

**UNITED STATES SENATE
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY**

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR JUDICIAL NOMINEES

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

Thomas Tullidge Cullen

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

United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia

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 of the United States Attorney
310 First Street, Southwest, Room 906
Roanoke, Virginia 24011

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

1977; Richmond, Virginia

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.

2001 – 2004: William and Mary School of Law; J.D. (Order of the Coif), 2004

1996 – 2000: Furman University; B.A. (*cum laude*), 2000

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.

2018 – present
Office of the United States Attorney
310 First Street, Southwest, Room 906
Roanoke, Virginia 24011
United States Attorney

2013 – 2018

Woods Rogers PLC
10 South Jefferson Street, 14th Floor
Roanoke, Virginia 24011
Principal/Partner

2010 – 2013

Office of the United States Attorney
310 First Street, Southwest, Room 906
Roanoke, Virginia 24011
Assistant United States Attorney, Deputy Criminal Chief

2006 – 2010

Office of the United States Attorney
227 West Trade Street, Suite 1650
Charlotte, North Carolina 28202
Assistant United States Attorney

2005 – 2006

United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
1100 East Main Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219
Law Clerk to Hon. Roger L. Gregory

2004 – 2005

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
Spottswood W. Robinson and Robert Merhige, Jr., Federal Courthouse
701 East Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219
Law Clerk to Hon. Robert E. Payne

Summer 2003

Hunton and Williams LLP
951 East Byrd Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219
Summer Associate

Summer 2002

Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP
151 Meeting Street
Charleston, South Carolina 29401

Summer 2002

Haynesworth Sinkler Boyd, P.A.
134 Meeting Street

Charleston, South Carolina 29401
Summer Associate

2000 – 2001
Fork Union Military Academy
4744 James Madison Highway
Fork Union, Virginia 23055
English teacher and coach

Other Affiliations (uncompensated)

2016 – 2017
Council on Virginia's Future
1001 East Broad Street, Room 430
Richmond, Virginia 23219
Council Member

2014 – 2017
Economic Development Authority Board
City of Roanoke, Department of Economic Development
117 Church Avenue, Southwest
Roanoke, Virginia 24011
Board Member (Appointed by City Council)

Summer 2003
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
600 Granby Street
Norfolk, Virginia 23510
Summer Intern for Hon. F. Bradford Stillman

Spring 2003
Office of the Attorney General of Virginia
202 North Ninth Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219
Student Intern

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 have registered for the selective service.

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

Virginia Business Magazine's Legal Elite (2014 – 2017)

The Best Lawyers in America (2017)

Special commendations and recognitions for contributions as an Assistant U.S. Attorney, including from the FBI (2010), DEA (2010), DHS (2010), U.S. Secret Service (2013), U.S. Probation (2010), and the Iredell County Sheriff's Office (2010)

Graduated Order of the Coif (top 10% of class) from William and Mary Law School (2004)

Gambrell Professionalism Award, William and Mary Law School (2004)

Legal Skills Scholar Award for high achievement in legal research, writing, professional responsibility, and practical skills, William and Mary Law School (2004)

CALI Excellence Book Awards for highest grades in first-year Criminal Law (2002) and Election Law (2003), William and Mary Law School

First-year GPA in top 5% of class, William and Mary Law School (2002)

All-Academic Southern Conference member of Furman University Men's Varsity Track and Field Team (1996 – 2000) and elected team captain (1998 – 1999)

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.

Judicial Conference of the Fourth Circuit (2016 – present)

National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (2013 – 2016)

Roanoke Bar Association (2010 – present)

Virginia Bar Association (2010 – present)

Virginia State Bar Judicial Candidate Evaluation Committee (2014 – 2017)

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.

Virginia (2004)

District of Columbia (2007)

I took voluntary inactive status for the District of Columbia in 2012 because I primarily practice in Virginia. Except as noted, 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.

United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, 2005

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, 2004

United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia, 2010

There have been no lapses in membership.

11. **Memberships:**

- a. List all professional, business, fraternal, scholarly, civic, charitable, or other organizations, other than those listed in response to Questions 9 or 10 to which you belong, or to which you have belonged, since graduation from law school. Provide dates of membership or participation, and indicate any office you held. Include clubs, working groups, advisory or editorial boards, panels, committees, conferences, or publications.

Republican National Lawyers Association (2004 – 2007, 2016 – 2018)

Ted Dalton American Inn of Court (2012 – 2016)

The Federalist Society (2002 – 2004, 2018 – present)

- 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 their

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.

Violent Crime Reduction in Danville, Richmond Times-Dispatch, May 31, 2019. Copy supplied.

The Rise of Police Suicides, Richmond Times-Dispatch, May 4, 2019. Copy supplied.

Hate Crimes on the Rise, Roanoke Times, Mar. 4, 2019. Copy supplied.

The Grave Threats of White Supremacy and Far-Right Extremism, N.Y. Times, Feb. 22, 2019. Copy supplied. Reprinted in multiple outlets.

Federal Court Hopes to be a Model for Opioid Cases, Roanoke Times, Dec. 5, 2018. Copy supplied.

Standing up for the Rule of Law?, Richmond Times-Dispatch, Sept. 9, 2018. Copy supplied.

Charlottesville, One Year Later, Roanoke Times, Aug. 19, 2018. Copy supplied.

Protecting Americans from Violent Offenders, Wash. Times, Aug. 3, 2018. Copy supplied.

