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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR CANDIDATES FOR JUDICIAL APPOINTMENT

SECTION 1: PERSONAL

1. What are your full names and surname?
 - 1.1 Surname
 - 1.2 Full names
 - 1.3 Maiden name
 - 1.4 Gender.....
 - 1.5 Race.....

2. Office Telephone Number
Code (.....)
- E-Mail.....

3. What is your date and place of birth?
 - 3.1. Date of birth
 - 3.2 Place of birth
 - 3.3 Citizenship

4. What is your marital status? (Indicate with an ‘X’)
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Married	Single	Divorced	Widower	Widow
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4.2 Particulars of children

Number and ages of children

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5. Please furnish particulars of your tertiary education.

5.1 Qualifications

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5.2 Name of institution(s)

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5.3 Dates acquired

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6. Please furnish chronological particulars of employment since leaving school or university

Name of employer

Position held

Period

<i>Name of employer</i>	<i>Position held</i>	<i>Period</i>
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7. Please furnish chronological particulars of your membership of legal organizations – Past and Present.

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8. Please furnish particulars of your membership of any political organization – past and present

<i>Name of organisation</i>	<i>Position held</i>	<i>Period</i>
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9. Please furnish particulars of community and other organizations of which you are or have been a member in the past ten years.

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10. Are you now or have you ever been a member of a secret organization?
(Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO
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If so, please identify the organization and the dates of membership.

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11. Is there anything about the state of your health which should be disclosed to the commission? (Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO
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If so, please state.

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SECTION 2: LEGAL BACKGROUND

1. Please outline your entire career in the law giving an indication of your principal areas of legal interest and involvement.

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2. If you have any publications in the field of law please list them and identify those which you regard as most significant and state shortly why you regard them as significant.

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3. In regard to major publications indicate by whom they have been reviewed.

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4. If any of your writings have been cited in judicial decisions please identify those decisions and indicate whether the citing was with approval.

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5. If you have any publications outside the field of law please list them.

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5.1 In regard to these publications please indicate by whom they have been reviewed.

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6. **Court experience**

6.1 Do you appear in court (Indicate with an "X")

frequently	Occasionally	Not at all
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Please give details.

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6.2 What proportion of your litigation work has been in the field of :

6.2.1 Criminal law

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6.2.2 Administrative law

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6.2.3 Constitutional law

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6.2.4 Labour law

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6.2.5 Other areas of civil law (specify the general areas involved e.g. personal injury, tax, shipping, intellectual property, divorce, etc.)

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6.3 Which cases in which you have appeared (not more than ten) would you regard as being the most significant and why?

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6.4. List all the reported cases in which you appeared as instructing attorney.

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6.5 In regard to any of the said reported cases, which do you regard as having the most significance and why? (Deal with not more than ten cases)

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7. Apart from your practice as an advocate or attorney or your employment in the academic world, have you been involved in any activities having a bearing on your legal experience e.g. as an adviser to a community law centre or advice office, sitting as a commissioner in the small claims court, organising, or addressing legal conferences, etc? (Indicate with an ‘X’)

YES	NO
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If so, give full details including dates and the nature and extent of your involvement.

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8. Do you have any relevant judicial or quasi-judicial experience e.g. as chairman or a member of a commission of enquiry, or any type of disciplinary board?
(Indicate with an ‘X’)

YES	NO
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If so, please give full details of such experience including dates.

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8.1 Have you acted as a magistrate? (Indicate with an ‘X’)

YES	NO
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8.1.2 When were you appointed as such?

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8.1.3 In which district or regional division have you so acted?

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8.1.4 Please give details of your main functions and duties.

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8.1.5 If not already furnished above, please give full details of your experience as a magistrate including dates of postings.

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9. If you have sat as an acting judge:

9.1 In which division were you appointed?

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9.2 Please give the dates of your appointment.

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9.3 Did you sit in both civil and criminal courts? (Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO
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Please give details.

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9.4 Have any of your judgments been taken on appeal? (Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO
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What was the result of the appeal?

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9.5 Please list any reserved judgments still outstanding and the date(s) on which judgment was reserved.

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9.6 Are there any partly-heard matters which you should bring to the attention of the Commission?

YES	NO
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If so, please furnish particulars.

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If so, please furnish particulars, including the documents relevant to the proceedings and the outcome.

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13. Have you been subject to any complaints involving allegations of dishonesty, impropriety, breach of trust or fiduciary duties, including from an employer, voluntary or civil association?

YES	NO
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If so, please furnish particulars. including the documents relevant to the proceedings and the outcome.

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14. Please list all directorships you hold and other interests in businesses which you have held in the past ten years.

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15. What steps do you propose to take in regard to your directorships and private business interests if you are appointed to the bench?

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SECTION 4: GENERAL

16. Are there any circumstances, financial or otherwise, known to you which may cause you embarrassment in undertaking the office of a judge? (Indicate with an “X”)

YES	NO
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If so, please furnish particulars.

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17. Have you ever been convicted of any offence involving dishonesty, violence, or any other disreputable or dishonorable conduct? (Indicate with an “X”)

YES	NO
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If so, please furnish full particulars and dates.

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18. Has any legal professional body ever found you guilty of any unprofessional or disgraceful conduct or are there any disciplinary proceedings pending against you? (Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO
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If so, please furnish particulars.

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19. Is there any other relevant matter which you should bring to the attention of the commission? (Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO
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If so, please furnish particulars.

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SIGNATURE

DATE

ANNEXURE “A”
CANDIDATE’S PERSONAL DETAILS

Name and Surname	
Cell phone number:	
Residential / Postal address:	
Identity number:	
Email address:	