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).

Julie Rebecca Rubin Astrachan Julie Rebecca Rubin Goldberg Julie Rubin Goldberg Julie Rebecca Rubin

2. <u>Position</u>: State the position for which you have been nominated.

United States District Judge for the District of Maryland.

3. <u>Address</u>: 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.

Elijah E. Cummings Courthouse 111 North Calvert Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

4. Birthplace: State year and place of birth.

1972; Baltimore, Maryland

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.

1995 - 1998, University of Maryland School of Law; J.D. (with Honor), 1998

1991 - 1995, Mount Holyoke College; B.A. (cum laude, Distinction in History), 1995

1993 (spring), Boston University Study Abroad, Madrid, Spain; no degree

6. <u>Employment Record</u>: 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.

2013 – present Circuit Court for Baltimore City 111 North Calvert Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202 Associate Judge

2000 - 2013

Astrachan Gunst Thomas Rubin, P.C. (now Astrachan Gunst Thomas, P.C.)

One South Street

19th Floor

Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Vice President (2008 – 2013)

Principal (2005 – 2013)

Associate (2000 – 2005) (then Astrachan Gunst Thomas, P.C.)

2003, 2005 - 2014, 2015, 2017

University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law

500 West Baltimore Street

Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Adjunct Professor of Law

1997 - 1999

Shapiro and Olander, P.A. (formerly Shapiro Sher Guinot & Sandler, P.A.)

250 West Pratt Street

Suite 2000

Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Associate (1998 – 1999)

Law Clerk (1997 – 1998)

Summer Associate (1997)

1995 - 1996

Professor Richard D. Moran

175 Woodbridge Street

South Hadley, Massachusetts 01075

Research Assistant

Other Affiliations (Uncompensated)

2014 - present

Baltimore Educational Scholarship Trust

808 North Charles Street

Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Member, Board of Trustees (2014 – 2018)

Non-trustee Audit Committee member (2018 – present)

2008 – present

CollegeBound Foundation 2601 North Howard Street Suite 210 Baltimore, Maryland 21218 Member, Board of Directors

2013 – 2019 Maryland SPCA 3300 Falls Road Baltimore, Maryland 21211 Member, Board of Directors (2013 – 2018) Non-board member Audit Committee member (2019)

2002 – 2018
The Bryn Mawr School
109 West Melrose Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21210
Member, Board of Trustees (2008 – 2014; 2015 – 2018)
Chair, Board of Trustees (2011 – 2014)
Ex Officio Member, Board of Trustees (2006 – 2008)
President, Alumnae Association (2006 – 2008)
Member, Alumnae Association Board (2002 – 2008)

2010 – 2011 Baltimore Humane Society 1601 Nicodemus Road Reisterstown, Maryland 21126 Member, Board of Directors

7. <u>Military Service and Draft Status</u>: 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. <u>Honors and Awards</u>: 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.

Maryland Bar Foundation Fellow (2016)

Bryn Mawr School, Distinguished Alumna Award (2016)

Baltimore Bar Foundation Fellow (2015)

Mary Hundley DeKuyper Service Award (for service to Bryn Mawr School) (2014)

The Daily Record, Top 100 Women (2014)

SuperLawyers (2012)

The Daily Record, Very Important Professional – Top 50 "Successful by 40" (2011)

American Society of Business Publication Editors, Azbee Award for Best Regular Contributed Column, Central Region (SmartCEO) (2011)

SuperLawyers Rising Star (2009, 2010, 2011)

American Bar Fellow (2010)

The Daily Record, Top 50 Women in Maryland Under 40 (2010)

SmartCEO Legal Elite (2006, 2010)

AV Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell

Joseph Bernstein Prize, University of Maryland School of Law (1998)

Asper Fellow with the Honorable Marvin J. Garbis, United States District Court for the District of Maryland (1998)

The Business Lawyer

Articles Editor (1997 – 1998) Assistant Editor (1996 – 1997)

Corpus Juris Secundum Award for Excellence in Contract Law, University of Maryland School of Law (1996)

Phi Alpha Theta, National Honor Society for History (1994)

9. <u>Bar Associations</u>: 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

Attorney Grievance Commission of Maryland Peer Review Committee (2009 – 2012)

Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc., Legal Committee (2010 – 2013)

Bar Association of Baltimore City (2000 – present)

Bench Bar Committee Member (2008 – present) Co-Chair of Bench Bar Committee (2020 – 2021)

Circuit Court for Baltimore City (2013 – present)

Member, Judicial Wellness/Retreat Committee (2018 – present)

Chair, New Judge Orientation Committee (2015 – 2020)

Chair, Chambers Library Committee (2015 – 2020)

Supervisory Judge of Alternative Dispute Resolution (2016 – 2019)

CollegeBound Foundation

Lawyers' Campaign Executive Committee (2004 – 2013) Co-Chair (2007 – 2008)

Federal Bar Association (2007 – 2013; 2020 – present)

J. Dudley Digges American Inn of Court (2020 – present)

Maryland Circuit Judges Association President (2020 – present)

Maryland Commission on Judicial Disabilities (2009 – 2013)

Maryland Conference of Circuit Judges

Complex Litigation Committee, Medical Malpractice Workgroup (2021)

Maryland Judicial Council

Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee (2015 – 2018) Legislation Committee, Civil Law Subcommittee (2016, 2021)

Maryland State Bar Association (1998)

Serieants' Inn (2009 – present)

Simon E. Sobeloff Law Society, Baltimore Metropolitan Chapter Board Member (2010 – 2019)

Women's Bar Association of Maryland (2002 – present)

Board Member of Baltimore/Carroll Chapter (2010, 2019 – 2021)

Finding Justice Subcommittee (approximately 2010 – 2015)

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.

Maryland, 1998

District of Columbia, 1999 (inactive) Pennsylvania, 2008 (retired; retired status reflects inactive practice) New York, 2010

Upon becoming a circuit court judge, I ceased practicing law and did not pay my District of Columbia bar dues and my membership was administratively suspended.

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 Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, 2003 United States District Court for the District of Columbia, 2001 United States District Court for the District of Maryland, 1999 United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, 2009 United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, 2004

In 2011, I did not renew my membership in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia because my practice did not include cases pending in that court at that time. Following my appointment as a circuit judge, I allowed my memberships in the other courts listed above to lapse, because I was no longer engaged in the practice of law.

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.

Baltimore County Chamber of Commerce (2008 – 2011) Legislative Committee (2008 – 2009)

Baltimore Educational Scholarship Trust (2014 – present)
Member, Board of Trustees (2014 – 2018)
Non-trustee Audit Committee member (2018 – present)

Baltimore Girls' Schools Leadership Coalition (2003 – 2007)

Baltimore Humane Society (2010 – 2011) Member, Board of Directors The Bryn Mawr School (2006 – 2018)
Chair, Board of Trustees (2011 – 2014)
Member, Board of Trustees (2008 – 2014; 2015 – 2018)
Ex Officio Member, Board of Trustees (2006 – 2008)

CollegeBound Foundation (2008 – present) Member, Board of Directors

Maryland SPCA (2013 – 2019)

Member, Board of Directors (2013 – 2018)

Non-board member Audit Committee member (2019)

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 above 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 Peter H. Gunst et al., *Trade Secret Law: Maryland*, in *Intellectual Property for Maryland Business and Litigation Lawyers: What You Need to Know but Didn't Know to Ask* 65 (James B. Astrachan ed., 2019). Copy supplied.

Overcast sky, strong coffee + this bread. My idea of a perfect Sunday morning, THE FRESH LOAF (Sept. 18, 2016). Copy supplied.

No Scale, No Measuring Cup Sandwich Bread - First Time Milling with Abandon!, The Fresh Loaf (Sept. 5, 2016). Copy supplied.

Treehugger Special!, The Fresh Loaf (Sept. 4, 2016). Copy supplied.

Hubbin's Favorite - Sourdough Noir, THE FRESH LOAF (Sept. 3, 2016). Copy supplied.

Seeded Sprouted Spelt Sourdough with Walnuts & Figs (AKA Alliteration Sourdough), The Fresh Loaf (Aug. 28, 2016). Copy supplied.

Introduction, in Finding Justice: A History of Women Lawyers in Maryland since 1642 (Lynne A. Battaglia ed., 2015). Copy supplied.

With Peter H. Gunst et al., *Trade Secret Law: Maryland*, in *Patent, Copyright, Trade Secret, Right of Publicity, Trademark Handbook for Maryland Business and Litigation Lawyers* 63 (James B. Astrachan ed., 2013). Copy supplied.

Google Me Not, SMARTCEO, May 2011. I am unable to obtain a copy.

Clever Creations, SMARTCEO, Apr. 2011. I am unable to obtain a copy.

Top Banana, SMARTCEO, Mar. 2011. I am unable to obtain a copy.

A Modern Day Proposal: "Honey, Will You Contract with Me?", SMARTCEO, Feb. 2011. Copy supplied.

Under-seasoned, SMARTCEO, Jan. 2011. I am unable to obtain a copy.

Training Derailed, SMARTCEO, Dec. 2010. I am unable to obtain a copy.

Talk Turkey, SMARTCEO, Nov. 2010. I am unable to obtain a copy.

Don't Be a Chowderhead, SMARTCEO, Oct. 2010. I am unable to obtain a copy.

The Rule of Threes, SMARTCEO, Sept. 2010. I am unable to obtain a copy.

Just Say No, SMARTCEO, Aug. 2010. I am unable to obtain a copy.

The Uncomplicated Truth, SMARTCEO, July 2010. I am unable to obtain a copy.

Here's to Your Health, SMARTCEO, June 2010. I am unable to obtain a copy.

The Arbitration Alternative, SMARTCEO, May 2010. I am unable to obtain a copy.

Mystery Meat, SMARTCEO, Apr. 2010. Copy supplied.

Talk Ain't Cheap, SMARTCEO, Mar. 2010. Copy supplied.

The IRS is After Your Dough, SMARTCEO, Feb. 2010. I am unable to obtain a copy.

Protect Your House, SMARTCEO, Jan. 2010. Copy supplied.

Do-It-Yourself Deals, SMARTCEO, Dec. 2009. Copy supplied.

Go With Your Gut, SMARTCEO, Nov. 2009. Copy supplied.

Desperately Hungry, SMARTCEO, Oct. 2009. Copy supplied.

See Jane Play: Is Your Employee's Online Image Trashing Yours?, SMARTCEO, Sept. 2009. Copy supplied.

