

**PUBLIC COMMENT NOTICE**  
**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**  
**JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION**

**Wednesday, June 2, 2021, 5:30 p.m.**

**Location: Hybrid Virtual/In Person 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 held on May 19, 2021;
- (2) Receive public comment about the applicants under consideration to fill the vacancies of:
  - (a) Associate Justice of the Rhode Island Superior Court created by the appointment of Associate Justice Melissa A. Long to the Rhode Island Supreme Court;
  - (b) Associate Judge of the Rhode Island Family Court created by the retirement of Associate Judge Stephen J. Capineri;
  - (c) Associate Judge of the Rhode Island Family Court created by the retirement of Associate Judge Rossie Lee Harris, Jr.
  - (d) Associate Judge of the Rhode Island District Court created by the retirement of Associate Judge Madeline Quirk.

The applicants under consideration are:

Joanna M. Achille (both Family Court vacancies)  
Anthony F. Amalfetano (both Family Court vacancies and the District Court vacancy)  
Wyatt A. Brochu (District Court vacancy)  
Maria F. Deaton (Superior Court vacancy and District Court vacancy)  
Christopher E. Friel (both Family Court vacancies)  
The Honorable Alan R. Goulart (District Court vacancy)  
Monica Horan (Superior Court vacancy)  
The Honorable Joseph T. Houlihan (Superior Court vacancy)  
The Honorable Andrea Iannazzi (both Family Court vacancies)  
George J. Lazieh (District Court vacancy)  
Jeanine P. McConaghy (Superior Court vacancy and both Family Court vacancies)  
Kelly A. McElroy (Superior Court vacancy)  
Kevin F. McHugh (Superior Court vacancy)  
Amy Dodge Murray (District Court vacancy)  
Shilpa Naik (both Family Court vacancies)  
The Honorable James O'Neill (District Court vacancy)  
The Honorable Angela B. Paulhus (both Family Court vacancies)  
Susan T. Perkins (both Family Court vacancies)  
Frank R. Saccoccio (District Court vacancy)  
Debra A. Saunders (Superior Court vacancy)  
Randolph B. Totten (Superior Court vacancy)  
William J. Trezvant (District Court vacancy)  
Mark J. Trovato (Superior Court vacancy)  
Mary Eva Tudino (both Family Court vacancies)

This public comment meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 2, 2021 beginning at 5:30 p.m. To provide public comment, please e-mail [laura.verdecchia@lockelord.com](mailto:laura.verdecchia@lockelord.com) **no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 28, 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.

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 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 Friday, May 28, 2021, at the Office of the Department of Administration, the State House Library and electronically with the Secretary of State.

KRYSTLE G. TADESSE  
CHAIRPERSON