

**APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION FOR JUDGE OF
COMPENSATION CLAIMS FOR DISTRICT _____**
(Please attach additional pages as needed to fully respond to questions.)

GENERAL INFORMATION:

1. Name: _____
Soc. Sec. No.: _____
Date Admitted to Practice in Florida: _____
Florida Bar No.: _____
2. Business Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone: _____
Residence Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
3. Place of Birth: _____
Age: _____
Date of Birth: _____ Sex: M F
Race [check one]: White Black Hispanic Other: _____
4. Length of Residence in the State of Florida: _____

MARITAL STATUS:

5. If married:
Spouse's name: _____
Date of marriage: _____
Spouse's occupation: _____
6. If children, please state:

Name(s)	Age(s)	Occupation(s)
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MILITARY SERVICE

7. Military Service (including Reserves):

Service	Branch	Highest Rank	Dates
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Rank at time of discharge: _____

Type of discharge: _____

Awards or citations:

HEALTH:

8. Do you have any mental or physical disability that a reasonable person might think would prevent you from discharging the responsibilities of the position of Judge of Compensation Claims?

If Yes, furnish details:

EDUCATION:

9. (a) Secondary schools, colleges and law schools attended:

Schools	Class Standing	D/Attendance	Degree
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(b) List and describe academic scholarships earned, honor societies and other awards.

PROFESSIONAL ADMISSIONS:

10. List all courts (including state bar admissions) and administrative bodies having special admission requirements to which you are presently admitted to practice and give the dates of admissions.

Court or Administrative Body	Date of Admission
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LAW PRACTICE:

11. State the name, dates and addresses for all firms, governmental agencies or private business organizations by which you have been employed:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name of Organization/Address</u>	<u>Dates</u>
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12. Describe the general nature of your current practice including any areas of board certification which you possess; additionally, if your practice is substantially different from your prior practice or if you are not now practicing law, give details of prior practice. Describe your typical clients or former clients and the problems for which they sought your services.

13. (a) What percentage of your appearance in courts in the last five years was in:

Federal Courts?	_____%	State County Court?	_____%
State Circuit Court (General)?	_____%	Administrative Bodies?	_____%
Probate Court?	_____%	Criminal Court?	_____%
Appellate Court?	_____%	Juvenile Court?	_____%
Workers' Compensation Proceedings?	_____%	General Master Hearings?	_____%

(b) For your last three cases, which were either contested or tried, list the names and telephone numbers of trial counsel on either side.

14. During the last five years, please state:

- (a) What percentage of your practice has been trial practice? _____%
- (b) How frequently have you appeared at administrative hearings? _____%
- (c) How frequently have you appeared in any Court? _____%
- (d) What percentage of your practice involving litigation has been civil? _____%

(e) What percentage of your practice involving litigation has been criminal? _____%

(f) How many (number) of the cases you have tried to verdict or judgment were:

Jury? _____ Non-jury? _____

Arbitration? _____ Administrative Bodies? _____

Workers' Compensation? _____

(g) For the cases you have tried to conclusion in arbitration, before administrative bodies, in courts of record, or in workers' compensation hearings, during each of the past three years, indicate whether you were sole, associate or chief counsel. Give citations of any reported cases.

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

(i) Please attach one example of legal writing, not to exceed 10 pages, which you personally wrote.

15. Please describe in detail your personal experience in the area of workers' compensation law and your personal knowledge of the practice of workers' compensation law.

16. If your practice was substantially workers' compensation law, what percentage of your work was in representation of

Claimants? _____%

Defendants? _____%

17. Please explain how your experience and knowledge qualify you for this position under Section 440.45, Florida Statutes.

18. (a) Please list the continuing legal education programs you have attended during the last three years.

