## PUBLIC COMMENT AND INTERVIEW NOTICE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION

## Wednesday, May 19, 2021, 5:30 p.m.

## **Location: Virtual Public Meeting**

Pursuant to Governor Daniel J. McKee's Executive Order No. 21-40, which extended Executive Order No. 20-46, this meeting will be accessible to the public remotely in Zoom webinar format in order to minimize any possible transmission of COVID-19. Any member of the public who wishes to attend and view this video meeting with a web-enabled device, may do so as follows:

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## **PURPOSES:**

An open meeting to:

(1) Approve the Minutes of the Open Meeting of the Commission on March 22, 2021;

(2) Receive public comment about the applicants under consideration to fill the vacancy of Associate Judge of the Workers' Compensation Court created by the retirement of Associate Judge Dianne M. Connor has been scheduled for Wednesday, May 19, 2021 beginning at 5:30 p.m. To provide public comment, please e-mail <u>laura.verdecchia@lockelord.com</u> no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 17, 2021, with your name, e-mail address, telephone number and the candidate you wish to comment on and you will be provided further instruction to submit public comment during the meeting. The applicants under consideration are:

Joseph W. Baglini Lisa F. Bortolotti Hagop S. Jawharjian George J. Lazieh Jeffrey M. Liptrot Alfred A. Russo, Jr. Michael A. St. Pierre (3) Interview applicants for the current vacancy on the Workers' Compensation Court created by the retirement of Associate Judge Dianne M. Connor. Those applicants under consideration are as follows:

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(4) Vote to select those candidates whose names will be sent to the Governor for his consideration.

Commission Members may elect to go into Executive Session to consider and act upon such matters as may be considered at a meeting closed pursuant to *Rhode Island General Laws* 42-46-5(a)(1) for discussions of the job performance, character, or physical or mental health or a person or persons who have been notified in writing and advised that they may require that the discussion be held in open meeting.

**NOTE ON REPORTING ACTIONS TAKEN IN EXECUTIVE SESSION**: After the Commission votes to go into Executive Session, the Open Session Zoom meeting will temporarily close and viewers will not be able to join the Executive Session, which will be held in a separate Zoom meeting. At the conclusion of the Executive Session, which has no set duration, the Commission will reconvene in Open Session meeting for the purpose of reporting out any actions taken in Executive Session, sealing the executive session minutes and addressing any remaining agenda items. You may rejoin the Open Session by following the same instructions as noted above on this Notice that you followed to join the original Open Session portion is occurring, you will see a message that the meeting host is in another meeting. Eventually, once the Executive Session meeting concludes, the host will reconvene the Open Session meeting and you will be able to view the Commission Chair report out any actions taken in Executive Session.

Pursuant to *Rhode Island General Laws* § 42-46-6 (c) and (f), this notice will be posted on or before Monday, May 17, 2021, at the Office of the Department of Administration, the State House Library and electronically with the Secretary of State.

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