

San Diego Unity Bar

REQUEST FOR ENDORSEMENT FOR JUDICIAL OFFICE

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

FIRM/OFFICE NAME: _____

OFFICE ADDRESS: _____

PREFERRED TELEPHONE: _____ PREFERRED EMAIL: _____

LENGTH OF LEGAL PRACTICE: ____

ENDORSEMENT APPLICATION FOR:

- Judicial Appointment

JUDICIAL POSITION SOUGHT: _____

(U.S. District Court, U.S. Magistrate Judge, Superior Court, Court of Appeal, California Supreme Court)

JNE EVALUATION STATUS (If applicable, please check box that applies):

- Completed, if so, please list dates of interview(s): _____
 - I received comments. (Please provide all documents or communications with the JNE Commission reflecting comments and responses, if applicable.)
 - I did NOT receive comments.
- In Progress (Please provide all documents or communications with the JNE Commission reflecting comments and responses, if applicable.)
- No Past or Pending JNE Evaluation

REFERENCES (four (4) minimum preferred; please include name, title, email address, phone number. Preferred references, if applicable: supervisor, opposing counsel, judge, and/or non-lawyer, or equivalent positions)

SDUB AFFILIATED ORGANIZATION(S) OF WHICH YOU ARE A MEMBER

ENDORSEMENTS

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If endorsed by the San Diego Unity Bar, notice of endorsement and/or letter in support of application should be sent to:

- Applicant (via email)
 - Other (e.g. Governor's office, Merit Selection Panel, etc.) – Please provide contact information.
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If more space is required for any of the above responses, please attach a separate document with the appropriate heading(s).

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REQUIRED MATERIALS

To be considered for endorsement by the San Diego Unity Bar, the candidate must submit an electronic copy of the following materials to sandiegounitybar@gmail.com. SDUB will not begin its endorsement evaluation process until all requested application materials are received. Please submit:

1. A copy of this Request for Endorsement, signed and dated
2. Please provide a copy of the completed application for appointment to the bench, which includes your confirmation of submission, application identification number, and confirms the date and time of submission. **(Please note this is not the application worksheet.)** The completed application should also include the supplemental materials required to be provided with your application (your photograph and current resume, all written materials submitted in response to any of the questions, and your signed authorization, certification and release form). In addition to these documents, please provide any supplemental updates, letters of recommendation, JNE evaluations, JNE comments, and any other information provided to the governor's office and/or JNE.
3. A separate statement addressing each of the following questions:
 - a) Why are you seeking the endorsement of the San Diego Unity Bar? (500 words max)
 - b) Explain your past and current nexus to or involvement with historically marginalized/underrepresented communities. What specific work have you done personally and/or professionally to advance or benefit historically marginalized/underrepresented communities? (500 words max)
 - c) How have you advanced or how do you intend to advance the causes of equality, empowerment, and justice for historically marginalized/underrepresented communities? (500 words max)
 - d) In what ways have you been actively involved in other community activities or community service? (500 words max)
 - e) Explain how you would exercise judicial discretion (within the bounds of the law) to achieve equity and justice? (500 words max)
 - f) To the extent you are able, do you commit to having a diverse courtroom?

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By signing below, the undersigned applicant for judicial endorsement acknowledges and agrees to each of the following:

- a. The applicant agrees to give to SDUB a copy of any and all communications he or she receives from the JNE Commission, including but not limited to all written comments received in response to the JNE Commission's own investigation of the judicial applicant, as well as all responses by Applicant to JNE. All information received from or sent to the JNE Commission in the future shall be submitted to SDUB within five (5) business days of receipt or delivery of the information;
- b. The applicant agrees that SDUB shall have the absolute, unfettered right to contact any individual for the sole purpose of conducting a confidential inquiry in connection with SDUB's consideration of whether to endorse such applicant;
- c. The applicant agrees to hold harmless SDUB and any member of the SDUB from anything done in conjunction with the applicant's request for endorsement. The judicial applicant shall agree to hold harmless SDUB and any member of SDUB for any injury caused by any act or failure to act, whether it be negligent, intentional, discretionary or otherwise in the investigation of and/or endorsement of a judicial applicant who has applied to SDUB for its endorsement. Such waiver of liability shall include, but not be limited to, providing or receiving any information, making any endorsement and giving any reasons thereof;
- d. The applicant agrees that any information obtained by SDUB shall be kept confidential and that the applicant shall waive any right to ever obtain or have his or her agents or representatives obtain any of the information obtained by SDUB.
- e. The applicant understands and acknowledges that failure to provide all truthful information and documents requested by this application may negatively impact SDUB's decision to endorse such applicant.

Dated: _____

Signature