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Alaska Judicial Council
Application for Judicial Appointment

Position(s) for which you wish to be considered:

Anchorage Superior Court

Date: June 21, 2006

Palmer Superior Court

I. Public Information (Questions 1-24)

Personal

1. (a) State full name* Jack Wheten Smith

Name as it should appear on bar survey: Jack W. Smith

* Unless otherwise specified, this is how your name will appear on the bar survey.

(b) Have you ever used or been known by any other name? If so, please identify
n/a

2. How long have you been a resident of the State of Alaska immediately preceding the date of this application? **

12 years 0 months
Total 12 years 0 months

3. How long have you been engaged in the active practice of law immediately preceding the date of this application? **

27 years 4 months
Total 27 years 4 months

Nonlegal Education

4. State names and dates of attendance of all colleges and professional schools (other than law schools) ever attended and degrees and dates conferred. List any honors.

Idaho State University 6/67 - 8/67; U.S. Air Force Academy 6/68 - 6/72 BS 1972; University of Montana 8/73 - 10/73; University of Southern California 10/73 - 7/75 MS 1975 (4.0 GPA); Squadron Officer School, 11 weeks in 1974; Air Command and Staff College, 40 weeks in 1982; Air War College, 40 weeks in 1987.

** See AS 22.10.090; see also 1984 Inf. Op. Atty. Gen. (July 19, 366-624-84).

Legal Education

5. List all law schools, dates attended and degrees conferred. If you did not receive a degree from any law school, please indicate.

University of Idaho 8/76 - 12/79 JD 1978; University of Nevada Reno and National Judicial College 9/04 - present, pursuing Masters of Law in Judicial Studies.

6. (a) Did you receive any honors in law school or belong to any honorary societies or groups?
 Yes No If yes, please give details.

Phi Alpha Delta honor society
Graduated 11th out of 75.

- (b) Have you taken any CLE (continuing legal education) courses during the past five years?
 Yes No

Please describe or list. Please do not attach individual certificates of attendance.

Annual three day Alaska district attorneys' conference in 2002. Judicial conferences and Alaska State Bar conference CLE annually 2003 - 2006. Two-week classes from UNR/National Judicial College on General Jurisdiction (7/03); Gaming Law (06/05); and Medical Legal Issues (01/06). One-week classes from the National Judicial College on Dispute Resolution (6/04); Judicial Writing (7/04); Advanced Evidence (11/04); Scientific Evidence and

Military

7. Have you served in the armed forces (reserves or otherwise)? Yes No

If so, please provide the following information:

- (a) Dates of service: 6/72 - 8/97
(b) Branch of service: U. S. Air Force
(c) Rank at time of discharge: Colonel
(d) Type of military discharge: Honorable
(e) Awards or citations:

Legion of Merit; Meritorious Service Medal (5); Air Force Commendation Medal (2); Air Force Achievement Award.

- (f) Have you ever been refused admission to or released from any of the armed services for reasons other than honorable discharge? Yes No If so, state the details.

n/a

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Continuation 6(b):

Expert Testimony (7/05); Civil Mediation (9/05); and Decision Making (11/05). I attended a one week course on Enhancing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases from the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (10/04).

Nonlegal Employment

8. Describe major nonlegal working experience. If you had a business or association that has been discontinued, please note whether there are unpaid debts or claims pending litigation.

Manual labor through high school. Intercontinental ballistic missile launch officer
6/72 - 8/76.

Legal Experience

9. Describe chronologically your legal employment since admission to law school. Please provide dates, name of employer, name of supervisor or person who can verify employment, addresses, the reason you left the position, and a brief description of type of practice (i.e., insurance defense, criminal, appellate, general, litigation, etc.) for each position listed below.

The Council will ask for comments from your current and former employers about your employment and your judicial qualifications. You may choose to list other persons as character and professional references in response to Question 20 of this application.

If the supervisor or contact person asks (in writing) that the letter be shared with the governor, the Council will send designated letters for each nominee. The applicant should not request a copy of the letter from the reference. References or letters not solicited by the Council are considered public (with few exceptions) and will be sent to the governor for all nominees.

