

APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION TO THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT

(Please attach additional pages as needed to respond fully to questions.)

DATE: May 2, 2013 Florida Bar No.: 0164089

GENERAL: Social Security No.: [REDACTED]

1. Name Deborah Ann Bailey E-mail: dabailey@jud12.flcourts.org

Date Admitted to Practice in Florida: April 23, 1999

Date Admitted to Practice in other States: November 8, 1993 (Ohio)

2. State current employer and title, including professional position and any public or judicial office.

State of Florida, Twelfth Judicial Circuit - General Magistrate

3. Business address: 2071 Ringling Boulevard, Sixth Floor

City Sarasota County Sarasota State FL ZIP 34237

Telephone (941) 861-4866 FAX (941) 861-4865

4. Residential address: [REDACTED]

City [REDACTED]

Since March 1998 Telephone [REDACTED]

5. Place of birth: Neptune City, NJ

Date of birth: [REDACTED] Age: 56

6a. Length of residence in State of Florida: 15 years

6b. Are you a registered voter? Yes No

If so, in what county are you registered? Pinellas

7. Marital status: Single

If married: Spouse's name _____

Date of marriage _____

Spouse's occupation _____

If ever divorced give for each marriage name(s) of spouse(s), current address for each former spouse, date and place of divorce, court and case number for each divorce.

Former spouse: George A. Howard, Jr. I am not aware of his current residence address. An Internet search revealed a listing on LinkedIn indicating that he currently works for a company located in Jackson, TN.

Final Judgment of Divorce granted March 5, 1990; Superior Court of New Jersey, Monmouth County, Chancery Division (Family Part), Docket No. M-12057-90.

8. Children
Name(s) *Age(s)* *Occupation(s)* *Residential address(es)*
None

9. Military Service (including Reserves)
Service *Branch* *Highest Rank* *Dates*
None
Rank at time of discharge _____ Type of discharge _____
Awards or citations _____

HEALTH:

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EDUCATION:

18a. Secondary schools, colleges and law schools attended. *continued on a separate page

<i>Schools</i>	<i>Class Standing</i>	<i>Dates of Attendance</i>	<i>Degree</i>
Asbury Park High School	Top 10%	9/70 - 6/74	Diploma
West Chester State College	Top third	9/74 - 5/78	B.S.
Dover Business College	Top 5%	9/80 - 6/81	Medical Secretarial Diploma
Monmouth College	Top 5%	1/89 - 10/89	Paralegal Certificate

18b. List and describe academic scholarships earned, honor societies or other awards.
 High School: I was a four-year Varsity Scholar and a member of Kiwanis Honor Society and National Honor Society in my sophomore, junior and senior years.
 West Chester State College: I graduated cum laude.
 Dover Business College: I graduated with the highest average in the medical secretarial curriculum.
 University of Dayton School of Law: I graduated cum laude, ranked 10 out of 153 students with a final GPA of 3.30. I received the National Association of Women Lawyers Outstanding Women Graduate Award.

NON-LEGAL EMPLOYMENT: *continued on a separate page

19. List all previous full-time non-legal jobs or positions held since 21 in chronological order and briefly describe them.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Employer</i>	<i>Address</i>
6/78 - 5/79	Public Health Educator	Asbury Park Health Dept.	Sewell Avenue Asbury Park, NJ
7/81-9/84	Medical Secretary	Bertram M. Kummel, M.D.	Madison Avenue Morristown, NJ
10/84-1/87	Claims clerk	CNA Insurance Companies	Ridgedale Avenue Cedar Knolls, NJ
3/87 - 6/88	Medical secretary	Nephrology Hypertension Assocs.	Madison Avenue Morristown, NJ

PROFESSIONAL ADMISSIONS: *continued on a separate page

20. List all courts (including state bar admissions) and administrative bodies having special admission requirements to which you have ever been admitted to practice, giving the dates of admission, and if applicable, state whether you have been suspended or resigned.

