, 2022: Keynote Speaker, Cyburgh, Pennsylvania Initiative, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Notes supplied.

April 30, 2022: Remarks, Community Peace Walk, Bedford EnVision Center, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I spoke about violent crime. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for Center that Cares is 2701 Centre Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219.

April 29, 2022: Remarks, Allegheny County Anchored Re-Entry Consortium, via Zoom. Notes supplied.

April 28, 2022: Remarks, Victim Recognition Ceremony, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Notes supplied.

April 28, 2022: Remarks, Naturalization Ceremony, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Notes supplied.

April 27, 2022: Speaker, FBI Citizens Academy, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Slides supplied.

April 23, 2022: Remarks, All in for Homewood, City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I spoke about violent crime. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Mayor, City of Pittsburgh is 414 Grant Street, Suite 512, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219.

April 26, 2022: Speaker, Bigs in Blue, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Notes supplied.

April 22, 2022: Speaker, Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Notes supplied.

April 19, 2022: Remarks, Greater Valley Coalition Against Violence meeting, Braddock, Pennsylvania. I spoke about violence in our community and gave an interview following the meeting. I have no notes or transcript, but press coverage is supplied. Partial recording available at <https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/greater-valley-coalition-against-violence-meeting/?intcid=CNM-00-10abd1h>.

March 3, 2022: Speaker, Leadership Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Notes supplied.

February 26, 2022: Keynote Speaker, Columbia Law School Asian Pacific



American Law Students Association 2022 Conference, via Zoom. Notes supplied.

February 25, 2022: Investiture as United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Transcript supplied.

February 24, 2022: Speaker, Allegheny County Bar Associate, Homer S. Brown Division, Black History Month Celebration, via Zoom. Notes supplied.

January 13, 2022: Speaker, Philadelphia 9th Annual Korean American Day, Philadelphia City Hall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Recording available at <https://youtube.com/watch?v=v3sA6snArYE>.

November 30, 2021: Remarks, Wilkinsburg Police Citizens Academy, Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania. I spoke about the importance of community-police relations. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Wilkinsburg Police Department is 605 Ross Avenue, Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania 15221.

November 17, 2021: Co-Speaker, National Cyber-Forensics and Training Alliance, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Notes supplied.

September 29, 2021: Guest lecturer, Federal Hate Crimes class, Prof. David Hickton, University of Pittsburgh, School of Law, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I discussed the investigation and prosecution of federal hate crimes. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for University of Pittsburgh, School of Law is Barco Law Building, 3900 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15260.

July 26, 2021: Panelist, Responding to Anti-Semitism and Anti-Asian Hate, Asian Pacific Bar Association of Pennsylvania, via Zoom. I discussed federal hate crimes laws. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Asian Pacific Bar Association of Pennsylvania is P.O. Box 60234, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19102.

March 25, 2021: Panelist, A Quiet Rise in Hate Crimes, South Asian Bar Association of Philadelphia, via Zoom. I discussed federal hate crime laws. I have no notes, transcript, or recording, but press coverage is supplied. The address for the South Asian Bar Association of Philadelphia is 1735 Market Street, 23rd Floor, Philadelphia Pennsylvania 19103.

February 17, 2021: Speaker, Pittsburgh Intellectual Property Law Association, via Zoom. Outline supplied.

May 4, 2020: Panelist, Office of Pittsburgh Mayor Bill Peduto, live-streamed via the City of Pittsburgh's Facebook Event Page and on the Welcoming Pittsburgh Facebook Page. Presentation supplied.

November 22, 2019: Speaker, Crisis Center North, Crescent Township, Pennsylvania. Outline and handout supplied.

June 4, 2019: Speaker, Pennsylvanians for Modern Courts, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Outline supplied.

May 21, 2019: Speaker, Global Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I presented an overview of federal civil rights law to visiting scholars and lawyers from Russia. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for Global Pittsburgh is 6101 Penn Avenue, Suite 402, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15206.

June 3, 2018: Panelist, Rodef Shalom Congregation, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I answered questions regarding federal hate crime laws. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for Rodef Shalom Congregation is 4905 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15213.

May 8, 2018: Speaker, Circles East Liberty, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I presented to community members an overview of federal laws governing the use of excessive force. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. Circles East Liberty is now known as Catapult Greater Pittsburgh; its address is 100 Sheridan Square, 4th Floor, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15206.

April 10, 2018: Speaker, Circles East Liberty, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I presented to community members an overview of federal hate crime laws. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. Circles East Liberty is now known as Catapult Greater Pittsburgh; its address is 100 Sheridan Square, 4th Floor, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15206.

