Last Name	First Name	MI
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How many years have you resided in Ari	zona immediately preceding this applic	ation? 18
Have you had at least five years practice experience you have.	e of law? Yes If no, describe what	equivalent legal

Arizona State Bar Number		Date of	'Admission	
026152	May 22, 2008			08
Schools Attended (preparatory, college and law)	u enema de la Referencia Referencia	Date:	s: mm/dd/yy	Degree
Barrington High School	From: 0	8/1996	Through: 06/2000	Diploma
Cornell College	From: 0	8/2000	Through: 05/2004	BA
Drake University Law School	From: 0	5/2005	Through: 12/2007	JD
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1) Indicate major and minor fields of study.
At Cornell College, I graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree. I majored in Anthropology and Art History with a minor in Women's Studies.
2) Indicate college and law school extracurricular activities.
While attending Cornell College, I was the captain of the cheerleading squad all four years. I was a member of a social group, Phi Omega (our little college's version of a sorority). I was a member of the Cornell Association for Students and Alumni (CASA), which serves as Cornell's student advancement group, and participated in several other service-based clubs. I was the recipient of two prestigious awards at graduation - the Senior Award, which recognizes outstanding contributions of a graduating senior to the college's community, and the Young Trustee Award. Post graduation, I served a three-year term on the Board of Trustees for the College. Since graduation, I've remained heavily invested in the College as the Class Agent and planned our 10, 15, and 20-year reunions.
I supported myself as a server at Chili's during all three years at Drake Law School, and therefore did not apply to any journals or participate in Moot Court. I did, however, attend the Constitutional Law Program for entering 1Ls who wanted to focus on Con Law and studied abroad at the University of Nantes (France) the summer between my 2L and 3L years, studying European Union Law. I am less involved with the University but nevertheless make an effort to attend any local events for Drake Law Alumni to maintain a connection to the university and its community.
3) Indicate all bar admissions, numbers, and dates.
State of Arizona, 026152 - Admitted May 22, 2008.
4) If you have been certified as a specialist by the Arizona State Bar, identify specialty.
I am not a certified specialist by the Arizona State Bar.

5) Explain if you have been	n denied admission to any State B	at,
I've never been denied admis	ssion to any State Bar.	
6) Current Job Title	Employer	Date(s) of Employment
Attorney/Owner	Law Office of Shannon Peters (Self)	From: Through: August 2017 - Present
7) Describe chronologicall following your graduation	ly, providing dates, your law p on from law school, specifically in	ractice and relevant experience dicating the following:
A. If you have served as a	a judge, indicate the court(s) and da	tes of service.
Judge Pro Tem, El Mirage Ci	ty Court, February 2025 to Pres	ent.
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dates.	a clerk to a judge, more are me na	me or me judge, me court, and me
I have not served as a clerk to	o a Judge.	
C. If you practiced alone.	indicate the addresses and dates.	
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D. Provide the names, addresses and dates of law firms or law offices, companies, governmental agencies, or other organizations for which you have been employed, and describe the nature of that employment.

N/A

E. Describe the types of major clients you have served and mention areas of law in which you have specialized or focused. Give details of any service you have provided in a fiduciary capacity.

Throughout my career, I have primarily represented individual clients in a wide range of criminal defense matters in municipal, justice and superior courts. I also represent private-hire clients facing a variety of charges ranging from civil traffic defense to aggravated assaults or sex crimes throughout the State of Arizona.

I commit a large percentage of my practice to indigent criminal defense. I hold a "full" (2 Courtrooms) contract with the Phoenix Municipal Court and another contract with the Scottsdale City Court (primarily domestic violence and DUI cases). I spend two full days every other week in the City of Phoenix, plus any other days scheduled for bench and jury trials. I spend Tuesday mornings and Friday mornings every week in the City of Scottsdale, plus any other days scheduled for bench for jury trials.

I spent several years working with the Tyler Allen Law Firm, which specializes in representing commercial drivers charged with various civil and criminal traffic charges. Representing clients with commercial driver's licenses takes specialized training given the adverse consequences to their driving record and potential employment implications.

Part of private-hire DUI representation includes representation before the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT/MVD) where I represent clients in administrative hearings for either admin per se suspensions or implied consent suspensions. Occasionally, I will represent an individual with a more unique license issue, such as an ignition interlock violation or challenging suspensions based upon points.