<i>Court or Administrative Body</i>	<i>Date of Admission</i>
State of Ohio (currently inactive)	November 8, 1993

LAW PRACTICE: (If you are a sitting judge, answer questions 21 through 26 with reference to the years before you became a judge.) *continued on a separate page

21. State the names, dates and addresses for all firms with which you have been associated in practice, governmental agencies or private business organizations by which you have been employed, periods you have practiced as a sole practitioner, law clerkships and other prior employment:

<i>Position</i>	<i>Name of Firm</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Dates</i>
Summer Law Clerk	Gross & Hanlon	West Main Street, Freehold, NJ	5/91 - 8/91
Law Clerk	Ruppert, Bronson, Chicarelli & Smith	610 N. Main Street, Springboro, OH	5/92 - 5/93
Associate	Ruppert, Bronson, Chicarelli & Smith	610 N. Main St., Springboro, OH	5/93 - 3/98
Law Clerk/Attorney	Hillsborough County Attorney's Office	601 E. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, FL	4/98 - 3/00

22. Describe the general nature of your current practice including any certifications which you possess; additionally, if your practice is substantially different from your prior

practice or if you are not now practicing law, give details of prior practice. Describe your typical clients or former clients and the problems for which they sought your services.

My experience as an associate in private practice was with Ruppert, Bronson, Chicarelli & Smith in Springboro, Ohio. I practiced primarily in the areas of family law and personal bankruptcy. My family law experience involved litigating divorce and dissolution cases, as well as custody and visitation matters. The only cases I litigated to final judgment were contested divorce cases before a trial judge. My bankruptcy practice included the preparation and filing of Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 personal bankruptcy petitions and attending the hearings attendant to these proceedings in the federal court in Dayton, Ohio. I also defended any adversary actions involving my debtor-clients. My remaining duties with Ruppert Bronson involved researching and writing the majority of summary judgment motions, trial motions, and appeals for cases being handled by the partners in the firm. Most of this writing involved civil matters, with a lesser percentage of criminal and administrative motions and appeals. The percentages listed in No. 23 below are reflective of my practice with the Ruppert Bronson firm.

A highlight of my experience at Ruppert Bronson was the opportunity to co-author the Respondent's Brief in the case of Ohio v. Robinette, filed in the United States Supreme Court. The brief is accessible on Westlaw at 1996 WL 312162. I attended the oral arguments held before the United States Supreme Court on October 8, 1996, with my senior partner, James D. Ruppert.

After moving to Florida in 1998, I worked at the Hillsborough County Attorney's Office as a law clerk from May 1998 until December 1999. I performed legal research and analyzed issues for deputy county attorneys working in the Infrastructure Division. In December 1999, I accepted a position as a deputy county attorney in the Infrastructure Division, responsible for analyzing and reviewing contracts, work orders, and change orders on public projects. I worked solely in the office; the position did not involve any court appearances.

In March 2000 I accepted a position as a Staff Attorney with the Twelfth Judicial Circuit and have been employed in the Circuit since that time.

23. What percentage of your appearance in courts in the last five years or last five years of practice (include the dates) was in:

Court		Area of Practice	
Federal Appellate	<u>0</u> %	Civil	<u>50</u> %
Federal Trial	<u>0</u> %	Criminal	<u>10</u> %
Federal Other	<u>15</u> %	Family	<u>25</u> %
State Appellate	<u>0</u> %	Probate	<u>0</u> %
State Trial	<u>75</u> %	Other	<u>15</u> %
State Administrative	<u>10</u> %		
State Other	<u>0</u> %		
	<u> </u> %		
TOTAL	<u>100</u> %	TOTAL	<u>100</u> %

24. In your lifetime, how many (number) of the cases you have tried to verdict or judgment were:

Jury?	<u>0</u>	Non-jury?	<u>0</u>
Arbitration?	<u>0</u>	Administrative Bodies?	<u>0</u>

25. Within the last ten years, have you ever been formally reprimanded, sanctioned, demoted, disciplined, placed on probation, suspended or terminated by an employer or tribunal before which you have appeared? If so, please state the circumstances under which such action was taken, the date(s) such action was taken, the name(s) of any persons who took such action, and the background and resolution of such action.

No

26. In the last ten years, have you failed to meet any deadline imposed by court order or received notice that you have not complied with substantive requirements of any business or contractual arrangement? If so, please explain in full.

No

(Questions 27 through 30 are optional for sitting judges who have served 5 years or more.)

27a. For your last 6 cases, which were tried to verdict before a jury or arbitration panel or tried to judgment before a judge, list the names and telephone numbers of trial counsel on all sides and court case numbers (include appellate cases).

