NOTICE OF JUDICIAL VACANCY

Criminal Court
30th Judicial District
Shelby County

Pursuant to the provisions of Tenn. Code Ann. §17-4-101 *et seq*., notice is hereby given that the Judicial Nominating Commission will soon meet in the 30th Judicial District to initiate the process of filling the Criminal Court vacancy created by the death of the Honorable W. Otis Higgs.

Any member of the public, both lay and attorney, shall be entitled to attend the public hearing to express, orally or in writing, such citizen's approval of or objections to any suggested nominee for the judicial vacancy.

All interested candidates should submit a completed Applicant Questionnaire, available on our website at http://www.tncourts.gov/, to the Commission for its consideration. Questionnaires should be submitted to the Administrative Office of the Courts, Suite 600, Nashville City Center, 511 Union Street, Nashville, TN 37219, by no later than **Noon CST, Monday, March 11, 2013,** however, the Commission encourages all candidates to submit applications as early as possible.

Each candidate must submit the original (unbound) and **fourteen (14) copies** (stapled or bound and printed on front and back) **as well as a digital copy** of the Applicant Questionnaire in order to have his/her name placed on the list of candidates for the judgeship vacancy for which he/she is applying. Please e-mail the digital copy to debra.hayes@tncourts.gov.

The Commission is committed to the goal of a diverse judiciary and encourages all qualified attorneys to apply for any judicial vacancy for consideration without regard to race, ethnicity or gender.

If you require an accommodation and/or have special needs because of a qualified disability, have questions, or need additional information, please contact Debra Hayes at the Administrative Office of the Courts at 615-741-2687.

This the 25th day of February, 2013.