I also assist individuals applying for Fingerprint Clearance Card Good Cause Exception Applications before the Department of Public Safety, which occasionally requires an appearance before the Board of Fingerprinting on behalf of a client seeking a good cause exception.

While my work mainly centers on criminal defense, it frequently intersects with other areas of law. The intersection of criminal law and family law led me to a "niche" area handling orders of protection/injunctions against harassment. Representing both petitioners and defendants in these matters has grown to approximately 25% of my caseload/practice. I handle the cases from intake through the contested hearing and occasionally, appeal. These cases require knowledge of a distinct set of procedural rules and performance on demand - the ability to prepare for high-stakes, contested hearings on short timelines. Most cases go to hearing but some of the matters are resolved through mediation or settlement agreements. Successfully advocating for clients in these matters has sharpened my court readiness, legal adaptability, and ability to manage urgent, emotionally charged proceedings.

I am selective about the appellate work I accept, only doing orders of protection/injunctions and select criminal cases. I handle approximately 15-20 appeals per year. Most are lower court appeals, however, about 3-5 cases a year are heard before the Court of Appeals.

8) Indicate your frequency of appearances in court as a lawyer:

Describe the nature of your appearances, giving dates, court names, and the nature of the proceedings.

I am a true trial lawyer. I appear in courts across Arizona, from small city courts and justice courts to Superior Courts (Maricopa, Pinal, Pima, Yavapai, Mohave, Gila and Navajo Counties). In an average work week, I am in court daily, appearing in multiple courts per week. On average, I handle 8-10 bench trials per month and about one jury trial a month. Every other Monday and Wednesday, I am a public defender for the Phoenix Municipal Court. I've held this contract for approximately five years. On Mondays, I defend in-custody defendants. On Wednesdays, I handle out-of-custody defendants charged with various misdemeanor offenses. I am in Scottsdale City Court on Tuesdays (all day) and Friday Mornings. I've held this contract approximately six months.

Each year for the past eight years or so, I do 1-2 serious felony trials that last approximately 2-3 weeks in Superior Court. For my other superior court matters, I appear for pretrial conferences, settlement conferences, status conferences, change of plea proceedings, and sentencing hearings. In between those hearings, I investigate cases, negotiate with opposing counsel and draft motions/ pleadings.

In total, over my 17 years, I've tried well over 500 bench trials and over 50 jury trials. I've written and argued hundreds of motions and conducted evidentiary hearings and oral arguments, including motions in limine, suppression motions/hearings, Daubert Motions/hearings, Desserault motions/hearings, and Rule 20 motions. Given the length of my career and the number of appearances per week, it is difficult to quantify the number of cases I've handled. However, my most frequented courts include Maricopa County Superior Court, City of Phoenix, and City of Scottsdale.

For my orders of protection and injunctions against harassment, I am most frequently in Maricopa County Superior Court. Some of these matters are in justice courts and city courts, but often there is a family law component, making transfer to Superior Court mandatory.

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A. Indicate the percentage	of these ap	pearances	between the liste	d cour	t types.
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City Courts 60%		Administrative Boards or Commissions 5% (MVD)			issions)
B. Indicate the percentage	of your liti	igation prac	tice.		
Civil 25%	Criminal 65	riminal Traffic 5%			Administrative 5%
C. State the number of cases you tried to verdict or judgment (rather than settled), for each of the following:					
Sole Counsel 75%	Chief	Counsel 20	Insel Associate Counsel 5%		ociate Counsel 5%
D. What percentage of the	se trials wa	is:	Constant Constant		
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E. Describe not more than five significant litigated matters in which you participated and give the citations, if reported. Give a capsule summary of the substance of each matter and a succinct statement of the particular significance. Please identify the party or parties whom you represented; describe the nature of your participation in the matter; and the final disposition. Please state, as to each matter: 1) the date of the matter; 2) the name of the court and the judge before whom the matter was presented; and 3) the names and addresses of counsel for the other parties.