The cases I tried to final judgment before a trial judge would be family law matters, which are in excess of 15 years old at this time and were litigated in Ohio. The firm I worked for in Ohio does not exist in the same form anymore. Therefore, I do not have better access to this information.

27b. For your last 6 cases, which were settled in mediation or settled without mediation or trial, list the names and telephone numbers of trial counsel on all sides and court case numbers (include appellate cases).

N/A

27c. During the last five years, how frequently have you appeared at administrative hearings?
0 average times per month

27d. During the last five years, how frequently have you appeared in Court?
104 average times per month

27e. During the last five years, if your practice was substantially personal injury, what percentage of your work was in representation of plaintiffs? _____%
Defendants? _____%

28. If during any prior period you have appeared in court with greater frequency than during the last five years, indicate the period during which this was so and give for such prior periods a succinct statement of the part you played in the litigation, numbers of cases and whether jury or non-jury.

Please refer to my answers to No. 22 and No. 27a above.

29. For the cases you have tried to award in arbitration, during each of the past five years, indicate whether you were sole, associate or chief counsel. Give citations of any reported cases.

N/A

30. List and describe the six most significant cases which you personally litigated giving case style, number and citation to reported decisions, if any. Identify your client and describe the nature of your participation in the case and the reason you believe it to be significant. Give the name of the court and judge, the date tried and names of other attorneys involved.

Please refer to my answer to No. 27a above.

31. Attach at least one example of legal writing which you personally wrote. If you have not personally written any legal documents recently, you may attach writing for which you had substantial responsibility. Please describe your degree of involvement in preparing the writing you attached.

Attached

PRIOR JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE OR PUBLIC OFFICE:

- 32a. Have you ever held judicial office or been a candidate for judicial office? If so, state the court(s) involved and the dates of service or dates of candidacy.

No

- 32b. List any prior quasi-judicial service:

<i>Dates</i>	<i>Name of Agency</i>	<i>Position Held</i>
2/05 - present	Twelfth Judicial Circuit	General Magistrate

Types of issues heard: Presently, I hear general civil matters, including all types of non-dispositive motions directed to pleadings and discovery motions. Over the past several years, I have also heard Marchman Acts, Baker Acts, child support establishment and enforcement issues, dependency judicial reviews, and collections court.

- 32c. Have you ever held or been a candidate for any other public office? If so, state the office, location and dates of service or candidacy.

No

- 32d. If you have had prior judicial or quasi-judicial experience,

- (i) List the names, phone numbers and addresses of six attorneys who appeared before you on matters of substance.

Michael J. Belle, Esq., 2364 Fruitville Rd., Sarasota, FL 34237; 941-955-9212
Damian B. Mallard, Esq., 3431 Magic Oak Lane, Sarasota, FL 34242; 941-952-1682
W. Andrew Clayton, Esq., 1 No. Tuttle Avenue, Sarasota, FL 34237; 941-951-0707
Jennifer L. Grosso, Esq., 200 So. Orange Ave., Sarasota, FL 34236; 941-366-4800
Elizabeth M. Boyle, Esq., 1750 17th St., Unit I, Sarasota, FL 34234; 941-366-1746
H. Daniel McKillop, Esq., 1800 Second Street, Suite 705, Sarasota, FL; 941-400-8998

- (ii) Describe the approximate number and nature of the cases you have handled during your judicial or quasi-judicial tenure.

Number of civil motion hearings over the past eight years is as follows:

2005 - 493 hearings; 2006 - 560 hearings; 2007 - 791 hearings; 2008 - 867 hearings;
2009 - 933 hearings; 2010 - 1473 hearings; 2011 - 1262 hearings; 2012 - 1728 hearings

The above numbers do not include two non-jury trials in 2005; Baker Act hearings from 2005-2009; Marchman Act hearings from 2006-2009; and dependency judicial reviews during the years 2006-2008.

- (iii) List citations of any opinions which have been published.

The following opinions are reported in the Florida Law Weekly Supplement. They are Orders adopting the Magistrate's Recommended Order in full.

First Franklin Financial Corp. v. Quinlan, 17 Fla. L. Weekly Supp. 787a (12th Cir. Ct. June 21, 2010) (case is ongoing).

