



Workgroup to Study Judicial Selection

December 19, 2022

MD Judicial Center, 187 Harry S. Truman Pkwy, Rooms 131- 133

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Zoom link: <https://mdcourts.gov/judicialselectionwg>

AGENDA

1. MD Code of Judicial Conduct – Rules Governing Political Activity – [18-204.1 to 18-204.5](#)
 - a. Judge Kathryn Grill Graeff, Maryland Appellate Court
Chair, Judicial Ethics Committee
2. Judicial Nominating Commissions (JNCs)
 - a. Al Brault – Presentation on earlier effort to study JNCs
 - b. Discussion of possible recommendations for structure of JNCs moving forward
3. Demographics – Review and discuss
 - a. Distribution of Judges – Race and Gender
 - b. Judicial Vacancies – Readvertisements Due to Number of Applications Received
 - c. Judicial Vacancies – Number of Applications Received Per Vacancy (2018-2022)
 - d. Judges Winning Contested Elections Since 1985
 - e. Circuit Court Vacancies – District Court Judges Who Applied (1/1/2012-9/22/2022)
4. Discussion of Next Steps
5. Next Meeting – Monday, Jan. 9, 2023 @ 6:00 pm

Materials for Meeting:

- a. [Executive Order Chart – Trial Court Nominating Commissions](#)
- b. [Executive Order Chart – Appellate Court Nominating Commissions](#)
- c. [Distribution of Judges – Race and Gender](#)
- d. [Judicial Vacancies – Readvertisements Due to Number of Applications Received](#)
- e. [Judicial Vacancies – Number of Applications Received Per Vacancy \(2018-2022\)](#)
- f. [Judges Winning Contested Elections Since 1985](#)
- g. [Circuit Court Vacancies – District Court Judges Who Applied \(1/1/2012-9/22/2022\)](#)
- h. IAALS, [Goals and Principles for Judicial Nominating Commissions](#)
- i. IAALS, [Choosing Judges: Judicial Nominating Commissions and the Selection of Supreme Court Justices](#)
- j. Brennan Center, [Research: Judicial Nominating Commissions](#)