January 12, 2018: Panelist, Pittsburgh Federal Executive Board Diversity and Inclusion Committee, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I believe I spoke about federal hate crime laws. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Pittsburgh Federal Executive Board is 1000 Liberty Avenue, Room 1303, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222.

December 15, 2017: Speaker, Beaver County Law Enforcement Community Coalition, Aliquippa, Pennsylvania. Outline supplied.

June 16, 2017: Panelist, Allegheny County Bar Association, Women in the Law Division, Allegheny County Bar Association Bench Bar Conference, Seven Springs, Pennsylvania. I discussed federal hate crime laws. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Allegheny County Bar Association,

Women in the Law Division, is 400 Koppers Building, 436 Seventh Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219.

April 27, 2017: Panelist, Allegheny County Bar Association, Asian Attorneys Committee, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I addressed questions related to federal hate crime laws. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Allegheny County Bar Association, Asian Attorneys Committee, is 400 Koppers Building, 436 Seventh Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219.

October 15, 2016: Speaker, Pittsburgh Police Citizens Academy, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I presented an overview of federal civil rights and hate crime laws. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for Pittsburgh Bureau of Police is 1203 Western Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15233.

June 17, 2016: Panelist, Allegheny County Bar Association Bench Bar Conference, Seven Springs, Pennsylvania. I was part of a keynote panel that discussed federal hate crime laws. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Allegheny County Bar Association is 400 Koppers Building, 436 Seventh Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219.

March 8, 2016: Speaker, Allegheny County Bar Association, Federal Criminal Court Section Subcommittee Meeting, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Outline supplied.

April 24, 2015: Remarks, Young Women's Christian Association's Stand Against Racism Rally, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I offered brief remarks on the importance of ending racism. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Young Women's Christian Association is 305 Wood Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222.

- e. List all interviews you have given to newspapers, magazines or other publications, or radio or television stations, providing the dates of these interviews and four (4) copies of the clips or transcripts of these interviews where they are available to you.

As United States Attorney, I have participated in multiple interviews and press conferences; in addition, the office has released multiple press releases and has a twitter account (@WDPAnews). I have included all interviews, press conferences, and press releases that I have been able to identify. Due to volume, a list of press releases is supplied in an appendix.

Patrick Cloonan, *Pittsburgh U.S. Attorney Honors Indiana Police Officers, K-9*, Indiana Gazette, June 1, 2022. Copy supplied.

*Indiana Police Officers Honored By U.S. Attorney's Office*, WCCS radio, May 31, 2022. Recording available at

<https://www.wccsradio.com/2022/05/31/indiana-police-officers-honored-by-u-s-attorneys-office>.

Press conference with City of Pittsburgh Mayor Ed Gainey regarding downtown shooting, May 29, 2022. Press coverage supplied.

Press conference regarding *United States v. Rivera et al.*, USAO-WDPA, May 13, 2022. Recording available at <https://ms-my.facebook.com/CityofEriePA/videos/federal-state-and-local-officials-to-hold-news-conference-announcing-the-arrests/762398035167802>.

Phil Ray, *Chung: 'We can't arrest our way out of addiction,'* Altoona Mirror, Apr. 23, 2022. Copy supplied.

Press conference regarding Pittsburgh Bureau of Police and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives regarding Juveniles and Guns, ATF, Apr. 22, 2022. Press coverage and remarks supplied. Recordings available at <https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/joint-task-force-initiative-juvenile-gun-crime-pittsburgh-airbnb-shooting/?intcid=CNM-00-10abd1h> and at <https://www.wpxi.com/news/local/pittsburgh-police-chief-provides-update-mass-shooting-investigation/H4I52TXGLBBBJHJNYU6ENDGHMM>.

Jennifer Borrasso, *Greater Valley Coalition Against Violence holds meeting 2 days after Pittsburgh mass shooting*, CBS Pittsburgh, Apr. 19, 2022. Copy previously supplied in response to Question 12d, and recording available at <https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/greater-valley-coalition-against-violence-meeting/?intcid=CNM-00-10abd1h>.

Dan Irwin, *U.S. Attorney looks to support, work with local law enforcement*, New Castle News, Apr. 9, 2022. Copy supplied.

Andy Sheehan, *FBI Pittsburgh Office Leads Actions To Disrupt Russian Cybercrime Operation*, CBS Pittsburgh, Apr. 6, 2022. Copy supplied and recording available at <https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/fbi-pittsburgh-helps-break-up-russia-cybercrimes/?intcid=CNM-00-10abd1h>.