Hennige v. University Property & Casualty Inc. Co., 17 Fla. L. Weekly Supp. 1211b (12th Cir. Ct. Aug. 18, 2010) (case voluntarily dismissed by Plaintiff on Oct. 20, 2011).

McClendon v. Nationstar Mortgage, LLC, 18 Fla. L. Weekly Supp. 837a (12th Cir. Ct. May 24, 2011) (case is ongoing).

- (iv) List citations or styles and describe the five most significant cases you have tried or heard. Identify the parties, describe the cases and tell why you believe them to be significant. Give dates tried and names of attorneys involved.

1. Mather of Sarasota, Inc. v. Joshua Rosen and Susie King, Case No. 2003 CA 017998 NC, a non-jury trial heard on April 12 and April 13, 2005. For the Plaintiff: Michael Moran, 2197 Ringling Boulevard, Sarasota, FL 34237. For the Defendant: John J. Waskom, Icard Merrill, 2033 Main Street, Sarasota, FL 34237.

The complaint was a relatively straightforward two-count breach of contract action. The more interesting part of the trial involved Ms. King's counterclaim against Mather for violations of the Florida Consumer Collection Practices Act. After trial, I issued a final judgment with findings of fact and conclusions of law that was adopted by

Judge Becky Titus. Several months later, I conducted another hearing on the entitlement to attorney's fees, which resulted in another final judgment. These judgments were not appealed. This case was significant to me because it was my first non-jury trial after taking on full-time duties as a general magistrate.

2. BA v. Dewane, Case No. 2009 CA 006960 NC; heard on October 6, 2010, on Defendant's Motion to Compel Deposition and Plaintiffs' Amended Motion for Protective Order and Motion for Videotape Deposition of a Minor Pursuant to § 92.53, Florida Statutes. For the Plaintiffs: Damian B. Mallard, Mallard Law Firm, 3431 Magic Oak Lane, Sarasota, FL 34232. For the Defendant: Robert C. Sherman, Henderson, Franklin, Starnes & Holt, P.A., 1715 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, FL 33901.

This case involved allegations of improper discipline and punishment of a child at a preschool. The claims involved negligence, breach of fiduciary duty, and negligent hiring, retention and supervision of the teachers. The cross motions heard on October 6, 2010, addressed the deposition of, and appropriate limitations to be placed on, the deposition of the minor child who was the subject of the punishment.

The case was significant for the issue it presented, i.e., whether or not the Plaintiffs had the right to videotape the deposition under section 92.53, Florida Statutes, and Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.330(a)(3)(E), in order to use the deposition in lieu of having the child testify in open court at trial. Plaintiffs argued that section 92.53 established "exceptional circumstances" as that term is used in Rule 1.330(a)(3)(E). To resolve this issue, I considered the testimony of the child's treating psychologist and interpreted the requirements of the statute and the civil rule. I ruled that the Plaintiffs had not met their burden to establish the requirements that would permit them to use the videotaped deposition testimony in lieu of live testimony at trial. The Plaintiffs took exceptions to this ruling, which were ultimately overruled by the judge.

3. SunTrust Mortgage, Inc. v. Samuels, et al., Case No. 2011 CA 000988 NC, heard on September 11, 2012, on the Defendant's Motion to Compel Discovery. For the Plaintiff: Matthew Hearne, Law Offices of Marshall C. Watson, P.A., 1800 NW 49th Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309. For the Defendant, William A. Samuels, pro se, 2474 Wood Oak Drive, Sarasota, FL 34232.

This is a foreclosure case filed in February 2011, involving a pro se defendant. In March and April of 2011, the Defendant served the Plaintiff with three discovery requests, one request to produce and two sets of interrogatories. At the time of the hearing on September 11, 2012, the Plaintiff had yet to respond to the Defendant's discovery requests.

Given the large number of foreclosure cases pending across the State of Florida, this case is significant because it highlights an ongoing problem with large volume foreclosure firms: (1) lack of continuity of representation of a plaintiff, i.e., the failure to have one attorney assigned to handle a foreclosure case as it progresses; and (2) lack of communication between attorneys and staff in large

volume foreclosure firms. The Recommended Order from the hearing reflects that nine (9) attorneys from the firm representing SunTrust had either signed pleadings or appeared at court hearings during the 19 months the case was pending. Several different attorneys had appeared at hearings before me and the issue of discovery had been discussed at many hearings on other issues; however, not one of the attorneys had taken the responsibility to follow up and determine whether discovery had been answered.