Current Employer: State of Alaska, Anchorage District Court
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Morgan Christen
Current address of this person: 825 West Fourth Avenue
City Anchorage State Alaska Zip 99501-2004
Dates of Employment: From Feb 2003 To present
Description: District Court Judge. Civil cases from small claims up to \$100,000 damages. Misdemeanor criminal cases. Felony arraignments and pre-indictment hearings. Domestic violence/stalking protective orders.

Previous Employers: (In chronological order, most recent first)
Employer: State of Alaska, Department of Law
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Roman Kalytiak
Current address of this person: District Attorney's Office, 11921 Palmer-Wasilla Hwy, Ste 100
City Palmer State Alaska Zip 99645
Dates of Employment: From Jan 2000 To Feb 2003
Description: Assistant DA. Criminal prosecution of felony and misdemeanor cases. Drafted charges and search warrants. Trained police.
Reason for Leaving: Selected for judicial appointment.

Employer: State of Alaska, Department of Law
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Susan Parkes (Supervisor retired)
Current address of this person: Attorney General's Office, Criminal Div, 310 K St., Ste 507
City Anchorage State Alaska Zip 99501
Dates of Employment: From Jan 1998 To Jan 2000
Description: Assistant DA in Kotzebue (single attorney office). Criminal prosecution of misdemeanor and felony cases. Prosecuted juvenile delinquency cases.
Reason for Leaving: Transfer to Palmer DA office.

Previous Employers (continued)

Employer: Self-employed.
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Self.
Current address of this person: 825 West Fourth Ave., Room 342
City Anchorage State Alaska Zip 99501
Dates of Employment: From Sep 1997 To Jan 1998
Description: Family law; torts; insurance law; labor law; legal research.
Reason for Leaving: Hired by State of Alaska as an Assistant District Attorney.

Employer: U.S. Air Force at Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Maj. Gen. Jack Rives
Current address of this person: The Judge Advocate General, HQUSAF, 1420 AF, The Pentagon
City Washington State D.C. Zip 20330-1420
Dates of Employment: From Jul 1994 To Aug 1997
Description: Staff Judge Advocate of Alaskan Command and 11th Air Force. Criminal
Reason for Leaving: Retired.

Employer: U.S. Air Force at Offutt AFB, Nebraska
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Maj. Gen. Jack Rives
Current address of this person: The Judge Advocate General, HQUSAF, 1420 AF, The Pentagon
City Washington State D.C. Zip 20330-1420
Dates of Employment: From Jun 1992 To Jul 1994
Description: Staff Judge Advocate of the 55th Wing. Criminal prosecution and appeal;
Reason for Leaving: Reassigned.

Employer: U.S. Air Force at Headquarters Strategic Air Command, Offutt AFB, Nebraska
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Maj. Gen. Jack Rives
Current address of this person: The Judge Advocate General, HQUSAF, 1420 AF, The Pentagon
City Washington State D.C. Zip 20330-1420
Dates of Employment: From Jul 1991 To Jun 1992
Description: Personnel law; ethics; general law; inspector general; drafted regulations
Reason for Leaving: Reassigned.

Employer: U.S. Air Force at K.I. Sawyer AFB, Michigan
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Maj. Gen. Jack Rives
Current address of this person: The Judge Advocate General, HQUSAF, 1420 AF, The Pentagon
City Washington State D.C. Zip 20330-1420
Dates of Employment: From Jun 1988 To Jul 1991
Description: Staff Judge Advocate of the 410th Bomb Wing. Criminal prosecution and
Reason for Leaving: Reassigned.

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Continuation:

Elmendorf AFB – appeals; environmental law; contract law; ethics; personnel and labor law.

Offutt AFB, wing level – government contracts; ethics; personnel and labor law; environmental law and tax law.

K.I. Sawyer AFB – appeal; insurance defense; environmental law; contract law; labor law and tax law.

Previous Employers (continued)

Employer: U.S. at Zweibrucken AB, Germany
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Maj. Gen. Jack Rives
Current address of this person: The Judge Advocate General, HQUSAF, 1420 AF, The Pentagon
City Washington State D.C. Zip 20330-1420
Dates of Employment: From Jul 1985 To Jun 1988
Description: Staff Judge Advocate of the 26th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing. Criminal prosecution; international law; contract law; personnel law; claims.
Reason for Leaving: Reassigned.