March 25, 2022: *United States v. Dinell et al.* press conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Remarks supplied. Articles supplied. Recordings available at <https://www.wpxi.com/news/top-stories/grand-jury-indicts-2-former-beaver-county-care-facility-employees-hate-crime-charges/6SDNJFJQHJAHPIVK7HA6CPVNKU>, and <https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/beaver-county-healthcare-workers-hate-crimes>, and <https://www.wtae.com/article/pennsylvania-care-home-workers-accused-of-abusing-residents/39538084>.

Press conference regarding Erie Strengthening Police and Community

Partnerships Program, Feb. 24, 2022, Erie, Pennsylvania. Remarks supplied. Article supplied. Recording available at <https://www.yourerie.com/news/local-news/officials-spotlight-erie-polices-community-partnership>.

Angie Moreschi, *Exclusive: U.S. Attorney talks to 11 Investigates about massive unemployment fraud*, WPXI-TV, Jan. 14, 2022. Copy supplied and recording available at <https://www.wpxi.com/news/investigates/exclusive-us-attorney-talks-11-investigates-about-massive-unemployment-fraud/BSN2MUVUXVDG3J7FGMFTYDZ4K4>.

Heidi Przybyla, *A look at the new class of U.S. Attorneys*, Morning Joe, Dec. 17, 2021. Recording available at <https://www.msnbc.com/morning-joe/watch/a-look-at-the-new-class-of-u-s-attorneys-129000005980>.

On August 18, 2011, I was part of an interview with National Public Radio (NPR) following the trial in *United States v. Bowen et al.*, Case No. 10-CR-204 (E.D. La.). To the best of my recollection, my participation was extremely limited and I was not quoted or referenced in the resulting coverage.

13. **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.

I have not held judicial office.

- a. Approximately how many cases have you presided over that have gone to verdict or judgment? \_\_\_\_\_
- i. Of these cases, approximately what percent were:
- |               |                     |
|---------------|---------------------|
| jury trials:  | _____%              |
| bench trials: | _____% [total 100%] |
- ii. Of these cases, approximately what percent were:
- |                       |                     |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| civil proceedings:    | _____%              |
| criminal proceedings: | _____% [total 100%] |
- b. Provide citations for all opinions you have written, including concurrences and dissents.
- c. For each of the 10 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).

- d. For each of the 10 most significant opinions you have written, provide: (1) citations for those decisions that were published; (2) a copy of those decisions that were not published; and (3) the names and contact information for the attorneys who played a significant role in the case.
  - e. Provide a list of all cases in which certiorari was requested or granted.
  - f. Provide a brief summary of and citations for all of your opinions where your decisions were reversed by a reviewing court or where your judgment was affirmed with significant criticism of your substantive or procedural rulings. If any of the opinions listed were not officially reported, provide copies of the opinions.
  - g. Provide a description of the number and percentage of your decisions in which you issued an unpublished opinion and the manner in which those unpublished opinions are filed and/or stored.
  - h. Provide citations for significant opinions on federal or state constitutional issues, together with the citation to appellate court rulings on such opinions. If any of the opinions listed were not officially reported, provide copies of the opinions.
  - i. Provide citations to all cases in which you sat by designation on a federal court of appeals, including a brief summary of any opinions you authored, whether majority, dissenting, or concurring, and any dissenting opinions you joined.
14. **Recusal:** If you are or have been a judge, identify the basis by which you have assessed the necessity or propriety of recusal (If your court employs an "automatic" recusal system by which you may be recused without your knowledge, please include a general description of that system.) Provide a list of any cases, motions or matters that have come before you in which a litigant or party has requested that you recuse yourself due to an asserted conflict of interest or in which you have recused yourself sua sponte. Identify each such case, and for each provide the following information:

I have not held judicial office.

- a. whether your recusal was requested by a motion or other suggestion by a litigant or a party to the proceeding or by any other person or interested party; or if you recused yourself sua sponte;
- b. a brief description of the asserted conflict of interest or other ground for recusal;
- c. the procedure you followed in determining whether or not to recuse yourself;
- d. your reason for recusing or declining to recuse yourself, including any action taken to remove the real, apparent or asserted conflict of interest or to cure any

other ground for recusal.

15. **Public Office, Political Activities and Affiliations:**

- a. 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.

Since 2021, I have served as United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania. I was appointed by President Joseph R. Biden, Jr., and confirmed by the Senate.

