

**UNITED STATES SENATE  
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY**

**QUESTIONNAIRE FOR JUDICIAL NOMINEES**

**PUBLIC**

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

Adeel Abdullah Mangi

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.

Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP  
1133 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, New York 10036

Residence: Jersey City, New Jersey

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

1977; Karachi, Pakistan

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 – 2000, Harvard Law School; LL.M., 2000

1998 – 1999, The City University London Inns of Court School of Law; Postgraduate Diploma in Professional Legal Skills, 1999

1995 – 1998, University of Oxford (Pembroke College); B.A./Law, 1998

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.

2000 – present  
Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP  
1133 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, New York 10036  
Partner (2010 – present)  
Counsel (2009 – 2010)  
Associate (2000 – 2009)

#### Internships

Summer 1998  
Marshall to the Hon. Michael Wright  
His Majesty's High Court of Justice in England  
The Royal Courts of Justice  
Strand, London WC2A 2LL  
United Kingdom

Summer 1997  
Mini-pupillage at 39 Essex Chambers  
81 Chancery Lane, London, England, WC2A 1DD  
United Kingdom

#### Uncompensated Board Service

2008 – 2022  
Ali Hasan Mangi Memorial Trust  
2 Bath Island Road  
Karachi, Pakistan  
Trustee

2020 – present  
Alliance of Families for Justice  
WeWork Harlem  
8 West 126th Street, 3rd floor  
New York, New York 10027  
Member, Advisory Board

2019 – 2023  
Center for Security, Race and Rights at Rutgers Law School  
123 Washington Street  
Newark, New Jersey 07102  
Member, Advisory Board

2017 – 2021  
Legal Aid Society of New York  
199 Water Street

New York, New York 10038  
Member, Board of Directors

2006 – 2012  
Muslim Bar Association of New York  
P.O. Box 2244  
New York, New York 10185  
Member, Board of Directors

2018 – 2020  
Muslims for Progressive Values  
1465 Tamarind Avenue, Suite 702  
Los Angeles, California 90028  
Member, Board of Directors

2013 – 2023  
National LGBT Bar Foundation  
1701 Rhode Island Avenue, Northwest  
Washington, DC 20036  
Member, Board of Directors

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 did not and 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.

Benchmark Litigation, Top 100 Trial Lawyers (2024)

Benchmark Litigation, Litigation Star (2024)

National Law Journal General Litigation Trailblazer (2023)

Benchmark Litigation, Top 100 Trial Lawyers (2023)

Benchmark Litigation, Impact Case of the Year (2023)

Benchmark Litigation, Litigation Star (2023)

The American Lawyer, Litigators of the Week (2022)

The BTI Consulting Group, Client Service All-Star (2020 and 2022)

InsiderNJ, Top 50 Most Influential New Jersey Muslims in Academia, Business, Government, Law, Law Enforcement, Non-Profit, Politics, Religion & Social Justice (2020)

Benchmark Litigation, Future Star (2017 – 2020)

New Jersey Muslim Lawyers Association, Religious Liberty Award to Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP (2018)

Benchmark Litigation, Hot List (2016 – 2018)

American Civil Liberties Union—New Jersey, Legal Leadership Award to Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP (2017)

Muslim Bar Association of New York, Champions of Justice Award to Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP (2017)

New Jersey Muslim Lawyers Association, Landmark Litigation Award to Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP (2017)

South Asian Bar Association of New Jersey, Trailblazer Award (2017)

South Asian Bar Association of New York, Pro Bono Attorney of the Year (2017)

New York Law Journal, Rising Star (2014)

Minority Corporate Counsel Association's Diversity & the Bar Magazine, Rising Star (2014)

National Asian and Pacific American Bar Association, Best Lawyers Under 40 (2014)

Kennedy Memorial Trust, Kennedy Memorial Scholarship at Harvard Law School (1999 – 2000)

University of Oxford, Martin Wronker Prize for Administrative Law (1998)

Pembroke College, Roger Bannister Prize for Academics and Sports (1997)

Pembroke College, Domus Scholarship (1996)

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.