1)

State of Arizona vs. Nikko McLachlan - Mohave County Superior Court, 2022-00058 Judge Billy Sipe

Opposing Counsel: Kenneth Sheffield (Mr. Sheffield has since moved to the Bullhead City Attorney's Office); 928-763-0102; BHCprosecutor@bullheadcityaz.gov

I represented Mr. McLachlan who was charged with several offenses, including child abuse and murder. The case was not only difficult in subject matter (a child's death), but the evidence was highly technical and required an intensive, cooperative defense with medical experts and investigators. I secured a dismissal after the Court granted my motion to remand to the grand jury. The evidentiary hearing revealed additional avenues of investigation and evidence that was ignored by law enforcement that casted doubt on the investigation. Raising these integrity concerns not only protected my client, but ensured accountability. The case underscored the importance of a full investigation and transparency in police work. Personally, this case took a lot of courage, and my dedication to uncovering the truth changed the trajectory of Mr. McLachlan's life. This case reinforced my commitment to ensuring fairness in the process. Mr. McLachlan was not re-indicted.

2)

Lizbeth Martinez v. Nancy Zuniga, Maricopa County Superior Court, Arizona Court of Appeals, Div. 2 2 CA-CV2023-0214-FC, Concluded by Decision on 3/21/24 I represented Lizbeth Martinez (Petitioner).

Judge: Commissioner Terri Clark (Superior Court) and Division 2, Arizona Court of Appeals

Opposing Counsel: Blake Whiteman, Jennings Haug Keleher McLeod, LLP, bew@ikwlawyers.com, 602-234-7800

This case is significant as it is a published decision regarding the Court's ability to exercise personal jurisdiction over out of state defendants in Order of Protection matters when the acts of domestic violence did not occur in Arizona. This was my first oral argument before the Court of Appeals. The Court of Appeals (Div. 2) decided against my client, Ms. Martinez, and held there was no jurisdiction over Ms. Zuniga, therefore, dismissing the order of protection. Zuniga did not have sufficient contacts within the State of Arizona for Arizona Courts to exercise jurisdiction. This decision changed how Courts have traditionally viewed jurisdiction in order of protection cases. I believe this decision makes victims less safe and made it more challenging for victims of domestic violence who leave their home states to get protection from domestic violence offenders. I've been waiting for another case with similar facts to take place on appeal and potentially re-litigate this issue.

3)

State of Arizona v. Daniel Eagleburger, Phoenix Municipal Court, Case No. 5742204
Prosecutor Grant Anderson, grant.anderson@phoenix.gov, 602-262-6461, Concluded 8/14/2023 (not inclusive of STAT/SRH),

Mr. Eagleburger was charged with causing the death of esteemed Superior Court Judge Rosa Mroz by committing a civil traffic violation. Because of who the victim was - whether it was due to conflict, friendship or adoration - many of my colleagues in the Public Defender's office declined representation of Mr. Eagleburger. I stepped forward, knowing Mr. Eagleburger deserved zealous representation and out of my constitutional obligation.

The case was watched intensely by the community. At sentencing, people filled the courtroom and remote hearing breakout rooms. The atmosphere was emotionally charged. For me, it was not just about defending Mr. Eagleburger, but about standing and delivering advocacy under circumstances that tested every skill I had as an attorney. This case taught me about the commitment I have to my clients, even when it's unpopular. Representing someone who was accused of killing a beloved judge reinforced to me that justice requires courage and a commitment to the rule of law. I had to focus on professionalism under scrutiny and maintain my composure even when my own emotions were deeply stirred. I also observed the power of strong judicial demeanor in Judge Navidad, who managed the proceedings with fairness and grace. A judge must know how to honor the gravity of the loss and still safeguard the rights of the accused.

4)

State v. Jaime Marquez, CR2020-131598, CR2022-130588 (Criminal) OC: Mark Jansen, Jansenm@mcao.maricopa.gov, 602-574-6262 Marquez v. Marquez, FC2020-003797 (OOP) OC: Bryce Johnson, bryce@state48law.com, 602-649-1325 State v. Marquez (Phoenix) 5554794 & 5562003; OC: Jay Chapman, jay.chapman@phoenix.gov 602-262-6461

Representing Mr. Marquez in his various cases was not only formative in my development as a defense attorney, but also as a potential future judge. His story wasn't about a singular case or courtroom battle - it was about the tragic cycle of addiction. Mr. Marquez had several cases in multiple courts over a two year period. Each case reflected how his alcoholism was eroding his life. Despite several stays in rehab and multiple court interventions, he repeatedly relapsed, each time landing himself in further legal peril. Ultimately, his wife obtained an order of protection to protect herself and their two daughters, further complicating the legal landscape. In 2022, while some of his last cases were pending, I received a call from a Tempe Detective that Mr. Marquez died tragically in a motor vehicle accident by driving into a wall at a high rate of speed.