I have not run for public office.

- b. 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.

None.

16. **Legal Career:** Answer each part separately.

- a. Describe chronologically your law practice and legal experience after graduation from law school including:

- i. whether you served as clerk to a judge, and if so, the name of the judge, the court and the dates of the period you were a clerk;

I served as a law clerk to the Honorable Myron H. Thompson, United States District Court Judge for the Middle District of Alabama, from 2002 to 2003.

- ii. whether you practiced alone, and if so, the addresses and dates;

I have not practiced alone.

- iii. the dates, names and addresses of law firms or offices, companies or governmental agencies with which you have been affiliated, and the nature of your affiliation with each;

2003 – 2009

District Attorney's Office, New York County

One Hogan Place  
New York, New York 10013  
Assistant District Attorney, Trial Bureau 50 (2003 – 2007)  
Investigation Counsel, Official Corruption Unit (2007 – 2009)

2009 – 2014  
United States Department of Justice  
Civil Rights Division, Criminal Section  
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(formerly located at 601 D Street, Northwest, Fifth Floor, Washington, DC  
20004)  
Trial Attorney

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2014 – present  
United States Attorney's Office  
Western District of Pennsylvania  
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Assistant United States Attorney (2014 – 2021)  
Acting Deputy Chief, Violent Crimes Section (various times 2015 – 2017)  
Deputy Chief, Major Crimes Section (2018 – 2020)  
United States Attorney (2021 – present)

- iv. whether you served as a mediator or arbitrator in alternative dispute resolution proceedings and, if so, a description of the 10 most significant matters with which you were involved in that capacity.

I have not served as a mediator or arbitrator.

b. Describe:

- i. the general character of your law practice and indicate by date when its character has changed over the years.

I clerked for a judge the year following law school. Since that time, I have served as a prosecutor at the state and federal level. In November 2021, I was sworn in as the United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania. In that role, I oversee the civil, appellate, and criminal



work of the office.

- ii. your typical clients and the areas at each period of your legal career, if any, in which you have specialized.

In 2003, I became an Assistant District Attorney at the District Attorney's Office, New York County (DANY), where I served the people of New York County and prosecuted crimes of all kinds. In 2007, I moved from a general trial bureau to the official corruption section and began to work on civil rights and public corruption matters. The work included all phases of a criminal case, including investigation, grand jury, motions, trial, and post-trial motions.

In 2009, I became a trial attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice's Civil Rights Division, Criminal Section, where my client was the United States. I continued to work on all phases of a criminal case, litigating civil rights and human trafficking crimes.

In 2014, I became an Assistant United States Attorney at the United States Attorney's Office, Western District of Pennsylvania, where I served the people of the Western District of Pennsylvania. I have continued to work on all phases of a criminal case, as well as appeals, and litigated a wide variety of crimes. Accordingly, I developed cases from investigation through indictment, and litigated the government's position in hearings and trials. I also worked with appellate attorneys to develop strategies and positions on appeal, participated in moot arguments, and briefed an appeal. I worked on a wide-range of criminal matters including narcotics, violent crime, hate crimes, human trafficking, fraud, the theft of trade secrets, money laundering, cybercrime, and national security. I have held various positions including Domestic Violence Coordinator, Project Safe Neighborhood Coordinator, Border Security Coordinator, and Civil Rights Coordinator.

In November 2021, I became the United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania. In that role, I serve as the chief federal law enforcement officer for 25 counties within the district. I oversee an office comprised of approximately 59 attorneys and 56 support staff in three offices who engage in defensive and affirmative civil work, appellate work, and criminal work.

- c. Describe the percentage of your practice that has been in litigation and whether you appeared in court frequently, occasionally, or not at all. If the frequency of your appearances in court varied, describe such variance, providing dates.

- i. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:
  - 1. federal courts: 67%

- 2. state courts of record: 33%
- 3. other courts: 0%
- 4. administrative agencies: 0%

ii. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

- 1. civil proceedings: 2%
- 2. criminal proceedings: 98%

d. State the number of cases in courts of record, including cases before administrative law judges, you tried to verdict, judgment or final decision (rather than settled), indicating whether you were sole counsel, chief counsel, or associate counsel.

I have tried approximately 24 cases to verdict. I was sole counsel on 14 such cases. On the additional ten cases in which had I co-counsel, I was lead counsel on four cases.

i. What percentage of these trials were:

- 1. jury: 92%
- 2. non-jury: 8%

e. Describe your practice, if any, before the Supreme Court of the United States. Supply four (4) copies of any briefs, amicus or otherwise, and, if applicable, any oral argument transcripts before the Supreme Court in connection with your practice.