The Sessions Assault on the Opioid Epidemic, Wash. Times, June 4, 2018. Copy supplied.

Simplicity of Surfing Subversive Sites, Furman Paladin, May 14, 1999. Copy supplied.

Determination Outweighs Victory, Furman Paladin, Apr. 30, 1999. Copy supplied.

Officer's Philosophy Favors Walking, Furman Paladin, Apr. 16, 1999. Copy supplied.

Milosevic, Serbs Cross Fragile Line, Furman Paladin, Apr. 9, 1999. Copy supplied.

Wet Campus Provides Safer Alternative, Furman Paladin, Mar. 19, 1999. Copy supplied.

Did Anyone Care About Impeachment?, Furman Paladin, Feb. 19, 1999. Copy supplied.

Can Eugene Robinson Still Be A Christian?, Furman Paladin, Feb. 5, 1999. Copy supplied.

Track Runner Defends Mullin, Furman Paladin, Jan. 29, 1999. Copy supplied.

Winter Term Is Already Taking Its Toll, Furman Paladin, Jan. 22, 1999. Copy supplied.

Air Attack on Iraq Bombed for U.S., Furman Paladin, Jan. 15, 1999. Copy supplied.

Finding Reassurance at Thanksgiving, Furman Paladin, Nov. 20, 1998. Copy supplied.

After All Else Fails, Just Panic, Furman Paladin, Nov. 13, 1998. Copy supplied.

Beasley Missed Point of Debate, Furman Paladin, Nov. 6, 1998. Copy supplied.

Despite Hassles, Good Ol' Days Are Now, Furman Paladin, Oct. 30, 1998. Copy supplied.

Avoidable Conflict Vs. Justifiable Actions, Furman Paladin, Oct. 23, 1998. Copy supplied.

Give the Greek System a Chance, Furman Paladin, Oct. 16, 1998. Copy supplied.

NOW's Hypocrisy Toward Clinton, Furman Paladin, Oct. 2, 1998. Copy supplied.

If Cal Ripkin Can Do It, So Can I, Furman Paladin, Sept. 25, 1998. Copy supplied.

Clinton Leading Nation into Moral Decay, Furman Paladin, Sept. 18, 1998. Copy supplied.

- b. Supply four (4) copies of any reports, memoranda or policy statements you prepared or contributed in the preparation of on behalf of any bar association, committee, conference, or organization of which you were or are a member. If you do not have a copy of a report, memorandum or policy statement, give the name and address of the organization that issued it, the date of the document, and

a summary of its subject matter.

To the best of my knowledge, I have not prepared any such materials.

- 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.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Sept. 20, 2017). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Aug. 16, 2017). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(July 19, 2017). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(June 21, 2017). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(May 17, 2017). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(May 3, 2017). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Apr. 19, 2017). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Mar. 15, 2017). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Feb. 15, 2017). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Jan. 18, 2017). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Dec. 21, 2016). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Nov. 16, 2016). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia

(Oct. 19, 2016). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Aug. 17, 2016). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(July 20, 2016). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(June 22, 2016). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(May 18, 2016). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Apr. 20, 2016). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Mar. 16, 2016). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Feb. 17, 2016). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Jan. 20, 2016). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Dec. 16, 2015). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Nov. 18, 2015). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Oct. 21, 2015). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Oct. 7, 2015). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Sept. 16, 2015). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Aug. 19, 2015). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(July 15, 2015). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(May 20, 2015). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Apr. 15, 2015). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Mar. 18, 2015). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Feb. 18, 2015). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Dec. 17, 2014). Copy supplied.

Minutes of Economic Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, Virginia
(Nov. 19, 2014). Copy supplied.

As United States Attorney, my office routinely issues press releases about newsworthy cases, which are listed in response to question 12(e).

- 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.

As United States Attorney, I regularly speak about the work of our office, law-enforcement issues, my career, and public service. Sometimes these remarks are extemporaneous, while on other occasions I use outlines that I have prepared. I have sought to identify all responsive speeches and talks, and locate responsive notes and outlines. Despite these efforts, there may be other materials that I have been unable to identify. I have identified the following:

December 18, 2019: Graduation Speaker, Central Virginia Criminal Justice Academy, Lynchburg, Virginia. Notes supplied.

October 23, 2019: Speaker, Rotary Club of Rappahannock-Fredericksburg, Fredericksburg Baptist Church, Fredericksburg, Virginia. I spoke extemporaneously about violent crime and the opioid epidemic. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the Rotary Club of Rappahannock-

Fredericksburg is P.O. Box 8492, Fredericksburg, Virginia 22404.

September 18, 2019: Speaker, Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, 2019 Impact of Trauma on Law Enforcement Officers Conference, Christopher Newport University, Newport News, Virginia. Outline supplied.

September 3, 2019: Speaker, Central Shenandoah Criminal Justice Training Academy Executive Retreat, Hot Springs, Virginia. Notes supplied.

July 25, 2019: Speaker, Roanoke Fraud Investigators Monthly Meeting, Roanoke, Virginia. I spoke about current Department of Justice enforcement priorities and prosecuting white-collar cases. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The Roanoke Fraud Investigators is an informal group and has no fixed address.

May 14, 2019: Speaker, Carilion Clinic Leadership Retreat, Hot Springs, Virginia. Slides supplied.

April 30, 2019: Panelist, Virginia Tech-Carilion Research Institute, Law and Neuroscience Program, Roanoke, Virginia. Outline supplied.

