

# **RHODE ISLAND JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION**

## **PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING**

**Monday, March 22, 2021, 5:30 p.m.**

### **LOCATION: Virtual Meeting**

**TO ATTEND:** Pursuant to Governor Daniel J. McKee's Executive Order No. 21-21, which extended Executive Order No. 20-46, this meeting will not be conducted in person at the Judicial Nominating Commission. Rather, it will be conducted 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:**

- A. To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on December 7, 2020.
- B. To consider and take appropriate action to designate individuals to be interviewed for the following vacancies:
  - 1. Associate Justice – Superior Court (created by the appointment of Associate Justice Melissa A. Long to the Rhode Island Supreme Court)\*

2. Associate Justice – Family Court (created by the retirement of Stephen J. Capineri)\*
  3. Associate Justice – Family Court (created by the retirement of Rossie Lee Harris, Jr.)\*
  4. Associate Justice – District Court (created by the retirement of Madeline Quirk)\*
  5. Associate Justice – Workers’ Compensation Court (created by the retirement of Dianne M. Connor)\*
- C. To agree on dates for public comment and candidate interviews.
- D. To consider and take appropriate action relating to individuals who never uploaded any application materials after requesting a link.

\* Commission members may elect to go into executive session pursuant to *Rhode Island General Laws* §42-46-5(a)(1) (discussions of 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 at 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 Thursday, March 18, 2021 at the Office of the Department of Administration, the State House Library and electronically with the Secretary of State. Anyone wishing to participate in this meeting who may have special needs for access or services such as an interpreter, please contact Laura Jeanne Verdecchia at [laura.verdecchia@lockelord.com](mailto:laura.verdecchia@lockelord.com) or (401) 455-7611 no later than twenty-four hours in advance of the scheduled meeting.

Krystle Tadesse  
Chairperson