

**UNITED STATES SENATE  
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY**

**QUESTIONNAIRE FOR JUDICIAL NOMINEES**

**PUBLIC**

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

Rebecca Liane Taibleson  
Rebecca Liane Krauss

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

United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit

3.     **Address:** List current office address. If city and state of residence differs from your place of employment, please list the city and state where you currently reside.

Office:       United States Attorney's Office  
              517 East Wisconsin Avenue  
              Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

Residence:   Fox Point, Wisconsin

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

1983; Sherbrooke, Quebec, Canada

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.

2008 – 2010, Yale Law School; J.D., 2010

2007 – 2008, Stanford Law School (transferred after first year)

2001 – 2005, Yale College; B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2005

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.

2016 – Present

U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Wisconsin

517 East Wisconsin Avenue

Milwaukee, WI 53202

Appellate Chief (2018 – present)

Assistant U.S. Attorney (2016 – present)

2019 – 2021

U.S. Department of Justice, Office of the Solicitor General

950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20530

Assistant to the Solicitor General (on detail from U.S. Attorney's Office)

2012 – 2016

Kirkland & Ellis LLP

1301 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20004

[formerly 655 Fifteenth Street NW, Washington, DC 20005]

Associate

2011 – 2012

Honorable Antonin Scalia

Supreme Court of the United States

One First Street, NE

Washington, DC 20543

Law Clerk

2010 – 2011

Honorable Brett M. Kavanaugh

United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit

E. Barrett Prettyman U.S. Courthouse

333 Constitution Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20001

Law Clerk

2009

Kirkland & Ellis LLP

1301 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20004

[formerly 655 Fifteenth Street NW, Washington, DC 20005]

Summer Associate

2009

U.S. Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Office of Policy and Legislation

950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20530  
Summer Intern (unpaid)

2009  
U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Connecticut  
157 Church Street  
New Haven, CT 06510  
Volunteer Legal Intern (unpaid)

2008  
American Bar Association Rule of Law Initiative  
Pashko Vasa #7  
Pristina, Kosovo  
Summer Intern (unpaid)

2005 – 2006  
Morgan Stanley  
1633 Broadway  
New York, New York 10019  
Analyst

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

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

Yale Law School:  
Articles Editor, *Yale Law Journal*  
Edward D. Robbins Prize for best third-year contribution to a law review

Stanford Law School:  
Urban A. Sontheimer First-Year Honor, awarded to the first-year student with the highest cumulative GPA  
Gerald Gunther Prizes for outstanding academic performance in Civil Procedure, Criminal Law, and Property  
Hilmer Oehlmann, Jr. Award for best brief in moot court competition  
*Stanford Law Review*

Yale College:  
*Magna Cum Laude*, with distinction in major: Ethics, Politics & Economics

George Hume Prize for excellence in the Senior Essay, entitled *Neuroscience, Moral Responsibility, and the Law*.  
Rhodes Scholarship Finalist

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.

D.C. Bar (2013 – present)  
Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association (2016 – present)  
Milwaukee Bar Association (intermittent member since 2021)  
New York Bar (2011 – 2017)  
Seventh Circuit Advisory Committee (2024 – present)  
State Bar of Wisconsin (2017 – present)  
United States Supreme Court Bar (2020 – present)

10. **Bar and Court Admission:**

- a. List the date(s) you were admitted to the bar of any state and any lapses in membership. Please explain the reason for any lapse in membership.

New York, 2011 – 2017  
Washington, DC, 2013  
Wisconsin, 2017

I surrendered my membership in the New York Bar in 2017 because I no longer perceived any likelihood that I would practice law in that state. Other than that, there have been no lapses in membership.

- b. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, including dates of admission and any lapses in membership. Please explain the reason for any lapse in membership. Give the same information for administrative bodies that require special admission to practice.

Supreme Court of the United States, 2019  
United States Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, 2014  
United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, 2015  
United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, 2014  
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, 2016  
New York State Courts, 2011-2017  
Wisconsin State Courts, 2017

*Note, I have primarily practiced in the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit since 2016. As an attorney for the United States, however, I was not formally admitted to the Court. See 7th Cir. R. 46.*

Other than my resignation from the New York Bar, I am not aware of any lapses in admission.

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.

Federalist Society (2007 – present, intermittent member/participant)  
Harry and Rose Samson Family Jewish Community Center (2016 – present)  
Schlitz Audubon Nature Center (2016 – present)  
Thomas E. Fairchild American Inn of Court (2016 – 2019)  
Tree of Life Preschool Board (2021 – 2022)  
Yale College Alumni Schools Committee (2017 – present, intermittent interviewer)

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 copies of all published material to the Committee.

Press Release, *Nigerian Citizen Sentenced in Fraud and Money Laundering Case*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, June 18, 2025. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Former City of Milwaukee Employee Sentenced in Embezzlement Case*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Sept. 18, 2024. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Three Nigerian Citizens Indicted for Wire Fraud and Money Laundering*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Jan. 25, 2024. Copy

supplied.