American Bar Association

Federal Bar Council (Chaired Law Day Dinner 2017)

Muslim Bar Association of New York, Board of Directors (2006 – 2012)

National Association of Muslim Lawyers

National LGBT Bar Association

National LGBT Bar Foundation, Board of Directors (2013 –2023)

New Jersey Muslim Lawyers Association

New York City Bar Association

New York State Bar Association

South Asian Bar Association of New Jersey

South Asian Bar Association of New York

The Association of the Federal Bar of New Jersey

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, 2001  
New Jersey, 2018

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.

Supreme Court of the United States, 2018  
United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, 2018  
United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, 2018  
United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, 2014  
United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, 2019  
United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, 2016

United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, 2018  
United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, 2002  
United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, 2018  
United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York, 2001  
United States District Court for the Northern District of New York, 2002  
United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, 2001

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.

Ali Hasan Mangi Memorial Trust, Trustee (2008 – 2022)

Alliance of Families for Justice, Advisory Board, Member (2020 – present)

Center for Security, Race and Rights, Rutgers Law School, Advisory Board, Member (2019 – 2023)

Legal Aid Society of New York, Board of Directors, Member (2017 – 2021)

Muslims for Progressive Values, Board of Directors, Member (2018 – 2020)

- 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, none of the organizations listed in response to 11(a) currently discriminates 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.

**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.

With Michelle W. Cohen, Saul Shapiro, and Stephen Younger, *User's Guide to Recent Revisions in the Commercial Division Rules*, Mondaq.com (2015). Copy supplied.

With Robert Lehrburger et al., *Supreme Court Clarifies Standing For False Advertising Cases*, Mondaq Business Briefing (2014). Copy supplied.

*The Unlikely Victory of Pakistan's Lawyers*, Federal Bar Council News Vol. XVI, No. 3 (2009). Copy supplied.

With Uzair K. Bhandari, *Pakistan's Lawyers Battle the Military*, Federal Bar Council News Vol. XV, No. 3 (2008). Copy supplied.

In addition, I recall submitting two articles to Pakistani newspapers in the late 1990s and early 2000s relating to the rule of law and the special registration system. I do not recall for certain whether these were published, do not have copies, and have not been able to locate any copies available online.

- 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.

The following list reflects my best efforts to identify the speeches or talks that I have delivered. To compile the list, I consulted my own records and internet sources. There may, however, be other speeches or talks that I have been unable to recall or identify, as I may have spoken briefly at events for which I did not retain any record.

November 2019 (specific date unknown): Moderator, National Association of Muslim Lawyers Annual Conference, Lake Buena Vista, Florida. I moderated a panel discussion regarding religious discrimination. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the National Association of Muslim Lawyers is 2670 Miriam Ln, Decatur, Georgia 30032.

August 7, 2019: Panelist, A Comparative Discussion on the Intersectionality of American, Civil and Islamic Jurisprudences and its Impact on Everyday Life, National LGBTQ+ Bar Association, Washington DC. I discussed the topic of LGBT legal rights in Islamic jurisprudence using Pakistan as a case study. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the National LGBTQ+ Bar Association is 1701 Rhode Island Avenue, Northwest, Washington, DC 20036.

May 2018 (specific date unknown): Speaker, ACLU of New Jersey Annual Gala, New Jersey. Copy of prepared text supplied.

December 9, 2017: Speaker, Islamic Society of Basking Ridge, Fundraising Banquet, New Jersey. Copy of prepared text supplied.

September 14, 2017: Speaker, South Asian Bar Association of New Jersey Annual Gala, New Jersey. Copy of prepared text supplied.

June 10, 2017: Speaker, New Jersey Muslim Lawyers Association Annual Gala, New Brunswick, New Jersey. Copy of prepared text supplied.

May 9, 2017: Event Chair, Federal Bar Council Law Day Dinner, New York, New York. Copy of prepared text supplied.

April 27, 2017: Speaker, Muslim Bar Association of New York Annual Gala, New York, New York. Copy of prepared text supplied.

Between 2017 and 2020 I delivered versions of a presentation regarding mosque litigations in which I have been involved at various locations in New Jersey and New York, including before the National Association of Muslim Lawyers, the New Jersey State Bar Association, and at various clients' offices. A copy of the slide deck used for all the presentations is supplied. I presented from the slide deck and did not otherwise use a script.