I have not practiced before the Supreme Court of the United States.

17. **Litigation:** Describe the ten (10) 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:

- a. the date of representation;
- b. the name of the court and the name of the judge or judges before whom the case was litigated; and
- c. the individual name, addresses, and telephone numbers of co-counsel and of principal counsel for each of the other parties.

1. *United States v. Hoover and Arthurs*, 2:18-CR-188 (W.D. Pa.) (Hornak, J.)

Mr. Hoover was a licensed physician who traveled every three months to Pittsburgh from

California with his girlfriend and co-defendant Ms. Arthurs. While in Pittsburgh, the defendants operated a pill mill wherein Mr. Hoover wrote illegitimate oxycodone prescriptions in exchange for cash over the course of a weekend. The defendants would then depart Pittsburgh and return to California. The defendants also caused Medicare and Medicaid to pay for the illegitimate prescriptions and laundered their criminal proceeds. Both defendants also falsely claimed to be disabled and unable to work, despite making hundreds of thousands of dollars a year, and collected benefits from the social security administration. I served as lead counsel for the government on this matter. This entailed coordinating and directing a multi-agency investigation that involved the FBI, DEA, IRS, HHS, USPIS, and SSA, identifying criminal proceeds and property of approximately \$1.2 million, and securing restitution to Medicare, Medicaid, and the SSA of more than \$400,000. Both defendants entered a plea of guilty to conspiring to distribute oxycodone, conspiring to launder money, conspiring to commit health care fraud, and committing social security fraud and were sentenced to terms of imprisonment of 136 months and 63 months.

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2. *United States v. Matakovich*, 2:16-CR-73 (W.D. Pa.) (Bissoon, J.), *aff'd*, 758 F. App'x 295 (3d Cir. 2018) (Jordan, Vanaskie, Nygaard, JJ.)

Mr. Matakovich was working as a security officer at Heinz Field in his capacity as an off-duty police officer with the Pittsburgh Bureau of Police. The defendant was charged for his actions in punching, pushing, and repeatedly striking an arrestee, without justification.

The defendant was also charged with falsifying his report to justify his conduct. I served as lead counsel for the government on this matter and directed the investigation and trial strategy, conducted an opening statement, directed multiple witnesses, cross-examined the defendant, and argued at sentencing. The defendant was convicted after trial for the excessive force charge and acquitted on the obstruction count. The court sentenced the defendant to a term of imprisonment of 27 months. On appeal, I assisted appellate counsel to develop strategies and positions on appeal and reviewed and provided input on the brief; the conviction was upheld.

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3. *United States v. Harris*, 2:16-CR-26 (W.D. Pa.) (Walton, J.)

Mr. Harris sold heroin that caused a fatal overdose. Despite having knowledge that the drugs he sold caused the death of the victim, he continued to sell the same product, leading to an additional fatal overdose. In total, his dealings over approximately two weeks caused four non-fatal overdoses and two fatal overdoses. I served as sole counsel for the government on this matter and handled the prosecution from investigation to sentencing, including directing witnesses in the grand jury and negotiating a plea. The defendant pleaded guilty and was sentenced to twelve years of imprisonment.

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4. *United States v. Nassida et al.*, 2:14-CR-241 (W.D. Pa.) (Ambrose, J.)

Defendant Mr. Nassida owned and operated a mortgage broker business called Century III Home Equity (Century III), one of the largest mortgage broker businesses in the district. Defendants Mr. Denne and Ms. Nassida were managers at Century III and also loan officers. The defendants were charged with conspiring to commit bank fraud in obtaining mortgages by fraud. Mr. Denne pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 30 months' imprisonment. I served as a second seat for the government at trial for Mr. and Ms. Nassida and directed multiple witnesses, cross-examined Ms. Nassida, and conducted closing argument. During trial, I raised with the Court the issue that Mr. Nassida's attorney was observed sleeping and proposed that the situation be remedied by recalling any witnesses desired by the defense for further cross examination. The defense attorney declined to re-call any witnesses. Both defendants were convicted after trial. Ms. Nassida was not sentenced due to her untimely death and Mr. Nassida successfully moved for a new trial based on the issue related to his attorney. He later pleaded guilty and was sentenced to a term of imprisonment of 78 months.