Midnight Snacks: Don't Let Employees Nibble On Your Business, SMARTCEO, Aug. 2009. Copy supplied.

No Do Overs: Don't Keep Your Hiring Managers in the Dark, SMARTCEO, July 2009. Copy supplied.

Layoffs: Magic Bullet or Nail in the Coffin?, SMARTCEO, June 2009. Copy supplied.

Run for Cover(age), SMARTCEO, May 2009. Copy supplied.

I've Got a Beef, SMARTCEO, Apr. 2009. Copy supplied.

Sweeten the Pot on the Stove, Not in the Office, SMARTCEO, Mar. 2009. Copy supplied.

He Loves Me. He Loves Me Not, SMARTCEO, Feb. 2009. I am unable to obtain a copy.

Lay off the Desserts, SMARTCEO, Jan 2009. Copy supplied.

Avoid a Beating By Your Business Software, SMARTCEO, Dec. 2008. Copy supplied.

No Appetite for Rotten Tomatoes, SMARTCEO, Nov. 2008. Copy supplied.

Tort(e)s Don't Come From the Oven, SMARTCEO, Oct. 2008. Copy supplied.

Keep Your Chestnuts Out of the Fire, SMARTCEO, Sept. 2008. Copy supplied.

Sex. It's a Classic., SMARTCEO, Aug. 2008. I am unable to obtain a copy.

Your Contracts Can Cook Your Goose (Liver), SMARTCEO, July 2008. I am unable to obtain a copy.

Get Smart: The Case of the Double Crossing Employee, SMARTCEO, June 2008. I am unable to obtain a copy.

Chicken Is a Dangerous Game, AGTLAWYERS.COM (2007). Copy supplied.

Checking Out Your Employees? Check This Out First, CITYBIZLIST.COM (2007). Copy supplied.

Better than Barnum and Bailey's, CITYBIZLIST.COM (Mar. 2, 2007). Copy supplied.

Et tu, Brute?, CITYBIZLIST.COM (Jan. 25, 2007). Copy supplied.

All Hail the King, CITYBIZLIST.COM (Dec. 1, 2006). Copy supplied.

Get out of the School Daze – Sharpen Your Volunteer Student Intern IQ, CITYBIZLIST.COM (Nov. 1, 2006). Copy supplied.

Is Coke All Flat?, CITYBIZLIST.COM (Oct. 1, 2006). Copy supplied.

Workplace Monitoring: Mind the Store or Mind Your Own Business?, CITYBIZLIST.COM (Sept. 1, 2006). Copy supplied.

EEOC Complaints: Keep Your Paring Knife in the Kitchen, MD. BAR J., Nov.—Dec. 2005. Copy supplied.

The Impact of E-Mail on the Lawyer's Duty of Confidentiality, MD. BAR J., July–Aug. 2003. Copy supplied.

Something Came Between Me and My Calvins, THE DAILY REC., May 17, 2001. Copy supplied.

Auctioning Class Actions: Turning the Tables on Plaintiffs' Lawyers' Abuse or Stripping the Plaintiff Wizards of Their Curtain, 52 Bus. Law 1441 (1997). Copy supplied.

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 searched my personal files and the internet in an effort to identify all items and events responsive to this question. I may have omitted one or more items/events inadvertently.

November 10, 2021: Speaker, Investiture of the Honorable Cara Lewis to the District Court of Carroll County, Hampstead, Maryland. Video supplied.

November 4, 2021: Panelist, "UB Law Virtual Event: Getting to Know Baltimore City's Trial Judges," University of Baltimore School of Law, Baltimore, Maryland. I answered students' questions regarding a typical day in trial court, my path from the practice law to the bench, and the process of becoming a law clerk. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. This event was held via Zoom. The address of the University of Baltimore School of Law is 1401 North Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201.

October 20, 2021: Guest speaker/panelist, "ASPER Workshop" class, University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law, Baltimore, Maryland. I answered law students' questions about my path from the practice of law to the bench. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law is 500 West Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201

September 9, 2021: "Impact Criminal Cases," Maryland Judicial College, Annapolis, Maryland. Recording available at https://vimeo.com/601815698/178d13456d.

May 7, 2021: Panelist, "The Judges' View: Maryland Civil Court Litigation Do's and Don'ts," National Business Institute, Baltimore, Maryland. Audio recording supplied.

March 24, 2021: Moderator, "Meet Our Newest Circuit Court Judges!" Bar Association of Baltimore City, Bench Bar Committee (Co-Chair), Baltimore, Maryland. I jointly moderated a virtual welcome reception for two recently appointed circuit judges. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Bar Association of Baltimore City is 111 North Calvert Street, Suite 627, Baltimore, Maryland 21202.

March 11, 2021: "Impact Criminal Cases," Maryland Judicial College, Annapolis, Maryland. Recording supplied.

October 6, 2020: Moderator, "Court, Counselor & Covid-19," Bar Association of Baltimore City, Bench Bar Committee (Co-Chair). I jointly moderated a virtual panel discussion of challenges regarding court operations during the COVID-19 pandemic. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Bar Association of Baltimore City is 111 North Calvert Street, Suite 627, Baltimore, Maryland 21202.

February 26, 2020: "Civil Evidence." Maryland Judicial College, Annapolis, Maryland. This presentation involved providing instruction to Maryland state judges on the application of Maryland Rules of Evidence regarding witness testimony and the introduction of documentary evidence in civil trials. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Maryland Judicial College is 187 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

December 6, 2019: Panelist, "What Civil Court Judges Want You to Know," National Business Institute, Baltimore, Maryland. This speaking event involved a panel of Maryland state court judges addressing questions posed by an attorney moderator and attorney audience members regarding engaging in civil litigation practice in the circuit courts of Maryland. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the National Business Institute, Inc. is P.O. Box 3067, Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54702.

November 17, 2019: "On Being a Judge, Justice, Equality, and Fairness," Maryland Judicial College, Annapolis, Maryland. I co-taught this course, covering ensuring self-represented litigants have full access to courts and best practices for fairness in the courtroom, for newly appointed trial judges. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Maryland Judicial College is 187 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

October 16, 2019: "Trial Court Opinion Writing," Maryland Judicial College, Annapolis, Maryland. This presentation involved providing instruction to Maryland state judges on summary judgment memorandum opinion writing,

including best practices, application of Maryland Rule 2-501 (summary judgment motions), technical mechanics and elements, organization, and substantive content and analysis. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Maryland Judicial College is 187 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

2018: Speaker, "Social Media," Maryland Judicial College, Annapolis, Maryland, as part of Mandatory Ethics Training for New Judges and Magistrates in the Maryland state judicial system. Video available at https://vimeo.com/manage/videos/200825851/7a94553341.

2018: Speaker, history of law on the admissibility of expert witness testimony on the reliability of extra-judicial eyewitness accounts in criminal cases, Serjeants' Inn law club, Baltimore, Maryland. Notes supplied.

December 4, 2018: Panelist, "What Family Court Judges Want You to Know," National Business Institute, Baltimore, Maryland. I served as a panelist along with other Maryland state judges to answer questions posed by a moderator and lawyer audience members regarding litigation and trial best practices in Maryland family law courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the National Business Institute, Inc. is P.O. Box 3067, Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54702.

October 23, 2018: "Jury Management and Instruction." Maryland Judicial College, Annapolis, Maryland. This presentation involved providing instruction to Maryland state judges on best practices for managing commonly occurring jury management issues and jury instructions. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Maryland Judicial College is 187 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

October 11, 2018: "Emerging Criminal Issues." Maryland Judicial College, Annapolis, Maryland. This presentation involved providing instruction to Maryland state judges on important emerging legal issues in the areas of criminal law, criminal trial evidence, and criminal procedure. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Maryland Judicial College is 187 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

September 26, 2018: "Trial Court Opinion Writing." Maryland Judicial College, Annapolis, Maryland. This presentation involved providing instruction to Maryland state judges on summary judgment memorandum opinion writing, including best practices, application of Maryland Rule 2-501 (summary judgment motions), technical mechanics and elements, organization, and substantive content and analysis. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Maryland Judicial College is 187 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

March 29, 2018: Speaker, "How to Go from Young Lawyer to Rock Star at Your Office," Bar Association of Baltimore City, Whiteford, Taylor & Preston, LLP, Baltimore, Maryland. Notes supplied. On several other occasions from 2017 through 2019, I delivered versions of this address in small settings to law students, judicial law clerks and young/new practitioners. I do not recall the specific dates or locations. I have no notes, transcript, or recording from these other occasions.

March 8, 2018: "Emerging Civil Issues." Maryland Judicial College, Annapolis, Maryland. This presentation involved providing instruction to Maryland state judges on important emerging legal issues in various areas of civil law, evidence, and procedure. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Maryland Judicial College is 187 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

November 17, 2017: Panelist, "As Judges See It: Top Mistakes Attorneys Make in Civil Litigation." National Business Institute, Baltimore, Maryland. I served as a panelist along with other Maryland state judges to answer questions posed by a moderator and lawyer audience members regarding best and discouraged practices in civil pre-trial and trial practice. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the National Business Institute, Inc. is P.O. Box 3067, Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54702.

June 15, 2017: Panelist, "Don't Forget Causation," Maryland Defense Counsel, Inc., Baltimore, Maryland. This panel discussion involved discussion with defense counsel attendees how judges and juries approach issues surrounding tort causation. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Maryland Defense Counsel, Inc. is P.O. Box 575, Riderwood, Maryland 21139.

May 2, 2017: "Impact Criminal Cases." Maryland Judicial College, Annapolis, Maryland. This presentation involved providing instruction to Maryland state judges on recent notable decisions issued by the Maryland Courts of Appeal in the areas of criminal law, criminal trial evidence, and criminal procedure. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Maryland Judicial College is 187 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

April 27, 2017: "Judicial Review of Administrative Decisions." Maryland Judicial College, Annapolis, Maryland. This presentation involved providing instruction to Maryland state judges on the law of judicial review of state administrative agency decisions, including the scope and standards of review. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Maryland Judicial College is 187 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

April 6, 2017: "Impact Criminal Cases." Maryland Judicial College, Annapolis, Maryland. This presentation involved providing instruction to Maryland state judges on recent notable decisions issued by the Maryland Courts of Appeal in the

areas of criminal law, criminal trial evidence, and criminal procedure. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Maryland Judicial College is 187 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

December 16, 2016: Panelist, "What Civil Court Judges Want You to Know," National Business Institute, Baltimore, Maryland. I served as a panelist along with other Maryland state judges to answer questions posed by a moderator and lawyer audience members regarding best and discouraged practices in civil pretrial and trial practice. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the National Business Institute, Inc. is P.O. Box 3067, Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54702.