I recall participating in a panel of American Muslims practicing law that was hosted by the State Department in New York for a delegation of foreign journalists about 10 to 15 years ago. I have no notes, transcripts, or recordings and have not identified any press coverage online. I also recall delivering a speech to the Rotary Club of Karachi in the late 1990s on the topic of the rule of law. I have no notes, transcripts, or recordings.

- 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.

The following list reflects my best efforts to identify substantive interviews I have provided or articles providing quotations attributed to me. To compile the list, I consulted my own records and internet sources.

The National Law Journal, *Trailblazers General Litigation 2023* (Nov. 1, 2023). Copy supplied.

Emmy Freedman, *Benefits Co. Can't Escape J&J's Suit Over Patient Drug Fund*, Law360 (Jan. 27, 2023). Copy supplied.

Dave Simpson, *\$2B Appian Trade Secrets Verdict OK'd With \$23M Fees Added*, Law360, (Sept. 20, 2022). Copy supplied.

Kyle Jahner, *Pegasystems' \$2 Billion Appian Loss Harder to Cut Than Epic Case*, Bloomberg Law (May 17, 2022). Copy supplied.

Ross Todd, *Litigators of the Week: Patterson Belknap Scores a \$2 Billion Trade Software Secret Verdict in Virginia for Software Maker Appian*, Am. Lawyer (May 13, 2022). Copy supplied.

Scott Graham, *'Our Spy': Corporate Espionage Case Ends in Whopping \$2 Billion Verdict*, Nat'l L. J. (May 10, 2022). Copy supplied.

Britain Eakin, *Appian Wins \$2B Jury Verdict In Va. Trade Secrets Suit*, Law360 (May 10, 2022). Copy supplied.

Kate Andrews, *McLean-based Appian Wins \$2B Verdict in Trade Secrets Lawsuit; Defendant Pegasystems Says it Will Appeal*, Va. Bus. (May 10, 2022). Copy supplied.

*Appian Awarded \$2.036 Billion in Damages Against Pegasystems Inc.*, PR Newswire (May 10, 2022). Copy supplied.

Kate King, *Federal Court Rules in Favor of Proposed Mosque*, Wall St. J. (Jan. 4,

2021). Copy supplied.

*Firm's Amicus Briefs "On the Right Side of History" in Landmark LGBTQ Supreme Court Decision*, Impact Fin. News (June 20, 2020). Copy supplied.

Tom Robbins, *Karl Taylor Died in a New York Prison. Now the State Has Agreed to Pay Millions*, Marshall Project (Feb. 28, 2020). Copy supplied.

*Bayonne Muslims Win Mosque Approval*, Islamic Horizons (May 1, 2018). Copy supplied.

*121 Faith, Civil Rights Groups File Amicus Brief in Support of DACA Recipients*, Targeted News Service (Apr. 11, 2018). Copy supplied.

Rory Pasquariello, *Done Deal – Bayonne Zoning Board Approves Muslim*, Hudson Reporter Publications (NJ) (Mar. 14, 2018). Copy supplied.

*Mosque Approved for Group That Sued After Racist Attacks*, Canadian Press (Mar. 13, 2018). Copy supplied.

Corey W. McDonald, *Bayonne Mosque OK'd Controversial Community Center Approved Year After it was Denied*, Jersey J. (Mar. 13, 2018). Copy supplied.

Chris Fuchs, *'We're going to stand up for ourselves': Why this lawyer sued two towns that denied mosques*, NBC News (Mar. 12, 2018). Copy supplied.

Andrew Rice, *The Fight for the Right to be a Muslim in America*, The Guardian (Feb. 8, 2018). Copy supplied.

*New Jersey Muslims Win Another Fight Against the Bigots in This State*, Trenton Times (Feb. 4, 2018). Copy supplied.

Corey W. McDonald, *Bayonne Settles Lawsuit with Muslim Group, Clearing The Way for Mosque*, NJ.com (Jan. 31, 2018). Copy supplied.

Kate King, *Settlement Eases the Way for Mosque in Bayonne; Muslim Group in New Jersey had Alleged Religious Discrimination in Federal Lawsuit Filed Over Zoning Denial*, Wall St. J. (Jan. 31, 2018). Copy supplied.

Charles Toutant, *Bernards Mosque Settlement Spurs 2 New Suits*, New Jersey L.J. (Aug. 14, 2017). Copy supplied.