April 15, 2019: Speaker, Liberty School of Law, Lynchburg, Virginia. Outline supplied.

April 3, 2019: Speaker, William and Mary School of Law, Williamsburg, Virginia. Outline supplied.

February 22, 2019: Speaker, North Cross Upper School, Roanoke, Virginia. Outline supplied.

January 17, 2019: Speaker, Retirement Dinner for FBI, Richmond Division, Special Agent in Charge Adam Lee, Richmond, Virginia. Outline supplied.

December 19, 2018: Speaker, Community Roundtable Discussion About Hate Crimes, Roanoke, Virginia. Notes supplied. Press report supplied.

November 15, 2018: Speaker, Federal Bar Association, Western District of Virginia, Roanoke, Virginia. Outline supplied.

November 15, 2018: Speaker, Federal Drug Treatment Court Signing Ceremony, Roanoke, Virginia. Outline supplied.

November 12, 2018: Speaker, Washington and Lee School of Law, Prosecution and Defense Clinics, Lexington, Virginia. Outline supplied.

November 9, 2018: Speaker, Martinsville Law Enforcement Summit, Martinsville, Virginia. Outline supplied.

October 23, 2018: Speaker, University of Virginia, Prosecution Clinic, Charlottesville, Virginia. Outline supplied.

October 9, 2018: Speaker, Roanoke Bar Association, Roanoke, Virginia. Outline supplied.

September 25, 2018: Speaker, Big Lick Breakfast Club, Roanoke, Virginia. I spoke to a group of retirees about the work of my office. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I have been unable to locate the address of the Big Lick Breakfast Club.

September 21, 2018: Roanoke Business Council, Roanoke, Virginia. I spoke to Roanoke business leaders about the role of our office, enforcement initiatives, and recent cases. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Roanoke Business Council is c/o Gentry Locke, 10 Franklin Road Southeast, Suite 900, Roanoke, Virginia 24011.

July 20, 2018: Roanoke Police Academy Graduation Ceremony, Roanoke, Virginia. Remarks supplied.

May 18, 2018: U.S. Attorney Investiture Ceremony, Roanoke, Virginia. Outline supplied.

October 2017: CLE Panelist, "Civil and Criminal Healthcare Fraud and Abuse Investigations," Virginia Bar Association's 13th Annual Virginia Health Care Practitioners' Roundtable, Richmond, Virginia. Written materials supplied.

June 2016: Showcase CLE Panelist, "Official Acts and Honest Services Fraud in the Wake of *United States v. McDonnell*," Virginia State Bar's Annual Summer Meeting, Virginia Beach, Virginia. Written materials supplied.

November 2014: CLE Panelist, "Understanding the Federal Sentencing Guidelines," Federal Bar Association for the Western District of Virginia, Roanoke, Virginia. Written materials supplied.

January 2012: Speaker, Roanoke Police Department's Drug-Market Intervention Call-In, Hurt Park Elementary School, Roanoke, Virginia. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I spoke regarding law enforcement responses to drug markets. The address of Hurt Park Elementary School is 1525 Salem Avenue Southwest, Roanoke, Virginia 24016.

Fall 2009: Panelist, "Exploring Careers in the Law," Furman University, Greenville, South Carolina. I spoke to undergraduate students about attending law school and being a lawyer. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Furman University is 3300 Poinsett Highway, Greenville, South

Carolina 29613.

- 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.

As United States Attorney, I frequently give interviews, hold press conferences, and issue press releases about federal cases and law-enforcement matters. I have listed below the interviews, press conferences, and press releases that I have been able to identify.

Interviews

Olivia Bailey, *Federal Prosecutors Work to Curb Opioid Addiction in Southwest Virginia*, WCYB, Nov. 13, 2019. Copy supplied.

Harry Jaffe, *A Matter of Conviction*, Wash. Post, Aug. 11, 2019. Copy supplied.

Joel Achenbach, et al., *Flooded with Opioids, Appalachia Is Still Trying to Recover*, Wash. Post, July 24, 2019. Copy supplied.

James Whitlow, *Even Before the Flurry of Killings in 2016-17, Danville Was Known to Federal Agencies for Its Issues with Drugs, Guns and Gangs*, Danville Register & Bee (Va.), July 20, 2019. Copy supplied.

RAM Founder, Other Members Sentenced on Riot Charges, CBS19, July 19, 2019. Copy supplied.

White Supremacist Group Members Sentenced in Charlottesville Federal Court, NBC29, July 19, 2019. Copy supplied.

Jeff Sturgeon, *A Year After Vinton Police Officer Disclosures, Few Cases Have Been Challenged*, Roanoke Times, June 23, 2019. Copy supplied.

Matthew Chaney, *Opioid Strike Force to Go After Docs Who Overprescribe*, Va. L. Weekly, May 6, 2019. Copy supplied.

Greg Jordan, *Virginia State Police Special Agent Guilty on Charges Related to Having Sex with Informants*, Bluefield Daily Telegraph (W. Va.), Mar. 23, 2019. Copy supplied.

Peter Vieth, *Federal Courts Keep Cases Moving Despite Shutdown*, Va. L. Weekly, Jan. 8, 2019. Copy supplied.

Joe Thomas in the Morning Radio Show, WCHV, Oct. 15, 2018. No clips or transcripts are available.

