

**UNITED STATES SENATE
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY**

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR NON-JUDICIAL NOMINEES

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1. **Name:**

Gadyaces Samson Serralta, Gady Serralta

2. **Position:**

Director of the United States Marshals Service

3. **Address:**

400 N. Miami Avenue, Miami, Florida 33128

4. **Birthplace:**

1969; Miami, FL

5. **Education:**

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| 06/2008-08/2010 | Nova Southeastern University (Miami, FL) Awarded Master of Science in Leadership, 08/2010 |
| 06/1991-12/1994 | Florida International University (Miami, FL) Awarded Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Studies, 12/1994 |
| 06/1987-08/1990 | University of Miami (Coral Gables, FL) No degree received |

6. **Employment Record:** List in reverse chronological order all governmental agencies, business or professional corporations, companies, firms, or other enterprises, partnerships, institutions or organizations, non-profit or otherwise, with which you have been affiliated as an officer, director, partner, proprietor, or employee since graduation from college, whether or not you received payment for your services. Include the name and address of the employer and job title or description.

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| 09/2018-Present | United States Marshal for the Southern District of Florida Department of Justice, United States Marshals Service 400 N. Miami Avenue Miami, FL 33128 |
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| 10/2008-09/2017 | President High Ridge Consultants 150 Alhambra Circle Suite 925 Coral Gables, FL 33134 |
| 09/1990-07/2018 | Miami-Dade Police Department 9105 NW 25 th Street Doral, FL 33172 Palmetto Bay Policing Unit Major (10/2015-07/2018) Lieutenant (05/2007-10/2015) Sergeant (04/2003-05/2007) Officer (05/1991-04/2003) Police Trainee (09/1990-05/1991) |

7. **Military Service and Draft Status:** Identify any service in the U.S. Military, including dates of service, branch of service, rank or rate, serial number (if different from social security number) and type of discharge received, and whether you have registered for selective service.

I have not served in the U.S. Military. I registered for selective service.

8. **Honors and Awards:** List any scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees, academic or professional honors, honorary society memberships, military awards, and any other special recognition for outstanding service or achievement.

2009 - Unit of the Month, Miami-Dade Police Department

2007 - Unit Citation, Florida Narcotics Officers Association

2005 - Employee Excellence Award, Miami-Dade Police Department

2000 - Commitment to Excellence, Miami Dade State Attorney's Office

1995 - Officer of the Month, Citizen Advisory Committee

1993 - Officer of the Month, Citizen Advisory Committee

1992 - Officer of the Month, Citizen Advisory Committee

1992 - Unit Commendation, Miami-Dade Police Department

9. **Bar Associations:** List all bar associations or legal or judicial-related committees, selection panels or conferences of which you are or have been a member, and give the titles and dates of any offices which you have held in such groups.

I am not an attorney.

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.

I am not an attorney.

- 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.

I am not an attorney.

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.

1991-2018 Member
Police Benevolent Association

1991-2018 Member
Hispanic Police Officers Association

1998-2018 Police Officers' Assistance Trust (POAT)

2015-2018 Palmetto Bay Veterans' Committee

- b. 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 my knowledge, none of these organizations 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.

I have done my best to identify published materials as described, including through a review of my personal files and searches of publicly available electronic databases. I have not located any responsive items. Despite my searches, there may be other materials that I have been unable to identify, find, or remember.

- 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.

I have done my best to identify reports, memoranda and policy statements as described, including through a review of my personal files and searches of publicly available electronic databases. I have not located any responsive items. Despite my searches, there may be other materials that I have been unable to identify, find, or remember.

- 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.

I have done my best to identify testimony, official statements and other communications relating to matters of public policy or legal interpretation as described, including through a review of my personal files and searches of publicly available electronic databases. I have not located any responsive items. Despite my searches, there may be other materials that I have been unable to identify, find, or remember.

- d. Supply four (4) copies, transcripts or recordings of all speeches or talks delivered by you, including commencement speeches, remarks, lectures, panel discussions, conferences, political speeches, and question-and-answer sessions. Include the date and place where they were delivered, and readily available press reports

about the speech or talk. If you do not have a copy of the speech or a transcript or recording of your remarks, give the name and address of the group before whom the speech was given, the date of the speech, and a summary of its subject matter. If you did not speak from a prepared text, furnish a copy of any outline or notes from which you spoke.