Luke Nozicka, *Mosque Finally Granted Approval*, The Star-Ledger (Aug. 10, 2017). Copy supplied.

Leigh Jones, *Living the American Dream, These Big Law Partners Have Seen an*

*Ugly Side*, Law360 (Aug. 9, 2017). Copy supplied.

Nat'l LGBT Bar Assoc., *How to be an Ally and Why it Matters*, LGBT Bar News (July 18, 2017). Copy supplied.

*Around the States*, Church & State (July 1, 2017). Copy supplied.

Jeannie O'Sullivan, *Patterson Belknap Tackles Islamophobia In NJ Pro Bono Case*, Law360 (June 22, 2017). Copy supplied.

Mike Deak, *Muslims Fight for Places to Pray*, The Record (June 9, 2017). Copy supplied (reprinted in multiple outlets).

*Officials Owe an Apology to Muslims*, South Jersey Times (June 1, 2017). Copy supplied.

Corey McDonald, *Justice Dept. Probes Bayonne Mosque Denial*, Jersey J. (June 1, 2017). Copy supplied.

David O'Reilly, *NJ Township Yields in Fight to Keep Out Mosque, Pays \$3.25M*, Philadelphia Inquirer (May 31, 2017). Copy supplied.

Kate King, *Mosque Settles For \$3.25 Million*, Wall St. J. (May 31, 2017). Copy supplied (reprinted in multiple outlets).

*Trump's Justice Dept. Probes Possible Discrimination Against Muslims*, NJ Spotlight News (May 31, 2017). Copy supplied.

Kate King, *N.J. Town to Pay \$3.25 Million to Settle Federal Lawsuits Over Mosque; Agreement Clears the Way for a Muslim Group to Open the First Mosque in Bernards Township*, Wall St. J. (May 30, 2017). Copy supplied (reprinted in multiple outlets).

*NJ Town That Denied Mosque Permit Must Pay Islamic Group \$3.25M*, CBSNewYork/AP (May 30, 2017). Copy supplied.

Dave Hutchinson, *Mosque will be built in N.J. town as part of \$3.25M settlement*, NJ Advance Media (May 30, 2017). Copy supplied.

Mike Deak, *Mosque Backers Have New Opponent; Law Center Enters Fight After Plan to Build Denied*, Courier News (Bridgewater, New Jersey) (Apr. 18, 2017). Copy supplied.

*Federal Judge Rules Against Hate*, Islamic Horizons (Mar. 1, 2017). Copy supplied.

Alex Kane, *Obama Protected Mosques. Will Trump Target Them?*, Am. Prospect Blogs (Jan. 23, 2017). Copy supplied.

Dave Hutchinson, *Bernards Town Spent More Than \$200K in Court Fight*, The Star-Ledger (Jan. 8, 2017). Copy supplied.

Mike Deak, *Key Victory for Mosque in Suit vs. Bernards*, Courier News (Jan. 4, 2017). Copy supplied (reprinted in multiple outlets).

Kate King, *Federal Judge Says N.J. Town Unconstitutionally Blocked Mosque*, Wall St. J. (Jan. 3, 2017). Copy supplied.

Kathleen O'Brien, *Mosque's Attorney Hails 'Landmark Ruling'*, The Star-Ledger (Jan. 2, 2017). Copy supplied (reprinted in multiple outlets).

Brian Lehrer, *Protracted Battle Over Basking Ridge Mosque*, WNYC The Brian Lehrer Show (Dec. 21, 2016). Recording available at <https://www.wnyc.org/story/basking-ridge-mosque>.

Mark Di Ionno, *The Untold Side of the Bernards' Mosque Story*, The Star-Ledger (Dec. 18, 2016). Copy supplied.

Lisa W. Foderaro, *The Mosque Next Door: City Law vs. Houses of Faith*, N.Y. Times (Dec. 18, 2016). Copy supplied.

Kathleen O'Brien & Dave Hutchinson, *Lawsuit: Officials' Emails Show Bias*, The Star-Ledger (Dec. 14, 2016). Copy supplied.

*Bias Claim in Fight Over Mosque – WSJ*, Dow Jones Institutional News (Dec. 8, 2016). Copy supplied (reprinted in multiple outlets).