Employer: U.S. Air Force at Scott AFB, Illinois
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Maj. Gen. Jack Rives
Current address of this person: The Judge Advocate General, HQUSAF, 1420 AF, The Pentagon
City Washington State D.C. Zip 20330-1420
Dates of Employment: From May 1982 To Jun 1985
Description: Medical law consultant for the USAF Medical Center. Hospital law; risk
Reason for Leaving: Reassigned.

Employer: U.S. Air Force at Plattsburgh AFB, New York
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Maj. Gen. Jack Rives
Current address of this person: The Judge Advocate General, HQUSAF, 1420 AF, The Pentagon
City Washington State D.C. Zip 20330-1420
Dates of Employment: From Mar 1979 To May 1982
Description: Assistant Staff Judge Advocate for the 380th Bomb Wing. Prosecution;
Reason for Leaving: Reassigned.

Employer: U.S. Air Force
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: Maj. Gen. Jack Rives
Current address of this person: The Judge Advocate General, HQUSAF, 1420 AF, The Pentagon
City Washington State D.C. Zip 20330-1420
Dates of Employment: From Aug 1976 To Mar 1979
Description: Student at University of Idaho College of Law. AF funded legal education.
Reason for Leaving: Graduated and passed the Idaho bar.

Employer: _____
Supervisor or name of contact person who can verify employment: _____
Current address of this person: _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Dates of Employment: From _____ To _____
Description: _____
Reason for Leaving: _____

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Continuation:

Scott AFB – management; medical malpractice; contract and personnel law; consultant for fifteen AF medical facilities throughout the Midwest.

Plattsburgh AFB – claims and insurance law; environmental law; labor and personnel law and contract law.

10. For the past five years, please indicate (approximately) the following:

(a) Percent of your practice that was:

Civil	25
Criminal	75
Other	0
	<u> </u>
	= 100%

Comment: _____

(b) Percent:

State	100
Federal	0
Other	0
	<u> </u>
	= 100%

Comment: _____

(c) Of practice in state courts, percent:

Supreme Court	0
Court of Appeals	0
Superior Court	1
District Court	99
	<u> </u>
	= 100%

Comment: Bail and pre-indictment hearings; felony arraignments; trials

(d) Frequency of appearance in court:
 Regularly Occasionally Infrequently Not at All

Comment: _____

(e) Number of trials (by court or jury) you conducted in the past 5 years:
 None 1-5 6-15 16-30 31 or more

Comment: _____

(f) Percent of these trials which were: Jury 5 Non-Jury 95

Comment: _____

(g) Approximate number of appellate matters handled: 0

Comment: _____

(h) Approximate number of arbitrations or administrative hearings:
 None 1-5 6-15 16-30 31 or more

Briefly describe type of matters heard:

Settlement conferences in civil cases.

(i) Have you undertaken any *pro bono* work through a *pro bono* legal service provider (e.g. Alaska Legal Services, Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, etc.) during this period? Yes No

Describe:

n/a

11. List all the courts and administrative tribunals in the United States or elsewhere to which you are or have been admitted to practice, and the dates of admission.

US District Court for Alaska 1996
 Supreme Court of Alaska 1996
 US Court of Military Appeals 1979
 Supreme Court of Idaho 1979

Public Service

12. List bar associations, and sections and committees of which you are or have been a member or officer.

Alaska State Bar Association
 Idaho State Bar Association
 American Bar Association
 National District Attorneys Association
 American Judges Association American Judicature Society

13. List legal publications, if any (give title, subject and date of publications).

None.

14. Have you ever applied for a judgeship? Yes No

Please list dates and judgeships applied for, as well as whether you were nominated by the Judicial Council and appointed.

Judgeship	Date	Nominated By Council (Y/N)	Appointed By Governor (Y/N)
Anchorage Superior Court	5/05	Y	N
Anchorage District Court	10/02	Y	Y
Anchorage Superior Court	7/02	N	n/a
Anchorage Sup and Dist Court	10/00	N	n/a

15. Have you ever held public or political office, elective or appointive? Yes No
If so, state office, manner selected, and when and where held.

n/a

16. Please provide the Council with information that you would like the Council to consider about other legal and nonlegal organizations and clubs of which you are a member, including civic, charitable, religious, educational, social and fraternal organizations. Please indicate whether you participate in the organization's activities, or simply hold a membership. Your involvement in the community is one of the criteria the Council uses in its evaluations. The Council does not use affiliation with a particular group as a criterion except to the extent that it might raise questions of conflict of interest or would affect an applicant's ability to impartially apply the law.