Henri Gendreau, *Deluge of Meth Flooding Region*, Roanoke Times, Oct. 7, 2018. Copy supplied.

Jeff Sturgeon, *Sullied Officer Defends Record*, Roanoke Times, Sept. 23, 2018. Copy supplied.

Jeff Sturgeon, *Frye Among Few Barred from Testifying*, Roanoke Times, Sept. 23, 2018. Copy supplied.

Evan Goodenow, *New Federal Prosecutor Promises Greater Presence in Area*, Winchester Star (Winchester, Va.), Sept. 6, 2018. Copy supplied.

U.S. Attorney's Office Consolidating, WSVA, Sept. 2018. Copy supplied.

Jeff Sturgeon, *For New U.S. Attorney Thomas Cullen, Time Is Limited, Duties Are Clear*, Roanoke Times, June 17, 2018. Copy supplied.

Amy Friedenberger, *Chief Says Gang Investigations Active*, Roanoke Times, May 31, 2018.

Press Conferences

Law Enforcement Leaders Announce Project Guardian-DMV, National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial, Washington, D.C., with U.S. Attorneys for the District of Columbia, the District of Maryland, and the Eastern District of Virginia, Nov. 15, 2019. Recording available at <https://www.justice.gov/usao/video/press-conference-announcing-plan-reduce-gun-violence-dc-region>. Excerpts of my remarks were quoted in various outlets.

Roanoke C.A.R.E. (anti-violence and gang initiative), United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia with Roanoke City Mayor, Roanoke School Superintendent, and various law enforcement officials, Oct. 24, 2019. Recording available at <https://www.wfxrtv.com/news/roanoke-c-a-r-e-initiative-announced-to-reduce-crime-gang-activity/>. My remarks were reprinted in multiple outlets.

United States v. James Alex Fields, Jr. (Sentencing), United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, June 28, 2019. Recording available at <https://www.facebook.com/ABCNews/videos/sentencing-of-james-fields-who-rammed-his-car-into-a-crowd-during-a-white-nation/2549120181798768>. My remarks were reprinted in multiple outlets.

United States v. Kidwell, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, May 24, 2019. Recording available at <https://www.localdvm.com/news/virginia/five-people-arrested-in-heroin-overdose-investigation>. My remarks were reprinted in multiple outlets.

Operation Triple Beam, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Apr. 1, 2019. Recording available at <https://www.facebook.com/ABCNews/videos/sentencing-of-james-fields-who-rammed-his-car-into-a-crowd-during-a-white-nation/2549120181798768>. My remarks were reprinted in multiple outlets.

Eighteen Charged in Federal Drug Indictment, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Dec. 10, 2018. No recording is available. Press reports supplied.

Rise Above Movement Indictment, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Oct. 2, 2018. Recording available at <https://youtu.be/H3ymIOf9q2M>. My remarks were reprinted in multiple outlets.

Roanoke RICO Indictment, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Oct. 1, 2018. Recording available at <https://www.facebook.com/wdbj7/videos/press-conference-in-roanoke/146885389592197>. My remarks were reprinted in multiple outlets.

United States v. James Alex Fields, Jr., United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, June 27, 2018. Recording available at <https://www.facebook.com/ABC13News/videos/press-conference-about-charlottesville-driver-facing-federal-hate-crime-charges/10155812585697428>. My remarks were reprinted in multiple outlets.

Danville RICO Indictment, Danville Police Department, 427 Patton Street, Danville, VA, June 14, 2018. Recording available at <https://youtu.be/BayMT6CBuyQ>. My remarks were reprinted in multiple outlets.

Press Releases

Danville Man Sentenced to 54 Years and 7 months for Spree of Armed Robberies throughout Virginia, North Carolina, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Dec. 18, 2019. Copy supplied.

Justice Department Awards More than \$333 Million to Fight Opioid Epidemic Across the U.S., United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Dec. 16, 2019. Copy supplied.

Bluefield Woman Guilty Following Three-Day Jury Trial, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Dec. 16, 2019. Copy supplied.

Former Office Manager Pleads Guilty to Wire Fraud, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Dec. 12, 2019. Copy supplied.

Winchester Man Sentenced for Armed Hobbs Act Robbery of Martin's Food Pharmacy, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Dec. 12, 2019. Copy supplied.

Florida Man Pleads Guilty to Life Sentence for Plot to Kidnap Children and Murder Parents, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Dec. 11, 2019. Copy supplied.

Pair of Drug Conspirators Convicted Following Jury Trial in Abingdon, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Dec. 11, 2019. Copy supplied.

Kroger to Pay U.S. Government \$225,000 to Settle Civil Allegations It Violated the Controlled Substances Act, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Dec. 4, 2019. Copy supplied.

Roanoke Man Sentenced on Drug, Gun Charges, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Dec. 4, 2019. Copy supplied.

Wise County Man Convicted of Firearm Possession, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Dec. 2, 2019. Copy supplied.

Lebanon Woman Sentenced for Harboring Fugitive, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Nov. 27, 2019. Copy supplied.

Charlotte Couple Indicted on Conspiracy to Distribute Prescription Opioids, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Nov. 27, 2019. Copy supplied.

Georgia Man Sentenced for Role in Drug Conspiracy, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Nov. 21, 2019. Copy supplied.

Greene County Commissioner of Revenue and Son Indicted on Federal Charges, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Nov. 15, 2019. Copy supplied.