November 3, 2016: Panelist, "Summary Judgment Motion – Skirting Pitfalls," National Lead Litigation Conference, Naples, Florida. As a panelist, I answered questions posed by a moderator and lawyer audience members regarding best practices in Maryland Rule 2-501 summary judgment motions practice in lead paint civil litigation. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of HB Litigation Conferences is P.O. Box 141, Clifton Heights, PA.

November 3, 2016: Panelist, "Battling it Out in the In Limine Hearing," National Lead Litigation Conference, Naples, Florida. PowerPoint supplied.

June 17, 2016: Panelist, "Court ADR: What Works and Why It Matters," Maryland Joint Bench Bar Conference, Ocean City, Maryland. This presentation involved discussion with judge and lawyer audience members regarding use of a variety of forms of alternative dispute resolution offered by the Maryland state courts, including ADR forms and techniques, best practices, and the benefits associated with reaching out-of-court settlements through alternative dispute resolution. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Maryland State Bar Association is 520 West Fayette Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201.

June 16, 2016: Panelist and speaker, "Making America Great Again . . . with Administrative Law: How to Be at the Right Place, at the Right Time, with the Right Stuff," Maryland Joint Bench Bar Conference, Maryland State Bar Association, Ocean City, Maryland. Notes supplied.

April 20, 2016: Keynote speaker, "You Are Women. I Don't Want to Hear You Meow," University of Baltimore School of Law, Women's Bar Association Student Chapter Annual Meeting, Baltimore, Maryland. Notes supplied.

April 18, 2016: Keynote speaker, "Streamline Your Trial with Maryland Rule 2-502," Maryland Defense Counsel, Inc., Trial Academy, Baltimore, Maryland. Notes supplied.

April 8, 2016: Presenter of Etta Maddox Award, Women's Bar Association of Maryland. I presented the first Etta Maddox Award on behalf of the Women's

Bar Association of Maryland. The award presentation took place in Easton, Maryland at the Tidewater Inn, 101 East Dover Street, Easton, Maryland 21601. Notes supplied.

April 6, 2016: Panelist, "Annual Bar to the Bench Luncheon Event," Women's Bar Association of University of Maryland School of Law. I served as a panelist along with three other Maryland state judges to answer questions posed by a moderator and law student audience members regarding my path from private practitioner to judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the University of Maryland School of Law is 500 West Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201.

September 8, 2015: Panelist, "Women Lawyers as Leaders," University of Baltimore School of Law, Baltimore, Maryland. This panel was a celebration of the publication of *Finding Justice: A History of Women Lawyers in Maryland since 1642*. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the University of Baltimore School of Law is 1401 North Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201.

March 17, 2015: Panelist, "A View From the Bench," Bar Association of Baltimore City, Family Law Committee, Baltimore, Maryland. This panel involved discussing with attorney participants general best practices in family court. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Bar Association of Baltimore City is 111 North Calvert Street, Suite 627, Baltimore, Maryland 21202.

Fall 2014: Speaker, Bar Association of Baltimore City, Business Litigation Committee, Baltimore, Maryland. I gave a lecture on proof of irreparable harm in trade secret preliminary injunction proceedings. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Bar Association of Baltimore City is 111 North Calvert Street, Suite 627, Baltimore, Maryland 21202.

November 21, 2014: Panelist, "Civil Court Judicial Forum: Advanced Discovery and Trial Practice," National Business Institute, Baltimore, Maryland. This speaking event involved a panel of Maryland state court judges addressing questions posed by an attorney moderator and attorney audience members regarding discovery practices and trial practice in civil cases in the circuit courts of Maryland. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the National Business Institute, Inc. is P.O. Box 3067, Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54702.

May 9, 2014: "Business and Technology Program: Focus on Business Damages," Maryland Judicial College, Annapolis, Maryland. This presentation involved providing instruction to Maryland state judges on proof and valuation of business damages in civil cases specially assigned to the Business and Technology Case Management Program of Maryland (per Maryland Rule 16-308). I have no notes,

transcript, or recording. The address of the Maryland Judicial College is 187 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Winter 2014 – June 2014: Following my appointment to the Circuit Court for Baltimore City by Governor Martin J. O'Malley on December 28, 2012, I became a judicial candidate to retain my seat. During the campaign, my running mates and I (the incumbent judges) made frequent campaign appearances at local neighborhood events and houses of worship, at which we generally made brief, extemporaneous remarks to introduce ourselves and share our judicial qualifications. I did not deliver any prepared campaign speeches. I have no notes, transcripts or recordings of these events.

October 23, 2013: Panelist, "Women as Trial Lawyers," hosted by Maryland Association for Justice, Inc., New Lawyers Section, at University of Maryland School of Law, Baltimore, Maryland. This panel discussion pertained to the experiences and challenges unique to women trial lawyers. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Maryland Association for Justice, Inc. is 10440 Little Patuxent Parkway, #250, Columbia, Maryland 21044.

December 1, 2012: Speaker, "Internet Security, Privacy & Social Media Policies," National Employment Law Institute, Annual Employment Law Conference, Washington, DC. This program provided instruction on laws relating to workplace privacy and data security, and employer applicant screening and employee monitoring inside and outside the workplace, including on social media, workplace computers. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the National Employment Law Institute is P.O. Box 1189, Golden, Colorado 80402.

November 15, 2012: Speaker, "e-Workplace: Social Media, Privacy and Information Security Policies," National Employment Law Institute, Annual Employment Law Conference, Washington, DC. This program provided instruction on laws relating to workplace privacy and data security, and employer applicant screening and employee monitoring inside and outside the workplace, including on social media, workplace computers. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the National Employment Law Institute is P.O. Box 1189, Golden, Colorado 80402.

July 19, 2012: Speaker, "e-Workplace: "Social Media and Privacy Rights," National Employment Law Institute, Annual Employment Discrimination Law Update, Washington, DC. This program provided instruction on laws relating to workplace privacy and data security, and employer applicant screening and employee monitoring inside and outside the workplace, including on social media, workplace computers. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the National Employment Law Institute is P.O. Box 1189, Golden, Colorado 80402

May 17, 2012: Speaker, "The e-Workplace: Internet Security, Privacy & Social Media Policies," National Employment Law Institute, Mid-Year Employment Law Conference, Washington, DC. This program provided instruction on laws relating to workplace privacy and data security, and employer applicant screening and employee monitoring inside and outside the workplace, including on social media, workplace computers. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the National Employment Law Institute is P.O. Box 1189, Golden, Colorado 80402.

February 15, 2012: Speaker, "The e-Workplace – Technology Use, Social Media and Privacy Policies," National Employment Law Institute, Annual Employment Law Briefing, Vail, Colorado. This program provided instruction on laws relating to workplace privacy and data security, and employer applicant screening and employee monitoring inside and outside the workplace, including on social media, workplace computers. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the National Employment Law Institute is P.O. Box 1189, Golden, Colorado 80402.

Aug. 18, 2011: Speaker, "The e-Workplace: Social-Media, Privacy and Data-Security Policies," National Employment Law Institute, Annual Public Sector EEO & Employment Law Conference, Washington, DC. This program provided instruction on laws relating to workplace privacy and data security, and employer applicant screening and employee monitoring inside and outside the workplace, including on social media, workplace computers. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the National Employment Law Institute is P.O. Box 1189, Golden, Colorado 80402.

July 28, 2011: Speaker, "Escalating Retaliation Claims in the Workplace," National Employment Law Institute, Annual Employment Discrimination Law Update, Washington, DC. This program provided instruction on the law of unlawful workplace retaliation and how to ensure the workplace is free from unlawful retaliatory action and litigation risks. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the National Employment Law Institute is P.O. Box 1189, Golden, Colorado 80402.

June 16, 2011: Commencement speaker, The Bryn Mawr School, Baltimore, Maryland. Video available at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HDZCp1hB3 I.

2010: Guest lecturer, ACTiVATE Program, Baltimore, Maryland. My remarks pertained to negotiating agreements with potential investors, business partners, and settlements of technology litigation. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County is 1000 Hilltop Circle, Baltimore, Maryland 21250.

April 2010: Speaker, "When a Client's Employee Becomes the Competition," Maryland State Bar Association, Intellectual Property Section, Baltimore, Maryland. These remarks dealt with the law of restrictive covenants. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Maryland State Bar Association is 520 West Fayette Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201.

April 2010: Bench education presenter on the law of restrictive covenants, Circuit Court for Howard County, Ellicott City, Maryland. These remarks dealt with the law of restrictive covenants. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Circuit Court for Howard County is 9250 Judicial Way, Suite 1900, Ellicott City, Maryland 21043.

2009: Speaker on the history of women's marital rights in Jewish law, Serjeants' Inn law club, Baltimore, Maryland. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. There is no fixed address for Serjeants' Inn law club.

2009: Guest lecturer, ACTiVATE Program, Baltimore, Maryland. My remarks pertained to negotiating agreements with potential investors, business partners, and settlements of technology litigation. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County is 1000 Hilltop Circle, Baltimore, Maryland 21250.

October 16, 2009: Speaker, "When Your Former Employee Becomes the Competition: The ABCs of Restrictive Covenants," American Subcontractors Association, Baltimore Chapter, Baltimore, Maryland. My remarks provided instruction to business owner and employer audience members on the practical application of Maryland law on restrictive covenants, including non-competition agreements, non-disclosure agreements, and non-solicitation agreements. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the American Subcontractors Association is 1004 Duke Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

September 3, 2009: Speaker, "Top 5 Things Employees Sue Their Employees For and How to Avoid Them," Queen Anne's County Chamber of Commerce, Grasonville, Maryland. I delivered remarks on common workplace-related legal disputes and employer best practices to minimize these litigation risks. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Queen Anne's County Chamber of Commerce is 1561 Postal Road, Chester, Maryland 21619.

March 20, 2009: Speaker, "What to do When Your Employee Leaves for a Competitor," Queen Anne's County Chamber of Commerce, Grasonville, Maryland. I delivered remarks on the enforceability of non-competition agreements and other restrictive covenants, protection of trade secrets and other confidential, proprietary information. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Queen Anne's County Chamber of Commerce is 1561 Postal Road, Chester, Maryland 21619.