I have done my best to identify transcripts or recordings of all speeches or talks delivered, including through a review of my personal files and searches of publicly available electronic databases. Despite my searches, there may be other materials I have been unable to identify, find, or remember. I have located the following:

January 7, 2016- Speaker at Palmetto Bay Business Association luncheon, 8900 Southwest 168th Street, Miami, FL 33157. The subject matter discussed was crime prevention for commercial establishments. An overview of the Emergency Commercial Identification Program (ECIP) was presented to attendees. ECIP is an initiative that provides contact information for business owners of businesses that have been victimized. Other services, such as security surveys and patrol watch orders were also discussed. Copies unavailable.

September 19, 2016- Speaker at Palmetto Bay Town Hall titled "Citizens-Led Town Hall for a Better Palmetto Bay." The subject matter was about crime in Palmetto Bay, Florida where I was the city police commander. I spoke for a brief period starting at 2:43:01 and ending at 2:44:06.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JAoPygYuKL4&t=9781s>. Video link. Copies unavailable.

- 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.

I have done my best to identify all interviews given, including through a review of my personal files and searches of publicly available electronic databases. Despite my searches, there may be other materials that I have been unable to identify, find or remember. I have located the following:

February 11, 2025, "Operation We Will Find You II"
https://youtu.be/nBGpfJ37_zg?si=lg_1ZebRxb2yUnk. Video link. Copies unavailable.

August 22, 2024, "A man who sent letters from state prison expressing a desire to kill federal judges, U.S. Marshals, and federal prosecutors was sentenced to an additional 20 years in prison."
<https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdfl/pr/man-who-threatened-kill-federal-judges-and-other-public-officials-sentenced-20-years>. Copies supplied.

October 5, 2023, “Boca Raton sex offender sentenced to 15 years in prison for receiving child pornography.” <https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdfl/pr/boca-raton-sex-offender-sentenced-15-years-prison-receiving-child-pornography>. Copies supplied.

February 7, 2021, “crime- He killed 3 in a car crash, then fled the country; after decades, he’s back in a Miami jail.” Miami Herald. Copies supplied.

November 4, 2020, “Fugitive captured in South Florida.” <https://cw34.com/news/local/fugitive-captured-in-south-florida>. Copies supplied.

June 04, 2020, “Florida officials say feds acted alone in sending riot control team to Miami.” <https://floridapolitics.com/archives/338157-feds-riot-team-miami/>. Copies supplied.

June 03, 2020, “Florida tells feds thanks, but no, we don’t need the anti-riot force. It had already arrived.” <https://www.mcclatchydc.com/news/crime/article243210981.html>. Copies supplied.

February 12, 2020, “U.S. Marshals, Law Enforcement Partners Conduct Operation Triple Beam in Southern Florida to Reduce Violent Crime.” <https://www.usmarshals.gov/news/press-release/us-marshals-law-enforcement-partners-conduct-operation-triple-beam-southern>. Copies supplied.

May 26, 2019, “US Marshals tracked Hamid Ould-Rouis, 58 to the parking lot outside the Masjid Al Iman mosque near Fort Lauderdale, Florida.” <https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-7073235/Florida-man-58-shot-dead-Marshals-police-say-exited-SUV-gun.html>. Copies supplied.

May 24, 2019, “Hamid Ould-Rouis was allegedly involved in an attack with boiling oil and a stun gun. He was arrested and he was released from Osceola County jail five weeks ago.” <https://www.local10.com/news/2019/05/25/weeks-after-walking-out-of-jail-hamid-ould-rouis-dies-on-the-run/>. Copies supplied.

May 24, 2019, “Officers fatally shoot Osceola attempted murder suspect outside South Florida mosque; Hamid Ould-Rouis accused of stabbing woman.” <https://www.clickorlando.com/news/2019/05/24/officers-fatally-shoot-osceola-attempted-murder-suspect-outside-south-florida-mosque/>. Copies supplied.