The case is also significant because the pro se defendant submitted this particular ruling to the Florida Bar. I was contacted by the Bar's regional disciplinary counsel in October 2012 and was advised of an ongoing investigation into the activities of the Watson firm and that the Bar would be recommending that some form of discipline be imposed on the firm.

4. Dale K. Ehrhart, Inc. v. Gerard F. Stellwagen and Wealth Advisors, LLC., Case No. 2007 CA 000658 SC, heard on July 21, 2010, and October 13, 2010, on the Defendants' Motion for Sanctions and Other Relief. For the Plaintiff: Michael E. Siegel, Livingston, Patterson, Strickland & Siegel, P.A., 46 N. Washington Blvd., Suite 1, Sarasota, FL 34236. For the Defendants: W. Andrew Clayton, Jr., Johnson, Browning & Clayton, 1 North Tuttle Avenue, Sarasota, FL 34237.

This action arose from a former employment relationship between Stellwagen and the Plaintiff. Severance terms were negotiated under which the Plaintiff paid Stellwagen over a period of years. Ultimately, a dispute arose, and the Plaintiff filed an action for declaratory judgment. Stellwagen counterclaimed for breach of contract, unjust enrichment, constructive trust and an accounting. Defendants' motion raised significant allegations of discovery misconduct involving electronically stored information ("ESI"), including allegations of spoliation. The motion led to a multi-hour evidentiary hearing, the central issue of which was the Plaintiff's computer storage and archiving procedures for ESI. Expert testimony was presented by both parties on the issue of spoliation. The hearing also led to an in camera review of several documents for which the Plaintiff was claiming privilege.

This case is significant from the standpoint of the knowledge gained from the Defendants' expert, John Jorgensen, about the manner in which information is stored, deleted, overwritten, and recovered on a computer and how forensic analysis of a hard drive is conducted. Information gained during this hearing has assisted me in later cases when I have been confronted with other ESI issues.

5. Sam Kazran, et al. v. Vernon G. Buchanan, et al., Case No. 2008 CA 015448 NC, heard on over 20 different pleading and discovery motions from 2009 through 2013. For the Plaintiffs: Robert Stok and Joshua Kon, Stok Folk & Kon, Harbour Centre, Suite 1005, 18851 NE 29th Avenue, Aventura, FL 33180. For the Defendants: Frank H. Killgore, Jr., and Michael A. Semanie, Killgore, Pearlman, Stamp, Ornstein & Squires, P.A., P.O. Box 1913 Orlando, FL 32802-1913.

At its core, this case involves a failed business relationship between Sam Kazran and Vernon G. Buchanan regarding various automobile dealerships. The case is

significant because it involves a high-profile litigant, a sitting Congressman, who, during the pendency of this action, was also being investigated by the House Ethics Committee and the Department of Justice regarding certain alleged campaign improprieties. Plaintiff has imported allegations regarding these improprieties into his claims against Buchanan in the action. As a result, the media is usually interested in the hearings that take place in this case. The case has been significant in terms of my time investment. Many motions have been filed regarding the sufficiency of the pleadings. I have also addressed numerous discovery issues, including some challenging attorney-client privilege issues, resulting from the fact that attorneys from several law firms represent Mr. Buchanan on various matters.

- (v) Has a complaint about you ever been made to the Judicial Qualifications Commission? If so, give date, describe complaint, whether or not there was a finding of probable cause, whether or not you have appeared before the Commission, and its resolution.

No

- (vi) Have you ever held an attorney in contempt? If so, for each instance state name of attorney, approximate date and circumstances.

No

- (vii) If you are a quasi-judicial officer (ALJ, Magistrate, General Master), have you ever been disciplined or reprimanded by a sitting judge? If so, describe.

No

BUSINESS INVOLVEMENT:

- 33a. If you are now an officer, director or otherwise engaged in the management of any business enterprise, state the name of such enterprise, the nature of the business, the nature of your duties, and whether you intend to resign such position immediately upon your appointment or election to judicial office.

N/A

- 33b. Since being admitted to the Bar, have you ever been engaged in any occupation, business or profession other than the practice of law? If so, give details, including dates.