His death crushed me. He was the first client I lost. His cases forced me to confront the limitations of the justice system. Legal tools, like probation, counseling, or jail, can interrupt cycles of behavior temporarily, but additional intervention may be needed to heal the underlying struggle. Mr. Marquez's cases shaped me as an attorney by reaffirming that holistic representation matters. Effective lawyers not only illigate cases, but advocate for treatment over punishment and recognize that relapse can be a part of recovery. I had to coordinate strategies across his cases, while working to protect his rights in his family law case.

Mr. Marquez's cases prepared me for the bench by showing me the ripple effect of his choices and conduct. His parents were victims in one case, and they pleaded for the court to have compassion for their son, yet they needed protection from his actions. The ripples expanded to include his wife and children, who were forced to seek safety from Mr. Marquez through judicial intervention. The law can deeply impact families and sometimes the compassionate and safe decision is restricting contact with an offender or keeping them in treatment or in custody. Sometimes, despite everyone's best efforts, the system cannot save a person. As a judge, I may not be able to control outcomes, but I can ensure that each person who comes into the courtroom is treated fairly, heard fully, and given every opportunity to succeed.

5)

State of Arizona v. Kenneth Cundiff, Pinal County Superior Court, CR2012-02333 Prosecutor Matthew Long (now a criminal defense attorney) 602-795-8808 Case concluded on 8/1/2014 on State's Motion to Dismiss All Charges

Mr. Cundiff was charged with various sex crimes with minors related to accusations that he molested his daughter's friends during a sleepover at their home. Mr. Cundiff was a good man, a father, and an upstanding member of the community. He spent two years of his life in jail on this allegation with no other corroborating evidence. The case was dismissed, but not before his life was left in ruin. He lost his home and his job and had to leave Arizona to escape the stigma of even being charged with these offenses.

This case taught me how critical it is to remember that a person is innocent until proven guilty. A judge's role is safeguard that presumption and without it, innocent people can be crushed by the weight of the legal system. I was unwavering in this case - I demanded the State meet its burden with credible evidence and I fought every step of the way for the disclosure I was entitled to that eventually proved my client's innocence. Being aware of the collateral consequences of serious charges to a person's life, I would be a careful and compassionate judge, mindful of the real-world stakes of every case.

9) If you are or have been a judge, describe not more than five significant cases you have tried, or opinions you have written. For opinions, give the citations if the opinions were reported as well as citations to any appellate review of such opinions. Finally, please attach copies of the opinions, to include any appellate review of those opinions.
I have only served as a pro tem Judge with no written opinions.
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10) Have you ever been engaged in any occupation, business, or profession other than the practice of law or holding judicial office? Yes If yes, please provide details, including dates.
Throughout my legal career, I have held various jobs outside of practicing law. During my first two years of practice, I continued to work at Chili's as a server/bartender to support myself in a new state and pay my student loans. I worked weekends and some evening closing shifts. I eventually left that position in 2009.
In 2021, following the death of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, my twin sister and I founded a small Etsy shop called Ruth Sent Us. We designed and manufactured a commemorative lapel pin for lawyers who wished to honor Justice Ginsburg. We donated part of the proceeds to various legal justice organizations. The shop was successful enough for us to expand into mugs, magnets and stickers. Although it was a small venture, it has continued to operate since 2021 on Etsy.
I also operate a Poshmark shop called Admissible Fits where I sell new or gently used clothing, purses and accessories. What began as a personal passion for thrifting and consignment has grown into a small but successful online business. I occasionally host live resale auctions on WhatNot. This venture allows me to combine entrepreneurship with sustainability, reducing clothing waste and monetizing something I truly enjoy.

11) Are you now, or have you ever been an officer or director or otherwise engaged in the management of any business enterprise? Yes. If yes, give details, including the name of the enterprise, the nature of the business, the title or other description of your position, the nature of your duties, and the terms of your service.

