



United States District Court  
Western District of Michigan  
Application Form  
United States Magistrate Judge

Type or legibly print your answers. Please answer all questions. *Attach additional pages if necessary.* If a question is not applicable, indicate this by marking "N/A." Return completed form to the Clerk of Court as noted in the public notice.

**GENERAL**

1. Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. All other names by which you have been known : \_\_\_\_\_
3. Office address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Residential address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_
6. Length of residence in state: \_\_\_\_\_
7. If you are a naturalized citizen, state the date and place of naturalization: \_\_\_\_\_
8. Military service  
Branch: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rank or rate at discharge: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of discharge: \_\_\_\_\_  
If still a reserve or national guard member, give service, branch, unit, and present rank:  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. Are you related by blood or marriage to any judges of this court?  Yes  No  
If yes, state name(s) and relationship:  
\_\_\_\_\_

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15. If you have published any legal books or articles, list them, giving citations and dates.

16. List any honors, prizes or awards you have received.

## PROFESSIONAL ADMISSIONS

17. List all courts (including state bar admissions) and administrative bodies having special admission requirements in which you are presently admitted to practice, giving the dates of admission in each case:

**Court or Administrative Body**

**Date of Admission**

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
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20. a) Do you appear regularly in court?  Yes  No

b) What percentage of your appearances in the last five years were in

- 1) Federal courts \_\_\_\_\_ %
- 2) State or local courts of record \_\_\_\_\_ %
- 3) Administrative bodies \_\_\_\_\_ %
- 4) Other \_\_\_\_\_ %
- \_\_\_\_\_ %
- \_\_\_\_\_ %
- \_\_\_\_\_ %
- \_\_\_\_\_ %

21. During the past five years, what percentage of your practice has been trial practice? \_\_\_\_\_ %

22. How frequently have you appeared in court? \_\_\_\_\_ times per month

23. How frequently have you appeared at administrative hearings? \_\_\_\_\_ times per month

24. What percentage of your practice involving litigation has been

- 1) Civil \_\_\_\_\_ %
- 2) Criminal \_\_\_\_\_ %
- 3) Other \_\_\_\_\_ %
- \_\_\_\_\_ %
- \_\_\_\_\_ %
- \_\_\_\_\_ %
- \_\_\_\_\_ %

25. State the number of cases you have tried to conclusion in courts of record during the past five years, indicating whether you were sole, associate, or chief counsel. Give citations of any reported cases.

26. Summarize your courtroom experience for the past five years.

27. State the names and addresses of adversary counsel against whom you have litigated your primary cases over the past five years.

## PUBLIC OFFICE

28. Have you ever run for, or held, public office?

Yes

No

If yes, give details:

## PRIOR JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE

29. a) Have you ever held judicial office or been a candidate for judicial office?  Yes  No

If so, state the courts involved and the dates of service or dates of candidacy:

- b) If you have held judicial office, state the names and addresses of counsel who have appeared before you who would be knowledgeable of your work, temperament, and abilities.

- c) Prior quasi-judicial service:

Name of agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Position held: \_\_\_\_\_

Hearings on what types of issues: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of cases adjudicated: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of service: \_\_\_\_\_

## BUSINESS INVOLVEMENT

30. 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 to judicial office.

- b) Since being admitted to the bar, have you ever engaged in any occupation, business, or profession other than the practice of law?

Yes  No

If yes, give the details, including dates.

c) During the past five years, have you received any fees or compensation of any kind, other than for legal services rendered, from any business enterprise, institution, organization, or association of any kind?

Yes                       No

If yes, identify the source of such compensation, the nature of the business enterprise, institution, organization or association involved, and the dates such compensation was paid.

31. a) Have you ever been arrested, charged, or convicted for violation of any federal law, state law, county or municipal law, regulation, or ordinance?

Yes                       No

If yes, give details. (Do not include traffic violations for which a fine of \$200 or less was imposed unless it also included a jail sentence.)

b) Have you, to your knowledge, ever been under federal, state or local investigation for possible violation of criminal statute?

Yes                       No

If yes, give particulars.

32. a) Have you ever been sued by a client?

Yes                       No

If yes, give particulars.

b) Have you or your professional liability insurance carrier ever settled a claim against you for professional malpractice?

Yes                       No

If yes, give particulars, including the amounts involved.

33) Have you ever been charged in any civil or criminal proceedings with conduct alleged to involve moral turpitude, dishonesty or unethical conduct?

Yes                       No

If yes, give particulars.

34) Have you ever been disciplined or cited for a breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by any court, administrative agency, bar association, or other professional group?

Yes                       No

If yes, give particulars.

35) Have you filed appropriate tax returns as required by federal, state, local, and other government authorities?

Yes                       No

If no, explain.

36) Have any liens or claims ever been instituted against you by the federal, state, or local authorities?

Yes                       No

If yes, explain.

## PROFESSIONAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

37. a) List all bar associations and legal professional societies of which you are a member and give the titles and dates of any office you have held in such groups, and committees to which you belonged.
- b) List all organizations and clubs, other than the bar associations and professional societies identified in your response to Question 37a), of which you have been a member during the past ten years, including the titles and dates of any office you have held in each such organization.

## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

- 38) State any achievements or actions which you have accomplished, demonstrating your commitment to equal justice under the law.

39) State any additional education or other experiences you believe would assist you in holding judicial office.

40) State any other pertinent information reflecting positively or adversely on you which you believe should be disclosed to the district court and the selection panel in connection with your possible selection as a United States magistrate judge.

41. a) List three individuals as references who are familiar with your abilities.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

b) List three individuals as references who are familiar with your personal character.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

## CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT

This form will be kept confidential and will be examined only by members of the merit selection panel and the judges of the district court. The individuals whom you have listed as references above may be contacted by the panel, but no other employers, colleagues, or other individuals will be contacted without your prior approval.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_