

Florida Bar
Judicial Candidate Voluntary Self-Disclosure Statement
Overview

Through the Judicial Candidate Voluntary Self-Disclosure Statement, The Florida Bar provides judicial candidates, both sitting judges and others, with the opportunity to provide information about themselves and their backgrounds to the public in preparation and anticipation of an election. **The Florida Bar does not attest to the accuracy of the content of the voluntary self-disclosure statements, although each candidate must execute the statement under oath, nor should the disclosures be viewed as endorsements by The Florida Bar.** The self-disclosure statement is intended to give all candidates the opportunity to share information about their history, credentials, and other relevant information, with the voting public.

The self-disclosure statement was developed to provide a means by which the public could gather information about their judicial candidates. It came to the attention of the Bar that voters felt they did not have sufficient information to make educated decisions on judicial candidates.

In the self-disclosure statement, judicial candidates can provide biographical information including education, work history, special honors or awards, community involvement, public service, and other historical data. The candidate is also allowed to provide a brief statement about why a voter should support that individual and why he or she would make a good judge.

Candidates' statements are governed by Canon 7 of the Code of Judicial Conduct. The code bars judicial candidates from making statements that appear to commit them on legal issues likely to come before them in court. The Canons also specify that a candidate may not knowingly make misleading or untruthful statements and require that each candidate execute a statement that the candidate has read and understands the obligations of the Florida Code of Judicial Conduct. Candidates who violate Canon 7 are subject to discipline.

The information collected from candidates in the voluntary self-disclosure statement will be made available to the press. The information about local candidates may also be made available to the public, provided to local bar organizations, and may be made available at courthouses, post offices, and voting stations throughout the state. The information will also be available online at The Florida Bar's Web site and can be obtained upon request to the Bar.

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VOLUNTARY SELF-DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

**PLEASE BEAR IN MIND YOUR OBLIGATIONS UNDER JUDICIAL CANON NO. 7
IN PROVIDING ANSWERS TO THIS QUESTIONNAIRE.**

**THE FLORIDA BAR DOES NOT ASSUME ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR ANSWERS NOR WILL THE BAR
MAKE EDITS TO YOUR ANSWERS TO COMPORT WITH THE CANONS. THE BAR DOES RESERVE THE
RIGHT TO REDACT OBSCENE LANGUAGE BEFORE DISSEMINATION.**

Name: Clint Davis

Date Disclosure Statement Completed: June 11, 2010

Judicial Position Sought: Circuit Judge, First Judicial Circuit, Group 3

Jurisdiction: Florida First Judicial Circuit

Jurisdiction(s) in which admitted to practice law:

Jurisdiction	Date Admitted
Florida	September 2000
U.S. District Court, Northern District of FL	December 2005

Florida Bar No. 299250

Years admitted to practice law: 9 years, 9 mos

Years in the legal profession: 10 years, 6 mos

Prior Candidacy in Judicial Election(s):

If you have run in an election for judicial office before, please list the position, court, and relevant date(s):

Court	Relevant Dates	Position
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Prior and/or Current Judicial Experience:

If you have held judicial office, please state the Courts involved, the dates of service, and the Court:

Court	Relevant Dates	Office

Number of evidentiary hearings, trials and/or oral arguments over which you have presided:

0-5 G 6-15 G 16-30 G 31-50 G 51-100 G 101-200 G 201+ G

Additional comments: _____

Please identify the number of jury trials ___ and the number of bench trials ___ over which you have presided.

Additional comments: _____

Current judges may respond to the following questions regarding legal practice only with reference to pre-judicial legal experience.

Area(s) of Practice:

Civil X Criminal X Government G Other _____

Please list the primary areas in which you have specialized or have legal expertise and allocate a percentage of your practice to each area.

Percentages are based on total career practice and are approximate: Criminal: 85% Civil: 15%

Number of evidentiary hearings, trials and/or oral arguments in which you have participated as legal counsel:

0-5 G 6-15 G 16-30 G 31-50 G 51-100 G 101-200 G 201+ X

Additional comments: This is an estimate which includes participation in hearings of all types, in both criminal and civil cases, in which evidence was presented. _____

Please identify the number of jury trials 40 and the number of bench trials 5 in which you have participated.

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Additional comments: Both figures are estimates. The number of bench trials listed includes contested divorce trial and criminal cases in which trial by jury was formally waived by the defendant.

Number of arbitration hearings in which you have participated as legal counsel or hearing officer:

0-5 X 6-15 G 16-30 G 31-50 G 51-100 G 101-200 G 201+ G

Additional comments:

Number of administrative hearings in which you have participated as legal counsel or hearing officer:

0-5 6-15 X 16-30 G 31-50 G 51-100 G 101-200 G 201+ G

Additional comments: Includes unemployment compensation hearing, DHSMV and traffic infraction hearings (hearing on request for BPO/; hearing on DL suspension resulting from DUI; traffic infraction hearings before hearing officer)

To the extent applicable, please quantify any additional alternative dispute resolution/negotiation experience:

I have participated in formal mediation, as the attorney for a party or participant in the litigation, on numerous occasions in divorce and dependency cases. Also participated in global automobile insurance settlement conference on behalf of claimants seeking damages for wrongful death, and participated in mediation on behalf of homeowners' in first party claim relating to damages to home caused by Hurricane Ivan.