Press Release, *Milwaukee Man Sentenced to 234 Months in Prison for Shooting Victim During Attempted Carjacking*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, June 8, 2022. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Cudahy Woman Sentenced to 90 Months in Federal Prison for Attempting to Provide Material Support to ISIS*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Aug. 25, 2020. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Chilton Man Sentenced for Violating the Arms Export Control Act*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Dec. 16, 2019. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Sheboygan Man Faces Mandatory Minimum 15-Year Sentence in Federal Prison After Being Found Guilty of Methamphetamine and Firearm Offenses*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Oct. 9, 2019. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Chilton, WI Resident Andy Huebschmann Pleads Guilty To Exporting Arms to Australia Illegally*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Aug. 5, 2019. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Cudahy Resident Waheba Dais Pleads Guilty To Attempted Material Support of ISIS*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Apr. 22, 2019. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Five Argentine Men Charged with Illegally Operating Online Pharmacies and Importing and Distributing Oxycodone*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Mar. 13, 2019. Copy supplied.

With Sarah Pitlyk, *Brett Kavanaugh is a Man of Rock-Solid Character and Integrity*, Fox News (Sept. 14, 2018). Copy supplied.

*Kavanaugh Aimed to Diversify Legal Profession, Promote Women*, St. Louis Post-Dispatch (Sept. 4, 2018). Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Two Lawyers Sentenced in Federal Court for Wire Fraud Scheme Against Johnson Controls*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, June 29, 2018. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Two Men Indicted for Armed Carjacking in Milwaukee*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, May 16, 2018. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Milwaukee Man Sentenced to 107 Years in Prison for Five Armed Robberies*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Apr. 30, 2018. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Federal Jury Finds Two Men Guilty of Armed Robberies and Carjackings*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Feb. 7, 2018. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Former President and CEO of Farmer's Exchange Bank Sentenced to Prison*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Nov. 14, 2017. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Food Stamp Fraudsters Sentenced in Federal Court*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Sept. 28, 2017. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *De Pere Businessman Indicted for \$9 Million Green Energy Fraud*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Sept. 20, 2017. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Former Forest Service Employee Sentenced in Federal Court for Identity Theft and Credit Card Fraud*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Dec. 20, 2016. Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Former Bank President and CEO of Farmers Exchange Bank Indicted in Federal Court for Bank Fraud, Embezzlement, and Obstruction*, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin, July 12, 2016. Copy supplied.

*Negative Reciprocity and Law*, 35 Law & Psychol. 1 (2011). Copy supplied.

*Neuroscience and Institutional Choice in Federal Sentencing Law*, 120 Yale L.J. 367 (2010). Copy supplied.

Orin S. Kerr, *Fourth Amendment Seizures of Computer Data*, 119 Yale L.J. 700 (2010). Copy supplied.

*The Theory of Prosecutorial Discretion in Federal Law: Origins and Development*, 6 Seton Hall Cir. Rev. 1 (2009). Copy supplied.

With Benjamin Taibleson, *Book Review*, 12 Yale Hum. Rts. & Dev. L.J. 283 (2009) (reviewing Eric M. Uslaner, *Corruption, Inequality, and the Rule of Law* (2008)). Copy supplied.

b. Supply 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 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.

Letter to the Department of Justice's Office of Legal Policy supporting the nomination of Erin Johnston (June 18, 2024). Copy supplied.

*Testimony Before the U.S. Sentencing Commission re: Proposed Amendments to the Federal Sentencing Guidelines*, Mar. 6, 2024. Written transcript available at [https://www.ussc.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/amendment-process/public-hearings-and-meetings/20240306-07/transcript\\_20240306.pdf](https://www.ussc.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/amendment-process/public-hearings-and-meetings/20240306-07/transcript_20240306.pdf), and recording available at <https://www.ussc.gov/policymaking/meetings-hearings/public-hearing-march-6-7-2024>.

Letter to Georgia Judicial Nominating Commission supporting the nomination of Brian Lea (Nov. 29, 2023). Copy supplied.

Letter to Hon. Richard J. Durbin, Chairman, and Hon. Charles E. Grassley, Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary, United States Senate supporting the nomination of Rachel Bloomekatz (June 20, 2022). Copy supplied.

Letter to Hon. Richard J. Durbin, Chairman, and Hon. Charles E. Grassley, Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary, United States Senate supporting the nomination of Candice C. Wong (June 6, 2022). Copy supplied.

Letter to Hon. Lindsay Graham, Chairman, and Hon. Dianne Feinstein, Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary, United States Senate supporting the nomination of Sarah Pitlyk (Sept. 23, 2019). Copy supplied.