February 2009: Speaker, "When Your Client's Employee Becomes the Competition: The ABCs of Restrictive Covenants," Maryland State Bar Association, Mid-Year Meeting, Jamaica. These remarks dealt with the law of restrictive covenants. This conference was held February 23 to 27, 2009, but I am unable to recall on which date I presented these remarks. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Maryland State Bar Association is 520 West Fayette Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201.

2008: Guest lecturer, ACTiVATE Program, Baltimore, Maryland. My remarks pertained to negotiating agreements with potential investors, business partners, and settlements of technology litigation. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County is 1000 Hilltop Circle, Baltimore, Maryland 21250.

March 28, 2008: Speaker, "Ads That Shouldn't Have Run," Northern Illinois Advertising Federation (a chapter of the American Advertising Federation), Rockford, Illinois. My remarks pertained to use of names, trademarks and copyrights in advertisements. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Northern Illinois Advertising Federation is 2205 South Perryville Road, #162, Rockford, Illinois 61108.

May 24, 2006: Speaker, "Avoiding Liability for Violating an Employee's Privacy Rights: Limits on Electronic Monitoring and Personal Searches of Employees," Employment Law Council, Maryland Employment Law Update, Baltimore, Maryland. My best recollection is that my remarks provided instruction on the law of employee and applicant background checks and monitoring of employee computer use and activity. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a mailing address for Maryland Employment Council.

November 20, 2005: Speaker on employment law, (then) Astrachan Gunst Thomas Rubin, P.C., Hanover, Maryland. I presented remarks on employment law and employer best practices to avoid litigation risks and non-compliance with relevant workplace laws. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Astrachan Gunst Thomas, P.C. is One South Street, 19th Floor, Baltimore, Maryland 21202.

2003: Guest lecturer, Women and the Law, Towson University, Towson, Maryland. I lectured on the history of women's rights in Jewish marital law. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Towson University is 8000 York Road, Towson, Maryland 21252.

2002: Guest lecturer, Women and the Law, Towson University, Towson, Maryland. I lectured on the history of women's rights in Jewish marital law. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Towson University is 8000 York Road, Towson, Maryland 21252.

In addition to the specific occasions listed above, throughout my practice, I delivered seminars and in-house training to business owners, managers, executives and human resources professionals on federal and state workplace discrimination law, restrictive covenants, and protection of trade secret and other confidential information. Some of these presentations were delivered in person to a live audience, while others were presented as approximately 50 - 60-minute webinars. 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.

Mount Holyoke Alumnae Quarterly, Summer 2020, *Balance*, July 2020. Copy supplied.

Jacques Kelly, Stephanie 'Steffi' Graham, photographer who saw hope in the city, dies, Balt. Sun, Sept. 17, 2019. Copy supplied.

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Ben Mook, *Baltimore-Based First Mariner Files False-Advertising Suit*, DAILY REC., Apr. 16, 2012. Copy supplied.

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Alissa Gulin, Lessons Learned from Distance Running Carry Over to Legal Practice, DAILY REC., July 24, 2011. Copy supplied.

Danny Jacobs, Frederick Technology Company Wins \$500K from Former Leader, DAILY REC., Feb. 21, 2011. Copy supplied.

Sloane Brown, Classic with Edge; Glimpsed at Work: Julie Rubin, BALT. SUN, Jan. 10, 2011. Copy supplied.

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Linda L. Esterson, *Spouses and Holiday Parties – Do They Mix?*, JEWISH TIMES, Nov. 24, 2006. Copy supplied.

Alisa Bralove, Cab driver's estate continues with case on 'descendability' of publicity rights, DAILY REC., Aug. 15, 2003. Copy supplied.

Anne Arundel Developer Settles Dispute Over Access to Wellfleet Mews Condominium, DAILY REC., Mar. 29, 2003. Copy supplied.

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Earl Byrd, *Dawson case: Former director saw no request*, BALT. AFRO-AMER., Mar. 14, 2003. Copy supplied.

Allison Klein, Dawsons weren't protected, official says – But Jessamy says family declined relocation by her office after earlier arson, BALT. SUN, Mar. 11, 2003. Copy supplied.

Scott Burke, *Developer gets sued over FHA compliance*, CAPITAL GAZETTE, Oct. 9, 2002. Copy supplied.

Lawrence Hurley, Wheelchair Users, BNI Sue Developer of New Housing Addition, DAILY REC., Oct. 3, 2002. Copy supplied.

Barbara Grzincic, *Athlete Sued for Canceling Contract to Buy House*, DAILY REC., Oct. 29, 2001. Copy supplied.

From approximately 2011 to 2013, my law partner and husband, James B. Astrachan, Esquire, and I, along with Dan Rodricks, co-hosted a twice-monthly 1-hour radio program on 88.1 WYPR called "Midday on the Law" concerning law-related events and developments.

Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, Dec. 13, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, Nov. 29, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, Oct. 25, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, Oct. 11, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, Sept. 13, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, Aug. 23, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, Aug. 9, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, July 26, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, July 12, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, July 12, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, June 28, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, May 10, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, Apr. 26, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, Apr. 26, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, Apr. 26, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, Apr. 26, 2012. Audio supplied. Midday on the Law, WYPR 88.1 FM, Apr. 26, 2012. Audio supplied.

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From approximately 2009 to 2011, I served as a legal commentator for WBFF Fox 45, Baltimore, Maryland. I provided objective/non-editorial legal commentary on occasion when contacted by the local television station regarding pending cases of public interest. The nature of these interviews involved explaining relevant legal processes, charges, or claims, and did not include expression of personal or subjective opinion. I have no notes, transcripts, or recordings, and I have been advised that WBFF does not have archived recordings from this period.

13. <u>Judicial Office</u>: 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 was appointed to the Circuit Court for Baltimore City by Governor Martin J. O'Malley on December 28, 2012, and took the oath of office on January 9, 2013. In November 2014, I was elected by the voters of Baltimore City to a 15-year term. Maryland's circuit courts are the state's trial courts of general jurisdiction, both civil and criminal, and are the only courts in the Maryland judicial system that conduct jury trials. The circuit courts also hear appeals from the administrative agencies and the state's district courts. As an

Associate Judge on the Circuit Court for Baltimore City, I have served in the following divisions: Civil Division (2013, 2016, 2019), Family Division (2014, 2018), Criminal Division (2015, 2017), General Trial Division (which includes the Civil and Criminal Divisions) with special assignment to Asbestos Docket (2020, 2021).

a. Approximately how many cases have you presided over that have gone to verdict or judgment?

Based on data retrieved at my request from Judicial Information Systems of Maryland's Administrative Office of Courts, I have presided over 948 cases that have gone to verdict or judgment. This number does not include matters over which I presided in the civil (non-domestic) dispositive motions and emergency/preliminary injunction docket.

Based on data retrieved at my request from Judicial Information Systems of Maryland's Administrative Office of Courts:

Criminal jury trials (resulting in verdict): 64

Criminal bench trials: 3

Civil jury trials (resulting in verdict): 58 Non-domestic civil bench trials: 251

Domestic bench trials: 573

Total jury trials: 122 Total bench trials: 827

i. Of these cases, approximately what percent were:

jury trials:

13%

bench trials:

87%

ii. Of these cases, approximately what percent were:

civil proceedings:

93%

criminal proceedings:

7%

b. Provide citations for all opinions you have written, including concurrences and dissents.

Harris v. Housing Authority of Baltimore City, No. 24-C-11-002654, 2016 WL 10732324 (Md. Cir. Ct. Aug. 1, 2016)

Johnson v. Kirson, No. 24-C-14-005926 LP, 2016 WL 6916490 (Md. Cir. Ct. Sept. 22, 2016)

McFadden v. Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, No. 24-C-12-005775, 2013 WL 8445764 (Md. Cir. Ct. Dec. 13, 2013)

Vazquez v. The Maryland Management Co., No. 24C13005257, 2013 WL 10155703 (Md. Cir. Ct. Dec. 02, 2013)

Stewart v. Baltimore City, Md., No. 24C12004043, 2013 WL 7020458 (Md. Cir. Ct. July 12, 2013)

Padgett v. Diggs, No. 24C12004056, 2013 WL 9963110 (Md. Cir. Ct. May 15, 2013)

A&R Mechanical, Inc. v. Encore Construction, Inc., No. 24-C-12-003468, 2013 WL 3491149 (Md. Cir. Ct. Mar. 19, 2013)

Embassy Apartments, LLC v. Pro Property LLC, No. 24C12006164, 2013 WL 9882952 (Md. Cir. Ct. Mar. 18, 2013)

Harris v. Housing Authority of Baltimore City, No. 24-C-11-002654, 2013 WL 12317797 (Md. Cir. Ct. July 24, 2013)

- 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).
 - 1. Cherry, Jr., et al. v. Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City, Case No. 24-C-16-004670, aff'd, 475 Md. 565 (2021)

In 2010, following grave economic conditions that compromised the Baltimore City Council's capacity to satisfy its pension obligations to Baltimore police, firefighters and other public safety workers, the Baltimore City Council voted to amend the portion of the Baltimore City Code setting forth the codified (statutory) terms and conditions of these employees' statutory pension contract with the City. Then Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake signed the proposed amendment into law as Ordinance 10-306, effective June 30, 2010. This case was brought as a class action for breach of contract and declaratory judgment by the Baltimore City Fraternal Order of Police, Baltimore Fire Officers Local 564, Baltimore City Firefighters' IAFF Local 734, International Association of Firefighters, and individual members of same, against the City of Baltimore for breach of the Plaintiffs' statutory pension contract. A companion case to the action brought in the circuit court was earlier instituted in the United States District Court for the District of Maryland, which included Contract Clause and Takings Clause claims. Following remand from the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, federal claims were stayed for parties to litigate state law claims in state circuit court. I was specially assigned to preside over this case at all stages by then Administrative Judge W. Michel Pierson.

I granted the Plaintiffs' motion to certify a class action by certifying a plaintiff class with three sub-classes. I presided over a multi-day bench trial following which I entered (partial) declaratory judgment with an accompanying court mandate, and ruled on the merits of the claims of breach of statutory pension contract. The Plaintiff class prevailed on some, but not all, breach of contract claims against the City. I awarded breach of contract damages to individual class members pursuant to a court-approved actuarial formula resulting in judgment against the City of Baltimore in the amount of \$30.7 Million. Opinion on cross motions for summary judgment and trial opinion supplied. The Court of Appeals granted *certiorari* and unanimously affirmed my decision.

