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APPLICATION
FOR THE
INDIANA SUPREME COURT

(SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
Deadline – Wednesday, June 30, 2010

I. Provide your:

A. Full legal name and any former names.

Christine Talley Haseman, formerly Christine Suzanne Talley

B. Current home and office addresses, including email addresses and telephone numbers.

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C. Date and place of birth.

I was born March 7, 1966 in Louisville, Kentucky.

D. Complete a State Police release form printed on green paper. Include the release only with the original application and not with the copies.

II. Attach a recent photograph of you to the front of the original application and to each copy of your application.

III. A. State in what county you currently reside and since what date.

I currently reside in Monroe County. I have lived here since 1997.

B. List all previous counties of residence, with dates.

Clark County, Indiana, 1996-1997;

Jefferson County, Kentucky, 1995-1996;

Monroe County, Indiana, 1966-1995; and

Jefferson County, Kentucky, 1966.

C. When were you admitted to the Indiana Bar?

I was admitted to the Indiana Bar in October, 1995.

D. Are you currently on active status? Yes.

E. What is your attorney number? My attorney number is 18911-53-A.

IV. A. List below all colleges and universities you attended other than law schools. Attach a certified transcript from each to the original application and attach copies of each transcript to each application copy. (If your social security number is on your transcripts, redact it before copying.)

<u>School</u>	<u>Dates Enrolled</u>	<u>Degree or Certificate</u>
IU Kelley School of Business Bloomington, Indiana	1989 – 1991	M.B.A.
IU Kelley School of Business Bloomington, Indiana	1985 – 1988	B.S. with High Distinction and Departmental Honors
Purdue University W. Lafayette, Indiana	1984 – 1985	Transferred to IU

B. List below all law schools and post-J.D. programs attended. Attach a certified transcript from each to the original application and attach copies of each transcript to each application copy. (If your social security number is on your transcripts, redact it before copying.)

<u>School</u>	<u>Dates Enrolled</u>	<u>Degree and Class Rank</u>
IU Maurer School of Law Bloomington, Indiana	1992 – 1995	J.D., Top 50%

C. Describe any academic honors, awards, and scholarships you received and when.

Purdue University

1. Lifetime Member, Alpha Lambda Delta Freshman Honor Society, Inducted 1985
2. Purdue University Dean's Freshman Scholar, 1984 – 1985, this one year program included a \$500 scholarship for college expenses
3. Grade Point Average qualified as "Distinguished," Spring, 1985
4. Grade Point Average qualified as "Distinguished," Fall 1984

Indiana University Kelley School of Business – Bloomington

1. Graduated with Honors and High Distinction from the IU Kelley School of Business, 1988
2. IU Kelley School of Business Honors Program -- as part of the Honors Program, I completed one year of my M.B.A. while an undergraduate student, 1986 - 1988
3. Lifetime Member, Beta Gamma Sigma National Honor Society, Inducted 1988
4. Recipient, Hal & Ruth B. Keeling Scholarship, 1987
5. Lifetime Member, Golden Key National Honour Society, Inducted 1986

Indiana University Maurer School of Law -- Bloomington

1. Graded on to the *Indiana Journal of Global Legal Studies*, 1993 - 1995
2. *Scribe Award for Excellence in Legal Writing*, 1993
3. *Dean's Honors*, First Semester, 1992 – 1993.

V. A. Provide your employment history since graduation from college, including titles or positions, locations, and dates.

1. Production Control Specialist, *General Electric*, Bloomington, IN, 1988 – 1990
2. Educational Support Personnel, *Monroe County Community Schools*, Bloomington, IN, 1991 – 1992
3. Legal Assistant, *Ferguson & Ferguson*, Bloomington, IN, 1992
4. Law Clerk, *Ferguson & Ferguson*, Bloomington, IN, 1992 – 1994
5. Summer Associate, *Stites & Harbison*, Louisville, KY, 1994
6. Associate Attorney, *Stites & Harbison*, Louisville, KY and Jeffersonville, IN, 1995 - 1997
7. Associate Attorney, *Ferguson & Ferguson*, Bloomington, IN, 1997 – 2000
8. Sole Proprietor, *Haseman Law Office*, Bloomington, IN, 2000 – 2007
9. Owen County Family Court Facilitation Project Administrator, 2002 – 2004
10. Juvenile Referee, *Lawrence Circuit Court*, Bedford, IN, 2004 - 2006
11. Judge, *Monroe Circuit Court VIII*, Bloomington, IN, 2008
12. Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, *Lawrence County Prosecutor's Office*, Bedford, IN, 2009 – Present

B. If applicable, describe the nature and extent of your practice of law, present and former, and provide the names of your partners, associates, office mates, and employers.

1. **Deputy Prosecuting Attorney:** I am currently a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in the Lawrence County Prosecutor's Office. I prosecute felony and misdemeanor cases, as well as probation violations. A significant part of my case load consists of domestic violence and battery cases. My employer is the elected Prosecutor, Michelle Woodward. The other attorneys in the office are Chief Deputy Tim Sledd and Deputy Prosecutor Kirsten Collier.