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5. *United States v. Howard*, 2:15-CR-08 (W.D. Pa.) (Hornak, J.), *aff'd*, 729 F. App'x 181 (3d Cir. 2018) (Greenaway, Jr., Krause, Jones, JJ.), *cert. denied*, 139 S.Ct. 224 (Oct. 1, 2018)

Mr. Howard was a fugitive for a state murder case. The U.S. Marshals Fugitive Task Force located him at a residence. When he was arrested, the residence was cleared and officers observed in plain view a significant heroin packaging and distribution operation. Mr. Howard was charged with possession with intent to distribute 100 grams or more of heroin. I served as lead counsel for the government on this matter and handled the case from investigation to trial. I represented the government in the suppression hearing and directed multiple witnesses, argued the government's position, and wrote the government's brief. At trial, I opened, closed, and performed all direct and cross-examinations, excepting one witness. Mr. Howard was convicted at trial and sentenced to 240 months in prison. On appeal, I assisted appellate counsel to develop strategies and positions on appeal and reviewed and provided input on the brief; the conviction was upheld.

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6. *United States v. Maybee et al.*, 3:11-CR-30006 (W.D. Ar.)(Hendren, J.), *aff'd*, 687 F.3d 1026 (8th Cir. 2012) (Loken, Gruender, Benton, JJ.), *cert. denied*, 133 S. Ct. 556 (2012)

This was the first Shepard-Byrd Hate Crimes Prevention Act case prosecuted in the country. The two defendants were charged with a racially-motivated attack in which they ran a vehicle containing five Hispanic men off the road, causing the car to crash into a tree and ignite. I served as co-counsel for the government on this matter and handled the investigation portion of the case on behalf of the Civil Rights Division's Criminal Section, including gathering motive evidence, participating in witness interviews, and applying for certification. The defendants were convicted after trial for multiple counts of the Shepard-Byrd Hate Crimes Prevention Act. After trial, I rejoined the case for sentencing. The defendants were sentenced to terms of imprisonment of 48 months and 130 months. Mr. Maybee appealed, and his conviction and sentence were upheld.

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7. *United States v. Edwards et al.*, 8:11-CR-316 (D. Md.) (Chasanow, J.)

The two defendants were charged with harboring a Filipino national whom they brought to the United States under false pretenses. For approximately ten years, the victim provided low-cost labor to the Edwardses as a domestic servant and caretaker, and was unable to leave as the defendants retained her passport and told the victim she had to pay them \$20,000 if she were to leave. I served as lead counsel for the government on this matter and worked with the FBI in investigating the case, drafted the charging instruments in the case, worked with the Department of Labor and with witnesses to determine a restitution amount, and communicated with the victim, her family, and her attorney. The defendants pleaded guilty and were sentenced to pay approximately \$370,000 in restitution and to terms of imprisonment ranging from three months to twelve months.

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8. *United States v. Barnwell et al.*, 4:11-CR-62 (E.D. Ar.) (Wilson, J.)

This was a prosecution of four individuals for the racially-motivated firebombing of the home of an interracial couple (a fifth individual was charged with obstruction), wherein white supremacists threw Molotov cocktails into the couple's home. I served as co-counsel for the government on this matter and worked to develop the investigation, cooperate witnesses, memorialize statements in the grand jury, and indict the case. The case was handled by another DOJ attorney for a period in which multiple defendants pleaded guilty. I rejoined the case for the trial of defendant Dodson. I argued the government's successful reverse *Batson* challenge which resulted in jurors, whom the defendant struck on the basis of race, being added back to the jury. After the jury was properly composed, without regard to race, Mr. Dodson pleaded guilty without proceeding to trial. The defendants were sentenced to terms of imprisonment ranging from 21 months to 180 months.

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9. *United States v. Bowen et al.*, 969 F. Supp. 2d 546 (E.D. La. 2013) (Engelhardt, J.),  
*aff'd*, 799 F.3d 336 (5th Cir. 2015) (Jones, Clement, Prado, JJ.)

Multiple unarmed civilians were shot, killed, and seriously injured by police officers in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. The defendants in this case were six police officers who were involved in the shooting and/or the attempt to conceal the criminal nature of the shooting. The defendants were convicted after a six-week trial on all counts. I served as second seat for the government for trial and sentencing, and handled the direct examination of multiple witnesses. The defendants were granted a new trial based on online activities of government attorneys who were not part of the trial team. The order granting a new trial was affirmed on appeal. I assisted the appellate attorney with the briefing and mootings, and supported appellate counsel during the oral argument. The defendants subsequently pleaded guilty to some counts and were ultimately sentenced to terms of imprisonment ranging from three to ten years.