Mike Deak, *Feds Sue Bernards Over Denial of Mosque*, Courier News (Nov. 23, 2016). Copy supplied (reprinted in multiple outlets).

Nick Muscavage, *Mediation Fails to End Dispute Over Mosque Plan*, Home News Tribune (Oct. 6, 2016). Copy supplied.

Mike Deak, *Islamic Society's Case Goes to Mediator*, Courier News (Aug. 23, 2016). Copy supplied.

Dave Hutchinson, *Township has Offered a Second Opportunity to Submit Mosque Plan*, The Star-Ledger (Apr. 21, 2016). Copy supplied.

Tim Darragh, *Officials Deny Bias in Mosque Rejection Bernards Township Claims No Discriminatory Intent in Case*, The Star-Ledger (Apr. 11, 2016). Copy supplied.

*Township: Mosque Building Plan Rejected Over Land Use Issues*, Associated Press (Apr. 7, 2016). Copy supplied.

Mike Deak, *Justice Dept. Probes Bernards Mosque Denial*, Courier News (Mar. 18, 2016). Copy supplied.

*Correction: Neighborhood Mosque Story*, Associated Press (Mar. 18, 2016). Copy supplied.

*US Justice Department Probing New Jersey City's Denial to Build Mosque*, Iran Daily (Mar. 17, 2016). Copy supplied.

Tim Darragh, *DOJ to Probe Denied Mosque Application Suit Alleges Wrongdoing by Planning Board*, The Star-Ledger (Mar. 17, 2016). Copy supplied.

Jim Dwyer, *Muslims Sue Over Denial of Bid to Build Mosque in New Jersey Suburb*, N.Y. Times (Mar. 10, 2016). Copy supplied.

Thomson Reuters News & Insight, *New York Bar Groups Endorse Same Sex Marriage Bill* (May 17, 2011). Copy supplied.

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.

- c. 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;

- d. the procedure you followed in determining whether or not to recuse yourself;
- e. 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.

None.

- 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 did not serve as a clerk to a judge.

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

I have not practiced law 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;

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Partner (2010 – present)  
Counsel (2009 – 2010)  
Associate (2000-2009)

- 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 served as a mediator only on a voluntary basis to help resolve a dispute between the condominium association governing the building where I live and a resident regarding repair-related fees.

b. Describe:

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

I have been a generalist civil litigator throughout my 23-year career at Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP. My work has centered on complex commercial litigations in federal and state courts around the country, in areas including commercial joint venture agreements, false advertising, theft of trade secrets, antitrust, consumer protection, and class action defense. The majority of my clients have been major corporations in a variety of industries. I have also litigated a number of significant civil rights cases on a pro bono basis. I have also worked on appeals in both federal and state cases.

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

My clients have included major corporations as well as individuals. I have represented both plaintiffs and defendants. I have not specialized and am a generalist.

- 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.

My entire legal career has been in litigation, and I have appeared in court regularly throughout. My mix of federal and state cases has varied widely over the years.

- i. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:
  - 1. federal courts: 60%
  - 2. state courts of record: 40%
  - 3. other courts: 0%

4. administrative agencies: 0%

ii. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

1. civil proceedings: 100%

2. criminal proceedings: 0%

- 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 been involved in trying eight trials that went to verdict, judgment or final decision, plus another two cases that settled after trial was complete or substantially complete. Of the latter two cases, one settled after trial (but before verdict) and the other settled just before closing arguments after a two-week trial. Of those ten trials, I was lead counsel for five trials, second-chair partner for two, and associate counsel for the remaining three. I examined witnesses at and was personally involved in the conduct of all ten trials. In addition, I have been involved in a variety of preliminary injunction-related and other evidentiary hearings. I have been named as counsel in party or amicus briefing submitted in more than 30 appeals before federal appellate courts, including four matters before the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

i. What percentage of these trials were:

1. jury: 40%

2. non-jury: 60%

- 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 argued before the Supreme Court. I have been named among counsel listed on eight amicus briefs submitted to the Supreme Court.