No

- 33c. State whether during the past five years you have received any fees or compensation of any kind, other than for legal services rendered, from any business enterprise, institution, organization, or association of any kind. If so, identify the source of such compensation, the nature of the business enterprise, institution, organization or association involved and the dates such compensation was paid and the amounts.

No

POSSIBLE BIAS OR PREJUDICE:

34. The Commission is interested in knowing if there are certain types of cases, groups of entities, or extended relationships or associations which would limit the cases for which you could sit as the presiding judge. Please list all types or classifications of cases or litigants for which you as a general proposition believe it would be difficult for you to sit as the presiding judge. Indicate the reason for each situation as to why you believe you might be in conflict. If you have prior judicial experience, describe the types of cases from which you have recused yourself.

Possible conflict with dependency cases in the Twelfth Circuit due to a personal relationship.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- 35a. Have you ever been convicted of a felony or a first degree misdemeanor?
Yes _____ No X If "Yes" what charges? _____
Where convicted? _____ Date of Conviction: _____
- 35b. Have you pled nolo contendere or pled guilty to a crime which is a felony or a first degree misdemeanor?
Yes _____ No X If "Yes" what charges? _____
Where convicted? _____ Date of Conviction: _____
- 35c. Have you ever had the adjudication of guilt withheld for a crime which is a felony or a first degree misdemeanor?
Yes _____ No X If "Yes" what charges? _____
Where convicted? _____ Date of Conviction: _____
- 36a. Have you ever been sued by a client? If so, give particulars including name of client, date suit filed, court, case number and disposition.
No
- 36b. Has any lawsuit to your knowledge been filed alleging malpractice as a result of action or inaction on your part?
No
- 36c. Have you or your professional liability insurance carrier ever settled a claim against you for professional malpractice? If so, give particulars, including the amounts involved.
No
- 37a. Have you ever filed a personal petition in bankruptcy or has a petition in bankruptcy been filed against you?
No

37b. Have you ever owned more than 25% of the issued and outstanding shares or acted as an officer or director of any corporation by which or against which a petition in bankruptcy has been filed? If so, give name of corporation, your relationship to it and date and caption of petition.

No

38. Have you ever been a party to a lawsuit either as a plaintiff or as a defendant? If so, please supply the jurisdiction/county in which the lawsuit was filed, style, case number, nature of the lawsuit, whether you were Plaintiff or Defendant and its disposition.

Plaintiff in my divorce action; Superior Court of New Jersey, Monmouth County, Chancery Division (Family Part); Docket No. M-12057-90; final judgment entered March 5, 1990

39. Has there ever been a finding of probable cause or other citation issued against you or are you presently under investigation for a breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by any court, administrative agency, bar association, or other professional group. If so, give the particulars.

No

40. To your knowledge within the last ten years, have any of your current or former co-workers, subordinates, supervisors, customers or clients ever filed a formal complaint or formal accusation of misconduct against you with any regulatory or investigatory agency, or with your employer? If so, please state the date(s) of such formal complaint or formal accusation(s), the specific formal complaint or formal accusation(s) made, and the background and resolution of such action(s). (Any complaint filed with JQC, refer to 32d(v)).

No

41. Are you currently the subject of an investigation which could result in civil, administrative or criminal action against you? If yes, please state the nature of the investigation, the agency conducting the investigation and the expected completion date of the investigation.

No

42. In the past ten years, have you been subject to or threatened with eviction proceedings? If yes, please explain.

No

43a. Have you filed all past tax returns as required by federal, state, local and other government authorities?

Yes No If no, please explain. _____

43b. Have you ever paid a tax penalty?

Yes No If yes, please explain what and why. _____

43c. Has a tax lien ever been filed against you? If so, by whom, when, where and why?