*Testimony Before the Senate Judiciary Committee re: Confirmation of Justice Brett M. Kavanaugh*, Sept. 7, 2018. Written testimony supplied, and transcript available at <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CHRG-115shrg32765/pdf/CHRG-115shrg32765.pdf>

Letter to Hon. Chuck Grassley, Chairman, and Hon. Dianne Feinstein, Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary, United States Senate supporting the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh (July 12, 2018). Copy supplied.

Letter to Hon. Chuck Grassley, Chairman, and Hon. Dianne Feinstein, Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary, United States Senate supporting the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh (July 9, 2018). Copy supplied.

Letter to Hon. Chuck Grassley, Chairman, and Hon. Dianne Feinstein, Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary, United States Senate supporting the nomination of Britt Grant (May 15, 2018). Copy supplied.

d. Supply 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.

July 23, 2025: Panelist, Supreme Court and Seventh Circuit Criminal Law Round Up, Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. PowerPoint presentation, handout, and notes supplied.

September 17, 2024: Panelist, "What Does Originalism Mean Today and What Is It Likely to Mean in the Future?," Federalist Society, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Handout and notes supplied.

July 24, 2024: Panelist, Supreme Court and Seventh Circuit Criminal Law Round Up, Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. PowerPoint presentation, handout, and notes supplied.

April 27, 2023: Panelist, Supreme Court and Seventh Circuit Criminal Law Round Up, Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. PowerPoint presentation, handout, and notes supplied.

April 12, 2022: Panelist, Supreme Court and Seventh Circuit Criminal Law Round Up, Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. PowerPoint presentation and handout supplied.

October 23, 2020: Host/Moderator, "The Judicial Confirmation Process," Federalist Society, Milwaukee, Wisconsin (virtually). Notes supplied.

March 29, 2019: Panelist, Event honoring Justice Ginsburg, Marquette Law School Women's Innovation Network, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. This event involved screening the film "On the Basis of Sex" and briefly discussing Justice Ginsburg's legacy. I have no notes, recording, or transcript. Press coverage supplied.

August 9, 2018: Panelist, "Judge Kavanaugh's Former Clerks on the Nominee," Heritage Foundation, Washington, DC. This was a panel of then-Judge Kavanaugh's former clerks, discussing the experience of clerking for him. I have no notes or transcript. A recording of the event is available at <https://www.c-span.org/program/public-affairs-event/judge-kavanaughs-former-clerks-on-the-nominee/509053>. The Heritage Foundation is located at 214 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20002.

August 3, 2018: Panelist, "The Judge Kavanaugh I Know," Federalist Society, Madison, Wisconsin. This was a question-and-answer session discussing the jurisprudence of then-

Judge Brett Kavanaugh. I have no notes, recording, or transcript. However, a recorded clip from this event is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y2HcyKcIe9o>. The Federalist Society is located at 1776 I Street NW, Washington, DC 20006.

September 17, 2014: Panelist, “The Supreme Court Justice as Constitutional Scholar,” University of Maryland School of Law, Baltimore, Maryland. I spoke about Justice Scalia as a constitutional scholar. A recording of my remarks is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b32I6XeFtMI>.

February 18, 2013: Speaker, “Life As A Scalia Clerk,” Federalist Society/University of Oregon Chapter, Eugene, Oregon. I spoke about the experience of clerking for Justice Scalia. I have no notes, recording, or transcript. The University of Oregon School of Law is located at 1515 Agate Street, Eugene, Oregon 97403.

Over the past decade, I have occasionally served as a guest class speaker at Marquette Law School. I generally discussed the work of a federal prosecutor, and recent developments in federal law. These were not formal events, and I do not have a record of or recall all the specific occasions.

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 copies of the clips or transcripts of these interviews where they are available to you.

Robin Pogrebin & Kate Kelly, *The Education of Brett Kavanaugh* (2019) (quoted at pages 96, 98, 212). Copy supplied.

Tony Mauro, *Female Clerks Stand by Kavanaugh Despite Assault Allegation*, Conn. Law Trib., Sept. 24, 2018. Copy supplied.

Kelsey Bolar & Lauren Evans, *What 2 Women Who Actually Clerked for Kavanaugh Really Think of Him*, The Daily Signal, Aug. 29, 2018. Article and video available at <https://www.dailysignal.com/2018/08/29/what-2-women-who-actually-clerked-for-kavanaugh-really-think-of-him/>.

*Work Hard/Play Hard*, SCOTUS101 Podcast, Aug. 2, 2018. Audio available at <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/summer-session-4-work-hard-play-hard/id1282064006?i=1000417112127>.

Radio interviews – Summer 2018: Between approximately July and August of 2018, I recall doing about three radio interviews concerning the nomination of Justice Kavanaugh. I believe they were with WTMJ, Relevant Radio, and a Wisconsin afternoon news program. I cannot locate any audio or further information on these interviews.

Kelsey Bolar, *Why His Female Clerks Are Among Brett Kavanaugh’s Biggest Advocates*, The Daily Signal, July 11, 2018. Article available at <https://www.dailysignal.com/2018/07/11/why-his-female-law-clerks-are-among-brett->

kavanaughs-biggest-advocates/.

