

**UNITED STATES SENATE
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY**

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR NON-JUDICIAL NOMINEES

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

Scott Chester Blader

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

United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin

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 address: 209 South St. Marie Street, Wautoma, WI 54982

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

1974; Wild Rose, WI

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.

- 1997 – 1999 Marquette University Law School, Milwaukee, WI; Juris Doctor, May 1999.
- 1996 – 1997 Hamline Law School, St. Paul, MN; no degree received.
- 1992 – 1996 University of Wisconsin- Oshkosh, Oshkosh, WI; Bachelor of Science Degree, May 1996.

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.

Employer: State of Wisconsin (01/2007 – present)

Job title: Elected District Attorney- Waushara County

Address: 209 S. St Marie Street

Wautoma, WI 54982

Employer: Blader Law Office (06/1999 – 12/2006)
Job Title: Associate Attorney
Address: 405 W. Main Street
Wautoma, WI 54982

Employer: Bachman-Cummings (06/1998 – 09/1998)
Job Title: Summer Law Clerk
Address: 47 Park Place #250
Appleton, WI 54914

Employer: Milsco Corp. (06/1997 – 09/1997)
Job Title: Summer help
Address: 650 Bannerman Avenue
Redgranite, WI 54970

Employer: Chester C. Blader (06/1996 – 09/1996)
Job Title: Farm laborer
Address: W9018 Cypress Drive
Wautoma, WI 54982

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 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.

- 2015, State of Wisconsin Prosecutor of the Year, Wisconsin District Attorneys Association
- 2014, Prosecutor of the Year, Wisconsin Association of Homicide Investigators
- 1993 – 1995, University Scholar –University Wisconsin Oshkosh
- 1994/1995, Dr. Barbara Montieth History Department Award- UW Oshkosh

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.

- Member of the State Bar of Wisconsin; no membership lapses
- Member of the Waushara County Bar Association; no membership lapses
 - o President 2004-2006

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.
 - Admitted to practice law in the State of Wisconsin in May 1999; current and in good standing; no membership lapses
- 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.
 - Admitted to practice in the State of Wisconsin courts, May, 1999; no membership lapses
 - Admitted to practice in the United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin, May 10, 2017; no membership lapses

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.
 - 2014 – present, Waushara County Drug Treatment Supervisory Panel
 - 2009 – present, Member of Tri-County Sexual Assault Response Team
 - 2008 – present, Rotary International- Wautoma branch
 - 2007 – present, Waushara Domestic Violence CCRT Team
 - 2006 – present, Waushara County Republican Party
 - 1999 – present, Waushara County Bar Association
 - o 2004 – 2006, President
 - In addition, I have made financial contributions to charitable organizations over the years. Such organizations may list me as a member by virtue of my financial contribution. I have not listed above any organizations to which I gave funds and did not otherwise participate in programmatic activities.
- b. Indicate whether any of these organizations listed in response to 11a above currently discriminate or formerly discriminated on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin either through formal membership requirements or the practical implementation of membership policies. If so, describe any action you have taken to change these policies and practices.

To my knowledge, none of these organizations discriminates or formerly discriminated on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin either through formal membership requirements or the practical implementation of membership policies.

12. Published Writings and Public Statements:

- a. List the titles, publishers, and dates of books, articles, reports, letters to the editor, editorial pieces, or other published material you have written or edited, including material published only on the Internet. Supply four (4) copies of all published material to the Committee.

- I have done my best to identify all books, articles, reports, letters to the editor, editorial pieces and other published material, including a thorough review of my personal files, and searches of publicly available electronic databases. Despite my searches, there may be other materials that I have been unable to identify, find, or remember. I have located the following:

- “Meth Is Here.” *Waushara Argus*, December 26, 2016. Copy supplied.
- “Wisconsin Increases Operating While Impaired Laws.” *Waushara Argus*, December 20, 2016. Copy supplied.
- “Hunting Season is Upon Us.” *Waushara Argus*, November 7, 2013. Copy supplied.
- “Diversion Programs - The Basics.” *Waushara Argus*, March 27, 2013. Copy supplied.
- “Is It Criminal or Is It Civil?” *Waushara Argus*, July 20, 2011. Copy supplied.
- “Truancy - The Importance of Going to School.” *Waushara Argus*, January, 2011. Copy supplied.
- “Texting and Cell Phones.” *Waushara Argus*, September 29, 2010. Copy supplied.
- “Rx Drugs - The Silent Epidemic.” *Waushara Argus*, September 15, 2010. Copy supplied.
- No Title - Marijuana laws. *Waushara Argus*, September 1, 2010. Copy supplied.
- “Wisconsin OWI Laws - Part Two.” *Waushara Argus*, August 25, 2010. Copy supplied
- “Wisconsin’s New Operating While Impaired Laws.” *Waushara Argus*, August 18, 2010. 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.