No

HONORS AND PUBLICATIONS:

44. If you have published any books or articles, list them, giving citations and dates.
Maternal Substance Abuse, Does Ohio Have an Answer, 17 Univ. of Dayton L. Rev. 1019 (Spring 1992).
45. List any honors, prizes or awards you have received. Give dates.
National Association of Women Lawyers Outstanding Woman Graduate, 1993
Who's Who Among American Law Students, 1991-1993
Editor-in-Chief, University of Dayton Law Review, 1992-1993
Member, National Family Law Moot Court Team, 1992
Winner and Best Brief, Walter H. Rice Moot Court Competition, 1991
Staff Member, University of Dayton Law Review, 1991-1992
Dean Fredrick Davis Award for Excellence in Production Work, University of Dayton Law Review, 1991-1992
Dean Richard L. Braun Award for Excellence in Legal Authorship, University of Dayton Law Review, 1991-1992
American Jurisprudence Awards, 1991-1993, Editor-in-Chief, Law Review; Civil Trial Practice; Administrative Law; Legal Professions I; Contracts I
46. List and describe any speeches or lectures you have given.
None, other than bar-related activities, set forth in 49(b)
47. Do you have a Martindale-Hubbell rating? Yes If so, what is it? ___ No

PROFESSIONAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES:

- 48a. List all bar associations and professional societies of which you are a member and give the titles and dates of any office which you may have held in such groups and committees to which you belonged.
The Florida Bar
Sarasota County Bar Association, Professionalism Committee, 2009 to present
Master, John M. Scheb American Inn of Court, 2008 to present; Pupillage Group leader in 2010-2011
- 48b. List, in a fully identifiable fashion, all organizations, other than those identified in response to question No. 48(a), of which you have been a member since graduating from law school, including the titles and dates of any offices which you have held in each such organization.
American Bar Association, Ohio State Bar Association, Warren County Bar Association, Dayton Women's Bar Association
- 48c. List your hobbies or other vocational interests.

Reading, kayaking, walking, bicycling

- 48d. Do you now or have you ever belonged to any club or organization that in practice or policy restricts (or restricted during the time of your membership) its membership on the basis of race, religion, national origin or sex? If so, detail the name and nature of the club(s) or organization(s), relevant policies and practices and whether you intend to continue as a member if you are selected to serve on the bench.

No

- 48e. Describe any pro bono legal work you have done. Give dates.

As a full-time government-employed attorney since 1999 in Florida, I have not participated in pro bono legal work.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

- 49a. Have you attended any continuing legal education programs during the past five years? If so, in what substantive areas?

Yes. I have attended courses at the Florida College of Advanced Judicial Studies in evidence, electronic discovery, civil discovery, products liability, medical malpractice, communications law, and fiduciary duties in business disputes. I have also attended general CLE programs in civil trial practice, dealing with self-represented litigants, ethics, and Marchman and Baker Acts.

- 49b. Have you taught any courses on law or lectured at bar association conferences, law school forums, or continuing legal education programs? If so, in what substantive areas?

Presenter: "Social Networking and Legal Ethics," presented at Judge John M. Scheb American Inn of Court, October 12, 2010

Presenter: "Standards of Professionalism," at the Joint Sarasota and Manatee County Bar Association Luncheon Meeting, October 28, 2010

Presenter: "Standards of Professionalism - Newly Revised," at the Sarasota County Bar Association South County Division Membership Luncheon, February 23, 2011

Presenter: "Bankruptcy Law," presented at Judge John M. Scheb American Inn of Court, January 10, 2012

Presenter: "Motions to Compel" at "Basic Discovery 2012" on March 29, 2012, sponsored by the Florida Bar

Panelist: "Views from the Bench," at "Basic Discovery 2012" on March 29, 2012, sponsored by the Florida Bar

Panelist: "Lord of the Liens ... A Three Part Trilogy, Book 2: The Bench's Perspective on Foreclosures," presented at the Sarasota County Bar Association Real Property Section Luncheon, April 26, 2012

Panelist: Sarasota County Bar Association, Civil Trial Section, Brown Bag Luncheon, February 22, 2013

Panelist: Sarasota County Bar Association, Twelfth Judicial Circuit Foreclosure Update CLE, April 11, 2013

50. Describe any additional education or other experience you have which could assist you in holding judicial office.

Outside the courthouse, I have volunteered in the past as a literacy tutor, assisting adults with little, if any, reading skills to learn to read. I have also been involved with mission work in the Dominican Republic over the past several years. From 2006 through 2010, I traveled with others to the Dominican Republic on a yearly basis to bring clothing, shoes, school supplies, and other necessities for school children and their families at the Dominica School and Orphanage in La Ureña and the El Tamarindo School. During these trips, we participated in various school activities including teaching English and making arts and crafts for the holidays. We also assisted in various maintenance tasks, including yard work and painting.