*Federal Bureau of Investigation v. Fazaga*, 595 U.S. 344 (2022) (amicus brief of 50 religious organizations in support of respondents, 2021 WL 4505571)

*Trump v. Sierra Club*, 141 S. Ct. 618 (2020) (granting writ of certiorari to review *Sierra Club v. Trump*, 963 F.3d 874 (9th Cir. 2020)), *vacated by Biden v. Sierra Club*, 142 S. Ct. 46 (2021) (amicus brief of 87 religious organizations in support of respondents, 2021 WL 260650)

*Tanzin v. Tanvir*, 141 S. Ct. 486 (2020) (amicus brief of 67 religious organizations in support of respondents, 2020 WL 777262)

*Department of Homeland Security v. Regents of the University of California*, 140 S. Ct. 1891 (2020) (amicus brief of 127 religious organizations in support of respondents, 2019 WL 5419571)

*Bostock v. Clayton County, Ga.*, 140 S. Ct. 1731 (2020) (amicus brief for Muslim Bar Association of New York et al. in support of employees, 2019 WL 3003462)

*Trump v. Hawaii*, 138 S. Ct. 2392 (2018) (amicus brief for National Association of Muslim Lawyers and other Muslim bar associations in support of respondents, 2018 WL 1605660)

*Hamdan v. Rumsfeld*, 548 U.S. 557 (2006) (amicus brief for Human Rights First et al., 2006 WL 53968)

*Hamdi v. Rumsfeld*, 542 U.S. 507 (2004) (amicus brief for Hon. Nathaniel R. Jones, Hon. Abner J. Mikva, Hon. William A. Norris, Hon. H. Lee Sarokin, Hon. Herbert J. Stern, Hon. Harold R. Tyler, Jr., Scott Greathead, Robert M. Pennoyer, and Barbara Paul Robinson, 2004 WL 371007)

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. *Appian Corporation v. Pegasystems, Inc.*, No. 2020-07216 (Circuit Court of Fairfax County, Virginia), *appeal filed*, No. 1399-22-4. Judge Richard Gardiner.

From 2021 to present, I have represented Appian Corporation, a manufacturer of software, in a trade secrets dispute against Pegasystems, Inc., which sells a competing software. I am lead counsel for the plaintiff. The case was the subject of two jury trials in 2022: a statute of limitations trial under Virginia procedure and then a seven-week merits trial. At the conclusion of the merits trial, the jury awarded my client Appian more than \$2 billion in damages for theft of trade secrets, found that Pegasystems had acted willfully and maliciously, and also found that Pegasystems had violated the Virginia Computer Crimes Act. The trial judge later denied motions to set aside the verdict and also awarded Appian its attorney fees of \$23 million. My work at trial

included jury selection, the presentation of opening and closing statements, the examination of multiple witnesses, and oral arguments on significant pre- and post-trial motions. The case is presently on appeal to the Virginia Court of Appeals, and I argued the appeal before that court.

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2. *Ramsay-Nobles et al. v. Keyser et al.*, No. 1:16-cv-05778 (S.D.N.Y.). Judge Colleen McMahon.

From 2015 to present, I have represented the sister and estate of Karl Taylor, an African American mentally ill inmate at a New York state correctional facility, whom we alleged was killed by corrections officers in retribution for having struck some of the officers. The case went to trial in the Southern District of New York in 2020. After a trial lasting almost two weeks, the case settled just before closing arguments for \$5 million, which we understand is almost three times the largest prior settlement in New York state history in a case involving an inmate death. New York State also agreed as a condition of settlement to install a comprehensive network of video cameras and microphones throughout the Sullivan Correctional Facility, which was a unique and precedent-setting resolution. The court has maintained jurisdiction over the matter to supervise implementation of the settlement terms, which is ongoing. I am lead counsel for the plaintiff. My work at trial included jury selection, the presentation of an opening statement, the examination of multiple witnesses, oral arguments on significant motions, and negotiating settlement.

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3. *Johnson & Johnson Health Care Systems Inc. v. Save On SP, LLC*, No. 2:22-cv-02632 (D.N.J.). Judge Esther Salas.

From 2022 to present, I have represented Johnson & Johnson Health Care Systems in a lawsuit against Save On SP alleging that Save On SP has illegally seized patient assistance funds made available by Johnson & Johnson Health Care Systems only to benefit patients for Save On SP's own financial benefit and that of its business partners. The litigation is ongoing. I am lead counsel for the plaintiff and have led our work on the case since it was first filed, including prevailing against motions to dismiss and arguing multiple oral arguments on motions. The case is presently in discovery.