Law Enforcement Leaders Announce Project Guardian-DMV, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Nov. 15, 2019. Copy supplied.

Florida Man Pleads Guilty to Shipping Synthetic Drugs to Southwest Virginia, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Nov. 15, 2019. Copy supplied.

Former Scott County Sheriff's Deputy Pleads Guilty to Embezzlement, Wire Fraud, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Nov. 12, 2019. Copy supplied.

Texas Man Charged with Cyberstalking, Making Interstate Threats, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Nov. 7, 2019. Copy supplied.

US Attorney's Office to Bring USA HEAT Program to Russell County Schools, Community, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Nov. 5, 2019. Copy supplied.

Georgia Man Sentenced to 253 Months in Prison for Leading Methamphetamine Conspiracy from Virginia Prison, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Nov. 4, 2019. Copy supplied.

Bluefield Woman Indicted on Federal Tax Charges, Wire Fraud, Lying to Federal Agents, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Oct. 28, 2019. Copy supplied.

Law Enforcement, Community Leaders Announce New Cooperative Effort to Curb Violent Crime, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Oct. 24, 2019. Copy supplied.

Department of Justice Awards More Than \$85.3 Million in Grants to Address School Violence, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Oct. 21, 2019. Copy supplied.

Three Sentenced for Robbery of I-81 Travel Plaza in Wythe County, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Oct. 17, 2019. Copy supplied.

Statement of United States Attorney Thomas T. Cullen and Jesse R. Fong, Special Agent in Charge of the Drug Enforcement Administration's Washington Field Division, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Oct. 9, 2019. Copy supplied.

Two More Arrested in Connection with Eastern Avenue Marijuana Conspiracy, Shootings, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Sept. 27, 2019. Copy supplied.

United States Attorney's Office Announces Arrest of Two Tied to Recent Roanoke Violence, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Sept. 26, 2019. Copy supplied.

Two Defendants Convicted in Major Drug Conspiracy, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Sept. 24, 2019. Copy supplied.

Florida Man Arrested for Making Racially Motivated Threats in Interference with Election in Charlottesville and Cyberstalking, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Sept. 18, 2019. Copy supplied.

Mexican National Pleads Guilty to Illegal Reentry, Transporting Illegal Aliens, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Sept. 17, 2019. Copy supplied.

Four Sentenced for Roles in Defrauding the United States, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Sept. 12, 2019. Copy supplied.

Inmate at Red Onion State Prison Convicted of Sending Threatening Communications, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Sept. 11, 2019. Copy supplied.

Harrisonburg Woman Pleads Guilty to Fatal Overdose Distribution, United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia, Sept. 11, 2019. Copy supplied.

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I have never held judicial office.

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

- i. Of these, approximately what percent were:

jury trials: _____%
bench trials: _____% [total 100%]

civil proceedings: _____%
criminal proceedings: _____% [total 100%]

- b. Provide citations for all opinions you have written, including concurrences and dissents.
- c. For each of the 10 most significant cases over which you presided, provide: (1) a capsule summary of the nature 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 (3) 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 never 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.

From 2014 to 2017, I was a Board Member of the Economic Development Authority for the City of Roanoke, and I was appointed by the Roanoke City Council.

From 2016 to 2017, I was on the Council on Virginia's Future, and I was appointed by former Speaker of the House of Delegates William J. Howell.

I was appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate as the United States Attorney for the Western District of Virginia in 2018, and I am currently in that position.

- 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 been a candidate for any elective public office, nor rendered service to any political party or election committee. In 2015, I endorsed Senator Marco Rubio during the Republican presidential primaries and appeared on a list of Virginia supporters released by his 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;

I served as a law clerk to the Honorable Robert E. Payne, United States District Judge, Western District of Virginia, from 2004 to 2005.

I served as a clerk to the Honorable Roger L. Gregory, United States Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, from 2005 to 2006.

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

I have never practiced alone.

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

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United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
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2005 – 2006
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- iv. whether you served as a mediator or arbitrator in alternative dispute resolution proceedings and, if so, a description of the 10 most significant matters with which you were involved in that capacity.

I have never served as a mediator or arbitrator.

b. Describe:

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

From 2004 to 2006, I served as a judicial law clerk, researching and drafting memoranda and opinions.

From 2006 to 2010, I served as an Assistant United States Attorney in Charlotte, North Carolina. I spent the first six months of my tenure there as an appellate Assistant United States Attorney, before transitioning to a position as a criminal trial prosecutor. As a line Assistant United States Attorney, I investigated and prosecuted over 100 cases involving illegal firearm use and possession, drug crimes, and violent offenses. I also worked as an Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF)

attorney, conducting large-scale drug and gang investigations, including numerous wiretap cases.

From 2010 to 2013, I served as the Deputy Criminal Chief and an Assistant United States Attorney in Roanoke, Virginia. I supervised Assistant United States Attorneys and Special Assistant United States Attorneys in the performance of their duties, served as a senior advisor to the United States Attorney, and prosecuted white-collar, gang, drug, and civil rights cases.

From 2013 to 2018, I worked as a partner at Woods Rogers PLC in Roanoke. As the lead attorney in our white-collar/government investigations practice group, I represented individuals and organizations in federal and state criminal investigations and compliance matters and conducted internal investigations. I also worked on a number of complex civil litigation matters.