These experiences have taught me the value of being able to relate to persons of diverse cultural, educational, and economic levels not just from a position of authority, but on a personal level.

51. Explain the particular potential contribution you believe your selection would bring to this position.

I have well-rounded experience in the Circuit in which I seek appointment. During the past 13 years, I have worked with most of the judges in this Circuit on a variety of issues. I am familiar with court processes and procedures and have the ability to "hit the ground running" with regard to an active case load. I have an assistant who is also versed in Circuit procedures and who competently and expediently handles the administrative functions of my office.

I have had exposure to many substantive areas of law that a circuit judge will encounter. As a staff attorney, I researched and wrote decisions and orders on a large number of criminal pretrial motions, postconviction motions, and extraordinary writs. As a general magistrate, I have served eight years in the circuit civil division with a proven record of handling a large case load. In calendar year 2012, I conducted over 1700 hearings in the circuit civil division. I not only handle civil matters, but also hear pleading and discovery motions arising in the probate division. I have extensive experience over the past four years in dealing with the large influx of pleading and discovery motions involved with the foreclosure crisis. As well, for approximately two years, I heard judicial reviews and motions dealing with visitation, placement, and reunification issues in the dependency division.

Finally, I have developed professional relationships with many area attorneys outside the courthouse doors through my committee work with the Sarasota County Bar Association and as a member of the John M. Scheb Inn of Court. This year, I am working with a Bar committee to plan a Circuit-wide bench-bar conference to be held in 2014.

52. If you have previously submitted a questionnaire or application to this or any other judicial nominating commission, please give the name of the commission and the approximate date of submission.

In February 2011, I submitted an application to the Merit Selection Panel for the United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, for a United States Magistrate Judge position.

53. Give any other information you feel would be helpful to the Commission in evaluating your application.

I bring to the bench my motivation and desire to serve those who appear before me. I always prepare for my court hearings, requiring counsel for the litigants to provide courtesy copies of their documents to me in advance of the hearing date. I actively listen to the litigants appearing before me, asking questions where necessary to clarify the issues. I strive to be fair and consistent when ruling on issues and to uphold the rule of law. At the same time, I recognize that there are times when judicial officers should exercise their discretion to "think outside the box" and fashion remedies that are within the rule of law, but are equitable as well.

REFERENCES:

54. List the names, addresses and telephone numbers of ten persons who are in a position to comment on your qualifications for judicial position and of whom inquiry may be made by the Commission.

Honorable Lee E. Haworth,
Honorable Charles E. Roberts
Honorable Rick DeFuria
Honorable Donna Berlin
Honorable Diana Moreland,
Magistrate Rebecca L. Hunt
Kevin Bruning
Karen Trautman,
Jan Jung,
Anita Brass,

CERTIFICATE

I have read the foregoing questions carefully and have answered them truthfully, fully and completely. I hereby waive notice by and authorize The Florida Bar or any of its committees, educational and other institutions, the Judicial Qualifications Commission, the Florida Board of Bar Examiners or any judicial or professional disciplinary or supervisory body or commission, any references furnished by me, employers, business and professional associates, all governmental agencies and instrumentalities and all consumer and credit reporting agencies to release to the respective Judicial Nominating Commission and Office of the Governor any information, files, records or credit reports requested by the commission in connection with any consideration of me as possible nominee for appointment to judicial office. Information relating to any Florida Bar disciplinary proceedings is to be made available in accordance with Rule 3-7.1(l), Rules Regulating The Florida Bar. I recognize and agree that, pursuant to the Florida Constitution and the Uniform Rules of this commission, the contents of this questionnaire and other information received from or concerning me, and all interviews and proceedings of the commission, except for deliberations by the commission, shall be open to the public.

Further, I stipulate I have read, and understand the requirements of the Florida Code of Judicial Conduct.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 2013.

DEBORAH A. BAILEY
Printed Name


Signature

(Pursuant to Section 119.071(4)(d)(1), F.S.), . . . The home addresses and telephone numbers of justices of the Supreme Court, district court of appeal judges, circuit court judges, and county court judges; the home addresses, telephone numbers, and places of employment of the spouses and children of justices and judges; and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by the children of justices and judges are exempt from the provisions of subsection (1), dealing with public records.