(b) Have you taught any courses on law or lectured at bar association conferences, law school forums, or continuing legal education programs? If so, in what substantive areas?
19. Describe any additional education or other experience you have which could assist you in holding judicial office?
20. Explain the particular potential contribution you believe your selection would bring to this position.
21. If you have previously submitted a questionnaire or application to this or any other Judicial nominating commission, please give the name of the commission and the approximate date of submission and the result (i.e., nominated, etc.).
22. If you were appointed a Judge of Compensation Claims, please:
 - (a) Describe the procedure you would follow to approve washouts for unrepresented claimants?

 - (b) Briefly describe the procedure you would use in preparing and entering an order following a merit hearing?

MISCELLANEOUS:

23. Have you ever applied for, been a candidate for, or held any other public office?

YES NO

If yes, state the office, location and dates of application, candidacy or service.

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

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

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

25. Have you ever been a party to a lawsuit either as a plaintiff or a defendant?

YES NO

If yes, please supply style, case number, nature of the lawsuit, whether you were a plaintiff or defendant, and its disposition.

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

27. Describe any pro bono legal work you have done during the past three years.

28. Have you ever filed a personal petition in bankruptcy or has a petition in bankruptcy been filed against you?

YES NO

If yes, please furnish full details.

29. (a) Have you filed all past returns as required by federal, state, local or other government authorities?

YES NO

If no, explain.

29. (b) Have you ever paid a tax penalty?

YES NO

If yes, explain what, and why.

(c) Has a tax lien ever been filed against you?

YES NO

30. Have you ever been convicted for violation of any federal, state, or county or municipal law, regulation or ordinance? If so, give details. Do not include traffic violations for which a fine of \$100 or less was imposed unless it also included a jail sentence.

31. (a) Have you ever been sued by a client? If so, give particulars including the name of the client, date suit was filed, court suit was filed in, the case number and disposition.

(b) Have you or your professional liability insurance carrier ever settled a claim against you for professional malpractice? If so, give particulars, including the amounts involved.

32. List, in a fully identifiable fashion, all organizations of which you have been a member since graduating from law school, including the titles and dates of any offices which you have held in each such organization.

BUSINESS INVOLVEMENT:

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

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

HOBBIES:

34. List your hobbies or other vocational interests.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

35. Please list any civil, fraternal or other organization to which you give time that is of benefit to the community.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Involvement</u>
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REFERENCES:

36. List the names, addresses and telephone numbers of ten persons who are in a position to comment on your performance as a Judge of Compensation Claims.

37. Please furnish any other information you feel would be helpful to the Commission in evaluating your application.

CERTIFICATE

I have read the foregoing questions carefully and have answered them truthfully, fully and completely. I hereby waive notice by and authorize the Florida Bar or any of its committees, educational and other institutions, the Judicial Qualifications Commission, the Florida Board of Bar Examiners, the Statewide Nomination Commission for Workers' Compensation Judges or any judicial or professional disciplinary or supervisory body or commission, any references furnished by me, employers, business and professional associates, all governmental agencies and instrumentalities and all consumer and credit reporting agencies to release to the respective Statewide Nominating Commission and Office of the Governor any information, files, records or credit reports requested by the commission in connection with any consideration of me as possible nominee for appointment to judicial office. Information relating to any Florida Bar disciplinary proceedings to be made available in accordance with Rule 3-7.1 (c) (2), (7), Rules of Discipline. I recognize and agree that pursuant to the Florida Constitution and the Uniform Rules of the commission the contents of this questionnaire and other information received from or concerning me, and all interviews and proceedings of the commission, and for deliberations by the commission, shall be open to the public.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 200_____.

Signature

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

DISCLOSURE PURSUANT TO THE
FAIR CREDIT REPORTING ACT (FCRA)

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) may obtain one or more consumer reports, including but not limited to credit reports, about you, for employment purposes as defined by the Fair Credit Reporting Act, including for determinations related to initial employment, reassignment, promotion, or other employment-related actions.

CONSUMER'S AUTHORIZATION FOR FDLE
TO OBTAIN CONSUMER REPORT(S)

I have read and understand the above Disclosure. I authorize the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) to obtain one or more consumer reports on me, for employment purposes, as described in the above Disclosure.

Printed Name of Applicant: _____

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date: _____

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