ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND AUTHORIZATION

As a candidate for the Pennsylvania Appellate Courts, I hereby acknowledge and authorize the procedures of the Pennsylvania Bar Association Judicial Evaluation Commission, including the following:

1. The Pennsylvania Bar Association Judicial Evaluation Commission will make available to the public the Questionnaire and my responses to it, except for the questions and responses which are acknowledged to be confidential, which information shall remain available only to the Commission and an investigative panel.

2. The rating assigned to me by the Commission will be publicly announced and will be accompanied by an explanation of reasons for the rating.

3. Should I receive a Not Recommended rating, the Commission will endeavor to notify me prior to a public announcement. If I withdraw from the race, the unfavorable recommendation will not be announced.

4. I hereby authorize the Pennsylvania Judicial Conduct Board, the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, and the Pennsylvania Board of Law Examiners to transmit my entire file and record, including confidential information contained therein, to the Pennsylvania Bar Association Judicial Evaluation Commission. I hereby specifically waive any confidentiality rights I may have in those records.

5. I hereby authorize the Judicial Conduct Board, the Disciplinary Board, and the Board of Law Examiners, or the equivalent, in any jurisdiction where I have practiced, been admitted to practice or have applied to either take a bar examination or for admission to the bar to transmit my entire file and record, including confidential information contained therein, to the Pennsylvania Bar Association Judicial Evaluation Commission. I hereby specifically waive any confidentiality rights I may have in those records.

6. The Pennsylvania Bar Association Judicial Evaluation Commission may change, during the course of my campaign for office, the original rating assigned to me for cause. Cause shall include a violation of the Judicial Campaign Advertising Guidelines. I acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Guidelines.

Date 1/25/21

Timika Lane

Signature
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE

1. State your full name: Timika R. Lane

   Have you ever been known by any other name? If so, please list. No

2. Office address (include zip code):

   The Justice Juanita Kidd Stout Center for Criminal Justice
   1301 Filbert St, Suite 1216
   Philadelphia, PA 19107

   Office telephone (include area code): 215-683-7065

   Name of law firm, if associated: N/A

3. Date and place of birth: 1972 (month and day removed by PBA JEC); Philadelphia, PA

4. Are you a naturalized citizen? If so, give date and place of naturalization:

5. Family status:
   a) Are you married? If so, state the date of marriage and your spouse’s full name,
      including maiden name, if applicable:
      Single
   b) Have you been divorced? If so, state the date, the number of the case and the court:
      No

6. Have you had any military service? No If so,
   a) Give dates, branch of service, rank of rate, and present status:
   b) Have you ever been rejected or released from any of the armed services for
      reasons other than honorable? If so, give details:
7. List each college and law school you attended, including dates of attendance, and the degrees awarded and, if you left any institution without receiving a degree, the reason for leaving. List scholastic honors:

Howard University-Fall 1990-Spring 1994; BA in History, minor in Political Science
Widener School of Law-Fall 1999-Spring 2000 (transferred)
Rutgers-Camden Law School-Fall 2000-Spring 2002; JD

8. List all jurisdictions in which you have applied to take a bar examination, have applied for admission or have been admitted to practice. Include dates of admissions and if not admitted, give application dates and explain the outcome.


9. Describe chronologically your law practice and experience after your graduation from law school and until you became a member of the judiciary, including:

a) Whether you served as clerk to a judge and, if so, the name of the judge, the court, and the dates of the period you were a clerk:

I served as a law clerk for the Honorable Renee Cardwell Hughes, Court of Common Pleas, First Judicial District, from August 2002 through May 2003.

b) Whether you practiced alone and, if so, the addresses and the dates:

c) The dates, names and addresses of law firms or offices, companies or governmental agencies with which you have been connected and the nature of your connection with each:

State Senator Anthony H. Williams, Chief Counsel and Minority Executive Director, State Government Committee, PA Senate
November 2009 - January 2014
2901 Island Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19153

- Provided legal advice regarding the Constitutional and legal implications of proposed legislation and laws
- Drafted legislation and amendments
- Participated in discussions to resolve legislative issues
- Arranged/coordinated Senate hearings and rallies
- Managed grant request and correspondence
- Spearheaded various community education and events pertaining to Senator Williams’ legislative agenda
- Translated legislation into laymen’s terms for community dissemination
Spearheaded numerous community programs such as the Senior Awareness Health Fairs and the Healthy Eating Initiative at Bartram Gardens Housing Project
• Numerous meetings and activities with community groups
• Constituent services