2. **Sole Practitioner:** I owned and operated my own law firm, Haseman Law Office, from January 2000 through December 2007. My practice included estate

planning and administration, guardianships, adoptions, and family law. I regularly served as a *Guardian Ad Litem* and represented the best interests of children in divorce, paternity, guardianship, Children in Need of Services, and juvenile delinquency cases. I also served as a *Guardian Ad Litem* for adults in guardianship cases. I was a sole proprietor; however, I shared office space with attorneys Daniel M. Mills, Thomas A. Berry, Michelle Berry Domer, Donald W. Francis, Jr., Joseph Ross, Deb Davis, and Jeffrey Ankrom.

3. **Associate Attorney in a Small Firm:** I was an Associate Attorney with the law firm of *Ferguson & Ferguson* from 1997 – 2000. I concentrated my practice in the areas of estate planning and administration and guardianships. I also served as *Guardian Ad Litem* for children and adults. My employer was Theodore J. Ferguson. Cynthia Williams was also an attorney in the office. The other attorneys in the building were James Ferguson, David Ferguson, Karen Howe-Fernandez, Bill Lloyd, Matthew Boulton, and J. Chris Huntington.

4. **Associate Attorney in a Large Firm:** I was an Associate Attorney with the law firm of *Stites & Harbison* from 1995 - 1997. *Stites* was the third largest law firm in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and employed over 100 attorneys at that time. The firm had law offices in Louisville, Lexington, and Frankfort, Kentucky, as well as Jeffersonville, Indiana. I worked in both the Louisville and Jeffersonville offices. I primarily practiced in the areas of estate planning and administration, but I practiced some litigation, creditor's rights, business and corporate law. Robert W. Lanum was the Managing Partner of the Indiana office when I was employed with *Stites*.

C. Describe the extent of your jury experience, if any.

I represented the State of Indiana in *State of Indiana v. Kemper D. Harris*, Cause Number 47D01-0903-FD-00176. The Defendant was convicted of three counts of Battery Resulting in Bodily Injury, "D" Felonies, Resisting Law Enforcement, "A" Misdemeanor, Criminal Mischief, "A" Misdemeanor, Disorderly Conduct, "B" Misdemeanor, and Public Intoxication, "B" Misdemeanor. This conviction was affirmed on appeal.

I represented the State of Indiana in *State of Indiana v. Joseph Nelson*, Cause Number 47D01-0911-FD-00679. The Defendant was charged with Battery Resulting in Bodily Injury, "D" Felony, Criminal Confinement, "D" Felony, and Public Intoxication, "B" Misdemeanor. The Defendant was convicted of Public Intoxication. He was acquitted of the Battery and Criminal Confinement charges that related to his actions with respect to his 15-year-old daughter.

In 1989, while an undergraduate student at IU, I served as a juror in *State of Indiana v. Robert E. Lee* in Monroe County, Indiana. The Defendant was convicted of murder and sentenced to sixty years at the Department of Corrections.

D. If applicable, describe the nature and extent of your judicial experience, including a description of your experience presiding over jury trials, if any.

1. **Indiana Supreme Court Hearing Officer:** The Indiana Supreme Court appointed me to serve as the Hearing Officer in *In the Matter of Rodney P. Sniadecki*, 71S00-0811-DI-00608. As the Hearing Officer in the case, I conducted numerous telephonic pre-trial conferences with counsel, issued rulings on pre-trial motions, guided the discovery process and conducted the evidentiary hearing. During the course of the six-day evidentiary hearing, twenty-nine witnesses testified and hundreds of pages of documents were submitted as exhibits. The trial transcript consisted of 1800 pages. The parties submitted proposed findings and conclusions and, in lieu of final argument, presented their final arguments in written briefs. I submitted a 75-page report containing detailed findings of fact to the Indiana Supreme Court on January 4, 2010. I recommended to the Supreme Court that the Respondent be disbarred.

According to the *Per Curiam* Opinion issued by the Supreme Court on April 1, 2010, the Respondent filed a petition for review in which he alleged that I “displayed a prosecutorial bias, ignored Respondent’s evidence, misunderstood the law, and made improper evidentiary rulings.” The Supreme Court wrote: “A review of the record indicates that the hearing officer was diligent and even-handed in conducting the hearing and evaluating the evidence. Her Report shows no misunderstanding of the law. Any arguable errors in evidentiary rulings are harmless in light of the overwhelming evidence of Respondent’s misconduct.” The Supreme Court disbarred the Respondent for his professional misconduct.

I was also appointed as the Hearing Officer in *In the Matter of Anna E. Fulkerson*, 02S00-0901-DI-00009. The parties reached a resolution of that disciplinary action without the need for a hearing.

2. **Monroe Circuit Court:** In November 2007, I was appointed to the Monroe Circuit Court by Governor Mitchell Daniels. I took the bench on January 1, 2008. As Judge of the Monroe Circuit Court VIII, I presided over a court of general jurisdiction, with primary responsibility for family law, protective order, and small claims cases, including a significant number of Landlord-Tenant cases. I took the bench shortly after Monroe County went live as the pilot county for the implementation of the Odyssey Case Management System and was an active participant in Odyssey’s implementation.

3. **Lawrence Circuit Court Juvenile Referee:** I served as the Juvenile Court Referee in the Lawrence Circuit Court from January 2004 through March 2006. As Juvenile Referee, I heard Juvenile Delinquency, Child In Need of Services (CHINS), Paternity cases, Title IV-D child support cases, and Protective Orders. Two decisions that I made as Referee were appealed to the Indiana Court of Appeals. Both of my decisions were affirmed on appeal.

