

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGARDING PROSPECTIVE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS FOR
FEDERAL DISTRICT JUDGESHIPS AND UNITED STATES ATTORNEYS IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA**

**APPLICATION FOR CANDIDATES SEEKING CONSIDERATION FOR
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY**

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION DECEMBER 31, 2008

It is expected that the President of the United States will nominate and the United States Senate will confirm a United States Attorney for the Northern, Middle and Southern District of Alabama in 2009. The Advisory Committee Regarding Prospective Presidential Nominations for Federal District Judgeships and United States Attorneys in the State of Alabama has been selected by Congressman Artur Davis, 7th Congressional District of Alabama, to assist with recommendations he will be making to the President to fill positions in Alabama. The Advisory Committee is seeking applications from experienced litigators for the positions of United States Attorney for the Northern, Middle and Southern Districts of Alabama. The Advisory Committee will screen applicants, conduct interviews and make recommendations to Congressman Davis. You may use additional sheets of paper where necessary to complete the application below.

1. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- A. Full Name (Include any former names used.)
- B. Address: List current place of residence and office address(es).
- C. Date and place of birth.
- D. Marital Status (include maiden name of wife, or husband's name). If divorced or widowed state the name of spouse and dates of marriage.
- E. Education: List each college and law school you have attended, including dates of attendance, degrees received and dates degrees were granted.
- F. Employment Record: List (by year) all business or professional corporations, companies, firms or other enterprises, partnerships, institutions and organizations, nonprofit or otherwise, including firms, with which you were connected as an officer, director, partner, proprietor or employee since graduation from college.
- G. Military Service: Have you had any military service? If so, give particulars including the dates, branch of service, rank or rate, serial number and type of discharge received.
- H. Honors and Awards: List any scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees and honorary society memberships that you believe would be of interest to the Advisory Committee.
- I. Bar Associations: List all bar associations, legal or judicial-related committees or conference of which you are or have been a member and give the titles and dates of offices which you have held in such groups.

- J. Other Memberships: List all organizations to which you belong that are active in lobbying before public bodies. Please list all other organizations to which you belong.
 - K. Disciplinary Record: State whether you have ever been disciplined by the Alabama State Bar or any Bar in the United States. Give the details of the time the discipline occurred and action taken by the Bar.
 - L. Court Sanction or Judgment: State whether you have ever been sanctioned by a court, or had a judgment or lien entered against you. Give the details of the case, docket number, name of the parties, co-counsel, if any, opposing counsel and judge.
 - M. Allegations of Misconduct: State whether there have been allegations of misconduct filed by any party against you in any court. If so, give the details of the allegations and the case, docket number, name of the parties, co-counsel, if any, opposing counsel and judge.
 - N. Other Allegations: State whether there are other allegations of misconduct, private or public, which should be known prior to your consideration for this position.
2. **COURT ADMISSION**: List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, with dates of admission and lapses if any such membership lapsed. Please explain the reason for any lapse of membership. Give the same information for administrative bodies which require special admission to practice.
3. **PUBLISHED WRITINGS**: List all titles, publishers and dates of books, articles, reports, or other published material you have written or edited. Please supply one copy of all published material not readily available to the Advisory Committee. Also, please supply a copy of all speeches by you on issues involving criminal law or legal policy. If there were press reports about the speech, and they are readily available to you, please supply them.
4. **LEGAL CAREER**: Describe chronologically your law practice and experience after graduating from law school including:
- A. Whether you served as a clerk to a judge, and if so, the name of the judge, the court and the dates of the period you were a clerk.
 - B. Whether you practiced alone, and if so the addresses of your law practice and the dates.

- C. The dates, names and addresses of law firms or offices, companies or governmental agencies with which you have been connected and the nature of your connection with each.
- D. Detail your substantive experience to include both civil and criminal work done, as well as trial and appellate work.

5. **LITIGATION EXPERIENCE:** Describe the ten most significant litigated or prosecuted matters which you personally handled. Give the citations, if the cases were reported, the docket number and date if unreported. Give a capsule summary of the substance of each case. Identify the party or parties who you represented; describe in detail the nature of your participation in the litigation and the final disposition of the case. Include both civil and criminal cases handled. Also state as to each case:

- A. The date of representation;
- B. The name of the court and the name of the judge or judges before whom the case was litigated;
- C. The name, address and telephone number of each person serving as co-counsel and the same current information for principal counsel for each of the other parties in the case; and
- D. Why you believe that the case cited is significant, including any constitutional implications or federal law interpretation resolved by the case.

6. **LEGAL ACTIVITIES:** Describe the most significant legal activities you have pursued, including significant litigation or grand jury investigation which did not progress to trial or legal matters that did not involve litigation. Describe the nature of your participation in response to this question. State specifically why you consider these legal activities significant. Please omit any information protected by the attorney-client privilege.

7. **SIGNIFICANT LEGAL WRITING:** List your most significant legal writings including briefs before a trial or appellate court, publications, continuing legal education presentations or speeches. Explain why you believe the writings presented are significant. Include a copy of the top three most significant writings with your application to the Advisory Committee.

8. **JUDICIAL OFFICE:** State (chronologically) any judicial offices you have held, whether such position was elected or appointed, and a description of the jurisdiction of each such court.

Citations: If you are or have been a judge, provide:

(a) Citations for and a brief description of your significant constitutional opinions. Provide a summary as to the case and why you find the opinion significant.

(b) Citations for additional significant opinions (no more than ten) you have written and a summary as to the case and why you find the opinion significant. Provide a copy of each opinion listed;

(c) A short summary of and citations for all appellate opinions where your decisions were reversed or where your judgment was affirmed with splintered panel opinions on your substantive or procedural rulings.

9. **PUBLIC OFFICE:** State (chronologically) any public offices you have held, other than judicial offices, including the terms of service and whether such positions were elected or appointed. State (chronologically) any unsuccessful candidacies for elective public office.

10. **MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE:** State whether you have had management and/or administrative experience during your career. State when, where and what experience you have had that you believe is management or administrative.

11. **APPOINTMENT:** State why you believe your name and qualifications should be submitted to the President for nomination. Explain your role model for a United States Attorney. What in your view are the most important traits for a United States Attorney? What is your view of the role of the United States Attorney in pursuing prosecutions under federal law? What are the characteristics and qualifications that distinguish you as a candidate? (Limit your response to no more than five type written pages)

12. **REFERENCES:** Provide the name, address and telephone number of ten references with personal knowledge of your experience as an attorney and/or judge. Include at least five members of the Alabama State Bar among your references and include Judges in State and/or Federal Court.

Application Process and Deadline Date: All applications/resumes should be submitted and postmarked no later than **December 31, 2008**. The application must be completed

with a paper copy mailed to the address below, and scanned in “pdf” form and delivered by email to:

aladvcomm@gmail.com

Parties should request a return receipt to ensure proper electronic mail delivery. The subject of the email should be designated as ATTN: Advisory Committee.

In addition, interested parties should direct cover letters and a paper copy of the application and/or resumes and attachments required by the application to:

ATTN: Advisory Committee
c/o Daryl Perkins and LaVeeda Morgan Battle
Congressman Artur Davis
7th District of Alabama
2 20th Street North
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No telephone calls please.