

PUBLIC COMMENT NOTICE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION

Wednesday, June 9, 2021, 5:00 p.m.

Location: Hybrid Virtual/In Person Public Meeting

Pursuant to Governor Daniel J. McKee's Executive Order No. 21-60, 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 held on June 2, 2021;
- (2) Receive public comment from Maria I. Egan and Lori Giarrusso on behalf of the following candidates under consideration to fill the vacancy of Associate Justice of the Rhode Island Superior Court created by the appointment of Associate Justice Melissa A. Long to the Rhode Island Supreme Court: Mark J. Trovato and Monica Horan, respectively.
- (3) Interview applicants for the current vacancy on the Rhode Island Superior Court created by the appointment of Associate Justice Melissa A. Long to the Rhode Island Supreme Court. Those applicants under consideration are as follows:

Maria F. Deaton
Monica Horan
The Honorable Joseph T. Houlihan
Jeanine P. McConaghy
Kelly A. McElroy
Kevin F. McHugh
Debra A. Saunders
Randolph B. Totten
Mark J. Trovato

(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 of 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 meeting. If you attempt to rejoin the Open Session Zoom meeting while the Executive 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 June 7, 2021, at the Office of the Department of Administration, the State House Library and electronically with the Secretary of State.

KRYSTLE G. TADESSE
CHAIRPERSON