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2. Wilson et al. v. Beck Arnley Holdings, LLC, et al., Case No. 24-X-20000030

This was a civil action by a former automotive worker and his spouse against manufacturers of asbestos-containing brakes and clutches for tort claims arising from mesothelioma allegedly caused by ingestion of asbestos dust. Following extensive pretrial litigation, including motions for summary judgment on demands for punitive damages as well as several of Plaintiffs' claims including for breach

of warranty, negligence and strict liability, and approximately eighty motions *in limine* on all manner of evidence, including public records and reports, business records, learned treatises, ancient documents, testimony of corporate designees, and an evidentiary *Daubert* hearing, the parties settled after jury was paneled and sworn. Opinions on choice of law and motions for summary judgment, as well as *Daubert* motion to exclude expert testimony, supplied.

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3. Allen et al. v. Burks et al., Case No. 24-C-15-003384

This case arose from the death of Mr. Allen while receiving care from Dr. Burks at the University of Maryland Medical Center. Mr. Allen's wife, individually and as personal representative of her husband's estate, Mr. Allen's estate, and his seven adult children brought medical malpractice, wrongful death, and survival actions against the defendants. The jury returned a verdict in favor of Plaintiffs and awarded damages totaling \$10 Million. Following defense post-trial motions, I reduced the verdict in accordance with the statutory cap to \$906,250.

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4. Johnson v. Kirson et al., Case No. 24-C-14-005926

This case involved a civil action by a former (minor) tenant against the landlord and related parties for tort claims arising from poisoning by ingestion of lead-based paint. The jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff and awarded damages totaling \$1,628,000. I reduced the verdict reduced in accordance with statutory cap to \$1,173,000.

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5. State of Maryland v. Thomas, Case No. 114099020

This was a criminal jury trial involving charges of attempted first-degree murder, use of a firearm in a felony/violent crime, and felon in possession of a firearm. The defendant was charged with shooting Baltimore City Police Sergeant McNeill eight times. Following the fourth re-trial (mistrials declared by other trial judges due to hung juries and a *Brady* violation), the jury returned a verdict finding Defendant Thomas guilty of attempted first-degree murder, use of a firearm in a crime of violence, and felon in possession of a firearm. I imposed a sentence of life plus 135 years (I imposed consecutive sentences on all charges of which Defendant Thomas was found guilty).

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6. State of Maryland v. Fury, Case No. 116077014

This was a criminal jury trial involving charges of first-degree murder, first-degree felony murder, conspiracy to commit murder, and robbery. Defendant Fury was charged with her co-defendant (who pleaded guilty) in the bludgeoning death of a military veteran traveler in a hotel room. The jury returned a verdict finding Defendant Fury guilty of first-degree felony murder and robbery, and not guilty of premeditated murder or conspiracy to commit murder. I imposed a sentence of life in prison with all but 50 years suspended.

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7. State of Maryland v. Little, Case No. 114057027

This was a criminal jury trial involving charges of first-degree murder, use of a handgun in a crime of violence, and related offenses. Defendant Little was charged with the shooting-stabbing-bludgeoning death of the victim. Evidence involved an anonymous 911 call made contemporaneous with the caller's observation of the defendant and the event. Pretrial defense motions included disputes as to whether the defendant requested counsel during a police interview. I denied Defendant Little's motion to suppress on these grounds, holding that he had not effectively invoked his right to counsel. The jury returned a verdict finding Defendant Little guilty of second-degree murder, use of a handgun in a crime of violence, and wearing/carrying/transporting a handgun. I imposed consecutive sentences of 30 years' incarceration for second-degree murder and 20 years for use of a handgun in a crime of violence.

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8. State of Maryland v. Hull, Case No. 116266005

This was a criminal jury trial involving charges of first-degree murder, conspiracy to commit murder, and use of a handgun in a crime of violence. Defendant Hull

was charged with the shooting death of the victim whose body was found in an alley with ten gunshot wounds. Evidence included neighborhood surveillance footage; testimony of reluctant and recanting witness (subject to body attachment) and my finding that the reluctant witness feigned memory loss while on the witness stand to avoid testifying against Defendant Hull. The jury returned a verdict finding Defendant Hull guilty of conspiracy to commit murder. I imposed a sentence of life in prison.

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9. Grimes v. State of Maryland, Case No. 18203410-11; PC 6989

This case involved a Petition for Post Conviction Relief pursuant to the Maryland Uniform Post Conviction Procedure Act. Petitioner Grimes and a co-defendant were convicted of murder in 1982. His petition for relief asserted that his trial counsel had rendered ineffective assistance of counsel in violation of Mr. Grimes's constitutional rights by virtue of counsel's dual representation of Mr. Grimes and his co-defendant at trial, which presented an actual conflict of interest. At trial, defense counsel had, among other things, 1) examined the State's material witness in a manner that favored Mr. Grimes' co-defendant and materially prejudiced Mr. Grimes; and 2) called Mr. Grimes to testify in defense of his co-defendant contrary to his duty to Mr. Grimes. The State's evidence against Mr. Grimes's co-defendant was robust; the evidence against Mr. Grimes was anemic. He was sentenced to a term of life plus 35 years. I granted Mr. Grimes' petition for post conviction relief and vacated his conviction on the basis that his trial counsel labored under a gross, actual conflict of interest about which Mr. Grimes had never been advised; and Mr. Grimes had suffered material prejudice as a result. After serving 39 years in prison, Mr. Grimes was released. Although the State opposed Mr. Grimes's petition, the State did not re-indict or retry his case, and did not appeal my ruling. Opinion supplied.

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10. Swinder v. Cunningham, Civil Case No. 24-D-10-002963

This case involved a child custody dispute over toddlers ages 3 and 5 following years of multiple petitions for protective order and Child Protective Services (CPS) complaints and resulting investigations of alleged sex assault and neglect of the minor children by a parent and grandmother. Following a multi-day trial, I read into the record an oral ruling awarding physical and legal custody to Mr. Swinder (the girls' father), ordering Ms. Cunningham (the girls' mother) to undergo mental health treatment with supervised visitation only, and found that Ms. Cunningham's protective order petitions and CPS complaints of sex assault were knowingly false, which subjected the minor children to needless repeated examination and resultant mental trauma.

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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.

1. Palmer v. Dep't of Pub. Safety and Corr. Servs., Civil Case No. 24-C-20-3017 (Md. Cir. Ct. Oct. 7, 2021). Opinion supplied.

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2. Wilson et al. v. Beck Arnley Holdings, LLC, et al., Civil Case Nos. 24-X-20000030 (Md. Cir. Ct. June 2, 2021). Opinion previously supplied in response to Question 13c.

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3. Wilson et al. v. Beck Arnley Holdings, LLC, et al., Civil Case Nos. 24-X-2000030 (Md. Cir. Ct. Mar. 26, 2021). Opinion previously supplied in response to Question 13c.

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4. *Purnell v. Green, Sec'y Dep't of Pub. Safety and Corr. Servs.*, Civil Case No. 24-C-17-004201; Criminal Case Nos. 196338031, 196338041, 197113040, 197288038, 197288039, 197288043, 197288052 (Md. Cir. Ct. Mar. 10, 2021). Opinion supplied.

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5. Cherry, Jr. v. Mayor & City Council of Baltimore City, Civil Case No. 24-C-16-004670 (Md. Cir. Ct. May 13, 2019). Opinion previously supplied in response to Question 13c.

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6. Moore v. State of Maryland, Criminal Case No. 109320036; PC No. 117145 (Md. Cir. Ct. Aug. 1, 2018). Opinion supplied.

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7. *Grimes v. State of Maryland*, Criminal Case No. 18203400-11; Postconviction No. 6989 (Md. Cir. Ct. Apr. 13, 2018). Opinion previously supplied in response to Question 13c.

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8. Cherry, Jr. v. Mayor & City Council of Baltimore City, Civil Case No. 24-C-16-004670 (Md. Cir. Ct. Jan. 2, 2018). Opinion previously supplied in response to Question 13c.

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9. Jefferson v. State of Maryland, Criminal Case Nos. 111136044, 111136045; PC No. 11460 (Md. Cir. Ct. June 6, 2017). Opinion supplied.

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10. In the Matter of the Petition of Balfour Beatty Construction, Civil Case No. 24-C-12-007008 (Md. Cir. Ct. June 17, 2013). Opinion supplied.

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e. Provide a list of all cases in which certiorari was requested or granted.

I am not aware of any case for which certiorari was requested from or granted by the Supreme Court of the United States.

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.

Maryland State Hwy. Admin. v. Brawner Builders, Inc., Case No. 24-C-19-003208 (Md. Cir. Ct. Sept. 23, 2019), rev'd, 248 Md. App. 646 (2020), aff'd, 476 Md. 15 (2021). This case arose under state procurement law. A prime contractor and a subcontractor sought judicial review of Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals' (MSBCA) decision affirming the State Highway Administration's (SHA) denial of plaintiffs' procurement claims on the basis that the subcontractor had no contract with the SHA and therefore lacked standing to file a procurement claim, and that the claims filed were untimely. On appeal, the MSBCA agreed with the SHA and entered a summary decision. On administrative appeal to the Circuit Court for Baltimore City, I vacated the MSBCA's summary decision, concluding that (1) the subcontractor did have a procurement contract with the SHA, (2) was entitled to file a claim, and (3) there was a genuine dispute of material fact as to the timeliness of the claims. I remanded the matter for a hearing on the merits. The SHA appealed. The intermediate appellate court (Maryland Court of Special Appeals) held that the subcontractor lacked standing to make a contract claim against SHA, and that the 30-day period for the contractor to file a notice of claim on behalf of the subcontractor began to run, at the latest, on the date subcontractor filed federal lawsuit. The Maryland Court of Appeals granted *certiorari* and affirmed the Court of Special Appeals.