4. **Judge Pro Tempore:** During the time that I was Referee, I also served as Judge *Pro Tempore* for the Honorable Andrea McCord in the Lawrence Circuit Court. As Judge *Pro Tempore*, I heard civil, criminal, divorce, guardianship, adult protective services, and probate matters.

I have also served as Judge *Pro Tempore* in the Owen Circuit Court, the Lawrence Superior Court I, and the Monroe Circuit Court.

VI. A. If applicable, list by caption, case number, and filing date up to five of your trial or appellate briefs and/or written judicial opinions.

1. *In the Matter of Rodney P. Sniadecki*, Cause Number 71S00-0811-DI-00608: My Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendations were filed January 4, 2010. (The parties filed proposed Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations, as well as trial briefs in lieu of closing arguments. These submissions were used in the preparation of my Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations.)

2. *In the Matter of the Paternity of K.T.P.*, Cause Number 47C01-0310-JP-00424, order dated August 22, 2005, affirmed on appeal at 848 N.E.2d 280 (Ind. Ct. App. 2006)

3. *In re: the Marriage of Monique Swaby and Justin Swaby*, Cause Number 53C08-0310-DR-00589, order dated December 30, 2008

4. *In re: the Marriage of Tara Dodds and Eric Dodds*, Cause Number 53C08-0703-DR-00153, order dated December 31, 2008

5. *In re: the Marriage of Georgia Fowler and David Alan Fowler*, Cause Number 53C08-0709-DR-00504, order dated July 23, 2008

B. If applicable, list up to five legislative drafts or court rules you have written or to which you contributed significantly. Refer to them by official citation, by date, and by subject matter. Not applicable.

C. If applicable, list up to five of your contributions to legal journals or other legal publications. Provide titles, official citations, and a brief description of the subject matter.

I have not published articles in legal journals or other legal publications. When I was in law school, however, I served as an Associate for the *Indiana Journal of Global Legal Studies* during the 1993 – 1994 school year, and served as Managing Editor during the 1994 – 1995 school year.

D. Include with your application copies of any four of the written materials listed above in Section VI. A., B., and C.

E. Describe the nature and extent of any *pro bono* legal services you have contributed.

In 2001, I served as the Recruiter for *Lawyers Recruiting Lawyers* in an effort to recruit lawyers to perform *pro bono* legal services. I submitted a plan to the Honorable Elizabeth N. Mann to recruit lawyers to commit to perform *pro bono* legal services. Surveys were sent to members of the bar in Monroe, Owen, Lawrence and Greene Counties. I contacted attorneys who did not return their *pro bono* surveys and offered to answer any questions or help them to fill out their forms. I was successful in getting more than thirty attorneys to complete and return their forms reporting their *pro bono* services and/or committing to perform *pro bono* legal work.

As discussed below, I worked with The Honorable Frances G. Hill in 2008 to develop a mediation program through the Community Justice and Mediation Center to provide mediation services at no charge to litigants in small claims matters.

As the sole attorney on the Pastor-Staff-Parish Committee at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, I am asked to review various church policies for legal compliance. I am currently serving on a sub-committee of Pastor Staff Parish to develop procedures for ensuring the safety of the children in church childcare provided during church functions.

Although not technically *pro bono* legal services because the parties were ordered to pay for the Guardian Ad Litem services that I provided, I performed a significant amount of my Guardian Ad Litem work for little or no pay. I served on many cases where the parties were ordered to pay the Guardian Ad Litem fees, but the parties had little or no resources. I believed that the children needed protected and, therefore, accepted the appointment, conducted the investigation, and represented the best interests of the children without seeking payment from the parties.

F. Identify the five most significant legal matters entrusted to you whether as a judge or lawyer, and describe why you believe them to be so.

1. *In the Matter of Rodney P. Sniadecki*, 71S00-0811-DI-00608: As discussed above, I was appointed by the Supreme Court of Indiana to serve as the Hearing Officer for this disciplinary matter. This case was one of the most high profile disciplinary cases from the Supreme Court in the last year.

On November 20, 2008, the Disciplinary Commission of the Supreme Court of Indiana filed a twenty-two page *Verified Complaint for Disciplinary Action* against Mr. Sniadecki. The Complaint set forth three separate parts, designated "Counts." Count I alleged that the Respondent failed to comply with obligations subsequent to his suspension as a lawyer. Count II alleged that the Respondent improperly engaged in a business transaction with his client. Count III alleged that the Respondent engaged in misconduct in the application of a loan and mortgage.

I conducted numerous telephonic pre-trial conferences with counsel in this matter to resolve as many issues as possible prior to trial. The contested trial was held over a period of six days, resulting in 1800 pages of trial transcript. Numerous exhibits were presented at trial, consisting of hundreds of pages of documents.

I submitted the *Hearing Officer's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendation* to the Indiana Supreme Court on January 4, 2010. I recommended that, based on his misconduct, Mr. Sniadecki should be disbarred. The Supreme Court followed that recommendation.