Since March 2018, I have served as the United States Attorney for the Western District of Virginia. In that role, I serve as the chief federal law enforcement officer for the 46 counties and 17 cities in the western part of Virginia. I oversee 32 Assistant United States Attorneys and approximately 50 support staff in three offices. In addition to my supervisory responsibilities, I have personally participated in the criminal prosecutions related to the August 12, 2017 "Unite the Right" rally in Charlottesville and a corrupt Virginia State Trooper.

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

As a federal prosecutor in Virginia and North Carolina, I represented the United States Department of Justice, specializing in the prosecution of firearms offenses, drug conspiracies, violent crimes, civil rights, and white-collar/fraud offenses.

As a white-collar defense attorney, I represented individuals and organizations in matters involving alleged Medicare and Medicaid fraud, tax offenses, bank fraud, embezzlement, mail and wire fraud, smuggling and illegal importation of controlled substances, public corruption, money laundering, obstruction of justice, and unlawful distribution of controlled substances. I have also represented college students in state criminal investigations and Title IX proceedings. In addition, I regularly conducted internal investigations for corporate clients and advised organizations on various compliance issues.

- 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.

As an Assistant United States Attorney in North Carolina and Virginia, between 2006 and 2013, I appeared in United States District and Magistrate Court almost on a daily basis, and, frequently, multiple times per day, handling, among other things, initial appearances, arraignments, detention and bond hearings, evidentiary hearings, pretrial motions hearings, supervised-release hearings, plea hearings, trials, and sentencings. As a defense attorney between 2013 and 2018, I appeared in court less frequently, averaging one to two appearances per month. As United States Attorney, I have personally been involved in four criminal cases, including the two "Unite the Right" matters described below, and the successful criminal prosecution and jury trial of a Virginia State Trooper charged with corruption offenses.

i. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

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| 1. federal courts: | 85% |
| 2. state courts of record: | 15% |
| 3. other courts: | 0% |
| 4. administrative agencies: | 0% |

ii. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

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| 1. civil proceedings: | 15% |
| 2. criminal proceedings: | 85% |

- 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 16 criminal jury trials to verdict in United States District Court as a federal prosecutor. I have also tried approximately 50 criminal bench trials before federal magistrate judges and various state courts as a prosecutor and defense attorney. In addition, as a prosecutor and defense attorney, I have litigated hundreds of contested and evidentiary hearings in federal and state court.

i. What percentage of these trials were:

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| 1. jury: | 25% |
| 2. non-jury: | 75% |

- e. Describe your practice, if any, before the Supreme Court of the United States. Supply four (4) copies of any briefs, amicus or otherwise, and, if applicable, any oral argument transcripts before the Supreme Court in connection with your practice.

I have never practiced before the Supreme Court of the United States.

17. **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. James Alex Fields, Jr.*, No. 3:18CR00011 (W.D. Va.).

On August 12, 2017, James Fields, an avowed white supremacist, attended the "Unite the Right" rally in Charlottesville, Virginia. After police declared an unlawful assembly and the crowds began to disperse, Fields returned to his car and drove towards the downtown area of Charlottesville, eventually reaching the intersection of Fourth and Water Streets. Fields idled in his vehicle for several minutes, watching a large, racially diverse crowd of peaceful counter-protestors, as they began to make their way up Fourth Street. Fields backed his vehicle to the top of Fourth Street, paused, and then, suddenly, accelerated down Fourth Street and plowed into the crowd. The impact killed 32-year-old Heather Heyer and seriously injured over 30 people. In June 2018, after extensive investigative and grand-jury work, we indicted Fields with 30 federal civil rights violations, including 29 violations of the Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr., Hate Crimes Prevention Act. Fields subsequently pleaded guilty to these 29 hate crimes. On June 28, 2019, I presented the closing argument for the government at Fields' sentencing hearing, after which the district judge imposed a sentence of life imprisonment.

Presiding Judge: Hon. Michael F. Urbanski

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2. *United States v. Benjamin Drake Daley, et al.*, No. 3:18CR00025 (W.D. Va.).

Ben Daley and his codefendants were members of a militant white-supremacist group based in Southern California known as the “Rise Above Movement,” or “RAM.” RAM represented itself as a combat-ready, militant group of a new nationalist, white-identity movement, while openly espousing anti-Semitism and racism and promoting violence against those that they perceived as political enemies. In the spring of 2017, Daley and his codefendants attended various political rallies in California, where they attacked and committed acts of violence against counter-protestors. In August 2017, Daley and his codefendants traveled from California to Charlottesville to attend the “Unite the Right” rally. On August 11, 2017, they participated in a torch-lit march on the grounds of the University of Virginia. This march culminated near the statue of Thomas Jefferson, where the marchers surrounded a smaller group of UVA students and counter-protestors. Violence soon erupted, with some individuals, including Daley, committing acts of violence against the counter-protestors. The following day, Daley and his codefendants, while making their way to a downtown park, attacked a group of counter-protestors on Second Street. The defendants, collectively, pushed, punched, kicked, head-butted, and otherwise assaulted numerous individuals on Second Street, including an African-American man, two women, and several members of a Unitarian Universalist Church. Later in the day, Daley and his codefendants engaged in other riotous conduct at various locations in Charlottesville.

In October 2018, after a lengthy investigation, we indicted Daley and his codefendants on violations of the federal Anti-Riots statute, 18 U.S.C. § 2101, and conspiracy. This particular law, which was passed in 1968 in the wake of Vietnam-War protests, had not been used by federal prosecutors in several decades. After successfully defending the constitutionality of the statute before the district court, we successfully negotiated guilty pleas of all defendants. On July 19, 2018, the district court sentenced the defendants to active prison terms. I presented closing arguments with respect to each defendant.