Retired Officers Association - member
Air Force Association - member
Association of Graduates, US Air Force Academy - member
Anchorage Concert Association - member
Anchorage Museum Association - member
Alaska Handball Association - member
US Handball Association - member

17. Indicate (Yes or No) whether you have ever:
- (a) been arrested, charged with, pled guilty or *nolo contendere* to, or been convicted of the violation of any law or ordinance, or been requested to appear before any prosecuting or investigative agency in connection with any matter in any jurisdiction, including all traffic offenses, unless the fine was less than \$50 and there were no other sanctions?
 Yes No
 - (b) failed to answer any summons or other legal process served upon you personally at any time? Yes No
 - (c) as a member of any armed forces, been the subject of any charges which may have resulted in disciplinary action or court martial? Yes No

- (d) had any proceedings brought to have you declared a ward of any court or adjudged an incompetent? Yes No
If your answer is "yes" to any part of this question, state the facts in detail. Give the name and place of the court or agency, dates of the beginning and end of any action or proceeding, case numbers, and the judgment or other disposition.

n/a

18. (a) Has a tax lien or other collection procedure ever been instituted against you by federal, state or local authorities? Yes No
In particular, have you been the subject of any proceeding, criminal or civil, initiated against you by the Internal Revenue Service or a State Tax Office? Yes No
If so, give particulars, including case numbers.

n/a

- (b) Have you ever been sued by a client? Yes No
If so, give particulars, including case numbers.

n/a

- (c) Have you ever been a party in any other legal proceeding? Yes No
If so, give the particulars. Include all legal proceedings in which you were a party in interest, including petitioner or respondent in dissolution or divorce proceedings; a material witness; a named co-conspirator or correspondent; and subject or witness in any grand jury proceedings. Do not list proceedings in which you were sued only in a representative capacity (e.g. guardian ad litem, or as Commissioner of Natural Resources).

Witness in two post-trial hearings concerning the 1993 court-martial of an AF Master Sergeant at Offutt AFB, Nebraska. The hearings were held in March 1994 and April 1998. The Court of Military Appeals upheld the conviction and sentence.

19. State the nature and disposition of any of the following actions which apply to you:

- (a) Are there any unsatisfied judgments against you? Yes No
Have you ever defaulted in the performance of any court-imposed obligation, including payment of alimony or child support or compliance with another court order or decree?

Yes No

In each case, list the name and address of the creditor, the court which rendered the judgment, the case number, the date, the amount of the judgment, and the circumstances on which such claim was based.

Has property owned by you been either judicially or non-judicially foreclosed?

Yes No

Please state the circumstances and outcome of any such unsatisfied or default judgment, or of any foreclosure.

n/a

- (b) Have you ever made an assignment for the benefit of creditors? Yes No

Have you ever filed any petition in bankruptcy?

Yes No

If so, state the circumstances, case number, and the outcome.

n/a

References and Counsel Questionnaires*

- * **Please Note:** Letters of reference from these persons are confidential and will not be given to the applicant. If the reference asks (in writing) that the letter be shared with the governor, the Council will send designated letters and counsel questionnaires for each nominee. The applicant should not request a copy of the letter from the reference. (You **should not** list the Chief Justice of the Alaska Supreme Court.)

References or letters not solicited by the Council are considered public (with few exceptions) and will be sent to the governor for all nominees.

20. (a) List the names, addresses, **including zip codes**, and **phone numbers** of two persons whom the Judicial Council may contact who can discuss your general character and background.

Name: Sigurd Murphy
Address: 825 West Fourth Avenue, Room 342
City/State/Zip: Anchorage, AK 99501-2004 Phone: 907-264-0665

Name: Roman Kalytiak
Address: 11921 Palmer-Wasilla Hwy, Ste 100
City/State/Zip: Palmer, AK 99645 Phone: 907-745-5027

- (b) List the names, addresses, **including zip codes**, and **phone numbers** of three other persons whom the Judicial Council may contact who can discuss your professional competence and qualifications for a judicial position.