This case is the most significant legal matter that has been entrusted to me. The Supreme Court's oversight of attorney disciplinary matters goes to the core of our profession. It is absolutely critical that we, as attorneys, follow our Rules of Professional Conduct. When an attorney violates those Rules to the extent that the Respondent in this case violated them, it is incumbent upon the Supreme Court to take action. The Supreme Court trusted me to manage this complicated disciplinary matter. I was called upon to, and did, produce a very substantial piece of work for the Indiana Supreme Court in this particularly egregious case.

2. *In the Matter of T.V.H., CHINS, 60C01-9908-JC-00151*: I was the Guardian Ad Litem for the minor child in this CHINS proceeding. The child was found to be a CHINS as a result of neglect due to the parents' failure to supervise the child. During the course of the CHINS proceeding, numerous service providers were involved with the family. At one point in the proceedings, all of the service providers expressed concerns to the Department of Child Services (DCS) and to me, as the Guardian Ad Litem, about the child's continued safety in the home. DCS disagreed with the service providers and felt that the child was safe in the home.

Based on my investigation, including the information from service providers and my own observations, I disagreed with DCS. I filed a Petition with the trial court asking that the child be removed from the parents' home and placed in foster care until such time as the child could safely be returned to the home. After a lengthy hearing, and over the strenuous objections of DCS, the trial court removed the child from the home and placed him in foster care. Additional services were provided to the family and the child was ultimately reunited with his parents.

This case is one of the most significant legal matters that I have handled because it illustrates the importance of having an independent Guardian Ad Litem to represent the best interests of the child. The Guardian Ad Litem has a responsibility to the child, even if the Guardian Ad Litem's position regarding the best interests of the child conflicts with DCS. The Guardian Ad Litem plays a significant role in CHINS proceedings that is independent of, and, as in this case, sometimes adverse to DCS.

3. *In the Matter of the Guardianship of E.M.A., a Minor, 60C01-0407-GU-00013*: I was the Guardian Ad Litem for the minor child in this guardianship proceeding. While guardianship proceedings are public record, I am using the child's initials in this public application to protect the child's privacy. This was a contested guardianship case in which the child's maternal grandmother was the child's guardian. The child's maternal aunt and uncle filed to modify the guardianship and requested to be appointed guardians of the minor child. On the surface, it appeared that the aunt and uncle could provide the child with the time and attention that she needed and would be the most appropriate guardians.

In the course of my investigation, I was informed that the uncle had previously been fired from a contract position with Crane. Despite a signed release of information from the uncle, Crane would not release information to me regarding the uncle's dismissal. I worked with Crane's legal department and was required to submit a written request for information that complied with 32 CFR Part 725.7. My request was forwarded to Washington D.C. for approval before I was able to receive the information I was seeking. Once the approval for the release of information came through, Crane provided me with documentation that the uncle had been viewing pornography on company computers and, even more alarming for the child that I was representing, the uncle had been in a chat room with a person he thought was a 13-year-old girl. He was attempting to meet with her for sexual purposes. The person at the other end of the chat was a member of a watchdog group that turned the uncle in to his employer.

As Guardian Ad Litem, I was extremely concerned about the uncle's motives for wanting to serve as guardian for the child. The child that I represented was approximately two years younger than the 13-year-old that the uncle believed he was soliciting for sex. I immediately prepared and filed a report with the Owen Circuit Court regarding my findings, and attached a transcript of the uncle's chat with the watchdog group as an exhibit to my report. The aunt and uncle subsequently withdrew their request for guardianship.

This case is one of the most significant legal cases entrusted to me because it definitively illustrates the need for children to have independent representation in legal proceedings. On the surface, the aunt and uncle appeared to be the more appropriate guardians for the child. Had the child not had a Guardian Ad Litem to investigate the parties and the circumstances of the case, the information regarding the uncle's activities would likely not have surfaced. While the grandmother had referenced that the uncle had lost his job, none of the parties in these proceedings were pushing me to investigate the matter to the extent that I did. Since the child had independent representation in these legal proceedings, I was able to uncover information that kept the child from being placed in a home with a potentially very dangerous man.

4. In the Matter of the Adoption of K.M.G., 60C01-0206-AD-00003: I represented foster parents who were seeking to adopt a five-year-old little girl. The parental rights of the child's biological parents had been terminated and my clients had been the child's foster parents for several years. The adoption proceedings were contested by an aunt and uncle from California who asserted that the Department of Child Services should have considered them as family placement for the child when she was initially placed in foster care. The aunt and uncle wanted to adopt the child and raise her with their own children. We had a contested adoption hearing in the Owen Circuit Court involving the competing petitions for adoption.

This case is legally significant because it raised the issue of how to handle a situation where, after a child has been in foster care for a significant period of time, a party alleges that DCS failed to comply with legal requirements to place a child with family members and, instead, placed the child in non-relative foster care. This child had been in this foster home for the majority of her life and was bonded to the foster parents. I presented expert testimony at trial that the child, based on her history, was at significant risk of developing an attachment disorder, as well as other adjustment difficulties, if her placement were changed. This case involved the challenge of balancing the legal rights of each of the parties to the case, while trying to ensure that the child's mental and emotional health was not irreparably damaged. The Honorable Judge Frank M. Nardi granted my clients' petition for adoption.