- I have done my best to identify any reports, memoranda, or policy statements I prepared or contributed to, including a thorough review of my personal files and searches of publicly available electronic databases. To my knowledge, there is nothing.
- c. Supply four (4) copies of any testimony, official statements or other communications relating, in whole or in part, to matters of public policy or legal interpretation, that you have issued or provided or that others presented on your behalf to public bodies or public officials.
- I have done my best to identify any testimony, official statements, or other communications related, in whole or in part, to matters of public policy or legal interpretation. To my knowledge, there are no public policy statements. Despite my searches, there may be other materials I have been unable to identify, find, or remember.
- d. Supply four (4) copies, transcripts or recordings of all speeches or talks delivered by you, including commencement speeches, remarks, lectures, panel discussions, conferences, political speeches, and question-and-answer sessions. Include the date and place where they were delivered, and readily available press reports about the speech or talk. If you do not have a copy of the speech or a transcript or recording of your remarks, give the name and address of the group before whom the speech was given, the date of the speech, and a summary of its subject matter. If you did not speak from a prepared text, furnish a copy of any outline or notes from which you spoke.

I have done my best to identify transcripts or recordings of all speeches or talks delivered, including a thorough review of personal files and searches of publicly available electronic databases. I frequently use the text of a speech from a prior event, speak without notes, or speak from a handwritten outline. I did not retain the handwritten outlines.

- February 22, 2017
- Mt. Morris Mutual Insurance Co. Annual Meeting- Opiate Medications and Heroin Presentation
- Richford Community Center
155 N. Front Street, Coloma, Wisconsin 54930
- Copy of PowerPoint supplied.

- May, 2014
- Wisconsin DA SPET Conference- John Doe Investigations and Drug Conspiracies.
- Heidel House Conference Center
643 Illinois Avenue, Green Lake, Wisconsin 54941

- Copy not available.
- Description: presented with fellow prosecutors from Dane and Manitowoc counties surrounding the use, scope and limitations of the “John Doe” process as an investigative tool, issuing warrants out of the proceeding, narrowing the scope and closing the proceedings upon filing of criminal charges.

- September, 2012
- Central Wisconsin Law Enforcement Symposium- Crash Scene Death Investigations.
- Heidel House Conference Center
643 Illinois Avenue, Green Lake, Wisconsin 54941
- Copy not available.
- Description: presented on proper presentation of Crash Recon Experts at trial, collection and presentation of DNA evidence including “touch” DNA, and use of phone extraction data to build historical timelines.

- May, 2011 through May, 2017 (one event each spring)
- American Government Class- Question & Answer Format on Criminal Law
- Instructor: Mr. Gary Knoke
- Berlin High School
222 Memorial Drive, Berlin, Wisconsin 54923
- Copy not available.
- Description: Explain criminal process to junior and seniors

- May, 2007 through May, 2017 (one event each semester)
- D.A.R.E (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Graduation for 5th Graders
- Wautoma Area Schools (various locations- gymnasiums, McComb/Bruchs Performing Arts Center, etc.)
- Wautoma, Wisconsin
- Copy not available.
- Description: Dangers of drugs and alcohol

- 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.
 - April 9, 2014
 - Waushara Argus
 - State of Wisconsin Awards Treatment and Diversion Grant to Waushara County.
 - Copy supplied.

13. Public Office, Political Activities and Affiliations:

- a. List chronologically any public offices you have held, other than judicial offices,

including the terms of service and whether such positions were elected or appointed. If appointed, please include the name of the individual who appointed you. Also, state chronologically any unsuccessful candidacies you have had for elective office or unsuccessful nominations for appointed office.

- Waushara County District Attorney, elected November 2006. Elected 3 times thereafter- 2008, 2012, 2016.

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 am a member of the Republican Party of Waushara County Wisconsin, and have ran as such for DA. In Wisconsin, District Attorney is a partisan position. Other than my own campaigns, I have served in no other capacity.

14. **Legal Career:** Answer each part separately.

a. Describe chronologically your law practice and legal experience after graduation from law school including:

i. whether you served as clerk to a judge, and if so, the name of the judge, the court and the dates of the period you were a clerk;

I have not served as a judicial law clerk.

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

I have not 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.