*Confirmation Fight Kicks Off For Trump's Supreme Court Pick*, CNN, July 10, 2018.  
Video clip available at <https://x.com/NewsCentralCNN/status/1016689538922528768>.

*Former Clerk Describes Kavanaugh As Open Minded*, Associated Press, July 10, 2018.  
Video available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RLM9woMhOaQ>.

*Justice Scalia's Clerks Remember Him As Caring, Loyal*, WUSA9, Feb. 18, 2016. Copy supplied.

Margaux Laskey, *Rebecca Krauss, Benjamin Taibleson*, N.Y. Times, July 3, 2011. Copy supplied.

13. **Judicial Office:** State (chronologically) any judicial offices you have held, including positions as an administrative law judge, whether such position was elected or appointed, and a description of the jurisdiction of each such court.

I have not held judicial office.

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

- i. Of these cases, approximately what percent were:

jury trials: \_\_\_\_\_ %  
bench trials: \_\_\_\_\_ %

- ii. Of these cases, approximately what percent were:

civil proceedings: \_\_\_\_\_ %  
criminal proceedings: \_\_\_\_\_ %

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

- c. For each of the 10 most significant cases over which you presided, provide: (1) a capsule summary of the nature of the case; (2) the outcome of the case; (3) the name and contact information for counsel who had a significant role in the trial of the case; and (4) the citation of the case (if reported) or the docket number and a copy of the opinion or judgment (if not reported).

- d. For each of the 10 most significant opinions you have written, provide: (1) citations for those decisions that were published; (2) a copy of those decisions that were not published; and (3) the names and contact information for the attorneys who played a significant role in the case.

- e. Provide a list of all cases in which certiorari was requested or granted.
- f. Provide a brief summary of and citations for all of your opinions where your decisions were reversed by a reviewing court or where your judgment was affirmed with significant criticism of your substantive or procedural rulings. If any of the opinions listed were not officially reported, provide copies of the opinions.
- g. Provide a description of the number and percentage of your decisions in which you issued an unpublished opinion and the manner in which those unpublished opinions are filed and/or stored.
- h. Provide citations for significant opinions on federal or state constitutional issues, together with the citation to appellate court rulings on such opinions. If any of the opinions listed were not officially reported, provide copies of the opinions.
- i. Provide citations to all cases in which you sat by designation on a federal court of appeals, including a brief summary of any opinions you authored, whether majority, dissenting, or concurring, and any dissenting opinions you joined.

14. **Recusal:** If you are or have been a judge, identify the basis by which you have assessed the necessity or propriety of recusal (If your court employs an "automatic" recusal system by which you may be recused without your knowledge, please include a general description of that system.) Provide a list of any cases, motions or matters that have come before you in which a litigant or party has requested that you recuse yourself due to an asserted conflict of interest or in which you have recused yourself sua sponte. Identify each such case, and for each provide the following information:

I have not held judicial office.

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

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

- a. List chronologically any public offices you have held, other than judicial offices, including the terms of service and whether such positions were elected or appointed. If

appointed, please include the name of the individual who appointed you. Also, state chronologically any unsuccessful candidacies you have had for elective office or unsuccessful nominations for appointed office.

I have never been a candidate for or held an elected or appointed public office.

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

I have never held a position or played a role in a political party or election committee, nor in any political campaign.

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;

From 2010 to 2011, I served as a law clerk to the Honorable Brett M. Kavanaugh, U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit.

From 2011 to 2012, I served as a law clerk to the Honorable Antonin Scalia, Supreme Court of the United States.

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

I have never practiced law alone.

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

2012 – 2016  
Kirkland & Ellis LLP  
1301 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20004  
[formerly 655 Fifteenth Street NW, Washington, DC 20005]  
Associate

2019 – 2021  
U.S. Department of Justice, Office of the Solicitor General  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW

Washington, DC 20530  
Assistant to the Solicitor General (on detail from U.S. Attorney's Office)

2016 – Present  
U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Wisconsin  
517 East Wisconsin Avenue  
Milwaukee, WI 53202  
Appellate Chief (2018 – Present)  
Assistant U.S. Attorney (2016 – Present)

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

I have never served as a mediator or arbitrator in alternative dispute resolution proceedings.

- b. Describe:

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

My legal practice has always focused on complex litigation in the federal courts. Immediately after law school, I served for two years as a law clerk on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit and the U.S. Supreme Court, from 2010 to 2012. In those capacities, I helped then-Judge Brett Kavanaugh and Justice Antonin Scalia analyze and resolve appellate issues across many subject areas, including administrative law, the First Amendment, criminal law, bankruptcy, and international law.