State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co. v. Maryland Ins. Admin., Case No. 24-C-19-001819 (Md. Cir. Ct. Sept. 25, 2019), rev'd, 469 Md. 674 (2020). An insurer filed a petition for judicial review to the Circuit Court for Baltimore City of the

Maryland Insurance Administration's (MIA) decision which directed the insurer to pay a motorist's out-of-pocket rental expenses after she was hit by uninsured motorist. I ruled in favor of the insurer and the MIA appealed. While the appeal was pending before the Maryland Court of Special Appeals (the intermediate appellate court), the Maryland Court of Appeals granted certiorari. The Court of Appeals held that the Maryland Insurance Commission had correctly decided the issue and held that the phrase "damage to property," as incorporated by reference in the uninsured motorist statute, embraces loss of use damages. The Court of Appeals did not examine my legal analysis or ruling; in Maryland, appeals of judicial review of administrative decisions do not address the trial court's analysis and holding, but rather "look through" the circuit court and address only the analysis and outcome at the administrative agency level.

Hurt v. Jones-Hurt, Case No. 24-D-02-003910 (Md. Cir. Ct. Apr. 17, 2014), rev'd, 233 Md. App. 610 (2017). This case came before me in the Domestic Division of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City. Years after a divorce judgment was entered by another judge, the former wife reopened the case and filed a motion for declaratory judgment that she had a valid claim to pension arrears from her former husband. Based on Maryland precedent, I granted the motion, concluding that former wife was entitled to a consistent dollar amount from her former husband's total military benefits, notwithstanding a reduction in the former husband's military pension payout caused by his voluntary waiver of such benefits in favor of disability benefits. On appeal, the Court of Special Appeals held that my decision was correct when made, but following oral argument and while the appeal was pending, the United States Supreme Court issued Howell v. Howell, 137 S. Ct. 467 (2017), which governed the federal military benefits question and effectively overruled Maryland law on the issue.

Coffee v. Rent-a-Center, Case No. 24-C-12-004002 (Md. Cir. Ct. Mar. 21, 2013), rev'd, 439 Md. 441 (2014). Memorandum opinion supplied. This opinion consolidated for decision three Workers' Compensation Commission cases from various Maryland circuit courts. In the case before me, the claimant appealed from the decision of the Commission finding that a weeks-paid standard was the appropriate standard for credit. I affirmed the Commission's decision and the claimant appealed. Before the Court of Special Appeals ruled, the employer's petition for writ of certiorari was granted by the Court of Appeals. The Court of Appeals held in relevant part that dollars paid is the appropriate basis on which to credit an employer/insurer for payments made after a workers' compensation award is modified on appeal.

State of Maryland v. Younger, Case No. 24-C-17-004752 (Md. Cir. Ct. June 17, 2019), rev'd, Apr. 23, 2021 (No. 1113, Sept. Term 2019). Court of Special Appeals unreported decision supplied. Mr. Younger sued the State and State personnel for injuries suffered during an assault by correctional officers while he was incarcerated. The action was tried before a jury. On appeal, the Court of Special Appeals ruled in an unreported opinion that another trial judge's ruling

regarding timeliness of the complaint was erroneous, as was my determination not to overrule that judge's *nisi prius* determination. The judgment entered was reversed.

Dominguez v. Rawlings, Case No. 24-C-11-005962 (Md. Cir. Ct. Feb. 3, 2016), rev'd, Nov. 22, 2017 (No. 2796, Sept Term 2015). Court of Special Appeals unreported decision supplied. In this action, Mr. Rawlings filed a legal malpractice claim against an attorney, Ms. Dominguez, who he had hired to represent him in an employment discrimination claim before the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ("EEOC"). In his malpractice complaint, Rawlings alleged that Dominguez breached a duty of care owed to him by failing to file a Charge of Discrimination with the EEOC in a timely manner, and that, as a result of her negligence, he was precluded from pursuing his claim for discrimination in federal court. I entered summary judgment in favor of Mr. Rawlings on liability only. The Court of Special Appeals reversed, finding that a question of fact precluded entry of summary judgment on liability.

Maryland v. Zeigler, Case No. 815182030, rev'd, Mar. 21, 2017 (No. 2451, Sept. Term 2017). Court of Special Appeals unreported decision supplied. In this criminal action, on a defense motion under Maryland Rule 4-252, I dismissed a charge of possession of a controlled dangerous substance on the basis that the charging document was constitutionally deficient for failure to place defendant on notice of an essential element of the charge (i.e., knowledge of the presence and illegal quality of the substance). The Court of Special Appeals reversed, finding that reference to the relevant criminal statute rendered the charging document constitutionally sufficient.

The following two unreported opinions affirmed my judgments but vacated a conviction (one of multiple convicted charges in each case) on the basis of merger:

Leggett v. State, Case No. 116222009 (Md. Cir. Ct. Feb. 17, 2017), rev'd in part, Mar. 27, 2018. Maryland Court of Special Appeals decision supplied. Mr. Leggett was found guilty by a jury of carjacking, robbery, second-degree assault, and theft of a motor vehicle. I sentenced Mr. Leggett to 30 years imprisonment (with all but 12 years suspended) for the carjacking, and concurrent terms of eight years for the robbery, three years for the second-degree assault, and three years for the theft. Mr. Leggett appealed my denial of his pre-trial motion to suppress a show-up identification and my sentences for his second-degree assault and robbery convictions. The appellate court vacated the concurrent sentence for second-degree assault on the basis that it merged into the sentence imposed for robbery, and affirmed my rulings in all other respects. Because the vacated sentence was concurrent to the remaining sentences I imposed, the duration of Mr. Leggett's incarceration was unaffected.

Owens v. State, Case No. 115147022 (Md. Cir. Ct. Oct. 26, 2015), rev'd in part, July 5, 2016. Maryland Court of Special Appeals decision supplied. Following a bench trial, I found Mr. Owens guilty of first- and second-degree assault, reckless endangerment, and carrying a dangerous weapon openly with the intent to injure. I sentenced Mr. Owens to incarceration for a term of eight years for first-degree assault, a concurrent term of three years for reckless endangerment, and a concurrent term of three years for carrying a dangerous weapon openly with the intent to injure. The remaining assault charge was merged for sentencing. Mr. Owens appealed the sufficiency of evidence to sustain convictions for first-degree assault and carrying a dangerous weapon openly with the intent to injure, and his sentences on the first-degree assault and reckless endangerment convictions. The appellate court held the evidence was sufficient to sustain his challenged convictions, and vacated the sentence imposed for reckless endangerment on the basis that it merged into the sentence imposed on for first-degree assault. Because the vacated sentence was concurrent to the remaining sentences I imposed, the duration of Mr. Owens' incarceration was unaffected.

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.

All opinions issued by judges of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City are unpublished. They are filed and stored in the hard copy case files maintained by the Clerk of Court.

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. See attached opinions issued in:

Purnell v. Green, Sec'y Dept of Pub, Safety and Corr. Servs., Civil Case No. 24-C-17-004201 (Md. Cir. Ct. Mar. 10, 2021). Opinion previously supplied in response to Question 13d.

Jefferson v. State of Maryland, Criminal Case Nos. 111136044, 111136045; PC No. 11460 (Md. Cir. Ct. June 6, 2017). Opinion previously supplied in response to Question 13d.

Moore v. State of Maryland, Criminal Case No. 109320036; PC No. 117145 (Aug. 1, 2018), remanded, Case No. CSA-REG-2902-2018 (Md. Ct. Sp. App. Aug. 26, 2019). Opinion previously supplied in response to Question 13d.

Williams v. State of Maryland, Civil Case No. 24-H-20-1136 (Md. Cir. Ct. Nov. 5, 2020). Opinion supplied.

Valentine v. State of Maryland, Criminal Case No. 214171012; PC No. 11829 (Md. Cir. Ct. Feb 18, 2020). Opinion supplied.

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.

I have not sat by designation on any federal court of appeals.

- 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:
 - 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.

Throughout my tenure as a circuit court judge, I have worked to comply with the Maryland Code of Judicial Conduct, including specifically as to rules on recusal. The Circuit Court for Baltimore City does not have an "automatic" recusal system. My husband is a practicing attorney in Baltimore City. My father (now deceased) was a practicing attorney in Baltimore City. To avoid having my impartiality questioned and any appearance of impropriety, I have always taken care to ensure that I do not preside over any matter that involves a client of my husband or his firm, or a former client of my father, or I disclose the nature of the relationship to the parties.

I do not maintain a record of matters in which I have recused myself, and, to my knowledge, neither the Circuit Court for Baltimore City nor the Maryland Administrative Office of the Courts maintains such records. My best recollection is as follows:

I recused myself *sua sponte* from presiding over alternative dispute resolution (offered through the court as a "settlement conference") in two cases in which counsel of record is a client of my husband's firm. Although I was not assigned to preside over these matters as a motions or trial judge, and had no concern that the relationship would bear upon my

ADR service, I concluded it was appropriate to disclose the relationship to the participants on the basis that, were it discovered after the fact that my husband's firm represents the attorney, the ADR process or outcome may be tarnished. Because such a disclosure could have been embarrassing to the attorney, and therefore, negatively affect his ability to represent his client, I recused myself without the knowledge of the parties or counsel.

I recused myself *sua sponte* in a matter in which a self-represented Uniform Post Conviction Procedure Act petitioner attached to his petition written correspondence from an attorney who, at the time of the correspondence, practiced law with my father. The petitioner took the position that the attorney's correspondence demonstrated that the petitioner's trial attorney (a different attorney) had provided ineffective assistance of counsel and, therefore, he was entitled to a new trial.

Before proceeding with a dispositive motions hearing in a civil matter, I disclosed to the parties and counsel on the record that my husband's firm had provided business legal services to one of the parties in matters unrelated to the matter before me. I advised that I had never performed services for that client when I practiced law with my husband's firm, and that I could be fair and impartial, but disclosure of the relationship was necessary for transparency and to preserve the parties' faith in the outcome. Following my disclosure, a party requested that I recuse myself, and I did so.

To my knowledge, no party or attorney has ever requested that I recuse myself other than as set forth above.

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.

Member, Attorney Grievance Commission of Maryland, Peer Review Committee (2009 – 2012); appointed by Attorney Grievance Commission of Maryland.

Member, Maryland Commission on Judicial Disabilities (2009 - 2013); appointed by then-Governor Martin O'Malley.

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 judicial law clerk.

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

I have never practiced law as a solo practitioner.