In addition to the businesses described in #10, I sit on the Board of Trustees for Lighthouse for Hope, a non-profit organization that supports families with children battling childhood cancer or blood disorders. In March 2025, I was appointed to a two-year term on the Board with the option to renew for an additional term. We support the operations of the non-profit with contributions in time, talent and treasure. Lighthouse hosts several fundraisers a year throughout the United States. We also host a retreat annually for survivors of pediatric cancer and blood disorders. I hope to continue serving on the Board if doing so can be done without comprising my ethical obligations as a judicial officer, as I am passionate about the mission and have been involved since the inception of the organization.

12) Is it your intention to resign such position and withdraw from any participation in the management of any of such enterprises if you are appointed? Yes. If no, please explain.

If I am selected to serve as a Judge, I will fully comply with the Code of Judicial Conduct and any directives from the Court or any judicial conduct commissions regarding outside business activities. If selected to serve, I will wind down my practice or sell it and resign from my contracts as a public defender for City of Phoenix and City of Scottsdale. With respect to Admissible Fits and Ruth Sent Us, I understand that my continued involvement may be viewed as incompatible with judicial service. I am prepared to wind down the businesses and liquidate inventory or transfer operations to a third party. My primary commitment is to the bench and I will structure any and all transitions to ensure full compliance with my ethical obligations.

15) Have you ever been sued by a	cuent or a party? No.	ii yes, give	details, ir	icluding da	tes.
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14) Have you published any legal or other books or articles? No. giving the citations and dates.	If yes, please list them,
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[5] Are you in compliance with the continuing legal education require	ments annicable to you?
Yes. If yes, list the courses and dates of attendance for the l	
Please see the attached list of Continuing Legal Education.	
In addition to the CLE listed in the attached affidavits, I attended the Field Sobriety Test Training/Certification in August of 2024. I attended	
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16) Have you taught any courses on law or lectured at bar associations, conferences, law school forums, or continuing legal education seminars? Yes. If yes, please describe by providing the name of the course, the subject matter, the date and the place.
"Defending Contempt and Domestic Violence Cases." FreeCLE.org (Webcast), June 26, 2025. Presented with a fellow contract public defender on special issues related to the defense of domestic violence crimes, including objections to affidavits of service, SANE examinations, and the introduction of 911 calls into evidence.
"Intersection of Family Law and Criminal Law." Arizona State Bar Convention, Sheraton at Wild Horse Pass, Phoenix, AZ, June 23, 2025. Presented on Orders of Protection and their impact in family law and criminal cases.
"Show 'em What You're Working With: Jury Selection in DUI Cases." Arizona Attorneys for Criminal Justice (AACJ), Wyndham Westward Look Resort, Tucson, AZ, May 3, 2025. Presented on the effectiveness of Voir Dire when being authentic and maximizing credibility with the jurors and the Court. Discussed effective jury selection with preemptive strikes.
"Orders of Protection and Injunctions Against Harassment." FreeCLE.org (Webcast), June 19, 2024. Presented during the annual public defended conference on best practices when representing criminal defendants who are subject to orders of protection as well as updates on case law surrounding orders of protection and injunctions against harassment.

17) List any honors, prizes, awards, or other forms of recognition which you have received.

Super Lawyers Rising Star, 2016-2021 Super Lawyers, 2024 and 2025

18) List any public offices held and dates.

I have never held any public office.

19) List memberships and activities in professional organizations, including offices held and dates.

Arizona Attorneys for Criminal Justice (AACJ), Member, 2018 to Present. Trial Lawyer's College Alumni, 2012 to Present

Optional: List memberships and activities in civic organizations, including offices held.
N/A
20) List vocational interests and hobbies.
I am a self-proclaimed Swiftie and admire Taylor Swift' music and her ability to connect with people through storytelling. I will rarely turn down an opportunity to do karaoke (I can carry a tune). My go-to songs are anything Taylor Swift or any song from Hamilton. I am also a lyrical master, remembering the lyrics of most pop and contemporary songs for the 90s and early 2000 with awe-inspiring accuracy.
Outside of court, my family and I are involved in animal rescue. Over the past 15 years, we have fostered and rehomed approximately 25 dogs, with a soft spot for animals with medical needs or senior dogs who may otherwise be difficult to adopt out or rehome.
I am also an avid thrifter. I know almost all the hidden thrift store gems across Arizona (one of the benefits of traveling to the various courts in Arizona). I love the hunt for treasures and giving new life to old clothing and purses.
21) Has any complaint of professional misconduct ever been filed, in any jurisdiction, where
any form of disciplinary action has been taken against you? No. If yes, when and where? How was it resolved?
N/A
22) Have you ever been convicted of any misdemeanor or felony, or violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice in the United States, or any foreign country? No. If yes, when
and where? How was it resolved?
N/A