- 01/2007 – present
- Employer: State of Wisconsin
- Job title: Elected District Attorney- Waushara County
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- Wautoma, WI 54982

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- Employer: Blader Law Office
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 - Job Title: Summer Law Clerk
 - Address: 47 Park Place #250
 - Appleton, WI 54914
- iv. whether you served as a mediator or arbitrator in alternative dispute resolution proceedings and, if so, a description of the 10 most significant matters with which you were involved in that capacity.

I have not served as a mediator or arbitrator.

b. Describe:

- i. the general character of your law practice and indicate by date when its character has changed over the years.
- 2007 - present: I have exclusively prosecuted criminal actions on behalf of the State of Wisconsin. My practice consists of building and prosecuting felony and misdemeanor cases within my jurisdiction. I also provide legal guidance and resource to law enforcement on case development, changes in law and trial strategy.
 - 1999 - 2007: The general character of my practice was criminal defense with some minor civil litigation. I estimate my practice was 70 percent criminal defense and 30 percent civil (divorce, property disputes, collections, etc.).
- ii. your typical clients and the areas at each period of your legal career, if any, in which you have specialized.
- 2007 - present: I prosecuted over a thousand felony cases on behalf of the State of Wisconsin. I prosecuted several thousand more misdemeanor cases. I tried a myriad of cases to jury including: First Degree Intentional Homicide, OWI Homicide, Hit and Run Causing Death, Sexual Assault to Minors, Incest, Drug Distribution, Reckless Endangering Safety, Operating While Impaired, Battery, among others. As the elected District Attorney, I absorbed the felony caseload while managing the office.
 - 1999 - 2006: My typical clients were persons charged with felony and misdemeanor offenses, including, but not limited to, property crimes, controlled substances and impaired driving. I tried cases to jury including: Possession With Intent to Deliver, Sexual Assault,

Burglary, Operating While Impaired. Over time I gravitated to drug and operating while impaired offenses but retained a plurality of cases.

- 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.
- 2007 - present: My practice of the law has been almost exclusively litigation. I am in court daily and often for a majority thereof. My calendar consists of Fourth Amendment motion hearings, preliminary hearings, plea and sentencing hearings, and status conferences. The balance of my time is primarily spent meeting with detectives, charging new cases or drafting warrants and subpoenas. To the best of my estimation, I spend 65% of my time in court and 35% of my time in case development/office management.
 - i. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:
 - 1. federal courts; 0%
 - 2. state courts of record; 100%
 - 3. other courts; 0%
 - 4. administrative agencies; 0%

I assist administrative agencies including Wisconsin Department of Revenue, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and Wisconsin Department of Agriculture but do not appear before their administrative bodies.
 - ii. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:
 - 1. civil proceedings; 0%
 - 2. criminal proceedings; 100%
- 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.
- To the best of my ability, I have litigated approximately 250 cases to courts of record and contested disposition. This includes civil forfeiture offenses and criminal offenses. All such cases were litigated independently without co-counsel.
 - i. What percentage of these trials were:
 - 1. jury;

To the best of my ability, I would estimate that approximately 5-7% of the cases I handled resulted in jury trials. To the best of my ability, I estimate between 40 and 60 jury trials as sole counsel.

2. non-jury;

To the best of my ability, I would estimate between 93-95% of my criminal cases resolved without jury trial.

- 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 not practiced before the Supreme Court.

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

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

1. State v. Levi Stewart, No. 16CF87 (Waushara County Circuit Court. 2016)

Judge: Greg Potter, Wood County Circuit Court Judge

Case description: This case involved Repeated Acts of Sexual Assault to a Child under age 10, contrary to Sec. 948.025 Wis. Stats. The defendant was convicted of Repeated Acts of Sexual Assault to Child and sentenced to 17 years initial confinement and 20 years supervision thereafter.

Co-counsel: none

Opposing counsel: none- the defendant proceeded to trial without counsel.

Opposing Assist Counsel

Name: William M. Lennon

Firm/Agency: Goldin and Lennon,

Address: 125 Church Avenue, Oshkosh, Wisconsin 54901

Phone number: 920-235-9000

2. State v. John C. Featherston, No. 2016CF26 (Waushara County Circuit Court. 2016)

Judge: Guy D. Dutcher, Waushara County Circuit Court Judge

Case description: John Featherston was found guilty by a jury for Second Degree Recklessly Endangering the Safety of his wife for having placed a shotgun to her head. The case was noteworthy as the victim was semi-reluctant to participate, a historical Other Acts development needed to be undertaken and the defendant claimed self-defense/defense of property.

