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NOTICE OF JUDICIAL VACANCIES
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

In accordance with part 150 of the Rules of the Chief Administrator of the Courts, please be advised that the following judicial vacancies in the Third Judicial District will be filled by election in November 2016.

- (1) Justice of the Supreme Court (2 Vacancies)
- (2) Judge of the County Court of Albany County
- (3) Judge of the County and Surrogate's Courts of Sullivan County
- (4) Judge of the Surrogate's Court of Ulster County
- (5) Judge of the City Court of Albany
- (6) Judge of the City Court of Kingston
- (7) Judge of the City Court of Troy

Pursuant to part 150 of the Rules of the Chief Administrator of the Courts, Independent Judicial Election Qualification Commissions (IJEQCs) have been established in each of the judicial districts of New York State. The IJEQCs are a statewide network of independent screening panels for judicial candidates. Each IJEQC is charged with the responsibility of evaluating the qualifications of candidates, within its respective judicial district, who voluntarily submit a questionnaire and are seeking election to the following courts in New York: Supreme, County, Surrogate's, Family and City. Each IJEQC has 15 members, comprised of both lawyers and non-lawyers, named by the Chief Judge, the Presiding Justices of the Appellate Divisions, the New York State Bar Association, and local bar associations.

For more information regarding the evaluation process and the candidate's questionnaire, please go to <http://nycourts.gov/ad3> and follow the link to the IJEQC.

Candidates seeking to be evaluated by the IJEQC in the Third Judicial District must submit an original and 15 copies of the completed candidate's questionnaire to Timothy P. O'Keefe, Director, Third Judicial Department Independent Judicial Election Qualification Commissions, 286 Washington Avenue Extension, Suite 202, Albany, New York 12203. Candidates are encouraged to submit questionnaires as early as possible. All questionnaires for candidates seeking election to the above-referenced judicial offices should be submitted by May 2, 2016. Questionnaires may be submitted after May 2, 2016, but will not be accepted after August 15, 2016 without a showing of good cause for the delay.

If you have any questions about IJEQC procedures or requirements, please contact Timothy P. O'Keefe, Director, at the address above, by telephone at (518) 285-8571, or by email at tokeefe@nycourts.gov.

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