23) Phoenix City Code ("P.C.C."), Section 2-96(C)(3) provides that merit shall be the primary consideration for the Judicial Selection Advisory Board in making recommendations to the City Council for appointment to judicial office. Under P.C.C. § 2-96 (C)(3) and consistent with the Arizona Constitution (see AZ Const. Art. 6 § 37(C)), the Judicial Selection Advisory Board has the duty to consider the diversity of the City's population. Please provide any information about yourself (e.g., your heritage, background, life experiences, etc.) that you believe is relevant to this consideration.

Diversity is more than just demographics, and understanding that is critical to the success of a judge. It includes the diversity of lived experiences, unique perspectives, and resilience. My own story includes many different threads - the personal, the professional, and the deeply human - that come together to shape the person I am and the kind of Judge I hope to be.

I grew up in the Midwest, raised in a small suburb of Chicago. Values like kindness, humility, hard work, and fairness were not abstract concepts but daily expectations. Midwestern culture taught me to treat people with respect regardless of who they were, to listen before speaking, and to value honesty over all. Those lessons became a part of who I am and they still guide me in the courtroom to this day. Even when tensions run high, I approach others with warmth, steadiness, patience, and plain-spoken practicality born from my Midwestern roots.

I am also a twin - my twin sister also lives in Phoenix and she is my best friend. Growing up as a twin gave me a unique perspective on identity, empathy and individuality. Sharing so much of my life side by side with another person taught me a lot about compromise and the ability to see the perspective of others.

I am a foster and adoptive parent. Fostering means opening your home to children with medical needs, traumatic histories and difficult pasts. Parenting children who have experienced so much trauma has been humbling. My experiences have shown me there are gaps in this system that are meant to protect children, but it also taught me to have compassion for the families who enter into this system. It is terrifying and overwhelming. Our experiences in the foster system has given me a deeper sense of patience, understanding, and humanity. We adopted our boys in 2016 and they have been the greatest gift of my life. They are my greatest joy and my most important teachers.

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24) Include any further information relative to your candidacy or qualifications that you wish to transmit to the Judicial Selection Advisory Board at this time.

For almost two decades, I've dedicated my life to trial work. I've tried cases ranging from misdemeanors to complex felonies, written and argued hundreds of pretrial motions, and handled matters with complex constitutional issues, conflicts of law or emerging areas of law. This constant trial practice gives me an understanding of not only criminal procedure and the Rules of Evidence, but also the ability to manage busy dockets fairly and efficiently.

Judges must not only understand the law, but must help strengthen the legal system through their leadership and professionalism. I embody the leadership skills to succeed on the bench. Growing my law firm has been one of my proudest professional accomplishments. My employees are my partners in service. I dedicated my time to mentoring young law clerks and lawyers who now practice and enrich the Arizona legal community. Over the last two years, I've taught several CLEs, guiding others through unique and complex issues of domestic violence cases and orders of protection.

I am a well-balanced candidate and am ready to serve on the bench. Because my work has extended beyond criminal defense, I have perspective on the vulnerabilities of those seeking the court's protection. I also believe that all who enter the courtroom, whether a defendant, litigant, attorney, or witness, deserve to be treated with dignity and understanding, and be given a voice in the process. Colleagues would describe me as authentic, approachable, and steady under pressure. I strive to listen deeply. I commit to weighing arguments with patience and care. My appellate experience has prepared me to render decisions with clarity and detail. All of these qualities are essential to judicial service.

Taken together, my breadth of experience in the law, as well as my life experiences, my leadership in the courtroom and my commitment to fairness have prepared me to serve with integrity, compassion and decisiveness. I am eager to bring these qualities to the bench in the City of Phoenix and serve the people of Arizona with compassion and humility. Thank you for your consideration in reviewing my application and I look forward to discussing my qualifications in the future.