

Application for Certification or Recertification for Recall as a Senior Judge

As a condition of being certified for recall as a senior judge, a former judge must complete the following application before an initial assignment, and every three years thereafter, if the judge wishes to continue to serve as a senior judge. The Supreme Court may require the former judge to provide additional information. Complete applications and any supplements will be considered personnel records subject to Maryland Code, General Provision Article, § 4-311.

I am applying for:

Certification

Recertification

Effective Date: _____

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Court Assignment Prior to Retirement or Resignation: _____

I wish to serve in the following court(s). *Please check all the courts in which you are seeking recall status:*

District Court - Statewide

Circuit Court (select circuit courts below)

First Judicial Circuit

- Dorchester Somerset
 Wicomico Worcester

Second Judicial Circuit

- Caroline Cecil Kent
 Queen Anne's Talbot

Third Judicial Circuit

- Baltimore Harford

Fourth Judicial Circuit

- Allegany Garrett
 Washington

Fifth Judicial Circuit

- Anne Arundel Carroll Howard

Sixth Judicial Circuit

- Frederick Montgomery

Seventh Judicial Circuit

- Calvert Charles Prince George's
 St. Mary's

Eighth Judicial Circuit

- Baltimore City

The Appellate Court of Maryland (for mediation only)

The Appellate Court of Maryland (for all purposes)

The Supreme Court of Maryland

Questionnaire

1. *Capacity.* A judge must be able to preside in a courtroom, perhaps for hours at a time; interact with attorneys, court personnel, and members of the public; comprehend and process a substantial amount of information (which may be presented in written, digital, or oral formats); analyze and decide complex issues; and respond to situations with discretion, appropriate judgment, emotional and mental discipline, and restraint while under pressure.

A. Do you know of any reason why you might not be able to perform the duties and functions of a judge in a competent, ethical, and professional manner?

Yes No

B. If yes, please explain. (You may attach additional pages, if necessary).

2. *Conduct and Integrity.* Under the State Constitution, lawyers who serve as judges in Maryland courts are to be “most distinguished for integrity, wisdom and sound legal judgment.” Please indicate whether any of the following circumstances apply to you since your appointment as a judge (other than circumstances you disclosed in a prior application for certification):

arrested, indicted, or have been the subject of a violation of federal, state, county, or municipal law (other than a motor vehicle offense for which a fine of \$100 or less was imposed).

disciplined or received a disposition citing a violation or possible violation of the Code of Judicial Conduct for sanctionable conduct (regardless of whether the disposition would be considered discipline).

been the respondent in a protective order, peace order, or a petition seeking such an order.

been the subject of a complaint alleging sexual harassment or a complaint alleging discrimination on the basis of race, sex, gender, religion, national origin, ethnicity, disability, age, sexual orientation, marital status, or political affiliation.

failed to file federal and state tax returns and pay required taxes in a timely manner.

Maryland Constitution, Article IV, §2; Code of Judicial Conduct, Maryland Rule 18-100.1 et seq.

If any of the above circumstances applies to you, please explain. (You may attach additional pages, if necessary).

3. *Disqualifications.* Under § 1-302(c) of the Courts & Judicial Proceedings Article, a former judge may not be recalled for assignment if the judge:

- Was removed or involuntarily retired from judicial office
- Voluntarily retired by reason of disability
- Had the most recent service as a judge terminated by reason of defeat for election to judicial office or by rejection of confirmation by the Senate
- Was censured by the Supreme Court of Maryland following a matter before the Commission on Judicial Disabilities
- Is engaged in the practice of law

By my signature below, I affirm that none of the above circumstances applies to me and that I am a current resident of the State of Maryland.

I affirm that the information provided in this application is true, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Date

Signature

Application Checklist

- Complete application
- If the administrative judge in a jurisdiction for which you are seeking certification is not familiar with you, you should reach out to that administrative judge to inform them of your interest and respond to any inquiries they have. A list containing contact information for administrative judges appears on the next page.
- Send completed application to: Amanda Miller, Judicial Assistant to Chief Justice Matthew Fader, amanda.miller@mdcourts.gov

Administrative Judge Contact List

District Court

Chief Judge John P. Morrissey
john.morrissey@mdcourts.gov
(410) 260-1525

Circuit Court

First Judicial Circuit
Judge S. James Sarbanes
s.james.sarbanes@mdcourts.gov
(410) 548-4822

Second Judicial Circuit
Judge Brenda A. Sexton
brenda.sexton@mdcourts.gov
(410) 996-3132

Third Judicial Circuit
Judge Yolanda L. Curtin
yolanda.curtin@mdcourts.gov
(410) 638-4655

Fourth Judicial Circuit
Judge Brett R. Wilson*
brett.r.wilson@mdcourts.gov
(240) 313-2573

Fifth Judicial Circuit
Judge Fred S. Hecker
fred.hecker@mdcourts.gov
(410) 386-2837

Sixth Judicial Circuit
Judge Richard "Ricky" Sandy
richard.sandy@mdcourts.gov
(301) 600-6810

Seventh Judicial Circuit
Judge DaNeeka V. Cotton
DaNeeka.V.Cotton@mdcourts.gov
(301) 952-3960

Eighth Judicial Circuit
Judge Audrey J.S. Carrión
audrey.carrion@mdcourts.gov
(410) 396-5130

The Appellate Court of Maryland

Chief Judge Gregory Wells
e.greg.wells@mdcourts.gov
(410) 535-1600, ext. 2399