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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Principal (2005 – 2013)

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2013 - present

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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 in alternative dispute

resolution proceedings outside of my official capacity as a judge.

b. Describe:

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

From September 1998 through December 1999, I was an associate in the litigation department of Shapiro and Olander, P.A. and worked on general commercial litigation matters and employment discrimination defense litigation. Shapiro and Olander was then a mid-sized law firm of approximately 35 lawyers. From January 2000 until January 2013, I practiced law at Astrachan Gunst Thomas, P.C. (The firm changed its name to Astrachan Gunst Thomas Rubin, P.C. after I became a principal). Throughout my practice at Astrachan Gunst Thomas, the firm employed approximately eight attorneys. While there, my practice focused on general commercial litigation, employment litigation, intellectual property litigation, and counseling businesses on general business issues, management and executive employment contracts, restrictive covenants, protection of trade secrets and other information assets, and human resources-related best practices. My litigation practice included trial and appellate practice in both federal and state courts. While at Astrachan Gunst Thomas, in addition to my litigation work, I regularly delivered seminars and remarks on employment and business law to business owner, human resource professionals, and legal community audiences.

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

As an associate in the litigation department of Shapiro and Olander, P.A. from 1998 to 1999, I worked on general commercial litigation matters and employment discrimination defense litigation. At Astrachan Gunst Thomas, P.C. from 2000 to 2013, my practice focused on general commercial litigation, employment litigation, intellectual property litigation, and counseling businesses on general business issues, management and executive employment contracts, restrictive covenants, protection of trade secrets and other information assets, and human resources-related best practices. My litigation practice included trial and appellate practice in both federal and state courts.

Throughout my practice, my typical clients were mid-size business and employers, but also included small businesses with fewer than 15 employees, as well as large employers with more than 100 employees. Many of my clients fell into three broad categories: i) creative industries (advertising, architecture, public relations and communications, and graphic and web design); ii) technology/science industries (biotech,

computer software, and "super" computing); and iii) government contractors/sub-contractors, including those with employees with top level National Security Agency clearance. As described above, my practice with these clients focused on general commercial litigation, employment law (litigation, administrative charges, and business counseling), and general business counseling.

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.

While in practice from 1998 to 2013, I appeared in court occasionally. During the last several years of my practice as a principal at Astrachan Gunst Thomas Rubin, P.C., the frequency and materiality of my court appearances increased in part due to my elevation and experience within the firm, and in part simply due to the natural ebb and flow of client volume and case subject areas.

i. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

1.	federal courts:	50%
2.	state courts of record:	48%
3.	other courts:	1%
4.	administrative agencies:	1%

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.

While in practice, I estimate that approximately 17 cases in courts of record were tried to verdict. All but two of the 17 cases tried to verdict were non-jury or bench trials. Of the 17 cases tried to verdict, I estimate that I was lead/chief counsel in 12 cases and served as associate counsel/second chair in the others.

i. What percentage of these trials were:

1.	jury:	11%
2.	non-jury:	89%

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 never practiced before the Supreme Court of the United States.

- 17. <u>Litigation</u>: 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. McCauley v. Caveo Network Solutions, Inc., Circuit Court for Frederick County, Civil Case No.: C09-1062, aff'd in part rev'd in part, 208 Md. App. 736 (2012).

From March 2009 through December 2012, my then-law firm and I represented Caveo Network Solutions, Inc., and its individual officers, in this litigation with former Caveo officer and shareholder, Mr. McCauley, and his competitor business, Netcentric Solutions, Inc. This case developed out of a soured business relationship in the field of U.S. Department of Defense subcontracts requiring National Security Agency clearance. Mr. McCauley sued my clients for breach of contract and various business torts. Caveo countersued alleging violation of the Lanham Act, unfair competition, breach of contract, various breaches of fiduciary duty, tortious interference with business relations, and defamation. I was lead counsel in the case, drafting all papers, taking all depositions, and first chairing the four-day bench trial. The court entered judgment in my clients' favor on all claims and counterclaims, and awarded my clients \$498,765. On appeal, the trial court's judgments were affirmed on the merits of the claims/counterclaims, but the punitive damages award of \$250,000 was vacated on the basis that punitive damages were erroneously awarded.

Court and Judge: Honorable John H. Tisdale (Ret.) Circuit Court for Frederick County

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2. Duffy et al. v. The Large Art Co. et al., Case No.: 1:11-cv-01871 (M.D. Pa.)

From the summer of 2011 through October 2012, my then-law firm and I represented individual defendants/counter-plaintiffs and their company, The Large Art Company, in this action involving claims and counter-claims for violations of the right of publicity, the Lanham Act and Anticybersquatting Consumer Protection Act, as well as claims of breach of contract, defamation, and privacy torts. My client, a commercial art dealer, was sued by an artist for alleged violations of Large Art's license to reproduce and sell the artist's works, and for cybersquatting on domain names that incorporated the artist's name. My client counter-sued for breach of contract. The case settled before trial. I bore primary responsibility for all pleadings, motions, and discovery in this matter.

Judge and Court:
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3. Design Collective, Inc. v. Union Wharf, LLC, Civil Case No.: 24-C-06-011247, aff'd June 24, 2009 (Docket No. 2972)

From December 2006 through June 2009, my then-law firm and I represented architect and design firm Design Collective, Inc., in this commercial litigation against its former client, Union Wharf, for breach of contract in connection with non-payment of professional fees earned from the creation of the site plan and design of an office building on Baltimore's harbor. Union Wharf counterclaimed for breach of contract, promissory estoppel, and negligent misrepresentation. Following a five-day bench trial, the court entered judgment for my client on all claims and counterclaims, and awarded my client all damages sought. I was lead counsel in all phases of this litigation and was first chair at trial. I drafted all appellate briefs.

Court and Judge:

Honorable Stuart R. Berger (now serving on the Court of Special Appeals of Maryland) Circuit Court for Baltimore City

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4. Vaden-Williams v. National Association of Minority Automobile Dealers et al., Civil Case No.: CAL-06-27722

From December 2006 through February 2008, my then-law firm and I represented Plaintiff Ms. Vaden-Williams in this breach of employment contract and defamation action against the National Association of Minority Automobile Dealers (NAMAD). Ms. Vaden-Williams served as the Executive Director of the organization for several years and brought this action arising from her termination of employment by NAMAD's board of directors. I had primary responsibility for all discovery and motions practice, and was assisted by co-counsel. Following protracted private mediation, the case settled days before trial.

Court and Judge: Honorable Ronald D. Schiff (ret.) Circuit Court for Prince George's County

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5. *Snider v. Gray Kirk VanSant Advertising, Inc.*, Case No. 1:05-cv-00079-RDB (D. Md.)

My then-law firm and I represented the defendant in this employment discrimination litigation from January 2005 through November 2006. I served as lead counsel and performed all work in the case, including all drafting, discovery, and oral argument.

Ms. Snider instituted action against my client, an advertising and public relations agency ("GKV"), alleging violations of the Americans With Disabilities Act, the Family Medical Leave Act, and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in connection with the termination of her employment at the agency. Following oral argument on preliminary motions I filed on behalf of GKV, the court struck one count of the complaint and dismissed two other counts (granting in part and denying in part the motions I filed). After extensive discovery, I filed a motion for summary judgment on behalf of GKV. Before the court ruled on the motion, the case settled.

Court and Judge:
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6. PM Services Co. v. Odoi Associates, Inc., et al., Case No.: 1:03-cv-01810-CKK (D.D.C.)

From August 2003 through March 2006, my former law firm and I represented Defendants Odoi Associates, Inc., and William O'Shea in this business tort litigation. PM Services, Mr. O'Shea's former employer, sued my clients alleging that Mr. O'Shea breached his duty of loyalty to, and interfered with business of, PM Services by diverting its business to Odoi Associates, a start-up competitor that Mr. O'Shea left PM Services to join. PM Services and Odoi Associates were direct competitors in the field of operations and maintenance services for commercial and federal buildings. Following extensive discovery and cross motions for summary judgment, the parties settled their disputes during mediation with the United States Magistrate Judge John M. Facciola. With the

exception of one deposition, I was responsible for all work in this case, which included taking approximately 20 depositions and extensive motions practice.

Court and Judge: Honorable Colleen Kollar-Kotelly United States District Court for District of Columbia

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7. The Bon Secours Community Investment Fund, L.P. v. Network Technologies Group, Inc., et al., Civil Case No.: 24-C-03-001338

From early 2003 to March 2006, my then law firm and I represented Plaintiff The Bon Secours Community Investment Fund, L.P. (Bon Secours), which operated a fund that invested in Empowerment Zone businesses. Following its investment in Network Technologies Group, Inc., my client discovered that certain of NTG's officers and directors had engaged in securities fraud, which resulted in losses to Bon Secours. Bon Secours sued NTG, several of its officers and directors, and its outside auditor alleging violations of Maryland securities law, fraud, civil conspiracy, and other torts. The case was disposed of in favor of defendants by summary judgment, which was affirmed on appeal. I was responsible for managing discovery, including extensive document production and written discovery, and second chaired depositions. I also bore primary responsibility for drafting pleadings, motions, and appellate briefs, with supervision by lead counsel.

Judge and Court: Honorable Evelyn Omega Cannon Circuit Court for Baltimore City

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8. DSMC, Inc. v. Convera Corp. and NGT Library, Inc., 273 F. Supp. 2d 14 (D.D.C. 2002); No. 02-7118, 2002 WL 31741498 (D.C. Cir. 2002); 349 F.3d 679 (D.C. Cir. 2003); DSMC, Inc. v. Convera Corp., 479 F. Supp. 2d 68 (D.D.C. 2007)

From approximately 2001 to 2007, my then law firm and I represented Plaintiff DSMC, Inc., against Convera Corp., and NGT Library, Inc. In this action, DSMC alleged that Convera and NGTL misappropriated DSMC's software trade secrets, violated its copyright in its software, conspired to violate its intellectual property rights, were unjustly enriched at DSMC's expense, and that NGTL breached non-disclosure and related aspects of a contract it had with DSMC. Following extensive litigation, all claims were settled at mediation conducted by United States Magistrate Judge John M. Facciola. I was the sole associate involved in this case and was assigned to draft all pleadings, motions papers, and appellate briefs, which were then edited by lead counsel. I was responsible for most, if not all, paper discovery. I defended several depositions of our client's corporate representatives and other key witnesses. I second chaired all oral arguments.