Presiding Judge: Hon. Norman K. Moon

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3. *United States v. Jean-Claude Bridges*, No. 4:13CR260002 (W.D. Va.).

On May 20, 2012, Bridges, who was a juvenile, intentionally set fire to the New Holy Deliverance Outreach Ministry, a church with a predominantly African-American congregation in Henry County, Virginia. The church was completely destroyed by the fire. At the conclusion of the investigation, I obtained approval from the Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice, to file civil rights charges. I then successfully petitioned the court to transfer Bridges from juvenile-delinquency status to face civil rights charges as an adult. Bridges ultimately pleaded guilty and was sentenced to a term of 24 months imprisonment.

Presiding Judge: Hon. Jackson L. Kiser

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4. *United States v. Michael Leamnson*, No. 6:12CR00034 (W.D. Va.).

I served as co-counsel for the United States in the investigation and prosecution, based on an SEC referral, of a Roanoke-based financial advisor who defrauded numerous elderly investors out of nearly \$1 million through a fraudulent

promissory note/"Ponzi" scheme. The investigation which I and my co-counsel conducted with agents of the U.S. Secret Service and the IRS involved extensive field work, including identifying and interviewing investors who had purchased fraudulent promissory notes from the defendant. The defendant ultimately pleaded guilty to mail fraud and wire fraud and was sentenced to 40 months imprisonment.

Presiding Judge: Hon. Norman K. Moon

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5. *United States v. Gonzales-Flores*, 701 F.3d 112 (4th Cir. 2012).

I presented oral argument to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit on behalf of the United States following the defendant's trial conviction on multiple drug and firearm charges. The specific issue presented on appeal was whether Rule 43 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure requires that a defendant be present at a pretrial hearing where the district court considers discovery issues. The defendant appealed his conviction on the grounds that the district court had violated Rule 43 by conducting a pretrial discovery hearing from which he was absent. The Court affirmed the conviction court in a published opinion (701 F.3d 112), holding that Rule 43 does not require a defendant's presence at pre-trial discovery hearings.

Presiding Judges: Hon. J. Harvie Wilkinson, III; Roger L. Gregory; and Allyson Duncan.

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6. *United States v. George Fitzgerald, et al.*, No. 7:10CR80 (W.D. Va.).

I served as co-counsel in this Racketeering prosecution of Mr. Fitzgerald, the leader of a violent Roanoke gang known as the "Southwest Goonz," and several Goonz associates, who committed numerous home invasion-robberies of drug dealers and other violent offenses. During these armed robberies, Fitzgerald and his accomplices severely beat numerous victims with, among other things, pistols, tire irons, and baseball bats. Fitzgerald pleaded guilty to a RICO charge and was sentenced to over 20 years' imprisonment.

Presiding Judge: Hon. Glen E. Conrad

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7. *United States v. Royce Mitchell*, No. 3:09CR186, 2009 WL 5201853 (W.D.N.C. Dec. 22, 2009); 2009 WL 4114378 (W.D.N.C. Nov. 23, 2009).

I served as co-counsel in the Supervised Release prosecution of Mitchell, who was a prime suspect in the shooting death of his pregnant 15-year-old foster daughter. Although Mitchell was never charged by state prosecutors with Wright's murder, we petitioned the court to revoke his federal supervised release on the basis that he had committed a sexual assault on Wright prior to her murder. This supervised-release prosecution involved a number of significant challenges, including proving the underlying criminal conduct without the testimony of the deceased victim, and the attendant Confrontation Clause issues. After a two-day bench trial, the court convicted Mitchell of the violation and sentenced him to 30 months imprisonment.

Presiding Judge: Hon. Robert J. Conrad, Jr.

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8. *United States v. William R. Wooten*, No. 3:09CR0013, 2009 WL 1676980 (W.D.N.C. June 15, 2009).

I served as co-counsel in the prosecution of Mr. Wooten, who committed an armed bank robbery of a Bank of America branch in Gastonia, North Carolina, in 2008. Wooten, who had previously been convicted in federal court for the armed robbery of six banks in 1990 (including of the same Gastonia bank) and who had served 16 years in federal prison, committed the robbery while brandishing a sawed-off 12-gauge shotgun. After an extensive manhunt, Wooten was arrested in Colorado. The defendant was transported back to the Western District of North Carolina and convicted of bank robbery and the use of a firearm during a bank robbery after a two-day jury trial, and he was sentenced to over 50 years' imprisonment.

Presiding Judge: Hon. Robert J. Conrad, Jr.

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9. *United States v. Peter James Smith*, No. 3:08CR0074 (W.D.N.C.).

I served as co-counsel in the prosecution of Smith, who, shortly after his release from federal prison, committed two armed kidnapping and carjackings—specifically, of a Charlotte-Mecklenburg school teacher, who was held in a motel room at gunpoint for approximately 24 hours, and an elderly retiree traveling to Florida. A jury convicted the defendant at trial, and the Court sentenced him to 59 years imprisonment.

Presiding Judge: Hon. Robert J. Conrad, Jr.

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10. *United States v. Yonel Astello-Posada, et al.*, No. 5:08CR0010 (W.D.N.C.).