5. In the Matter of B.M., CHINS, 47C01-0311-JC-00267, In the Matter of T.M., CHINS, 47C01-0311-JC-00268, and In the Matter of R.D.M., III, 47C01-0306-JC-00269: I served as the Juvenile Referee in these companion CHINS cases involving siblings living with their grandparents. The grandparents had guardianship of the three children, and had also previously adopted an older sibling. Abuse and neglect had been previously substantiated against the biological father and he had voluntarily placed the children with the grandparents. The biological mother did not have contact with the children.

There were allegations of domestic violence in the home, the grandmother suffered from health problems, and the grandfather had been laid off from work. The family had been involved in case management, therapy and psychiatric services for an extended period of time, yet there continued to be problems in the home. Prior to my involvement with the case, the children had been placed foster care. T.M. and R.D.M. were later reunified with the grandparents.

The most significant legal issue that came before me in this case was when the Department of Child Services filed a *Petition to Modify* requesting that T.M. and R.D.M. be removed from the grandparents and placed in licensed foster care. T.M. and R.D.M. were both teenagers at the time. The Guardian Ad Litem filed a report prior to the hearing on the *Petition to Modify* and recommended that the children remain with their grandparents and that the CHINS be terminated.

I conducted a lengthy hearing in which testimony and information was received from the Department of Child Services, the Guardian Ad Litem, the grandparents, the children, and several service providers. I ultimately denied DCS's request that T.M. and R.D.M. be removed from the home, finding that "while there are still problems to be addressed in the home, the risks to the children of being placed in foster care outweigh the risks to the children of remaining in the home."

This was a legally significant case in my career as it involved the need to address a situation in which the teen-age children were certainly not in a desirable home situation, however, they were bonded to their caregivers and were adamantly opposed to being removed from the home and people that they knew and loved. Most of the professionals involved in the case were recommending that the children be removed and placed into the system, with all of the unknowns and uncertainty that such a placement entails, particularly for teen-age children with challenges. As in many CHINS cases, none of the options available to me offered these children the opportunities that they deserved. In my judgment, the children's expressed need and desire to continue to be a part of the family that they had always known, despite the difficulties within the family, was a very important consideration. Had the children been younger, the outcome may have well have been different, but these children were old enough that to remove them from their home situation and place them in licensed foster care presented risks to the children that, in my opinion, were too great.

G. Provide the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of three attorneys who have been your professional adversaries in your practice or who have litigated substantial cases in your court and who would be in positions to comment on your qualifications for appointment to the Indiana Supreme Court.

Kirsten Collier
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Ms. Collier is the Juvenile and the Title IV-D Prosecutor for Lawrence County. She practiced before me in a significant number of cases when I was the Juvenile Referee. Ms. Collier is currently my co-worker in the Lawrence County Prosecutor's Office.

John Haury
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Mr. Haury was the Attorney for the Lawrence County Department of Child Services and practiced before me when I was Juvenile Referee. Mr. Haury is now opposing counsel in various criminal cases that I handle in Lawrence County, Indiana.

Earl Singleton
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Mr. Singleton appeared before me in the Monroe Circuit Court, and also supervised student interns who appeared in my court.

VII. A. Describe your efforts, achievements, or contributions (including written work, speeches, or presentations) toward the improvement of the law, the legal system, or the administration of justice.

1. **Owen County Family Court Facilitation Project Administrator:** The Owen County Family Court Project began as a joint Family Court Project with Putnam County. This Family Court Project provided (and continues to provide) alternative dispute resolution to low income and *pro se* parties in divorce, paternity, guardianship, and CHINS proceedings. Both Putnam County and Owen County utilized facilitation as an alternative dispute resolution procedure to resolve divorce, paternity, guardianship and CHINS cases. If a family was involved in more than one case in the system, the facilitation included the parties to all of the cases so that the cases could be resolved together resulting in consistent goals and consistent orders between the various legal matters. As Owen County's first administrator of its Family Court Project, I worked with the Administrator of the Putnam County Project to establish procedures and prepare forms for the administration of the program. I was involved in educating the local bar regarding the Family Court Project and its importance to our legal system for its problem solving approach to legal matters. I was responsible for conducting intakes on cases that The Honorable Frank M. Nardi referred to the Project. After the intake, I assigned the cases to private mediators for facilitation. I attended the statewide Family Court Project meetings, and compiled data and prepared the various reports required of Indiana Family Court Projects.

2. **Small Claims Mediation through the Community Justice and Mediation Center (CJAM):** The Honorable Frances G. Hill and I were responsible for the Small Claims docket while I served in the Monroe Circuit Court. I worked closely with Judge Hill to develop a no-cost mediation program for *pro se* litigants in small claims proceedings. Participation in the mediation program was on a voluntary basis and by agreement of the parties. During small claims proceedings, I educated the litigants as to the mediation process and the availability of the mediation program. When both parties

agreed to mediate their small claims disputes, I referred them to the CJAM Director and/or CJAM mediators who were available in the courtroom to arrange the mediation.