After clerking, I worked as a litigation associate at Kirkland & Ellis LLP from 2012 to 2016. At Kirkland, I represented clients in a wide variety of civil litigation matters at both the trial and appellate levels in federal and state courts. My cases included class actions, contract disputes, tort cases, and disputes with the Government. I also helped advise clients on regulatory, statutory, and constitutional issues that arose outside of litigation. My work included managing discovery for complex cases, conducting witness interviews, taking and defending depositions, negotiating with opposing counsel, performing legal research, drafting briefs, and managing teams of attorneys and support staff. I also argued my first case in the federal courts of appeal during this time, pursuant to a pro bono appointment by the D.C. Circuit; that case was ultimately heard by the U.S. Supreme Court.

Since 2016, I have been employed by the United States Department of Justice as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Eastern District of Wisconsin. I have also served as an Appellate Chief in that Office since 2018. In that capacity, I

brief, argue, and oversee criminal and civil appeals. I have argued approximately 18 appeals in the Seventh Circuit, including one *en banc* appeal, and I have briefed or supervised many more. I regularly advise attorneys and law enforcement on legal issues that arise during investigations and litigation. I also handle my own docket of trial-court level criminal cases, including the prosecution of a violent Milwaukee-based human trafficker and child rapist; a pharmaceutical- and opioid-trafficking organization based in Argentina; embezzlement by City of Milwaukee employees; and a material supporter of ISIS. I have tried four cases to a jury and secured convictions on all counts in each one. I have handled cases from all over the State of Wisconsin, including methamphetamine trafficking in Green Bay, bank fraud in Neshkoro, armed robbery in Oostburg, and a murder on the Menominee Reservation.

I also work to advance the Department of Justice's nationwide priorities. For example, I have trained other appellate chiefs, testified before the U.S. Sentencing Commission, briefed a member of Congress, and mooted difficult legal arguments around the country. I am an ex-officio member of the Attorney General's Advisory Committee and Chair of the Appellate Chiefs Working Group. In those roles, I represent all Appellate Chiefs across the 93 United States Attorneys' Offices in advising Department leadership on legal and policy matters. I am also a member of the Attorney General's Review Committee on Capital Cases.

From 2019 through 2021 (with some spillover work in 2022), I was on detail from the United States Attorney's Office in Milwaukee to the Office of the Solicitor General. In that capacity, I argued two merits cases at the Supreme Court of the United States, both of which focused on criminal issues. I assisted with numerous Supreme Court briefs on the merits, certiorari, and emergency dockets, and I advised the Solicitor General on appeal and mandamus authorizations. My work included overseeing legal issues related to the implementation of the CARES Act, fighting COVID-related efforts to release federal prisoners, and representing President Trump in a First Amendment case defending his right to block third-party accounts on Twitter. I also served as the leader of the appellate litigation teams for two federal executions.

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

Since 2016, my only client has been the United States. The majority of my work in the past decade has been criminal, including both constitutional and statutory issues. I have worked on substantial civil matters too, however, including those focused on the First Amendment, administrative law, and statutory interpretation. When I was in private practice at Kirkland & Ellis, my work was entirely civil.

- 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.

Over the course of my career, roughly 85% of my practice has been in litigation, and my practice has generally involved frequent court appearances.

As a law firm associate from 2012 to 2016, I attended several courts of appeals arguments, including my own first appellate argument. I also handled small matters in trial court. As a line Assistant United States Attorney from 2016 to 2018, I appeared before federal magistrate and district judges multiple times per week, as I was regularly charging and prosecuting cases. I also began regular appearances in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit during that time. As an Appellate Chief since 2018, I argue in the Seventh Circuit several times per year, supervise arguments by other Assistant U.S. Attorneys, and regularly appear in district court to prosecute cases. As an Assistant to the Solicitor General from 2019 to 2021, I argued twice in the United States Supreme Court and regularly attended my colleagues' Supreme Court arguments.

Since assuming my roles on the Attorney General's Advisory Committee and as Chair of the Appellate Chiefs Working Group in 2024, my court appearances have declined in frequency. In order to fulfill my obligations to the Department of Justice, I have assigned many of my Seventh Circuit arguments to other attorneys in my office, and I supervise their work.

i. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

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| 1. | federal courts:          | 99% |
| 2. | state courts of record:  | 1%  |
| 3. | other courts:            | 0%  |
| 4. | administrative agencies: | 0%  |

ii. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

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| 1. | civil proceedings:    | 30% |
| 2. | criminal proceedings: | 70% |

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

I have tried four cases to verdict. For each, I was co-counsel, in that I shared the trial work roughly equally with another AUSA.

i. What percentage of these trials were:

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| 1. | jury:     | 100% |
| 2. | non-jury: | 0%   |

e. Describe your practice, if any, before the Supreme Court of the United States.

Supply copies of any briefs, amicus or otherwise, and, if applicable, any oral argument transcripts before the Supreme Court in connection with your practice.

I primarily practiced before the United States Supreme Court while at the Office of the Solicitor general, from 2019 to 2021 (with some spillover into 2022 after I had returned to the U.S. Attorney's Office).

