

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE JUDICIAL SELECTION COMMISSION

January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023

BACKGROUND:

In order to collect certain demographic information, the Judicial Selection Commission (the "Commission") offers a Voluntary Information Form with the application for judicial appointment. In August 2023, the Commission updated the Voluntary Information form to include a "Sex" category in addition to "Gender;" because of this change, the Annual Report for 2024 will include reporting information on both Sex and Gender.

The Commission explains to applicants that the Voluntary Information Form is used solely for statistical purposes, which would enable our report to reflect the most accurate information to the Judiciary Committee. Not all applicants elect to complete and submit the Voluntary Information Form.

The Judicial Selection Commission meets on a monthly basis through the calendar year to conduct interviews of candidates seeking appointment or reappointment. In 2023, the Commission did not conduct an interview meeting in May, August or November.

Over the course of the year, a total of **63** candidates were interviewed. Some candidates were interviewed for appointment to more than one court.

Total number of candidates who submitted Voluntary Information Form: **40**

Total number of candidates who did not submit Voluntary Information Form: **23**

QUALIFIED CANDIDATES FOR JUDICIAL APPOINTMENT AND ELEVATION:

As of February 1, 2024, there are:

- qualified candidates on the Superior Court List: **226**
- qualified candidates on the Appellate Court List: **50**
- qualified candidates on the Supreme Court List: **32**
- qualified candidates on the Supreme Court Chief Justice List: **1**

RESULTS FOR CANDIDATES FOR JUDICIAL APPOINTMENT:

1. Number of candidates interviewed for appointment as new nominees: **52**

Number of candidates who submitted Voluntary Information Form: **29**

Number of candidates who did not submit Voluntary Information Form: **17**

Number of candidates who submitted a partial Voluntary Information Form: **6**

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STATISTICS:

GENDER	Male	22
	Female	13
	Not Answered	17

RACE	Black	2
	Caucasian	27
	Hispanic	1
	Asian	5
	Not Answered	17

RELIGION	Catholic	10
	Christian	4
	Protestant	3
	Jewish	5
	Episcopalian	3
	Muslim	1
	Hindu	2
	Eastern Orthodox	1
	Lutheran	1
	Greek Orthodox	1
	Universalist Unitarian	1
	Not Answered	20

NATIONAL ORIGIN	American	19
	African American	1
	European	5
	Hispanic	2
	Indian	2
	Thailand	1
	Pakistani/Polish American	1
	Not Answered	21

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF THE CONNECTICUT BAR	Under 10 years	4
	10 - 14 years	6

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	15 - 20 years	7
	Over 20 years	18
	Not Answered	17

RESULTS FOR INCUMBENT JUDGES TO THE SAME COURT:

2. Number of incumbent judges interviewed for reappointment to the same court: 7

Number of incumbent judges who submitted Voluntary Information Form: 1

Number of incumbent judges who did not submit Voluntary Information Form: 5

Number of incumbent judges who submitted a partial Voluntary Information Form: 1

STATISTICS:

GENDER	Male	1
	Female	1
	Not Answered	5

RACE	Caucasian	2
	Not Answered	5

RELIGION	Catholic	1
	Episcopalian	1
	Not Answered	5

NATIONAL ORIGIN	American	1
	Not Answered	6

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF THE CONNECTICUT BAR	Over 20 years	2
	Not Answered	5

RESULTS FOR INCUMBENT JUDGES TO A DIFFERENT COURT:

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3. Number of incumbent judges interviewed for appointment to a different court: **4**
Number of incumbent judges who submitted Voluntary Information Form: **3**

Number of incumbent judges who did not submit Voluntary Information Form: **1**

STATISTICS:

GENDER	Male	3
	Not Answered	1

RACE	Caucasian	2
	Black	1
	Not Answered	1

RELIGION	Catholic	2
	Christian	1
	Not Answered	1

NATIONAL ORIGIN	American	3
	Not Answered	1

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF THE CONNECTICUT BAR	10 - 14 years	1
	Over 20 years	2
	Not Answered	1

4. Number of candidates who were recommended to the Governor as new nominees: **24**
5. Number of candidates who were denied recommendation to the Governor as new nominees: **28**

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6. Number of candidates with a decision pending: 0
7. Number of candidates who withdrew their application: 0
8. Number of incumbent judges recommended for reappointment to the same court: 7
9. Number of incumbent judges denied recommendation for reappointment to the same court: 0
10. Number of incumbent judges who withdrew their application for reappointment: 0
11. Number of incumbent judges recommended for appointment to a different court: 4
12. Number of incumbent judges denied recommendation for appointment to a different court: 0
13. Number of incumbent judges who withdrew their application for appointment to a different court: 0
14. Number of incumbent judges interviewed for appointment as Supreme Court Chief Justice: 0
15. Number of incumbent judges recommended for appointment as Supreme Court Chief Justice: 0
16. Number of incumbent judges denied recommendation for appointment as Supreme Court Chief Justice: 0

