

JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION
Tenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission

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APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR POLK COUNTY COURT JUDGE POSITION

The following is a list of the applicants for the position of Polk County Court Judge to fill the vacancy created by the elevation of Judge Jennifer Swenson to the Circuit Court. Names of the applicants are listed in alphabetical order.

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| 1. Victoria J. Avalon
Assistant State Attorney,
Tenth Judicial Circuit
Bartow, Florida
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89945640975 | 6. Jayde R. Coleman
Assistant Public Defender
Bartow, Florida
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82684647322 |
| 2. Harold V. Bennett, III
Assistant State Attorney & Division
Chief, Felony 4
Bartow, Florida
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87669579749 | 7. Jose I. Concepcion
Assistant State attorney
Bartow, Florida
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88993185882 |
| 3. Norda N. Swaby Boggs
Prosecutor, State Attorney's Office
Sebring, Florida
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84693059702 | 8. Robert M. Fore
Attorney
Lakeland, Florida
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84754240757 |
| 4. Savannah L. Young Cerullo
Attorney
Bartow, Florida
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86094087302 | 9. Ruth M. Knight
Assistant Public Defender
Bartow, Florida
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89450317029 |
| 5. Lee A. Cohen
Attorney
Lakeland, Florida
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87056484327 | 10. Kevin M. Kohl
Attorney
Bartow, Florida
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83463426578 |

11. Adam D. Patton
Attorney
Lakeland, Florida
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84640647577>
12. Brenda P. Ramirez
Attorney
Lakeland, Florida
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86196405620>
13. Jennifer L. Steimle
Senior Trial Court Law Clerk,
Tenth Judicial Circuit
Bartow, Florida
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83315476646>
14. John C. Waters
Attorney
Lakeland, Florida
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86710720174>
15. Tara E. Wheat
Assistant Public Defender
Bartow, Florida
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87659091654>

Interviews will be conducted by the Tenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission on October 21, 2020, via videoconference, through the Zoom application. Interviews will commence at approximately 9:00 a.m. on October 21, 2020 and will continue throughout the day.

Commission Members are: Lydia S. Zbrzezny, Krista Mahalak, Patrice F. Behnstedt, Benjamin W. Hardin, Jr., Frederick Murphy, Jr., Edward Blake Paul, Robert S. Swaine, Richard E. Straughn, and Nicholas T. Zbrzezny.

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