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4. *Confidential Arbitration before the International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution*. Arbitral Panel of Judge Barbara Jones, Judge Christopher Droney, and Dr. Angela Foster.

From 2020 to 2023, I represented a medical device manufacturer in a confidential arbitration against allegations including breach of contract, theft of trade secrets, and conversion. Those claims culminated in a trial on the merits. After trial, the panel entered a final arbitral award dismissing all claims against my client. I was lead counsel for the defendant and led our work through all stages of the arbitration. My work at trial included the presentation of opening and closing statements, the examination of multiple witnesses, and making oral arguments on significant motions

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5. *Blue Buffalo Company, Ltd. v. Wilbur-Ellis Company LLC et al.*, No. 4:14-cv-00859 (E.D. Mo), *aff'd sub nom. Keil v. Lopez*, 862 F.3d 685 (8th Cir. 2017). Judge Rodney Sippel.

From 2014 to present, I have represented Blue Buffalo, a premium pet food manufacturer, in a false advertising competitor lawsuit and associated class action cases relating to the presence of by-product meals in pet food, and in a successor action against a contracted supplier that provided the pet food ingredients in question. The original litigation and ensuing class actions were resolved on confidential terms, and the successor litigation against the supplier is ongoing. I was the second-chair partner on the case for the plaintiff during the time period when my firm was originally handling the matter and have recently worked with successor co-counsel on the remaining aspects of the case. My work on the case has included drafting pleadings and briefing, arguing significant motions, and taking and defending numerous depositions, as well as briefing appeals on class settlement-related issues before the Eighth Circuit. The supplier case has not yet reached trial.

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6. *Pegasystems, Inc. v. Appian Corporation et al.*, No. 1:19-cv-11461 (D. Mass.). Judge Patti B. Saris.

From 2019 to 2022, I represented Appian Corporation in a false advertising litigation involving challenges and cross-challenges to various advertising claims between industry leaders providing software platforms for business process automation. The case was resolved on confidential terms just prior to trial. I was lead counsel for the defendant and led our work at all stages of the litigation. My work on the case included arguing significant motions and taking and defending numerous depositions.

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7. *Bayonne Muslims et al. v. City of Bayonne et al.*, No. 2:17-cv-03731 (D.N.J.). Judge Madeline Cox Arleo.

From 2017 to 2018, I represented a local Muslim group and its officers, who successfully challenged Bayonne and its Zoning Board's denial of their application to build a mosque. The case settled on favorable terms that included a large monetary payment and led to permission for the mosque to proceed. The mosque recently opened after completion of construction. I was lead counsel for the plaintiffs. My work on the case included drafting pleadings, representing plaintiffs at court hearings and mediations, and negotiating the settlement.

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8. *The Islamic Society of Basking Ridge et al. v. Township of Bernards et al.*, No. 3:16-cv-1369 (D.N.J.), *aff'd*, 681 F. App'x 110 (3d Cir. 2017). Judge Michael Shipp.

From 2015 to 2018, I represented a local Muslim group and its officers, who successfully challenged Bernards Township and its Planning Board's denial of their application to build a mosque. We eventually reached a \$3.25 million settlement after winning a motion for partial judgment on the pleadings. The ISBR mosque application was approved thereafter. The mosque recently opened after completion of construction. I was lead counsel for the plaintiffs. My work on the case included drafting pleadings and briefing, arguing our dispositive motion for judgment on the pleadings, and negotiating the settlement. I also briefed an application for summary action before the Third Circuit relating to an appeal filed by an objector.

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9. *Commonwealth of Pennsylvania v. TAP Pharmaceutical Products, Inc.*, 212 M.D. 2004 (Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania and the Pennsylvania Supreme Court). Judge Robert Simpson.

From 2004 to 2014, I represented Johnson & Johnson in a lawsuit brought by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania relating to a benchmark used in reimbursement for drugs. Our client prevailed before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. On remand, the case was dismissed, and our client was awarded its litigation-associated costs. I was originally part of the associate team and eventually became the second-chair partner on the case. My work on the case included arguing significant motions and taking and defending numerous depositions, examining multiple witnesses at trial, and briefing the appeal before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court.