RESULTS FOR QUALIFIED CANDIDATES ON THE SUPERIOR COURT LIST:

17. Number of qualified candidates on the Superior Court List: 226

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Number of qualified candidates who submitted Voluntary Information Form: **45**

Number of qualified candidates who did not submit Voluntary Information Form: **166**

Number of qualified candidates who submitted a partial Voluntary Information Form: **15**

STATISTICS:

GENDER	Male	33
	Female	27
	Not Answered	166

RACE	Black	3
	Caucasian	52
	Latinx	3
	Asian	2
	Not Answered	166

RELIGION	Catholic	24
	Christian	5
	Protestant	3
	Jewish	7
	Eastern Orthodox	1
	Episcopalian	1
	Congregationalist	1
	Hindu	1
	Agnostic	1
	Lutheran	1
	Anglican	1
	Universalist Unitarian	1
	Atheist	1
	Not Answered	178

NATIONAL ORIGIN	American	37
	European	13
	Hispanic	2

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	Filipina	1
	Jamaican	1
	Indian	1
	Iranian	1
	Puerto Rican	1
	Not Answered	169

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF THE CONNECTICUT BAR	Under 10 years	3
	10 - 14 years	14
	15 - 20 years	6
	Over 20 years	36
	Not Answered	167

CALENDAR YEAR OF RECOMMENDATION	1993	3
	1994	4
	1996	2
	1998	1
	1999	2
	2001	4
	2002	6
	2003	2
	2004	6
	2005	3
	2006	4
	2007	6
	2008	2
	2009	5
	2010	11
	2011	8
	2012	6
	2013	8
	2014	18
	2015	11
	2016	13
	2017	17
	2018	8
	2019	16
	2020	8

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	2021	18
	2022	15
	2023	19

RESULTS FOR QUALIFIED CANDIDATES ON THE APPELLATE COURT LIST:

18. Number of qualified candidates on the Appellate Court List: **50**

Number of qualified candidates who submitted Voluntary Information Form: **10**

Number of qualified candidates who did not submit Voluntary Information Form: **35**

Number of qualified candidates who submitted a partial Voluntary Information Form: **5**

STATISTICS:

GENDER	Male	10
	Female	5
	Not Answered	35

RACE	Black	2
	Caucasian	10
	Hispanic	1
	Latinx	1
	Indian	1
	Not Answered	35

RELIGION	Catholic	4
	Christian	2
	Congregationalist	1
	Jewish	1
	Episcopalian	3
	Hindu	1
	Not Answered	38

NATIONAL ORIGIN	American	10
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	English	1
	European/Middle Eastern	1
	Indian	1
	Not Answered	37

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF THE CONNECTICUT BAR	10 - 14 years	2
	Over 20 years	13
	Not Answered	35

CALENDAR YEAR OF RECOMMENDATION	2001	1
	2002	2
	2006	1
	2007	2
	2009	1
	2010	2
	2012	3
	2013	1
	2014	2
	2015	3
	2016	5
	2017	6
	2018	5
	2019	7
	2020	3
	2022	2
	2023	4

RESULTS FOR QUALIFIED CANDIDATES ON THE SUPREME COURT LIST:

19. Number of qualified candidates on the Supreme Court List: **32**

Number of qualified candidates who submitted Voluntary Information Form: **8**

Number of qualified candidates who did not submit Voluntary Information Form: **21**

Number of qualified candidates who submitted a partial Voluntary Information Form: **3**

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	Female	6
	Not Answered	21

RACE	Caucasian	8
	Latinx	1
	Asian	1
	Indian	1
	Not Answered	21

RELIGION	Catholic	2
	Christian	1
	Congregationalist	1
	Jewish	1
	Episcopalian	2
	Methodist	1
	Hindu	1
	Unitarian	1
	Not Answered	22

NATIONAL ORIGIN	American	6
	English	2
	Indian	1
	Not Answered	23

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF THE CONNECTICUT BAR	10 - 14 years	1
	Over 20 years	10
	Not Answered	21

CALENDAR YEAR OF RECOMMENDATION	2001	1
	2007	1

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	2009	1
	2010	1
	2011	1
	2013	1
	2015	2
	2016	1
	2017	6
	2018	5
	2019	4
	2020	5
	2022	1
	2023	2

RESULTS FOR QUALIFIED CANDIDATES ON THE SUPREME COURT CHIEF JUSTICE LIST:

20. Number of qualified candidates on the Supreme Court Chief Justice List: **1**

Number of qualified candidates who submitted Voluntary Information Form: **0**

Number of qualified candidates who did not submit Voluntary Information Form: **1**

STATISTICS:

GENDER	Not Answered	1
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RACE	Not Answered	1
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RELIGION	Not Answered	1
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NATIONAL ORIGIN	Not Answered	1
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YEARS AS A MEMBER OF THE CONNECTICUT BAR	Not Answered	1
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CALENDAR YEAR OF RECOMMENDATION	2017	1
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