3. **Tenant Assistance Project (TAP):** While serving as Judge in the Monroe Circuit Court, I heard a significant number of Landlord-Tenant cases. The Tenant Assistance Project through Indiana University provides legal help to tenants facing eviction. As the Judge, I worked closely with Jeff Gold, Attorney and Staff Advisor to TAP, and with the law students to ensure that the tenants had the time that they needed to receive appropriate legal advice and develop a strategy to address the eviction proceedings. It was my responsibility to balance the needs of the tenant with the needs of the landlord to ensure that both parties were treated fairly. At Mr. Gold's invitation, I made an oral presentation to the law students as part of their training for the Tenant Assistance Project.

4. **Monroe County Apartment Owner's Association Training:** While serving as Monroe Circuit Court Judge, The Honorable Frances G. Hill and I developed and presented a training session on small claims procedures, specifically focusing on the legal process in Landlord-Tenant disputes. This public forum was sponsored by the Monroe County Apartment Owner's Association.

5. **Implementation of the Odyssey Case Management System in the Monroe Circuit Court:** I took the bench in the Monroe Circuit Court shortly after the Odyssey Case Management system went live in Monroe County. In his 2008 State of the Judiciary, Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard referred to the implementation of Odyssey as "the most massive venture in the history of the Indiana Court system" Chief Justice Shepard called the individuals involved in this massive undertaking "heroes." I am proud to have been a part of the implementation of this system in Monroe County. As a member of the Monroe Circuit Court bench, I participated in numerous trainings involving Odyssey, and spoke to members of the local bar and the public to educate them on the importance and the use of the Odyssey Case Management system. My staff and I worked with JTAC on a daily basis to successfully transition court records and procedures to the Odyssey system.

6. **Lawrence County Pathways to Recovery:** The Pathways to Recovery program is operated through the Lawrence Superior Court I under the direction of The Honorable Michael A. Robbins. The goal of Pathways to Recovery is to provide eligible jail inmates with the opportunity to address alcohol and drug dependency issues, as well as education and life skill deficiencies, so that they will be more successful upon their reintegration into society after release from incarceration. Participants in the program apply for admission post-conviction, and must have enough time on their sentence to complete the program. The Program has three participation phases: (1) the Jail Phase, (2) the Transition Phase, and (3) the Maintenance and After Care Phase. The Pathways to Recovery team consists of Judge Robbins; the elected Prosecutor, Michelle Woodward; the Lawrence County Sheriff; the Lawrence Superior Court I Public Defender; the Chief Probation Officer; the Pathways Program Director; the Director of

the Probation Department's substance abuse program; and myself. As a team, we review applications for the program and determine eligibility for participation. We have monthly team meetings to discuss issues that arise. We also have monthly review hearings for the Pathways participants to report on their progress and challenges each month. Participants are rewarded for positive behavior and improvements in their lives, and are held accountable for Program violations.

B. Describe your efforts, achievements, or contributions (including written work, speeches, or presentations) concerning civic, political, or social issues.

1. **The Lugar Series for Excellence in Public Service:** I am honored to be a member of the 2009 – 2010 class of the Lugar Series for Excellence in Public Service. Our class worked together to make the holiday season easier for a central Indiana family by gathering information about the family's needs and donating gifts and gift cards to the family. As a group, we prepared the gifts for delivery to the family. We also worked at a local charity to help decorate for their holiday celebration for needy children. As a member of the 20th Lugar Series class, I learned a variety of invaluable skills. The presentations, the speakers, and my classmates played a significant role in my desire to continue serving in the public sector. I look forward to putting the skills that I learned as a participant in the Series to use through my professional and personal commitments.

2. **Delegate to the 2010 Indiana Republican State Convention:** I was elected to serve as a delegate to the 2010 Indiana Republican State Convention. I was proud to represent my district at this year's State Convention.

3. **2008 Campaign to retain my seat as Monroe Circuit Court Judge:** Governor Daniels appointed me to serve as Judge of the Monroe Circuit Court for a one year term in 2008. I ran for election in 2008 to retain my seat. While I did not successfully retain my seat, I am extremely proud of the campaign that I, along with an incredible group of supporters, conducted. I received a significant amount of bi-partisan support, as demonstrated by the public support of Democrat Senior Judges Viola J. Taliaferro and Elizabeth N. Mann. My campaign also offered me the opportunity to speak to numerous groups and raise awareness regarding the significant need and the importance of legal representation for children in the court system.

C. List any memberships and offices you have held in civic or charitable organizations, including dates and descriptions of the purposes of the organizations and of your involvement.

1. **St. Mark's United Methodist Church:** I serve on the Pastor Staff Parish Committee at St. Mark's and have been on this Committee since 2009. I will serve a three-year-term. I served a prior term on the Pastor-Staff-Parish Committee approximately ten years ago. I taught Sunday School to pre-school children in 2009 – 2010. I joined St. Mark's as a member when I was approximately twelve years old.

2. **Board of Directors, Owen County Court Appointed Special Advocates:** Owen County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) was created in 2005 to train and provide volunteers to serve as CASAs to represent the best interests of children in legal proceedings. I have served on the Board since its inception in 2005.

3. **Board of Directors, Stepping Stones, Inc.:** Stepping Stones, Inc. is a non-profit organization that provides transitional housing and career skill building programs for homeless youth. I served on this Board from 2007 – 2009 and, regretfully, had to resign my position because I no longer work in Monroe County and, therefore, am unable to attend the noon board meetings.

