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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 New York State Courts, please be advised that the following judicial vacancies in the Third Judicial District will be filled by election in November 2009:

- 1) Justice of the Supreme Court
- 2) Rensselaer County Court Judge
- 3) Rensselaer County Family Court Judge
- 4) Ulster County Court Judge

Pursuant to Part 150 of the Rules of the Chief Administrator of the Courts, Independent Judicial Election Qualification Commissions ("IJEQC") 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 reviewing the qualifications of candidates, within its respective judicial district, who submit a questionnaire and are seeking election to the following New York State Courts: Supreme, County, Surrogate's, Family, New York City Civil, District and City. Each commission 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 Department Independent Judicial Election Qualification Commissions, P.O. Box 7288, Capitol Station, Albany, New York 12224-0288. **All questionnaires for candidates seeking election to the above-referenced judicial offices should be submitted by June 1, 2009.** However, if a candidate submits a questionnaire within a sufficient period of time before the election, the Commission will make every effort to accommodate the application.

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@courts.state.ny.us.

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