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NBA Releases Results of Member Poll for Contested General Sessions and Judicial Retention Elections

Nashville, TN – The Nashville Bar Association released the results today of a member poll for candidates being considered to serve or continue serving on the bench. Members were given the names of candidates who are on the ballot for the position of General Sessions Judge as well as judges considered for retention, as of June 21, through an online survey ballot, and 418 responses were received by the deadline of July 1, 2022. All attorney bar members are polled, and the results are reported as raw ballot results with no attempt to extrapolate results.

The Nashville Bar Association regularly polls its members regarding judicial elections because our members have firsthand knowledge of the candidates and issues facing Nashville’s legal system. We believe releasing our membership’s assessment of the candidates will be useful to the public and help to ensure that the Nashville judiciary is highly qualified and dedicated to a fair and equitable legal system.

[Martesha L. Johnson](#), NBA President

POLL RESULTS

In the selection for the position of General Sessions Judge, Division IX:

	HIGHLY RECOMMEND	RECOMMEND	DO NOT RECOMMEND	NO OPINION	DO NOT KNOW CANDIDATE	TOTAL
Brian A. Horowitz	4.78% 20	4.31% 18	21.29% 89	13.88% 58	55.74% 233	418
Lynda F. Jones	37.80% 158	23.68% 99	13.64% 57	8.37% 35	16.51% 69	418

As to the retention for the position of Tennessee Supreme Court Justice:

	HIGHLY RECOMMEND RETENTION	RECOMMEND RETENTION	DO NOT RECOMMEND RETENTION	NO OPINION	DO NOT KNOW CANDIDATE	TOTAL
Justice Jeffrey S. Bivins (Franklin)	55.74% 233	23.21% 97	7.66% 32	7.18% 30	6.22% 26	418
Justice Sarah K. Campbell (Nashville)	33.73% 141	18.42% 77	11.96% 50	16.03% 67	19.86% 83	418
Justice Holly Kirby (Memphis)	55.26% 231	26.08% 109	4.31% 18	7.18% 30	7.18% 30	418
Justice Sharon G. Lee (Knoxville)	68.90% 288	18.42% 77	1.67% 7	5.26% 22	5.74% 24	418
Justice Roger A. Page (Medina)	47.13% 197	24.88% 104	7.66% 32	9.33% 39	11.00% 46	418

As to the retention for the position of Tennessee Court of Appeals Judge:

	HIGHLY RECOMMEND RETENTION	RECOMMEND RETENTION	DO NOT RECOMMEND RETENTION	NO OPINION	DO NOT KNOW CANDIDATE	TOTAL
Andy D. Bennett (Middle Section)	49.04% 205	23.92% 100	5.50% 23	8.85% 37	12.68% 53	418
Frank G. Clement, Jr. (Middle Section)	70.33% 294	17.70% 74	3.35% 14	4.55% 19	4.07% 17	418
W. Neal McBrayer (Middle Section)	61.00% 255	20.10% 84	2.63% 11	7.18% 30	9.09% 38	418

As to the retention for the position of Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals Judge:

	HIGHLY RECOMMEND RETENTION	RECOMMEND RETENTION	DO NOT RECOMMEND RETENTION	NO OPINION	DO NOT KNOW CANDIDATE	TOTAL
Jill Barte Ayers (Middle Section)	24.88% 104	12.92% 54	1.91% 8	23.21% 97	37.08% 155	418
Timothy L. Easter (Middle Section)	42.34% 177	19.62% 82	3.83% 16	13.88% 58	20.33% 85	418
Robert L. Holloway, Jr. (Middle Section)	29.19% 122	17.94% 75	1.20% 5	20.81% 87	30.86% 129	418
Robert W. Wedemeyer (Middle Section)	29.67% 124	15.79% 66	1.20% 5	20.81% 87	32.54% 136	418

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About the Nashville Bar Association

The Nashville Bar Association, established in 1831, is a professional organization serving the legal community of Nashville, Tennessee. The NBA—with over 2,400 members—is the largest metropolitan bar association in Tennessee.