Name: Morgan Christen
Address: 825 West Fourth Avenue, Room 436
City/State/Zip: Anchorage, AK 99501-2004 Phone: 907-264-0667

Name: Greg Motyka
Address: 825 West Fourth Avenue, Room 320
City/State/Zip: Anchorage, AK 99501-2004 Phone: 907-264-0643

Name: Larry Card
Address: 222 West 7th Avenue, #9 Room 253
City/State/Zip: Anchorage, AK 99513-7567 Phone: 907-271-5071

References and Counsel Questionnaires (continued)

- (c) List the names, addresses, including zip codes, and suite numbers where applicable, and phone numbers of each attorney involved in your three most recent cases that have gone to trial. (Applicants who are currently judges should list the three most recent trials they presided over.) List only those cases which have gone to trial within the past three years. Please include the judge's name and case names and numbers. *(Attach additional pages if necessary.)*

Case Number 1

Case Name: State of Alaska **Case Number:** 3AN-S05-5781CR
v. Wilbur Patterson **Judge Name:** Jack W. Smith

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Alison Collins</u>	Name: <u>Chong Yim</u>
Address: <u>310 K St., Ste 520</u>	Address: <u>130 Trading Bay Drive, Ste 390</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Anchorage, AK 99501</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Kenai, AK 99611</u>
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

Case Number 2

Case Name: State of Alaska **Case Number:** 3AN-S05-1324CR
v. Karl Skomp **Judge Name:** Jack W. Smith

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Alison Collins</u>	Name: <u>Karen Weimer</u>
Address: <u>310 K St., Ste 520</u>	Address: <u>310 K St., Ste 200</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Anchorage, AK 99501</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Anchorage, AK 99501</u>
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

Case Number 3

Case Name: State of Alaska **Case Number:** 3AN-S04-9973CR
v. Ricky Duncan **Judge Name:** Jack W. Smith

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Andrew Peterson</u>	Name: <u>Jamie McGrady</u>
Address: <u>310 K St., Ste 520</u>	Address: <u>900 West 5th Ave., Ste 200</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Anchorage, AK 99501</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Anchorage, AK 99501</u>
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

References and Counsel Questionnaires (continued)

- (d) List the names, addresses, including zip codes, and suite numbers where applicable, and phone numbers of each attorney involved in your three most recent cases that did not go to trial but in which you did significant work. (Applicants who are currently judges should list the three most recent cases they presided over that did not go to trial but in which they did significant work.) Please include the judge's name and case names and numbers. (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

Case Number 1

Case Name: State of Alaska *Case Number:* 3AN-S05-12318CR
v. Christopher Manis *Judge Name:* Jack W. Smith

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Aaron Sperbeck</u>	Name: <u>Joanna Munson</u>
Address: <u>310 K St., Ste 520</u>	Address: <u>900 West 5th Ave., Ste 525</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Anchorage, AK 99501</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Anchorage, AK 99501</u>
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

Case Number 2

Case Name: State of Alaska *Case Number:* 3AN-S05-8075CR
v. Steven Davis *Judge Name:* Jack W. Smith

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Michal Stryszak</u>	Name: <u>D. Roy Roistacher</u>
Address: <u>310 K St., Ste 520</u>	Address: <u>3003 Minnesota Dr., Ste 301</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Anchorage, AK 99501</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Anchorage, AK 99503-3673</u>
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

Case Number 3

Case Name: Municipality of Anchorage *Case Number:* 3AN-M05-8305CR
v. Jared McChesney *Judge Name:* Jack W. Smith

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Amy Doogan</u>	Name: <u>James Gould</u>
Address: <u>632 W. 6th Ave., Ste 210</u>	Address: <u>737 M St</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Anchorage, AK 99501</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Anchorage, AK 99501</u>
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

Writing Sample

21. Attach one example of a brief, memorandum of law, or legal opinion or similar example of legal writing (10-20 pages in length; 15-25 pages for appellate positions) prepared solely by you within the last five years. Please choose a sample that reflects your ability to do legal research and analysis. If you do not have a good sample of this length, include an excerpt from a longer writing. Make sure the sample contains sufficient facts to make it understandable.

Please do not submit: (a) coauthored writing samples, (b) samples with confidential information unless redacted to remove such information, (c) longer writing samples.