I have argued two merits cases at the Supreme Court:

*Torres v. Madrid*, 592 U.S. 306, No. 19-292 (2021). Amicus Merits Br. (2020 U.S. S. CT. BRIEFS LEXIS 4509). Argument transcript and brief supplied.

*United States v. Taylor*, 596 U.S. 845, No. 20-1459 (2022). Pet. for Cert. (2020 U.S. S. CT. BRIEFS LEXIS 8375); Cert. Reply (2021 U.S. S. CT. BRIEFS LEXIS 2474); Opening Merits. Br. (2021 U.S. S. CT. BRIEFS LEXIS 2453); Merits Reply (2021 U.S. S. CT. BRIEFS LEXIS 3992). Argument transcript and briefs supplied.

I drafted merits-stage and certiorari-stage briefs in the following cases:

*United States v. Gary*, No. 20-444: Opening Merits Br. (2021 U.S. S. CT. BRIEFS LEXIS 329); Merits Reply (2021 U.S. S. CT. BRIEFS LEXIS 956). Briefs supplied.

*Trump v. Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University, et al.*, No. 20-197: Pet. for Cert. (2020 U.S. S. CT. BRIEFS LEXIS 5194); Cert. Reply (2020 U.S. S. CT. BRIEFS LEXIS 5217). Briefs supplied.

*Americans for Prosperity Foundation v. Becerra*, Nos. 19-251 and 19-255: Invited Cert. Stage Amicus Br. (2020 U.S. S. CT. BRIEFS LEXIS 8031). Brief supplied.

*Mutond v. Lewis*, No. 19-185: Invited Cert. Stage Amicus Br. (2020 U.S. S. CT. BRIEFS LEXIS 5337). Brief supplied.

*United States v. Briggs*, Nos. 19-108 and 19-184: Opening Merits Br. (2020 U.S. S. CT. BRIEFS LEXIS 5318); Merits Reply (2020 U.S. S. CT. BRIEFS LEXIS 6755). Briefs supplied.

*Dow Chemical Co. v. Cook*, No. 15-791: Pet. for Cert. (2015 U.S. S. Ct. BRIEFS LEXIS 4705). Brief supplied.

Based on long-established conventions of Supreme Court practice and the Office of Solicitor General, numerous Supreme Court briefs filed by the United States do not list the Assistant to the Solicitor General who helped to prepare the brief. That includes all reply briefs (at the certiorari and merits stage); as a result, for example, my name does not appear on the reply briefs at the certiorari or merits stages of *United States v. Taylor*, No. 20-1459, although I was a principal drafter of those briefs. That also includes all briefs in opposition to certiorari, and all briefs filed on the emergency docket. I do not have a

comprehensive record of the briefs on which I was not listed. I have included the briefs for which I have a record.

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

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

1. *United States v. Taylor*, 596 U.S. 845 (2022)

I represented the United States at the certiorari and merits stages of this Supreme Court case between 2020 and 2022. The question presented concerned the meaning of the phrase “crime of violence” in 18 U.S.C. § 924(c), a criminal statute that punishes the use of a firearm during a crime of violence. I was a principal drafter of the United States’s briefs petitioning for certiorari and at the merits stage, and I argued the case on December 7, 2021. The Supreme Court did not agree with our position, and the Court held that attempted robberies are not “crimes of violence.”

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2. *President of the United States v. Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University*, 141 S. Ct. 1220 (2021)

I represented President Trump in this Supreme Court matter from 2020 to 2021. The case concerned whether the First Amendment deprives a government official (in this case, President Trump) of his right to control his personal Twitter account by blocking third-party accounts. I was a principal drafter of all certiorari-stage briefs. The case was ultimately mooted by the 2020 election, at which point the Supreme Court granted our request to vacate the Second Circuit's decision ruling against the President. Justice Thomas authored a concurring opinion, highlighting the "interesting and important questions" raised by the case.

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3. *Torres v. Madrid*, 592 U.S. 306 (2021)

I represented the United States as amicus (in support of neither party) in this Supreme Court case (between 2019 – 2021). The question presented concerned the definition of a "seizure" under the Fourth Amendment—specifically, whether police had "seized" a person within the meaning of the Fourth Amendment when they shot her but she continued to flee. I was a principal drafter of the United States's Supreme Court brief, and I argued the case on October 14, 2020. The Supreme Court agreed with our position, holding that the police can, in certain circumstances, effect a Fourth Amendment "seizure" by applying physical force to the body of a person with intent to restrain, even if the person does not submit.

