



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE APPLICATION

Please answer all the questions. If a question is not applicable indicate by "N/A." If you cannot fully answer in the space provided, please feel free to submit additional pages. Signature required; /s/ format acceptable. Submit: (1) the application, (2) curriculum vitae or resume, and (3) a legal writing sample such as a brief or memorandum to HR@rid.uscourts.gov no later than **January 31, 2026.**

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Full name: _____
2. All other names by which you have been known:

3. Office address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Cell: _____
Email: _____
4. Residential address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Cell: _____
Email: _____
5. Place of birth: _____
6. Length of residence in Rhode Island: _____
7. If you are a naturalized citizen, state the date and place of naturalization:

8. Military service: Branch: _____
Dates: _____
Rank or Rate at Discharge: _____
Type of Discharge: _____

If you are a reserve or National Guard member state the service, branch, unit, and present rank.

9. Are you related by blood or marriage to any judges of this court? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, give name(s) and relationship(s):

EDUCATION

10. List colleges and universities attended, dates, and degrees.

HONORS

11. If you have published any legal books or articles, list them, giving citations and dates.

12. List any honors, prizes, or awards you have received.

BAR ADMISSIONS

13. List all courts (including state and federal bar admissions) and administrative bodies having special admission requirements in which you are presently admitted, or have ever been admitted to practice, giving the dates of admission in each case.

Court or Administrative Body	Date of Admission

LAW PRACTICE

14. State the names, addresses, and dates for all employment you have held since graduating law school.

Organization	Position	Dates

15. Describe the general nature of your current practice including any legal specialties and character of your typical clients; also, if your practice is substantially different now than previously, give details of prior practice.

16. (a) Do you appear regularly in court or before administrative agencies? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(b) Approximately what percentage of your appearances in the last five years were in:

Federal courts	_____ %
State or local courts of record	_____ %
Administrative bodies	_____ %
Other	_____ %

(c) Summarize your courtroom experience for the past five years.

17. List the cases, if any, in federal or state court, that you have tried to conclusion during the past five years (with the case name, court, docket number, date, and presiding judge), indicating whether you were sole, associate, or lead counsel. Give citations to any reported cases.

18. State the names and contact information of five adversary counsel against whom you have litigated cases over the past five years.

1. Full name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Cell: _____
Email: _____

2. Full name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Cell: _____
Email: _____

3. Full name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Cell: _____
Email: _____

4. Full name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Cell: _____
Email: _____
Relationship: _____

5. Full name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Cell: _____
Email: _____

PRIOR JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE

19. (a) Have you ever held judicial office or been a candidate for judicial office? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list the courts involved and the dates of service or dates of candidacy:

(b) Have you had any prior quasi-judicial service? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list the following:

Name of agency: _____

Position held:

Hearings on what types of issues: _____

Number of cases adjudicated:

Dates of service:

BUSINESS INVOLVEMENT

20. If you are now an officer, director, or otherwise engaged in the management of any for-profit business enterprise, state the name of such enterprise, the nature of the business, and the nature of your duties.

21. Since being admitted to the Bar, have you ever engaged in any occupation, business, or profession other than the practice of law? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, give details, including dates:

PERSONAL CHARACTER

22. Have you ever been arrested, charged, or convicted for violating any federal law, state law, county or municipal law, regulation, or ordinance? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, give the details (do not include traffic violations for which a fine of \$200 or less was imposed unless it also included a jail sentence):

23. Have you, to your knowledge, ever been under federal, state, or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, give the details:

24. Have you ever been sued by a client? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, give the details:

25. Have you or your professional liability insurance carrier ever settled a claim against you for professional malpractice? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, give the details, including the amounts involved:

26. Have you ever been charged in any civil or criminal proceedings with conduct alleged to involve moral turpitude, dishonesty, or unethical conduct? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, give the details:

27. Have you ever been disciplined or cited for a breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by any court, administrative agency, bar association, or other professional group? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, give the details:

28. Have you ever been accused of, or settled a claim for, sexual, racial, age, or disability discrimination?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, give the details:

29. Have you timely paid and filed appropriate tax returns as required by federal, state, local, and other government authorities?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If no, please explain:

30. Have any liens or claims ever been instituted against you by federal, state, or local and other government authorities?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, give the details:

ACTIVITIES

31. (a) List all bar associations and legal professional societies of which you are a member and give the titles and dates of any office you have held in such groups and committees to which you belonged.

(b) List all nonprofits, organizations, and clubs, other than bar associations and professional societies identified above, of which you have been a member during the past ten years, including the titles and dates of any offices you have held in each such organization.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

32. State any achievements or actions you have taken that demonstrate your commitment to equal justice under the law.
33. State any other pertinent information reflecting positively or adversely on you that you believe should be disclosed to the District Court and the Merit Selection Panel in connection with your possible selection as United States Magistrate Judge.

34. Have you participated in any pro bono work within the last ten years?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please provide details:

35. Describe why you are interested in this position and identify the qualities you would bring to the job.

(Please submit as separate attachment)

36. List three individuals familiar with your professional legal abilities whom the selection panel may contact as references:

1. Full name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Cell: _____
Email: _____
Relationship: _____

2. Full name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Cell: _____
Email: _____
Relationship: _____

3. Full name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Cell: _____
Email: _____
Relationship: _____

CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT

This application and all attachments will be kept confidential and will be examined only by members of the Merit Selection Panel and the Judges and staff of the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island. The individuals whom you have listed as references above may be contacted by the Panel, but no other employers, colleagues, or other individuals will be contacted without your prior approval.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing statement and my entire application is true and correct.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____