Alaska Judicial Council

Judicial Applicant Biographical Statement

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I grew up in Bend, Oregon, and graduated from Southern Oregon University with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration. I studied abroad at the University of London in England. While attending Thomas Jefferson School of Law, I discovered a passion for appellate law. I was president of my school's moot court team, a member of the alternative dispute resolution team, and completed internships with a private civil firm, the San Diego Public Defenders, and the California Department of Justice.

I moved to Alaska in 2013, after graduating from law school. I worked in civil practice at Bankston, Gronning, O'Hara, P.C. for three years, before going to work for the State of Alaska's Department of Law in the Office of Criminal Appeals. I have been with the Office of Criminal Appeals for eight years and am currently the Deputy Chief.

I am married and have four children.