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4. *United States v. Page*, 123 F.4th 851 (7th Cir. 2024) (*en banc*)

I represented the United States in *en banc* proceedings in this criminal case (2023 – 2024), which arose from a heroin-trafficking conspiracy. After a jury convicted the defendant of drug trafficking, a panel of the Seventh Circuit (Jackson-Akiwumi, Lee, Rovner) overturned his conviction, finding error in the jury instructions. The Court granted rehearing, and I drafted the *en banc* briefing on behalf of the United States and argued the case to the *en banc* Court. Ultimately, I successfully convinced the *en banc* Seventh Circuit to overturn decades of precedent that made it difficult to know what was required to convict drug-trafficking conspiracies, and to align its precedent on plain-error review with Supreme Court case law.

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5. *United States v. Hofschulz*, 105 F.4th 923 (7th Cir. 2024) (Sykes, Rovner, Kirsch)

I represented the United States in appellate proceedings in this criminal case (2022 – 2024), in which we prosecuted the defendants for running a “pill mill” through which they distributed opioids for cash. The jury convicted the defendants on all counts, including for causing the death of one opioid-addicted patient. The appeal focused on the significance of an intervening Supreme Court decision (*Ruan v. United States*) that interpreted the specific statutes and regulations under which the defendants were convicted, as well as on expert-witness and evidentiary issues. I drafted all appellate briefs on behalf of the United States and argued the case. We ultimately prevailed, protecting this conviction as well as others in the Seventh Circuit that predated *Ruan*.

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6. *United States v. Cross/Davis*, 892 F.3d 288 (7th Cir. 2018) (Wood, Hamilton, Bucklo)

I represented the United States in appellate proceedings in these consolidated post-conviction cases (2017 – 2018). The appeal involved many tricky legal issues, including the procedural requirements for post-conviction review, questions of statutory interpretation, constitutional challenges to the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines, and the retroactivity of Supreme Court case law. I was the principal drafter of the appellate briefs and argued the case. We lost the case, and the court of appeals granted post-conviction relief to the defendants.

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7. *Perry v. Merit Systems Protection Board*, 829 F.3d 760 (D.C. Cir. 2016)  
(Srinivasan, Griffith, Millett)

The United States Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit appointed me to represent the appellant, Anthony Perry (in 2015 – 2016). The case focused on a difficult question of statutory interpretation, concerning which court could review certain dismissals from the Merit Systems Protection Board. I was the principal drafter of the appellate briefs and argued the case. We lost at the court of appeals, but our petition for a writ of certiorari was granted by the Supreme Court, and the Supreme Court ultimately reversed the D.C. Circuit. (My co-counsel Christopher Landau took the lead on the Supreme Court litigation, as I had joined the Department of Justice by the time the Supreme Court case was argued and decided.)

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8. *United States v. Frenzel et al*, No. 18-CR-175 (E.D. Wis.) (Stadtmueller, J.)

On behalf of the United States, I investigated and prosecuted this international drug-trafficking conspiracy, which was distributing opioids and other controlled substances into Wisconsin and throughout the country. The conspiracy was operated out of Romania

and Argentina, and we orchestrated coordinated take-downs of the targets in both locations. We seized millions of dollars' worth of assets and real property, and we worked with the Department of the Treasury to block the targets' ability to conduct any financial transactions involving the United States. The investigation began in 2017; we ultimately charged and arrested five targets in Argentina in 2018, and their extradition remains pending.

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9. *United States v. Otis Hunter and Deshawn Evans*, No. 17-CR-29 (E.D. Wis.) (Stadtmueller, J.); *affirmed*, 932 F.3d 610 (7th Cir. 2019) (Kanne, Flaum, Scudder)

On behalf of the United States (beginning in 2017, with continuing litigation through the present), I prosecuted Otis Hunter, Deshawn Evans, and several co-actors for a spree of violent armed robberies and carjackings in Milwaukee. Hunter and Evans proceeded to trial, and my co-counsel and I conducted a week-long trial before U.S. District Judge J.P. Stadtmueller. The jury ultimately convicted on all counts. The defendants appealed, raising *Batson*, Sixth Amendment, and evidentiary challenges; I drafted the appellate briefs for the United States. The Seventh Circuit affirmed the convictions.

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10. *United States v. Feeonquay Jenkins*, No. 17-CR-42 (E.D. Wis.) (Adelman, J.)

Working with the FBI and Milwaukee Police, I began investigating this human-trafficking case in 2016 and indicted it in 2017. The defendant violently trafficked and raped women and girls. He was captured as a fugitive, and, after years of litigation and delay, was convicted in 2022. He was sentenced to 195 months' imprisonment.

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

As an Appellate Chief in the U.S. Attorney's Office, I have supervisory responsibilities over both appellate and trial-level litigation that I am not handling myself. I oversee Seventh Circuit appeals, as well as difficult litigation in the district courts on topics like the Second and Fourth Amendments. I update the Office on legal developments and I regularly advise attorneys and law-enforcement agents on legal issues that arise during investigations and litigation. In addition, in my role as a prosecutor, I have conducted some investigations involving grand jury

subpoenas, warrants, and other tools that have not led to charges or that have exonerated certain targets.

