

# JEFFERSON COUNTY JUDICIAL COMMISSION

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For Immediate Release

Jefferson County, Birmingham Division, Alabama

THE JEFFERSON COUNTY JUDICIAL COMMISSION IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS TO REPLACE DISTRICT JUDGE CARNELLA GREENE NORMAN, PLACE 3.

The Jefferson County Judicial Commission is accepting nominations to replace Family Court District Judge Carnella Greene Norman who presided over Family Court cases and retired on January 20, 2018.

The deadline for submitting applications is 4:00 PM on March 20, 2018.

Applications may be obtained via the following website:

[http://birminghambar.org/?page=Judicial Commission](http://birminghambar.org/?page=Judicial_Commission) or by visiting [www.birminghambar.org](http://www.birminghambar.org) → For Attorneys → Judicial Commission.

Those interested should note that § 6.14 of Amendment 328 of the Alabama Constitution provides that: “vacancies in any judicial office shall be filled by appointment by the governor, and... shall serve an initial term lasting until the first Monday after the second Tuesday in January following the next general election held after he has completed one year in office. At such election such judicial office shall be filled for a full term of office beginning at the end of the appointed term.”

The Commission will meet to certify and announce the list of persons whose names have been submitted to the Commission for consideration at a later date.

Applications may be submitted by email to: [jeffcojudicialcommission@gmail.com](mailto:jeffcojudicialcommission@gmail.com)

- All nominations must be submitted in writing.
- Those interested in the position must agree to:
  - i) Accept if nominated and appointed;
  - ii) Execute and deliver forthwith a Waiver of Any Privilege of Confidentiality which includes any background checks and credit reports (attached) and;
  - iii) Be willing to have published that his/her name has been submitted.

Alabama law requires that Family Court judge candidates meet certain requirements:

- Must be licensed to practice law in Alabama

- Must have resided in the circuit in which the candidate seeks to serve for at least one year prior to election

- No one may be elected or appointed to a judicial office after reaching the age of 70

- Must have been licensed by the Alabama State Bar a combined total of 5 years or more, or by any other state bar association for a combined total of 5 years or more, prior to beginning a term of office or appointment to serve a vacant term of office.

After March 20, 2018, the Commission will meet to select three persons whose names will be submitted to Governor Kay Ivey. The Governor will then have 90 days to fill the vacancy.

The members of the Jefferson County Judicial Commission are:

Circuit Judge Clyde Jones, LaVeeda Battle, Esquire, Bruce F. Rogers, Esquire, Mr. Kevin Walsh and Ms. Cynthia Bonner.

To contact the Commission directly please send an email as follows:  
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