December 13, 2018, “Federal Indictment Charges Twenty-Four Members and Associates of a Drug Trafficking and Money Laundering Organization Operating in Little Havana.”

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdfl/pr/federal-indictment-charges-twenty-four-members-and-associates-drug-trafficking-and>. Copies supplied.

July 31, 2018, “Departing Police Commander raises funds for Post 133 roof.” <https://communitynewspapers.com/featured/departing-police-commander-raises-funds-for-post-133-roof/>. Copies supplied.

September 15, 2017, “Brewing Buddha, new Pinecrest coffeehouse.” <https://communitynewspapers.com/pinecrest-tribune/brewing-buddha-new-pinecrest-coffeehouse/>. Copies supplied.

January 8, 2016, “Five homes burglarized, three cars stolen Christmas Eve in Palmetto Bay.”

<https://www.miamiherald.com/news/local/community/miami-dade/palmetto-bay/article53703905.html>. Copies supplied.

December 11, 2015, Miami Herald, “New police commander settled in, battles roaring traffic.”

<https://www.miamiherald.com/news/local/community/miami-dade/palmetto-bay/article49239710.html>. Copies supplied.

May 7, 2014, NBC 6, “Cops Shot at During Traffic Stop: Miami-Dade Police.” Video of interview available here:

<https://www.nbcmiami.com/news/local/Cops-Shot-at-During-Traffic-Stop-Miami-Dade-Police-258320741.html>. Copies supplied.

13. Public Office, Political Activities and Affiliations:

- a. List chronologically any public offices you have held, other than judicial offices, including the terms of service and whether such positions were elected or appointed. If appointed, please include the name of the individual who appointed you. Also, state chronologically any unsuccessful candidacies you have had for elective office or unsuccessful nominations for appointed office.

None.

- b. List all memberships and offices held in and services rendered, whether compensated or not, to any political party or election committee. If you have ever held a position or played a role in a political campaign, identify the particulars of the campaign, including the candidate, dates of the campaign, your title and responsibilities.

July-Nov. 2010: Carlos Lopez-Cantera for Florida State Representative. Provided paid campaign consulting services on logistics and strategy. Dates are approximate.

July-Nov. 2008: Erik Fresen for Florida State Representative. Provided paid campaign consulting services on logistics and strategy. Dates are approximate.

July-Nov. 2008: Carlos Lopez-Cantera for Florida State Representative. Provided paid campaign consulting services on logistics and strategy. Dates are approximate.

July-Nov. 2006: Carlos Lopez-Cantera for Florida State Representative. Provided unpaid volunteer campaign assistance.

July-Nov. 2004: Carlos Lopez-Cantera for Florida State Representative. Provided unpaid volunteer campaign assistance. Dates are approximate.

July-Nov. 2002: Carlos Lopez-Cantera for Florida State Representative. Provided unpaid volunteer campaign assistance. Dates are approximate.

14. **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 am not an attorney.

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

I am not an attorney.

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.

I am not an attorney.

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 am not an attorney.

b. Describe:

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

I am not an attorney.

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

I am not an attorney.

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

- i. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

- 1. federal courts;
- 2. state courts of record;
- 3. other courts;
- 4. administrative agencies

I am not an attorney.

- ii. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

- 1. civil proceedings;
- 2. criminal proceedings.

I am not an attorney.

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

- i. What percentage of these trials were:

- 1. jury;
- 2. non-jury.

I am not an attorney.

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 am not an attorney.

15. **Litigation**: Describe the ten (10) most significant litigated matters which you personally handled, whether or not you were the attorney of record. Give the citations, if the cases were reported, and the docket number and date if unreported. Give a capsule summary of the substance of each case. Identify the party or parties whom you represented; describe in detail the nature of your participation in the litigation and the final disposition of the case. Also state as to each case:

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

I am not an attorney. Supplying references in lieu of litigated matters:

The Honorable Chief Judge Cecilia Altonaga
400 N. Miami Avenue
Miami, FL 33128
(305) 523-5510

The Honorable Judge K. Michael Moore
400 N. Miami Avenue
Miami, Florida 33128
(305) 523-5160

The Honorable Judge Jose Martinez
400 N. Miami Avenue
Miami, FL 33128
(305) 523-5590