Dates of representation: 2011 – 2016

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10. *United States v. White*, 7:08-CR-54 (W.D. Va.) (Turk, J.), *aff'd in part, vacated in part*, 670 F.3d 498 (4th Cir. 2012) (Niemeyer, Duncan, Floyd, JJ.)

Mr. White, the self-proclaimed commander of the neo-Nazi group the American National Socialist Workers Party, was indicted for his conduct in targeting individuals and engaging in a pattern of threatening conduct. His actions included making late night telephone calls to the victims' homes, during which he would identify himself as the leader of a white supremacist group; sending emails and letters to the victims in which he would make threatening statements; and posting the victims' names, addresses, phone numbers, and other personal information on neo-Nazi Web sites, sometimes accompanied by language advocating the murder of the targeted victim. I served as second seat for the government for trial, sentencing, and resentencing. I opened for the government and conducted multiple examinations. The defendant was convicted of three counts of threatening the victims, and one count of intimidating a witness; he was acquitted on three threats counts, and the court entered a directed verdict of not guilty on one threat conviction. The convictions were upheld on appeal and remanded for resentencing on government appeal. I assisted the appellate attorney with the briefing and mooting. Mr. White was ultimately sentenced to a 33-month term of incarceration.

Dates of representation: 2009 – 2012

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18. **Legal Activities:** Describe the most significant legal activities you have pursued, including significant litigation which did not progress to trial or legal matters that did not involve litigation. Describe fully the nature of your participation in these activities. List any client(s) or organization(s) for whom you performed lobbying activities and describe the lobbying activities you performed on behalf of such client(s) or organizations(s). (Note: As to any facts requested in this question, please omit any information protected by the attorney-client privilege.)

My career has been devoted to serving the public as a prosecutor at the state and federal levels. In these roles, I have handled criminal cases through the entire lifecycle of each matter, from investigation to post-trial motions. I have trained, worked with, and coordinated multiple federal, state, and local investigative agencies in furtherance of these activities. I have also been active in communicating with and educating various community groups in an effort to maintain good relationships with the people for whom we work, to ensure that our residents understand the law, and to establish a relationship so that all members of the community feel comfortable approaching federal law enforcement. Accordingly, I have represented the office in groups such as the Beaver County Law Enforcement Community Coalition, Working Together LGBTQ+ Group, Heroin Outreach Prevention and Education- Initiative, and the Pittsburgh-area Community Police Relations Group. I have also served on the USAO-WDPA's Executive Committee for which I chaired the Community Outreach Subcommittee.

My work has touched on crimes of all types such as narcotics, violent crime, hate crimes, human trafficking, fraud, the theft of trade secrets, money laundering, cybercrime, and national security. In addition to the cases described above, I have worked on other significant prosecutions including *United States v. Bowers* (a prosecution involving the mass shooting at the Tree of Life Synagogue) for which I was one of the responding attorneys in the direct aftermath of this incident and handled certification and pleading at the inception of the case. While serving in the national security / cyber section, I prosecuted a case involving the mass production of explosive devices (*United States v. Cofano*), as well as a case involving threats made against a federal judge (*United States v. Kaetz*). As the Domestic Violence Coordinator and Civil Rights Coordinator, I developed trainings and educational materials, represented the office in multiple community outreach events, and conducted trainings. As the Project Safe Neighborhood Coordinator, I worked to implement our district violence-reduction strategy, as well as facilitated the grant process for our partners. Throughout all of my work, when my cases have been appealed, I have assisted in the development of positions, the drafting and finalizing of briefs, and the mooting of arguments. Finally, as a supervisor, I have strategized with my colleagues, trained new attorneys, and reviewed their work.

As United States Attorney, I now oversee an office engaged in criminal, civil, and appellate work. Accordingly, I regularly confer with office leadership regarding office positions in criminal and civil matters, review appellate briefs, and participate in moot arguments. In addition to my supervisory duties, I regularly meet with and convene our law enforcement and community partners to address violent crime and other district priorities. I have also assumed national duties such as vice-chairing the Attorney General's Advisory Committee where I have the privilege of presenting the views of, and issues facing, the United States Attorneys community as a whole and the Third Circuit in particular. In addition, I chair the Department's Juvenile Violence Working Group and serve as a member of the Department's Implicit Bias Training Development Working Group.

I have not performed any lobbying activities on behalf of any client or organization.