Co-counsel: none

Opposing counsel:

Name: Amanda Belville

Firm/Agency: Belville & Associates

Address: 215 Market Street, P.O. Box 424, Oshkosh, Wisconsin 54903

Phone number: 920-267-3345

3. State v. Travis L. Petersen, No. 13CF38 (Waushara County Circuit Court. 2013)

Judge: Guy D. Dutcher, Waushara County Circuit Court Judge

Case description: This was a First Degree Intentional Homicide case tried to a jury over the course of a week which resulted in the defendant receiving life imprisonment. This case involved the first use of forensic podiatry in the State of Wisconsin as offered by the State through its expert. It also involved DNA and extensive DCI crime scene investigation.

Co-counsel: none.

Opposing counsel:

Names: Troy L. Nielsen (primary) and Kyle Borkenhagen

Firm/Agency: Wisconsin State Public Defender

Address: 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, Wisconsin 54981-2012
Phone number: 715-258-6460

4. State v. James V. Haase, No. 2013CF47 (Waushara County Circuit Court. 2013)

Judge: Guy D. Dutcher, Waushara County Circuit Court Judge

Case description: This case was tried to a jury and James Haase was convicted of Incest with Child and Exposing Genitals to a Child. The case presented a challenge as it involved the testimony of a child witness who was the biological daughter of the defendant.

Co-counsel: none.

Opposing counsel:

Name: Jeffery Haase

Firm/Agency: Wisconsin State Public Defender

Address: 160 South Macy Street, 3rd Floor, Fond du Lac, WI 54935

Phone number: 920-929-3990

5. State v. Randy L. Lindgren, No. 2012CF106 (Waushara County Circuit Court. 2012)

Judge: Guy D. Dutcher, Waushara County Circuit Court Judge

Case Description: Randy L. Lindgren was the primary participant in an extensive case involving the Conspiracy to Deliver Heroin in Waushara County causing at least one identifiable Len Bias / First Degree Reckless Homicide death. I personally opened a John Doe investigation into the overdose death which led to criminal charges being issued on twelve separate individuals. Given the death involved in the conspiracy and the quantities of heroin being distributed, eight of the defendants were later indicted federally through the Eastern District of Wisconsin.

Co-counsel: none

Opposing counsel: none- the defendant was federally indicted.

6. State v. Max J. Winkel, No. 11CF172 (Waushara County Circuit Court. 2011)

Judge: Guy D. Dutcher, Waushara County Circuit Court Judge

Case description: This case involved Impaired Operation of a Motor Vehicle Causing Death, Hit and Run Death and Great Bodily Harm.

The defendant rear-ended a vehicle containing three teenagers causing the death of one and great bodily harm to two others. This case involved complex crash reconstruction analysis as well as the first use of “Y-STR DNA” in my county for the purposes of exclusion. The defendant was convicted on all counts.

Co-counsel: none

Opposing Counsel:

Name: William M. Lennon

Firm/Agency: Goldin and Lennon,

Address: 125 Church Avenue, Oshkosh, Wisconsin 54901

Phone number: 920-235-9000

7. State v. Jordan Coyle, No. 2008CF85 (Waushara County Circuit Court. 2008)

Judge: Guy D. Dutcher, Waushara County Circuit Court Judge

Case description: Jordan Coyle was convicted of two separate counts of Second Degree Sexual Assault of a Child after a two day jury trial. This case involved the first extensive use of cellular telephone records in Waushara County together with cell tower geo data.

Co-counsel: none

Opposing counsel:

Name: Maris Rushevics

Firm/Agency: Rushevics Law Office

Address: 1265 Main Street, Suite 106, Stevens Point, Wisconsin 54481

Phone number: 715-344-1300

8. State v. Thomas W. Stinson, No. 2007CF33 (Waushara County Circuit Court. 2007)

Judge: Guy D. Dutcher, Waushara County Circuit Court Judge

Case description: Thomas W. Stinson was charged with and convicted of First Degree Reckless Homicide for using a motor vehicle to run down his wife as she fled from him on foot. The case involved a myriad of issues concerning the defendant’s statements made on jail calls, during booking intake and utterances made on a cellular telephone during the event itself. The defendant was convicted of First Degree Reckless Homicide and received a 25 year sentence.

Co-counsel: none.