As Chair of the Appellate Chiefs Working Group and a member of the Attorney General's Advisory Committee, I represent the U.S. Attorneys' Offices appellate community and, in that capacity, advise Department leadership on legal and policy matters. These include questions arising in litigation, but they also include internal Department policy questions, and legal questions that arise outside the context of litigation. In that same capacity, I have also briefed a Congressperson/staff and testified at the U.S. Sentencing Commission. As a member of the Attorney General's Review Committee on Capital Cases, I help to advise Department leadership on the propriety of seeking the death penalty in death-eligible cases from around the country.

I also presently serve on the Seventh Circuit's Advisory Committee, which is a group of Court-appointed district judges, attorneys, and law school professors who "study ... the procedures of the court and ... serve as a conduit between members of the bar who have suggestions for change and the court." 7th Cir. R. 47.

At the Office of the Solicitor General, I advised the Solicitor General on difficult legal issues that sometimes arose outside the context of litigation – for example, if an administrative agency was seeking advice about the lawfulness of a proposed regulation, or if the Department of Justice was evaluating proposed legislation.

While in private practice, I occasionally advised clients about legal issues that had not yet culminated in litigation (and sometimes never did). To the best of my recollection, that advice typically involved the interpretation of state and federal constitutional, statutory, and regulatory provisions.

I have never acted or registered as a lobbyist.

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

I have never taught my own course.

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

None.

21. **Outside Commitments During Court Service**: Do you have any plans, commitments,

or agreements to pursue outside employment, with or without compensation, during your service with the court? If so, explain.

I have no plans, commitments, or agreements to pursue outside employment, with or without compensation.

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

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

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

See attached Net Worth Statement.

24. **Potential Conflicts of Interest:**

a. Identify the family members or other persons, parties, categories of litigation, and financial arrangements that are likely to present potential conflicts-of-interest when you first assume the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you would address any such conflict if it were to arise.

I anticipate potential conflicts of interest arising from two main sources. First, I am presently an Appellate Chief in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, and my husband is also an Assistant U.S. Attorney in that office. I plan to recuse myself from any matter arising from that Office that was open or pending during my tenure, and any matter that my husband has worked on in any capacity.

Second, I have, at times, provided legal advice on Department of Justice matters that arise in litigation all over the country. I plan to recuse myself from any matter about which I have provided such advice, or on which I have worked in any way.

I will evaluate any other real or potential conflict, or a relationship that could give rise to an appearance of conflict, on a case-by-case basis and take appropriate action, including recusal where necessary.

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

If confirmed, I will carefully review and address any real or potential conflicts of interest by reference to 28 U.S.C. § 455, all applicable canons of the Code of Conduct for United

States Judges, and any and all other laws, rules, practices, and procedures governing circumstances relating to real or potential conflicts of interests.

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.

In private practice, I maintained an active pro bono practice. For example, I handled an appeal at the D.C. Circuit pro bono, *Perry v. Merit Systems Protection Board*, 829 F.3d 760 (D.C. Cir. 2016), and I handled a divorce pro bono on behalf of a single mother having financial difficulties. I typically worked hundreds of pro bono hours per year.

Since leaving private practice, I have dedicated my career to public service. While my work in the Department of Justice limits my ability to serve other private clients, I have mentored law students and legal interns, volunteered as a guest judge for moot-court competitions, taught multiple community CLEs, spoken to law school classes, and served on a court committee.

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 May 7, 2025, I was contacted by the White House Counsel's Office and was asked if I would be interested in being considered as a candidate for nomination to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. I answered in the affirmative and, upon request, I provided the White House Counsel's Office with basic biographical and career-related information. The White House Counsel's Office scheduled an interview for May 20, 2025. On that day, I interviewed with attorneys from the White House and the Department of Justice in Washington, DC.

In Wisconsin, Senators Ron Johnson and Tammy Baldwin rely upon a longstanding selection commission to recommend candidates for nomination to the federal courts. The selection commission solicited applications for the Seventh Circuit vacancy, and I submitted such an application on May 16, 2025. On June 27, 2025, I interviewed with the selection commission in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. On July 15, 2025, Senators Johnson and Baldwin sent a letter to the White House listing the candidates who were recommended by the commission, and I was among them.

On August 7, 2025, the White House Counsel's Office contacted me to let me know that I was in consideration for the nomination. On August 13, 2025, I spoke to President Donald Trump about my nomination. Throughout this period, I was also in contact with officials from the White House Counsel's Office and the Justice Department's Office of Legal Policy.

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.

AFFIDAVIT


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

8/13/25  
(DATE)

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(NOTARY)

LISA I. LUEKE

A circular notary seal for Lisa I. Lueke, a Notary Public in the State of Wisconsin. The seal features her name "Lisa I. Lueke" around the top inner edge, "NOTARY PUBLIC" in the center, and "STATE OF WISCONSIN" around the bottom inner edge. There is a small star in the center.