I served as co-counsel in the investigation and prosecution of large methamphetamine trafficking organization based in Wilkesboro, North Carolina. This drug-trafficking organization was, at that time, responsible for a substantial portion of the methamphetamine trafficking in the north-central region of North Carolina. The investigation, which was conducted along with ICE, the State Bureau of Investigation, and multiple local police departments, yielded numerous federal convictions, as well as the seizure of narcotics and drug proceeds. Posada and Guzman, two of the lead defendants, and who were affiliated with NC-based members of a Mexican drug cartel, were convicted of drug conspiracy at trial and each sentenced to lengthy terms of imprisonment.

Presiding Judge: Hon. Richard Voorhees

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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.)

From 2006 to 2010, I served as an Assistant United States Attorney in Charlotte, North Carolina. I spent the first six months of my tenure there as an appellate Assistant United States Attorney, before transitioning to a position as a line trial prosecutor in the criminal division. As a line Assistant United States Attorney, I initially served as a Project Safe Neighborhood (PSN) prosecutor, focusing on firearms-related offenses committed in the Charlotte metropolitan area. I later worked as an Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) attorney, conducting large-scale drug and gang investigations, including numerous wiretap cases with DEA. Among other cases, I successfully prosecuted, after a wiretap investigation, of a large internet-based prostitution service ("hushhush.com"), and numerous wiretap investigations involving Charlotte-based associates of the Mexican Gulf Cartel.

From 2010 to 2013, I served as the Deputy Criminal Chief and an Assistant United States Attorney in Roanoke, Virginia, and focused on the investigation and prosecution of white-collar, gang, drug, and civil rights cases.

From 2013 to March 2018, I worked as a partner at Woods Rogers PLC in Roanoke. As the lead attorney in our white-collar/government investigations practice group, I represented individuals and organizations in federal and state criminal investigations and compliance matters and conducted internal investigations. As a white-collar defense attorney, I successfully resolved several criminal investigations without any charges being filed against my clients, including federal investigations of a member of the Virginia legislature, a large health-care organization, and a federal contractor. I also successfully advocated for lenient sentences in federal cases involving an attorney convicted of concealing the misappropriation of client funds by his legal assistant, a Roanoke-area businessman convicted of running an online gambling ring, and the executive of a Chinese nutritional supplements company charged in a 54-count indictment with wire fraud, smuggling, and the unlawful distribution of prohormones and nutritional supplements. As a defense attorney, I also regularly accepted court-appointed representation in both federal and state courts, and I worked on several complex civil litigation matters.

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

While a student at William and Mary Law School, I was selected based, in part, on my academic performance during my first year, to serve as a teaching assistant for Torts and Constitutional Law. As a teaching assistant during my second and third years of law school, I conducted weekly review lectures and individual counseling sessions for first-year students. I was not able to locate any notes or materials that I used as a teaching assistant.

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 do not have any plans, commitments, or agreements to pursue outside employment with compensation during service with the court.

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 mandated Financial Disclosure Report and supply a copy to this Committee.

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.

Because of my recent role as the United States Attorney, I will recuse myself from all criminal matters that arose, were filed, and/or were pending during my term in office. With respect to these and all other matters, I will comply with the Code of Conduct for United States Judges and applicable statutes, including 28 U.S.C. § 455. I will also be guided by Fourth Circuit precedent, procedures, and policies.

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

I will comply with the Code of Conduct for United States Judges and applicable statutes, including 28 U.S.C. § 455. I will also be guided by Fourth Circuit precedent, procedures, and policies.

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.

As a federal prosecutor, my career was devoted to public service, including working with and assisting victims of crime. While in private practice, I assisted in pro bono matters involving a local ballet and an elderly couple who had a dispute with their financial advisor. I also served as a court-appointed attorney, representing indigent defendants in multiple state General District and Circuit Courts and the United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia.

26. Selection Process:

- a. Please describe your experience in the entire judicial selection process, from beginning to end (including the circumstances which led to your nomination and the interviews in which you participated). Is there a selection commission in your jurisdiction to recommend candidates for nomination to the federal courts? If so, please include that process in your description, as well as whether the commission recommended your nomination. List the dates of all interviews or communications you had with the White House staff or the Justice Department regarding this nomination. Do not include any contacts with Federal Bureau of Investigation personnel concerning your nomination.

In late May 2019, I was contacted by the Office of White House Counsel and asked if I would like to be considered for the vacant judgeship in the Western District of Virginia. Although I had not, until that time, expressed any interest in the judgeship, I agreed to participate in a screening interview with members of the Office of White House Counsel staff and representatives from the Office of Legal Policy at the Department of Justice the following week. In August 2019, I was informed by the Office of White House Counsel that the President intended to nominate me, subject to successful completion of a background check and judicial vetting. Since that time, I have been in contact with attorneys from the Office of White House Counsel and the Department of Justice.

Also, in September 2019, at the request of U.S. Senators Mark Warner and Tim Kaine, I submitted application materials to and subsequently was interviewed by the Senators' judicial screening committee, a six-member panel of Virginia attorneys who review and rate candidates for judicial vacancies. The following month, I was also interviewed and evaluated by the Virginia State Bar's Judicial Evaluation Committee. This State Bar committee subsequently rated me "highly qualified." On November 21, 2019, I met with Senators Warner and Kaine to discuss my interest in and qualifications for the judicial vacancy. On December 18, the President announced his intent to nominate me to this position.

- 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.