19. **Teaching:** What courses have you taught? For each course, state the title, the institution at which you taught the course, the years in which you taught the course, and describe briefly the subject matter of the course and the major topics taught. If you have a syllabus of each course, provide four (4) copies to the committee.

I co-taught a class, Federal Hates Crimes, at the University of Pittsburgh, School of Law for the Spring Term of 2021. My teaching partner was Adjunct Professor Stephen Gilson. This course covered federal hate crimes with a focus on the Shepard-Byrd Hate Crimes Prevention Act (18 U.S.C. § 249). Students were provided an opportunity to examine and analyze relevant statutes and key cases with a focus on gaining a practical understanding of the elements and application of these statutes through litigation exercises. Syllabus supplied.

20. **Deferred Income/ Future Benefits:** List the sources, amounts and dates of all anticipated receipts from deferred income arrangements, stock, options, uncompleted contracts and other future benefits which you expect to derive from previous business relationships, professional services, firm memberships, former employers, clients or customers. Describe the arrangements you have made to be compensated in the future for any financial or business interest.

None.

21. **Outside Commitments During Court Service:** Do you have any plans, commitments, or agreements to pursue outside employment, with or without compensation, during your service with the court? If so, explain.

None.

22. **Sources of Income:** List sources and amounts of all income received during the calendar year preceding your nomination and for the current calendar year, including all salaries, fees, dividends, interest, gifts, rents, royalties, licensing fees, honoraria, and other items exceeding \$500 or more (if you prefer to do so, copies of the financial disclosure report, required by the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, may be substituted here).

When my nomination is formally submitted to the Senate, I will file my Financial Disclosure Report and will supplement this Questionnaire with a copy of that Report.

23. **Statement of Net Worth:** Please complete the attached financial net worth statement in detail (add schedules as called for).

See attached Net Worth Statement.

24. **Potential Conflicts of Interest:**

- a. Identify the family members or other persons, parties, categories of litigation, and financial arrangements that are likely to present potential conflicts-of-interest

when you first assume the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you would address any such conflict if it were to arise.

I currently serve as United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania. Accordingly, I will recuse myself from all matters that arose, were filed, and/or were pending during my term as United States Attorney, as well as any matter for which I represented the United States as an Assistant United States Attorney or any other matter which poses a conflict due to the USAO-WDPA's involvement. If confirmed, I will recuse myself from any case in which I or an immediate family member has a financial interest or where I have a significantly close relationship (family, business, or social) with a party, counsel, or witness.

- b. Explain how you will resolve any potential conflict of interest, including the procedure you will follow in determining these areas of concern.

I will comply with the Code of Conduct for United States Judges and applicable statutes, including 28 U.S.C. § 455. I will also be guided by Third Circuit precedent, procedures, and policies.

25. **Pro Bono Work:** An ethical consideration under Canon 2 of the American Bar Association's Code of Professional Responsibility calls for "every lawyer, regardless of professional prominence or professional workload, to find some time to participate in serving the disadvantaged." Describe what you have done to fulfill these responsibilities, listing specific instances and the amount of time devoted to each.

As an Assistant United States Attorney and United States Attorney, I have engaged with the community in multiple ways, as described above. I have volunteered with various groups in my personal capacity including for the following groups: Allegheny County Mock Trial (2018 – present), Tree Pittsburgh (2020 – present), Circles East Liberty (2016 – 2019), and Hello Neighbor (2017).

26. **Selection Process:**

- a. Please describe your experience in the entire judicial selection process, from beginning to end (including the circumstances which led to your nomination and the interviews in which you participated). Is there a selection commission in your jurisdiction to recommend candidates for nomination to the federal courts? If so, please include that process in your description, as well as whether the commission recommended your nomination. List the dates of all interviews or communications you had with the White House staff or the Justice Department regarding this nomination. Do not include any contacts with Federal Bureau of Investigation personnel concerning your nomination.

On April 28, 2022, I spoke with Senator Bob Casey's staff regarding a vacancy on the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. On May 4, 2022, I interviewed with attorneys from the White House Counsel's Office. On May 17,

2022, I interviewed with Senator Casey and members of his staff. On May 18, 2022, I interviewed with Senator Pat Toomey and members of his staff. Since June 1, 2022, I have been in contact with officials from the Office of Legal Policy at the Department of Justice. On July 12, 2022, the President announced his intent to nominate me.

- b. Has anyone involved in the process of selecting you as a judicial nominee discussed with you any currently pending or specific case, legal issue or question in a manner that could reasonably be interpreted as seeking any express or implied assurances concerning your position on such case, issue, or question? If so, explain fully.

No.