**Defender Association of Philadelphia, Major Trial Attorney**
January 2004 - November 2009
1441 Sansom St, Philadelphia, PA 19102

- Litigated complex criminal jury and waiver trials for indigent adults and juveniles
- Litigated and prepared preliminary arraignments, pre-trial and post-trial motions
- Municipal Court Rotating Supervisor (Nov. 2006-Jan. 2007)-assisted new attorneys with trial preparation, conducted staff development and reviewed files upon completion
- Managed large case load
- Office recruiter at various job fairs throughout the country

**The Law Offices of Michael Nix**
May 2003 - January 2004
12th & Market, Philadelphia, PA 19107

- Assisted and represented clients in various areas of Family Law ranging from support to custody issues
- Represented indigent families involved in dependent matters as a Certified Child Advocate

**Any other relevant particulars:** **Certified Child Advocate**

10. a) What was the general character of your practice, dividing it into periods with dates if its character changed over the years?

    **Legislative: November 2009 - January 2014**
    **Criminal: January 2004 - November 2009**
    **Family: May 2003 - December 2003**

b) Describe your typical clients and mention the areas, if any, in which you concentrated your practice:

    I provided legal assistance to members of the PA Senate and constituents across the Commonwealth while employed with Senator Williams. I represented indigent women, children and men in a variety of criminal and delinquent matters when working at the Defender Association. My position with Attorney Nix primarily
involved parents involved in custody and support matters as well as dependent children in Philadelphia County.

11. What judicial office do you now hold? State whether you have been appointed or elected and the dates thereto. Describe the jurisdiction of such court and any limitations thereon. Have you ever held any other judicial office? If so, please state the offices, courts and the periods of such service. Please describe the jurisdiction of each of such courts, with any limitations upon the jurisdiction of each court:

I was elected to the Court of Common Pleas, First Judicial District, in November of 2013. My tenure began on January 6, 2014. Common Pleas Court in Pennsylvania is a court of general trial jurisdiction. It was established during the colonial charter of Pennsylvania and incorporated in the Pennsylvania Constitution of 1776. The Court of Common Pleas is the trial court in this Commonwealth and handles civil, criminal, family and orphan matters. Additionally, the Court of Common Pleas in the First Judicial District has appellate jurisdiction over sentences and judgments from the Municipal Court of Philadelphia.

12. For the last five years or portions thereof during which you have held judicial office, indicate,

a) The nature of typical matters which came before you:

Initially, I was assigned to the Felony-Waiver program. In that role, I adjudicated less serious felony criminal matters and criminal appeals from the Philadelphia Municipal Court. Currently, I have been assigned to the Major Trials program since June 2014. In this program, I handle serious felony criminal matters including, but not limited to, family violence, sexual assaults, attempted murder, serious robberies and burglaries. These matters come before me as bench and jury trials. I also handle Investigative Grand Jury matters.

b) The percentage of your time devoted to:

1. Civil:

2. Criminal: 100%

3. Other:

c) The percentage of your time devoted to:

1. Jury: 70%

2. Non-jury/motions: 30%

3. Appellate argument:

4. Other:
d) Five of the more significant opinions you have rendered and citations thereto if the cases were reported:

I have filed over 80 opinions with the Superior Court. Copies are attached along with the appellate review of these cases.


13. If a substantial portion of your practice had been before administrative boards, commissions or agencies during the five years before you became a member of the judiciary, identify the boards, commissions or agencies before which you practiced and estimate percentages of practice time devoted thereto:

N/A

14. If a substantial portion of your practice had been before Appellate courts during the five years before you became a member of the judiciary, identify the Appellate Courts before which you have practiced and estimate percentages of practice time devoted thereto:

N/A

15. Have you ever held public office other than judicial office? If so, give details, including the office involved, whether elected or appointed, and the length of your services, giving dates:

No

16. Have you ever been an unsuccessful candidate for elective, judicial, or other public office? If so, give details, including dates:

No
17. Have you ever been engaged in any occupation, business or profession other than the practice of law or the holding of judicial or other public office? If so, give details, including dates:

Yes, public school teacher in Prince Georges County, MD; 1995-1999

18. Are you now an officer or director or otherwise engaged in the management of any business enterprise? If so, give details, including the name of your enterprise, the nature of the business, the title or other description of your position, the nature of your duties and the term of your service.