Courts and Judges: Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan United States District Court for the District of Columbia Honorable John G. Roberts, Jr.
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9. Braverman v. Discover Financial Services, Inc., Case No.: 03C02010270

From summer 2002 through spring 2007, my then law firm and I represented the plaintiff personal representative (the decedent's daughter) of the Estate of Braverman against Discover Financial Services (Discover). In 2000, Discover sent out a direct mail advertisement to approximately 500,000 of its Discover cardholders to promote use of automated teller machines. The advertisement featured a close up photograph of Mr. Braverman from the 1970s when he was a taxi driver. My client sued Discover for violation of Mr. Braverman's right of publicity. The trial court disposed of the action on a motion to dismiss finding the use of Mr. Braverman's image incidental. My client appealed. The Maryland Court of Special Appeals reversed the trial court's ruling and remanded the action to the trial court. Thereafter, the case settled. I bore all responsibility for drafting pleadings and motions papers, as well as discovery. I argued approximately fifty percent of the trial court motions and drafted all appellate papers.

Court and Judge: Honorable Lawrence Daniels Circuit Court for Baltimore County

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Richard H. Lehman, Esquire Richard H. Lehman Law 53 West Jackson Boulevard Suite 950 Chicago, IL 60604 10. In Re: Indenture of Helen Clay Frick Dated May 31, 1947 and Court Order Dated April 22, 1985 for the Helen Clay Frick Foundation, Case No: 1013 of 1985

From January 2000 through July 2001, my then-law firm and I represented two great-granddaughters of art collector and co-founder of U.S. Steel, Henry Clay Frick, in litigation against a family foundation and individual family members pertaining to the proper repository of the famed archives of Helen Clay Frick, daughter of Henry Clay Frick. My clients opposed the removal from Pittsburgh of Miss Frick's archives, as the Fricks were a Pittsburgh family and the local community identifies strongly with the Frick family history, as well as the Frick homestead located there called Clayton (now a museum). Interested parties included the University of Pittsburgh, the Attorney General for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Frick Collection of New York City, the Helen Clay Frick Foundation. Trial of the matter concluded with judgment and order of the court requiring all archives related to Pittsburgh to remain in Pittsburgh. I bore primary responsibility for all pretrial litigation, including discovery and motions practice, and served as first chair at trial.

Court and Judge: Honorable Lee Mazur In the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, Orphans' Court Division

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E. David Margolis, Esquire Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney PC 501 Grant Street, Suite 200 Pittsburgh, PA 15219 (412) 562-8497 18. <u>Legal Activities</u>: 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.)

As Supervisory Judge of ADR in the Circuit Court for Baltimore City (January 2016 to July 2019), I worked closely with the program's manager to develop a new ADR program called Early Neutral Evaluation. Unlike traditional mediation and pre-trial conferences, ENE takes place early in the lifespan of a case, providing an opportunity to resolve disputes before material investments of time, fees and expenses can harden parties' and counsel's willingness to settle. As a result of installing ENE into the suite of the court's ADR offerings, fewer motions to opt out of ADR have been filed and attorneys familiar with the program have begun to request ENE. As Supervisory Judge of ADR, I was responsible for resolving all motions and complaints related to noncompliance with pre-trial conference orders and orders to mediate. I also managed the program's staff (including interviewing for, and hiring, a new program manager), worked closely with the program manager on all grant applications and related quarterly status reports, and oversaw fulfillment of all administrative requirements of the Maryland Judiciary's Mediation and Conflict Resolution Office, a part of the Administrative Office of Courts in Annapolis and the major grant funding source of the ADR programs of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City.

Throughout my practice and service as a judge, I have maintained a deep commitment to teaching law. As a young attorney, I was very fortunate to work for lawyers that placed great value on teaching and writing, and encouraged my interest in both. I started teaching five years after I graduated from law school as an adjunct professor in the Intellectual Property Department of the University of Maryland School of Law, teaching Sports & Entertainment Law. Following that, my former partner, Peter Gunst, and I developed and taught the first Trade Secrets course at that law school. In 2015, Judge John F. Fader II (Ret.) and Judge Diane O. Leasure (Ret.) generously passed on to me a course they had developed for the law school called Maryland Practice and Civil Procedure, which I adopted and made my own.

Since my appointment to the circuit court, I have continued teaching as a faculty member of the Judicial College of Maryland, where I provide instruction on civil and criminal law, evidence, civil opinion writing, and more to my trial and appellate judicial colleagues statewide. I also instruct newly appointed Maryland trial judges on judicial ethics and best courtroom practices. Selection to serve as a faculty member of the Judicial College has been a significant professional point of honor, as the curriculum and program requirements of the College reflect the importance of its mission and its reputation as the premier learning institution for judicial and court education in the country. The curriculum is highly structured and dynamic, and the evaluation process is

rigorous. Bringing my love of teaching to my colleagues enriches my judicial service and ensures I remain well-informed so that I can serve at my highest level.

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

19. <u>Teaching</u>: 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.

Judicial College of Maryland Faculty (2014 – present):

Business and Technology Program: Focus on Business Damages (May 2014)

Impact Criminal Cases (April 2017, May 2017, March 2021, Sept. 2021)

Judicial Review of Administrative Decisions (April 2017)

Emerging Civil Issues (March 2018)

Trial Court Opinion Writing (Sept. 2018, Oct. 2019)

Emerging Criminal Issues (Oct. 2018)

Jury Management and Instruction (Oct. 2018)

On Being a Judge, Justice, Equality, and Fairness (Nov. 2019)

Civil Evidence (Feb. 2020)

No syllabi existed for the above-listed classes.

University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law Adjunct Professor of Law

Maryland Practice and Civil Procedure, (2015, 2017)

Trade Secrets (biennially 2005 – 2014) (with Peter H. Gunst, Esquire)

Sport & Entertainment Law (2003, 2005) (with Cynthia B. Sanders, Esquire)

Syllabi for the two Maryland Practice and Civil Procedure courses, as well as syllabi for the Trade Secrets course. I do not possess or have access to the syllabus for the remainder of the above-referenced courses.

University of Baltimore Yale Gordon College of Liberal Arts Adjunct Professor, Graduate School of Communication Design, Copyright and Publishing Law (2008) (with James B. Astrachan, Esquire, and C. Frank Morgan, Esquire). I do not possess or have access to the syllabus for this course.

20. <u>Deferred Income/ Future Benefits</u>: 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. <u>Outside Commitments During Court Service</u>: 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.

I have been asked to continue teaching without compensation at the Maryland Judicial College, which I plan to do provided it does not conflict with my duties and schedule were I to be confirmed to the United States District Court.

22. <u>Sources of Income</u>: 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).

See attached Financial Disclosure Report.

23. <u>Statement of Net Worth</u>: 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 will recuse myself from any case in which my husband or my husband's firm represents a party. I will also recuse myself from any matter where I played a role. I will evaluate any other actual or potential conflicts, as well as any relationships that may raise the appearance of a conflict, on a case-by-case basis and take appropriate action after making appropriate disclosures to, and consulting with, the parties and their counsel.

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 address any potential conflict in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 455, Canon 3 of the Code of Conduct for United States Judges, and any and all other laws and rules 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.

Since becoming a state court judge in January 2013 I am not permitted to engage in probono work in the traditional sense, but I have remained committed to its spirit and purpose throughout my service as a judge. I have committed many hundreds of hours to teaching law to fellow Maryland judges, lawyers, and law students, and to speaking to students and new lawyers about the practice of law. Further, since becoming a judge, I have served on law- and legal community-related boards and committees including cochairing the Bench Bar Committee of the Bar Association of Baltimore City, serving on the board of the Baltimore/Carroll County Chapter of the Women's Bar Association of Maryland, serving for nearly ten years on the board of the Baltimore Metropolitan chapter of the Simon E. Sobeloff Law Society, assisting in the development and writing of a book on the history of women lawyers in Maryland, and co-authoring a chapter in an MSBA-published book to guide lawyers in intellectual property litigation. Outside of the law, I have assisted organizations that serve underprivileged or at-risk members of our local community, including CollegeBound Foundation and the Baltimore Educational Scholarship Trust.

Prior to my state judicial appointment in January 2013, I participated in several "activities for improving the law, the legal system or the legal profession" (ABA Model Rule 6.1(b)(3)) including service on the Maryland Commission on Judicial Disabilities from 2009 to 2013, service on the Peer Review Committee of the Attorney Grievance Commission of Maryland from 2009 to 2012, and teaching as an adjunct professor at the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law biennially beginning 2003. I also served on the Legal Committee of Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc., a statewide fair housing and tenant advocacy organization, and provided advice and input regarding pursuit of potential legal action to enforce fair housing laws.

From the spring of 2002 to March 2003, I served as pro bono plaintiffs' co-counsel in *LeRoy, Jr. v. The Richards Group of Washington, LP*, Case No. CCB-02-cv-3148 (D. Md.), a Fair Housing Act case regarding accessibility of a newly constructed apartment development by wheelchair using tenants. I had primary attorney/client interaction with the plaintiffs and was responsible for legal research and drafting of pleadings and other papers for review by lead counsel. In 2003, I also provided pro bono legal advice and counseling to a former Witness Security Coordinator for the Baltimore City State's Attorney's Office in connection with the termination of her employment following a retaliatory arson of a family home in Baltimore City and related aftermath.

In approximately 2001, I provided pro bono legal services to an immigrant who sought political asylum in the United States after he fled his country due to threats to his and his family's safety following his publication of a newsletter about what he viewed as corrupt government practices. I assisted my client in obtaining a refund of the retainer he paid to a prior attorney who did not file the necessary documents with the Immigration and Naturalization Service in order to bring my client's wife and children to the United States. I also assisted my client in obtaining qualified substitute immigration counsel. I

estimate I spent approximately twenty hours providing these pro bono services.

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 December 7, 2020, I submitted to the offices of Senator Benjamin Cardin and Senator Christopher Van Hollen a Questionnaire for consideration to fill a vacancy on the United States District Court for the District of Maryland. I was thereafter contacted by Senator Cardin's staff to arrange an interview by the Senators' selection committee, which took place on December 21, 2020. Thereafter, I was contacted by Senator Cardin's staff to arrange an interview with Senator Cardin and Senator Van Hollen, which took place on March 9, 2021. Following that interview, I was contacted by Senator Cardin on July 28, 2021. Senator Cardin advised that I was being considered for nomination. Later that day, I was contacted by the White House Counsel's Office to schedule an interview with attorneys from that Office, which took place on August 2, 2021. Since August 5, 2021, I have been in contact with officials from the Office of Legal Policy at the Department of Justice. On November 3, 2021, my nomination was submitted to the Senate.

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.