Have you ever been Board Certified in any area(s) of practice, if yes please identify: No.

The Area(s) of Practice:

When you were certified in each Area of Practice:

Whether you are currently certified in those areas:

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Please provide the percentage of your practice that has involved representing plaintiffs 10% and the percentage that has involved representing defendants 90%. (Estimate)

Undergraduate Education:

Name of Institution: University of West Florida

Degree received/Major: B.A., *magna cum laude*/ Political Science/ Pre-Law

Academic awards, recognitions, honors, leadership roles and participation in academic organizations:

; Phi Kappa Phi and Golden Key Honor Societies

Law School Education:

Name of Institution: University of Florida Levin College of Law

Degree received: J.D., *with honors*

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Internships/in-school clerkships, academic awards, recognitions, honors, leadership roles and participation in academic organizations (e.g., law review, moot court, legal clinics):

Book Award Evidence and Trial Practice; Trial Competition Team

Number of hours devoted to public work while in undergraduate _____ or law school _____.

Additional Educational History (if applicable):

Name of Institution	Degree Received	Special awards, recognitions, honors, or leadership roles (if any)

Employment:

Present employer: State of Florida, Office of Public Defender Pensacola, FL

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Number of years with present employer: approximately 8 years (total).

Present position: *Major Crimes Division Chief* September 2009 - present
Felony Attorney Supervisor January 2009 - present
Assistant Public Defender May 2006 - January 2009
January 2000 - March 2004 See below

Explain relevant experience or skills gained that you will bring to the bench:

Extensive trial practice.

List All Prior Employers and Occupations, Legal or Non-legal, for the Last Ten Years:

Employer: Self-employed as Law Office of Clint Davis, P.A. Pensacola, FL

Number of years employed with this employer: March 2004 - May 2006

Position/specialty: Practice focus in family law and criminal defense, with a secondary emphasis in civil litigation.

Explain relevant experience or skills gained that you will bring to the bench:

Practice experience in a variety of legal areas.

Employer:

Number of years employed with this employer:

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Position/specialty: _____

Explain relevant experience or skills gained that you will bring to the bench:

Employer: _____

Number of years employed with this employer: _____

Position/specialty: _____

Explain relevant experience or skills gained that you will bring to the bench:

Law Organizations:

Please list legal organizations in which you have been an active member for more than two (2) years and all legal organizations in which you hold a leadership position or which required nomination to join:

Organization Name	Dates of Participation	Office Held (If applicable)

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Honors and Publications:

Please list any published articles or books that you have authored, any speeches or lectures you have given, and any honors, prizes or awards you have received:

Title	Date	Additional Information

Public Service Pro Bono, Volunteer Work or Military Service:

Please provide the dates, activities and any special accomplishments, honors or leadership roles you have played in volunteer, public or military service organizations or in providing pro bono, volunteer, public or military service:

Health:

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Do you currently suffer from or have you suffered from any of the following ailments in the last three years:

- Dependence on narcotics, drugs or intoxicating beverages
- Pathological or compulsive behavior
- Memory loss or impaired judgment

Yes No

If yes, please identify the ailment and provide full details, including the relevant dates, including dates of diagnosis, if applicable, the treatment received and any additional relevant information:

Discipline:

If you have ever been found, either involuntarily or by consent, to have committed a violation of The Florida Bar Disciplinary Rules, the Florida Rules of Judicial Administration or the Florida Code of Judicial Conduct for which the discipline imposed was one of the following: (a) public reprimand; (b) suspension; or (c) disbarment, please provide the following information: N/A

Date of charge: _____

Date of Disposition: _____

Rule(s) found to have violated: _____

Discipline imposed for rule violation(s): _____

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Date reinstated to the Bar or bench: _____

Any conditions imposed for reinstatement (*e.g.*, disgorgement, probation or public service):

If you have been found to have committed a violation of the ethical or discipline rules, please explain the circumstances surrounding your discipline:

For current or former judges:

Has the Florida Supreme Court, or a similar body in another state, ever ruled against you on a Notice of Formal Charges by the Judicial Qualifications Commission? If so, please explain the circumstances surrounding the charges and include a description of any discipline imposed:

Military Discharge:

If you served in the military and your discharge was anything other than honorable or you received a court martial, please provide that information here:

Criminal Convictions:

Have you ever been convicted or pled no contest to a crime involving dishonesty or moral turpitude? If so, provide the following information: No.

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Date of Conviction or Plea of No Contest: _____

Crime for which you were convicted or Pled No Contest: _____

Sentence: _____

Any additional conditions imposed: _____

If you have been convicted or pled no contest to a crime involving dishonesty or moral turpitude and would like to explain the circumstances surrounding your criminal conviction, you may do so here:

Personal Statement:

In 100 words or less, without discussing any particular issue which may come before you if you become a judge, explain why you believe you would be a good judge: Capable. Conservative. Committed. For more information please visit ElectClintDavis.com
