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### Judicial Nominating Commission Decorum Rules

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State and county judicial nominating commissions are required to recruit and nominate qualified individuals when there are judicial vacancies. There are guidelines in place to maintain decorum and ensure the press and public refrain from activities that may distract from the interview process.

- Questioning of the applicants is reserved for the committee
- Only enter and exit between interviews
- Any recording equipment must be set up between interviews
- No mult box is provided
- Artificial lighting shall not be used

Media/public may interview the applicants before or after the committee interview outside the interview room at the applicant's discretion. Other decorum rules may be put in place to ensure a smooth process. If available, see specific instructions for counties below. Questions should be directed to the Chief Public Information Officer at [Kathryn.Dolan@courts.in.gov](mailto:Kathryn.Dolan@courts.in.gov).

#### Allen County, September 2024

Electronic devices are not permitted in the Allen County Courthouse. To ensure compliance with Indiana's Open Door Law—IC 5-14-1.5-3(a)—which provides permission for the public to observe and record the judicial interviews—the court order on page 2 of this document will allow an exception to the rule for the purpose of attending the judicial interviews. The exception only applies to the interviews in room 107.



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IN THE ALLEN SUPERIOR COURT

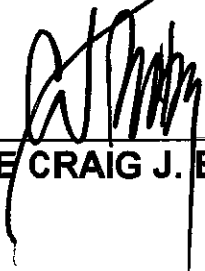
**ORDER REGARDING  
ALLEN SUPERIOR COURT JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION  
INTERVIEW ACCESS**

The undersigned Judge of the Allen Superior Court, at the request of the Honorable Indiana Supreme Court Justice Christopher M. Goff, hereby authorizes the following exception to the Security Order of the Allen County Courts as follows:

On Wednesday, September 25, 2024, the Allen Superior Court Judicial Nominating Commission will interview candidates to fill the vacancy created by the upcoming retirement of Hon. Judge David J. Avery. Pursuant to Ind. Code § 5-14-1.5-3(a), all those attending the interviews, scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. in Courtroom 107, shall have permission to bring their cell phones, cameras, and any other electronic equipment into the Allen County Courthouse, located at 715 S. Calhoun Street, Fort Wayne, Indiana. Courthouse Security Personnel are directed to escort to Courtroom 107 all persons bringing in such equipment. However, no such escort is required for the members of the Allen Superior Court Judicial Nominating Commission and all administrative staff providing support for the Commission and/or the Governor of the State of Indiana.

Courthouse Security Personnel are notified by copy of this Order.

September 12, 2024

  
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JUDGE CRAIG J. BOBAY