22. Has any **public** sanction been imposed against you in response to a complaint, charge or grievance brought against you as an attorney or a judge? Yes No
Have formal grievance procedures been brought against you? Yes No
See Bar Rule 22(b) & (e) concerning public grievance procedures against attorneys, and AS 22.30.011(b) and .060(b)(3) concerning public grievance procedures against judges.
Have you ever been held in contempt of court? Yes No

In each case, state in detail the circumstances and the outcome.

n/a

Additional Comments (Non-Confidential)

23. Please make any additional comments that you wish to bring to the Council's attention about your experience and suitability for this judgeship.

I am a magistrate training judge for Kenai and Palmer. In 2005 I was the magistrate training judge for Dillingham.

I worked with the University of Vermont and court administration to place an extern with the district court. I was the extern's supervisor.

I worked with Natalie Finn and Judge Burbank in setting up the district court judges' half-day training for the spring 2006 judicial conference.

I am a supervisor for the district court law clerks. I was on the selection committee that interviewed and selected the law clerks for the 2005 - 2006 and 2006 - 2007 years.

I need to complete two more classes and write a thesis to complete my Masters of Law in Judicial Studies through the University of Nevada Reno and the National Judicial College.

Additional Comments (Continued)

n/a

24. Please indicate whether you prefer to be interviewed in public session or in private session. Your choice of a public or private interview has no bearing on the Council's determination of your qualifications or on the questions the Council may ask. You may change your request in writing at any time before the interview starts.

Public Interview

Private Interview

25. Please prepare a brief biographical statement (limited to 150 words) about your background, legal education, and legal experience. Your picture and a copy of this statement will be scanned and posted on the Council's website after the application deadline. In its Bar survey, the Council will invite attorneys to review the information if they wish to become more familiar with your background and experience. Use the form on the following page for your biographical statement. Please leave the box at the top empty. The Council will use this space for your scanned picture.

If you object to the posting of your picture on the Council's website, please indicate your objection below. If you object, we will not post your picture, although you still must submit twelve photographs of yourself with your application.

- If you check this box we will not post your picture on the website.

Biographical Statement

Name Jack W. Smith

Position(s) for which you wish to be considered:

Anchorage Superior Court

Palmer Superior Court

Date: June 23, 2006

Anchorage District Court Judge since February 2003. Have conducted civil and criminal jury trials.

Pursuing masters degree in judicial studies from the National Judicial College. Have completed the General Jurisdiction, Judicial Writing, Dispute Resolution, Advanced Evidence, Scientific Evidence and Testimony, Decision Making, Gaming Law, Medical Legal Issues, Civil Mediation and Enhancing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases courses.

Assistant District Attorney in Palmer for three years and in Kotzebue for two years. In Palmer also covered Cordova for one year. Prosecuted felonies and misdemeanors.

Passed the Alaska bar examination in 1996.

In the US Air Force for twenty-five years with over nineteen years as a judge advocate. Worked in government contracts; environmental law; international law; personal injury and insurance law; medical malpractice and hospital law; personnel and labor law; administrative law and criminal prosecution and appeals.

Degrees: Idaho - Law
University of Southern California - MSM
US Air Force Academy - BS

Certification and Waiver

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided on this application is true and complete; and that I am a citizen of the United States and of the State, and will be eligible to be licensed to practice law in Alaska at the time of expected appointment (Ak. Const. Art IV; § 4).

I waive any privilege of confidentiality I may have with respect to information concerning my qualifications for judicial office that the Judicial Council may desire to obtain. I specifically authorize the Council to obtain and examine my personnel files from current and past employers, including all files maintained by the Alaska Court System, and to obtain information, records and documents regarding me from any credit reporting agency, any law enforcement agency, any bar association, any occupational licensing board, any educational institution, and any disciplinary body, including specifically the Alaska Bar Association and the Alaska Judicial Conduct Commission. I further authorize these institutions, organizations, and individuals, and any other institutions, organizations and individuals to make available to the Council all confidential and non-confidential documents, records and information concerning me that the Council may request.

Jack W. Smith
Signature of Applicant

Jack W. Smith
Typed Name

6-21-06
Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of June, 2006.

Jo G. Hall
Notary Public, State of Alaska
My Commission expires: 3/16/09

Jo G. Hall, Notary Public
State of Alaska 3/16/09
My Commission Expires 10/25/2004