4. **Bloomington Rotary Club Member:** Rotary is “an organization of business and professional men and women united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.” The Bloomington Rotary Club was chartered in 1918. I was proud to be a member of this Club from 2007 – 2009.

5. **Indiana Farm Bureau Member:** I participated in the Indiana Farm Bureau bi-partisan Campaign School in January 2008. The tuition for the Campaign School included a one-year membership in the Farm Bureau. The Indiana Farm Bureau advocates for farmers and, through its policies and programs, promotes agriculture and works to improve the economic and social welfare of Farm Bureau member families.

D. List any memberships and offices you have held in professional organizations, including dates and descriptions of the purposes of the organizations and of your involvement.

1. Monroe County Board of Judges, 2008
2. Bar Association Memberships:
 - Member, Indiana Bar Association, 1995 – 2004; 2005-2008
 - Member, Kentucky Bar Association, 1996 – Present
 - Member, Monroe County Bar Association, 2006 – 2008
 - Member, American Bar Association, 1995 – 1997
 - Member, Louisville Bar Association, 1995 – 1997
 - Member, Clark County Bar Association, 1996 – 1997
3. Hoosier Hills Estate Planning Council, member, 2002 – 2004
4. Southern Indiana Estate Planning Council, member, 1996 - 1997

E. List any memberships you hold in social clubs or organizations. If any restrict its membership on the basis of race, sex, religion, or national origin, please describe your efforts within the organization to eliminate restrictions.

1. **Monroe County Republican Women**, 2008 – Present. Men are invited and encouraged to join the Monroe County Republican Women as auxiliary members.

2. **AmVets Post 2000 Women's Auxiliary Club**, 2008 – Present. Membership in the Women's Auxiliary is for women who have a relative who has served in the military. While this is a women's group, individuals who have served in the military are eligible for AmVets Post 2000 membership, and men who have a relative who has served in the military are eligible for membership in the Sons of Amvets at Post 2000.

3. **Girl Scouts of America**, served as Co-Leader of Troop, 2004 – 2009

4. **Oliver Morton Society of Monroe County**, Associate Member, 2007

F. Indicate your experience teaching law, and provide the dates, names of institutions or programs, and a description of the subject matter taught.

I have not held a position teaching law.

G. Describe your hobbies and other leisure activities.

I spend the majority of my leisure time with my family. I am actively involved in my children's activities, including horseback riding, 4-H, basketball, and scouting. My daughter is a member of the United States Pony Club, and I regularly volunteer to assist with Pony Club activities. She is also involved in Monroe County 4-H and is currently practicing to show our dog in the 4-H Fair as a member of the Dog Club. Participation in Dog Club requires that a parent be present at all times. I enjoy attending Dog Club meetings with my daughter as we learn more about dog training together. For the past two years, my daughter has shown a horse at the Monroe County Fair and participated in the 4-H Horse and Pony Club. As with Dog Club, I spent a significant amount of time with my daughter working and preparing for her to show her horse. I enjoy watching my daughter's riding lessons and taking her to horse show competitions.

My nine-year-old son has recently expressed interest in classical music. I enjoy sharing this interest with him and am learning more about this type of music. At my son's request, we recently attended a concert by Menahem Pressler here in Bloomington. We also enjoy taking advantage of the many opportunities in Bloomington to see various theatrical productions.

VIII. A. Provide names, addresses, and telephone numbers of three professional references other than those listed in Section VI. G.

The Honorable Kenneth G. Todd
Presiding Judge, Monroe Circuit Court
301 N. College Avenue
Bloomington, IN 47404
Telephone: (812) 349-2615

The Honorable Andrea K. McCord
Lawrence County Circuit Court
916 15th Street
Bedford, IN 47421
Telephone: (812) 275-2421

Michelle Woodward
Lawrence County Prosecuting Attorney
918 16th Street, Suite 500
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B. Provide names, addresses, and telephone numbers of three personal references other than those listed in VI. G.

The Honorable Dena Martin
Greene County Superior Court
Post Office Box 445
Bloomfield, IN 47424-0445
Telephone: (812) 384-3492

Stephen C. Moberly
2638 Windermere Woods Drive
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Telephone: (812) 339-8619

Malcolm M. Webb
Malcolm Webb Wealth Management
205 North College Avenue, Suite 714
Bloomington, IN 47404-3957
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C. List any lawsuits or legal proceedings in any jurisdiction, including bankruptcies and dissolutions, to which you have been a party. Provide dates, case numbers, names of other parties, and, if needed, a brief explanation.

In the Matter of the Unsupervised Estate of Judith Ann Talley, 53C07-9707-EU-00164, opened July 31, 1997, closed January 12, 2001, served as Personal Representative of my mother's estate

In the Matter of the Unsupervised Estate of Edward S. Talley, 53C01-0810-EU-00189, opened October 8, 2008, serve as Personal Representative of my father's estate

In the Matter of the Guardianship of Edward S. Talley, 53C07-0407-GU-00091, opened July 20, 2004, closed August 5, 2009, served as guardian for my father

In the Matter of the Supervised Estate of James C. Talley, 80C01-0205-EU-00029, opened May 2002, closed approximately December 31, 2004. I was a beneficiary of my uncle's estate. His surviving spouse filed several legal documents contesting his estate plan. The estate was settled by agreement.