The Honorable Judge Roy Altman
400 N. Miami Avenue
Miami, FL 33128
(305) 523-5680

The Honorable Judge Aileen Cannon
101 South U.S. Highway 1
Ft. Pierce, FL 34950
(772) 467-2340

The Honorable Judge Beth Bloom
400 N. Miami Avenue
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Palmetto Bay, Florida 33152
(305) 278-4000

Sergeant Angela Berry
Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office
9105 NW 25 Street
Doral, Florida 33172
(305) 591-1106

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

I have over 34 years of law enforcement experience, primarily in specialized units such as the Criminal Street Gangs Unit, Organized Crime Section, and Robbery Intervention and Narcotics Detail, where I held supervisory roles. A highlight of my career was serving as the task force commander for the State Attorney's Office Gang Strike Force, which focused on dismantling violent gangs through the Racketeer Influenced Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO). The multi-agency collaboration in this unit was key to its high conviction rate.

As lieutenant of the Robbery Intervention Detail (RID), I worked closely with the federally funded STOP task force, co-located at Miami High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA). I led high-stakes operations, including the arrest of fugitives and drug traffickers, ensuring safe and efficient arrests.

Later, as Commander of the Village of Palmetto Bay Policing Unit and Police Major, I oversaw all police functions for the village, developed policies, and managed budgets. I also prepared reports and strategic plans for village officials.

In August 2018, President Trump appointed me as the United States Marshal for the Southern District of Florida, where I oversee operations in nine counties with a population of 7.4 million. I manage a team of sworn, administrative, and contract employees and ensure the protection of federal judges, criminal investigations, and the execution of court orders.

As U.S. Marshal, I have led improvements in judicial security and threat investigations, significantly increasing my district's oversight in this area. I also manage a productive Asset Forfeiture Unit, overseeing \$275 million in assets. During the COVID pandemic, I implemented action plans to ensure the continuity of court operations, facilitating thousands of video-conferencing proceedings and enhancing staff training.

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

None.

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

I currently receive retirement benefits from the Florida Retirement System.

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

No.

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

See my OGE-278, Executive Branch Personnel Public Financial Disclosure Report.

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

See attached Net Worth Statement.

22. **Potential Conflicts of Interest:**

- a. Identify the family members or other persons, parties, affiliations, pending and categories of litigation, financial arrangements or other factors 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.

In connection with the nomination process, I have consulted with the Office of Government Ethics and Department of Justices' (USMS) designated ethics agency official to identify any potential conflicts of interest. I have no conflicts of interest. Any potential conflict of interests will be resolved in accordance with the terms of an agency ethics agreement that I have entered into with the Department's designated agency ethics official.

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

In the event of a potential conflict of interest, I will consult with the ethics officials at the U.S. Marshals Service.

23. **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. If you are not an attorney, please use this opportunity to report significant charitable and volunteer work you may have done.

Police Officer's Assistance Trust (POAT) is a non-profit organization established to assist law enforcement officers and their families in time of need. POAT provides financial assistance to officers disabled in the line of duty who suffer from chronic or terminal illness, or are the victim of some other catastrophic circumstance. They have

several yearly programs such as The Holiday Gifts for Surviving Children and the Law Enforcement Memorial in which I previously volunteered on a yearly basis. The scope of my volunteer work for this organization was wide ranging. I had done everything from raising funds to landscape work, and demolition to construction over the 20 year period.

Palmetto Bay Veterans' Committee was established in 2015 to address the needs of Veterans in my community. I volunteered my time to the committee and worked toward the design, fundraising and future construction of an interactive veterans' park in the Village of Palmetto Bay.

I also participated in various charity events for children. As a law enforcement officer, with proper approval, I sporadically volunteered my police services so that the charity events did not incur the expense of hiring police security. CancerFree KIDS is one event where I participated in this capacity in the past.

AFFIDAVIT

I, GADYACES S. SERRALTA, do swear
that the information provided in this statement is, to the best
of my knowledge, true and accurate.

03/10/2025

(DATE)

[Signature]

(NAME)



Luis Daniel Chiong
Comm.: HH 604085
Expires: Jan. 6, 2029
Notary Public - State of Florida

[Signature]

(NOTARY)