Opposing counsel:

Name: Steven P. Smits

Firm/Agency: Wisconsin State Public Defender

Address: 404 N. Main Street, Suite 200, Oshkosh, Wisconsin 54901

Phone number: 920-424-3304

9. State v. Christopher J. Kloos, No. 2002CF16 (Waushara County Circuit Court. 2002)

Judge: Lewis R. Murach, Waushara County Circuit Court Judge

Case description: This was a First Degree Intentional Homicide case I handled while in private practice. Christopher Kloos together with three other accomplices were charged with stabbing and individual to death while attempting to collect a drug debt. I lead the defense case investigation, conducted the preliminary hearing and pre-trial motions. Kloos was ultimately convicted of First Degree Intentional Homicide.

Co-counsel:

Name: Robyn Blader

Firm/Agency: Blader Law Office

Address: 405 W. Main Street, Wautoma, WI 54982

Phone number: 920-787-4623

Opposing counsel:

Name: Guy D. Dutcher, former Waushara County District Attorney

Firm/Agency: State of Wisconsin

Address: 209 S. St. Marie Street, Wautoma, WI 54982

Phone number: 920-787-0441

10. State v. Jason A. Johnson, No. 2001CF27 (Green Lake County Circuit Court. 2001)

Judge: Michael McMonigal, Green Lake County Circuit Court Judge

Case description: This was the first jury trial of my career. The defendant was charged with Burglary of Building or Dwelling and I represented him in private practice. He was found not guilty.

Co-counsel: none

Opposing counsel:

Name: Mike E. O'Rourke (former Asst. District Attorney, Green Lake County)

Firm/Agency: State of Wisconsin

Address: 76 Western Avenue, Fond du Lac, WI 54935
Phone number: 920-929-3048

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

- One of the most significant legal activities I pursued was a “John Doe” Investigation I opened under Wis. Stats 968.26 in calendar year 2012. My jurisdiction was overwhelmed with heroin, and we suffered a series of overdose deaths. I opened a John Doe investigation after all other investigative avenues failed. The investigation was open for approximately two months and resulted in felony cases being filed on approximately 12 people. Through this process we solved two Reckless Homicide cases (Wisconsin’s applicable statute for providing controlled substances resulting in death) giving closure to families. We also deconstructed a heroin network that was bringing the statutory maximum level of heroin into my jurisdiction every two weeks. This case drew attention to the depth of the heroin problem we had in our county and began a trend where law enforcement began to go on the offensive against this dangerous drug.

In 2013, I worked in cooperation with my judiciary to create the first Drug Treatment Court in Waushara County. Together we developed the functional components of the program including its controlling panel, coordinator position, treatment and sanction platforms. A grant was awarded and the Drug Court remains a viable entity to this day. This program has provided numerous non-violent substance abusers the ability to regain their lives without need for prison.

- I have never performed any lobbying activities.

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

- I have not taught any courses.

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

for any financial or business interest.

Upon Retirement I will receive a pension from the Wisconsin (WRS) State Employee Retirement Plan.

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

None

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

- Income derived from agricultural land rent 2016: \$750 approximately
- See my SF-278 as provided by the Office of Government Ethics.

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

- See attached net worth statement.

22. **Potential Conflicts of Interest:**

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

In connection with the nomination process, I have consulted with the Office of Government Ethics and the Department of Justice's designated agency ethics official to identify potential conflicts of interest. Any potential conflict of interest will be resolved in accordance with the terms of an ethics agreement that I have entered with the Department's designated agency ethics official.

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

In the event of a potential conflict of interest, or the potential for the appearance of a conflict, I would first seek advice from DOJ main. Specifically, to assess the extent of the conflict and what if any recusal should be had.

23. **Pro Bono Work:** An ethical consideration under Canon 2 of the American Bar Association's Code of Professional Responsibility calls for "every lawyer, regardless of professional prominence or professional workload, to find some time to participate in serving the disadvantaged." Describe what you have done to fulfill these responsibilities, listing specific instances and the amount of time devoted to each. If you are not an attorney, please use this opportunity to report significant charitable and volunteer work you may have done.

- In my current role as district attorney, Chapter 978 of the Wisconsin Statute prohibits me from litigating on behalf of any entity other than the State of Wisconsin. Nor can I involve myself in matters of civil litigation. On occasion I donate my time to assist American Legion Posts with fundraisers or Memorial Day functions. I have donated my time to various fairs and festivities by working counters or booths.
- Prior to 2007, I took many court appointed cases and State Public Defender cases while in private practice as a way to assist my local court and population. I estimate these cases accounted for approximately one quarter of my caseload.

As part of my membership in the Waushara County Bar Association I participated in elder work shops where members of the bar would provide free advice to the elderly on Wills, Power of Attorney, evictions, debt mitigation, etc. By my estimation, I devoted approximately twenty four hours annually to these efforts.