Christine T. Haseman v. Fred L. Haseman, II, 53C01-0205-DR-00280, Legal Separation proceeding, opened May 6, 2002, closed December 31, 2003

State of Indiana Ex. Rel. v. Monroe Circuit Court VIII, 53S00-0805-OR-00282; filed 5/16/08; Relators: Winger/Stolberg Homes, Inc., Winger/Stolberg Homes-Claybridge, Winger/Stolberg Group Olde Mill; Respondents: Monroe Circuit Court Judge Christine Talley Haseman, Monroe Circuit Court Clerk Jim Fielder; Indiana Attorney General. On the 95th day after hearing a Small Claims matter, the Relators filed a Praecipe to Withdraw Submission from the Trial Court. Jim Fielder, the Monroe Circuit Court Clerk, denied the Motion. The Relators filed this Original Action with the Supreme Court. After briefing by the parties, the Supreme Court, with the exception of Justice Sullivan who did not participate, unanimously denied the Writ of Mandamus due to "the equitable nature of [the] remedy, its disfavored status, and the unprecedented circumstances related to the delay in this case"

I have served as Guardian Ad Litem in numerous CHINS cases in Owen County in my professional capacity and, pursuant to I.C. 31-34-9-7, the Guardian Ad Litem is a party to the CHINS proceedings.

I have served as Personal Representative of several estates in my professional capacity.

I served as a professional Guardian in the following matters:

1. In the Matter of Irene Roembke, 60C01-0001-MI-00004
2. In the Matter of Donald Klass, 60C01-9907-MI-00033
3. In the Matter of Dorothy Maners, 60C01-0206-GU-00012

D. If you ever have been arrested or cited for any violation of the law other than for routine traffic violations, provide dates, jurisdictions, and an explanation of the event and its resolution.

I have never been arrested or cited for any violation of the law other than for routine traffic violations.

E. If you are or have been a member of the Bar of any other state, identify the jurisdiction and provide dates.

I have been a member of the Kentucky State Bar since 1996.

F. If you have been disciplined or cautioned, formally or informally, by the Indiana Supreme Court Disciplinary Commission, by the Indiana Commission on Judicial Qualifications, by the Indiana Supreme Court, or by similar entities in any other jurisdiction, identify each instance by date, case number if applicable, and describe the circumstances and the nature of the outcome or resolution.

I have not been disciplined or cautioned, either formally or informally.

G. If you have any outstanding federal, state, or local tax obligations, please itemize and explain.

I filed an extension for my 2009 federal and state income taxes. I do not have any outstanding federal, state, or local tax obligations.

IX. A. Attach a recent statement from your physician describing your general physical condition.

B. Within the past three years, have you been diagnosed or treated for an emotional or mental condition or illness, including any condition that involves treatment for drug or alcohol use? If so, provide the dates of assessment and/or treatment and the names and addresses of your doctors or other treatment providers.

C. Are you able to perform the essential functions of Justice on the Indiana Supreme Court, with or without accommodation?

I am able to perform the essential functions of Justice on the Indiana Supreme Court without accommodation.

6-29-10
DATE

Christine Talley Haseman
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

Christine Talley Haseman
PRINTED NAME

WAIVER AND STATEMENT OF CONSENT

The undersigned applicant authorizes the release to the Indiana Judicial Nominating Commission or its staff or agents any records, reports, and documents, whether or not otherwise confidential, which may be requested by the Commission in the performance of its evaluations of candidates pursuant to I.C. § 33-27-3-2. The scope of this authorization extends to, but is not necessarily limited to, requests from the Commission for Federal, State or local tax records, criminal and driving histories from any jurisdiction, attorney and judicial disciplinary records from any jurisdiction, whether pending or closed, and credit reports and histories. The undersigned releases and discharges the Judicial Nominating Commission, its individual members, its employees, agents and representatives, the Indiana State Police, the Indiana Department of Revenue, the Indiana Supreme Court Disciplinary Commission and any other agency or person or their agents or representatives providing information to the Commission from any and all liability arising from the furnishing and use of information concerning the undersigned applicant.

The undersigned agrees and understands that the Indiana Judicial Nominating Commission or its members, agents, or employees, may interview or otherwise consult with members of the legal, judicial, and general community concerning the professional qualifications and the integrity of the applicant, that the name of the applicant will be released by the Commission upon its receipt of the application and this waiver, and that if, pursuant to I.C. § 33-27-3-2(d), the applicant is given further consideration as a candidate after the Commission's initial screening of candidates, or if no such screening occurs and all applicants are considered, the application will be made public. This waiver does not constitute an election by the applicant pursuant to I.C. § 33-27-3-2(g)(3)(C) to authorize the release of investigatory records which are excepted from public inspection pursuant to I.C. § 33-27-3-2(g)(1) and (2).

The undersigned agrees to immediately supplement this application upon any event or circumstance substantially affecting any answer provided in the application.

The undersigned acknowledges having read the Instructions attached to the application.

The undersigned agrees to resign from office or membership in any political organization upon submission of this application.

The undersigned affirms that, if nominated by the Judicial Nominating Commission to the Governor and thereafter appointed to this judicial office, the candidate will accept the appointment.

6-29-10
DATE


APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

Christine Talley Haseman
PRINTED NAME