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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Members of the Bar

FROM: Patricia Gabel, Esq., State Court Administrator

**RE:** Nomination of Attorneys for Pending Vacancies on the

**Judicial Nominating Board** 

DATE: October 10, 2018

You are hereby notified that nominations are open for three pending vacancies on the Judicial Nominating Board. The term of office is two years, commencing on February 1, 2019. The duties and responsibilities of the Board are set out at 4 V.S.A. §§ 601, 602.

The processes for nominating and electing attorneys to the Judicial Nominating Board are set out in Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 1. Nominations for each area are made by one of three methods designated in A.O. 1 § 7.

- (a) by vote of the Vermont Bar Association at its annual meeting in even numbered calendar years;
- (b) by petition signed by no less than thirty-six members of the bar residing in the state;
- (c) in the event that no nominations are received under subsections (a) or (b) of this section, the board of managers of the Vermont Bar Association is authorized to nominate attorneys for election to the judicial nominating board, subject to provisions of §§ 2, 3 and 4 of A.O. 1.

You are advised that the Vermont Bar Association at its annual business meeting held on September 28, 2018, nominated candidates for each area. The candidates, along with the county where their office is located, are as follows:

Addison, Bennington, Orange, Rutland, Windham and Windsor Counties:

Thomas C. Bixby, Esq., Rutland County Herbert G. Ogden, Esq., Rutland County David F. Silver, Esq., Bennington County Mary C. Welford, Esq., Bennington County <u>Caledonia, Chittenden, Essex, Franklin, Grand Isle, Lamoille, Orleans and Washington</u> <u>Counties:</u>

> Walter E. Judge, Esq., Chittenden County Alison Milbury Stone, Esq., Washington County Alfonso Villegas, Esq., Washington County Lisa A. Warren, Esq., Caledonia County

## State at large:

John F. Evers, Esq., Chittenden County Mark Sciarrotta, Esq. Rutland County

**Eleanor L.P. Spottswood, Esq., Chittenden County**, filed a nomination by petition on October 5, 2018, for election to the at-large seat.

Nominations by petition may be made as provided in A.O. 1 § 9. Note that any nomination by petition must be received on or before November 1, 2018. Please direct the nomination to the attention of Monica Bombard, Vermont Supreme Court, 109 State Street, Montpelier, Vermont 05609-0801.

The election will be held during the month of January 2019.