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10. *In re Pharmaceutical Industry Average Wholesale Price Litigation*, MDL No. 1456, Civil Action No. 01-12257 (D. Mass.), *vacated and remanded*, 582 F.3d 231 (1st Cir. 2009). Judge Patti B. Saris.

From 2002 to 2010, I represented Johnson & Johnson, Ortho Biotech Products, L.P., and Centocor, Inc. in a multi-district litigation relating to the dissemination and use of Average Wholesale Price. Our client prevailed after a trial on the merits and an appeal to the First Circuit. I was originally part of the associate team and eventually became the second-chair partner on the case. My work on the case included taking numerous depositions on behalf of a joint defense group comprised of law firms representing most of the major pharmaceutical manufacturers in the country, examining multiple witnesses at trial, and briefing the appeal before the First Circuit.

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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.)

I have represented clients in various litigations that did not reach trial, and I also provide counsel to clients with litigation-related issues that have not yet resulted in the filing of claims. The majority of my work, however, has involved representing clients in filed lawsuits. I have also been active in mentoring activities at my law firm. I have been active in various Muslim and South Asian Bar Associations, including helping lead the Muslim Bar Association of New York in its early years. I also served for many years as an ally board member with the National LGBT Bar Association Foundation.

I have not registered as a lobbyist or been engaged in any lobbying activities.

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.

None.

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.

Upon withdrawal from the partnership of Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP, my capital contributions and any accrued partnership distribution or compensation would be paid.

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.

If confirmed, I will recuse in any litigation in which I have ever played a role.

For a period of time, I also anticipate recusing in all cases where my current law firm, Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP, is or represents a party. I will evaluate any other real or potential conflict, as well as any relationship that could give rise to the appearance of such a conflict, on a case-by-case basis and determine appropriate action with the advice of parties and their counsel, including by recusing where necessary or appropriate.

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

If confirmed, I will carefully review and address any real or potential conflicts by reference to 28 U.S.C. § 455, Canon 3 of the Code of Conduct for United States Judges, and any and all other laws, rules, and practices governing such circumstances.

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.

I have maintained an extensive pro bono practice throughout my career. In total, over the course of my career, I have devoted more than 4,000 hours of my time to pro bono service. Recent examples include the cases involving the death of Karl Taylor and the Islamic Society of Basking Ridge described above. Between 2015 and the present— with most work concluding in 2020 but work relating to oversight of the settlement continuing—I devoted about 1100 hours to the Taylor case. Between 2015 and 2020, I devoted more than 1250 hours to the Islamic Society of Basking Ridge case and to advising ISBR in connection with successor lawsuits brought by objectors.

Between 2017 and 2023, I also prepared and submitted a variety of amicus briefs on behalf of a cross-faith coalition of religious groups. For example, I submitted an amicus brief in the Supreme Court on behalf of cross-faith coalition of religious entities supporting the provision of a damages remedy under the Religious Freedom Restoration Act for persons discriminated against on the basis of religion. I filed another amicus brief in the Supreme Court on behalf of a coalition of Muslim groups that argued in favor of protecting the LGBTQ+ community from employment discrimination under Title VII.

My other pro bono engagements have included a wide variety of matters. For example, I spent six years as an associate representing the City of New York and its Board of Education in a lawsuit relating to extensive fire damage to a public school. After trying a jury case to verdict, I recovered \$2 million for the city. Other examples include obtaining political asylum for a human rights worker from Chad and a gay man from Mauritania.

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.

In 2019, I was invited to submit an application to Senator Cory Booker's office in connection with potential openings on the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey. In late 2019 and early 2020, I met via Zoom with Senator Booker's judicial selection committee, his senior staff, and then with Senator Booker. I also spoke by telephone with Senator Menendez. Subsequently, I had further discussions with Senator Booker's office about potential openings. In 2023, I met again and communicated with Senator Booker's staff about potential openings. I was apprised in mid-September 2023 by Senator Booker's office that I was being considered for a position on the Third Circuit Court of Appeals. On September 28, 2023, I met with Senator Menendez and members of his staff. I spoke again with Senator Menendez on October 4 and with Senator Booker a few days later. Since October 4, 2023, I have been in contact with officials from the Office of the White House Counsel and the Office of Legal Policy at the Department of Justice. On November 15, 2023, 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.