

JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION

OPEN SESSION

March 24, 2009

Minutes

A meeting of the Judicial Nominating Commission was held on March 24, 2009 at 5:15. p.m., in open session at the Department of Administration, Conference Room A on the Second Floor, Rhode Island, pursuant to the notice of the meeting to all Commissioners and to the public, as required by **RIGL § 42-46-6**.

The following Commissioners, constituting a quorum, were present and participated throughout the meeting: Stephen J. Carlotti, Chairperson, Herbert J. Brennan, Dennis Coleman, Valentino Lombardi, Mirlen A. Martinez Mal, William Rampone, D. Faye Sanders, Solomon A. Solomon and C. June Tow.

Commissioner(s) absent: None.

Also present: Heather L. Correia, Legal Assistant to the Commission.

Mr. Carlotti presided over the meeting and Ms. Correia acted as recording secretary.

Mr. Carlotti welcomed the audience. He explained the interviewing process to each applicant and that each Commissioner would be asking one or more questions. He then invited each applicant to make a brief statement as to why they were applying for the judgeship.

The following individuals were interviewed: Acting Chief Justice Madam Maureen McKenna Goldberg, Justice Francis X. Flaherty, Justice Paul A. Suttell, Justice William P. Robinson, III, Judge Francis J. Darigan, Jr. and Robert C. Corrente.

Following each interview Mr. Carlotti informed the applicants that the public hearing will be held on March 31, 2009, in Conference Room A on the Second Floor. He encouraged the applicants to have their witnesses explain why he or she should be nominated by the Commission to the Governor.

There being no further business in open session, upon motion made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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