No

19. Have you ever been arrested, charged with or convicted of violating any federal law or regulation, state law or regulation, or county or municipal law, regulation or ordinance? If so, give details. Do not include summary traffic offenses:

No

20. Are you under any ongoing federal, state or local investigation or indictment for possible violation of a criminal statute? If so, give particulars:

No

21. Has a tax lien or other collection procedure been instituted against you by federal, state or local authorities? If so, give particulars:

No

22. If requested, will you submit certified copies of your latest tax returns (including Federal Income Tax)?

Yes

23. Prior to taking the bench, were you ever sued by a client? If so, give particulars:

No

24. Have you ever been a party or otherwise involved in any other legal proceedings? If so, give the particulars. Do not list proceedings in which you were merely a guardian ad litem or stakeholder. Include all legal proceedings in which you were a party in interest,
a material witness, were named as co-conspirator or a co-respondent and any grand jury investigation in which you figured as a subject or in which you appeared as a witness:

Yes, personal injury- 1990’s/early 2000; Timika Lane v. Dennis Young, Jr., Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, December Term, 2019, No. 00314.

25. Have you ever been disciplined or cited for a breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct or has any complaint against you been filed with the Court of Judicial Discipline? If so, give the particulars:

No

26. What is the present state of your health? (If any medical condition or issue exists, you may be requested to execute a medical record authorization form as part of the interview process.)

Good

27. Do any circumstances exist that would affect your ability to perform the function of the position you seek or fulfill the term of office? If so, please explain:

No

28. Furnish at least five examples of legal articles, law review articles, briefs, or other legal writings which reflect your personal work. If briefs are submitted, indicate the degree to which they represent your personal work:

See Attached

29. List all bar associations and professional societies of which you are a member and give the titles and dates of any offices which you have held in such groups. List chairmanships of any committees in bar associations and professional societies and memberships on any committees which you believe to be of particular significance (e.g., judicial selection committee, disciplinary committee, grievance committee).

- County Adult Probation and Parole Advisory Committee, Co-Chair
- Philadelphia Bar Association, Co-Chair, Advancing Civics Education
- National Bar Association Judicial Council-CSG Chapter, former secretary
- Barristers Association
- PA Conference of State Trial Judges
- First Judicial District, Local Rules Committee (Co-Chair), Board of City Trust (Chair), Jury Committee, Communication and Community Affairs Committee/Judicial Ambassador, FYI Committee
- Women Judges’ Initiative
30. List your experiences in teaching and lecturing, including law school, continuing legal education, both for the legal community and the judiciary, and to non-legal audiences.

**Harcum College, Adjunct Professor. Courses: Introduction to Legal Studies, American Courts, Domestic Violence and Introduction to Criminal Law.**

31. List all organizations other than bar associations, professional associations or societies of which you are or have been a member, including civic, charitable, religious, educational, social and fraternal organizations:

- Friends Central School- Parents for Diversity (Tri-Clerk), Parent Representative, MLK Day (Co-Chair/Lower School), Home and School Association
- Bright Hope Baptist Church- Trustee, Hospitality (Vice President), New Members (Chair), Thriving to Surviving
- Dare to Imagine Church
- The Links, Inc.
- Delta Sigma Theta, Sorority, Inc.
- Cancer Hope Network- Volunteer/Buddy
- Teenshop, Inc.- Advisory Board Member
- Howard University Alumni Association
- National Coalition of 100 Black Women
- Wynnefield Resident Association
- Greenhill Farms Resident Association
- Richard Allen Prep Charter School, Board Member
- Bala House Montessori School, Board Member

32. List any honors, prizes, awards or other forms of recognition which you have received (including any indication of academic distinction in college or law school) other than those mentioned in answers to the foregoing questions.

- **Phenomenal Woman Award**, Grands As Parents Organization
- **Women’s History and Sisterhood Month Leadership Award**, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Philadelphia Alumnae Chapter

33. State any other information which may reflect positively or adversely on you or which you believe should be disclosed in connection with consideration of you for an election/retention to an Appellate Court of Pennsylvania.

**Recommended by the Philadelphia Bar Association in 2013 and endorsed by various community groups in 2013.**
34. Why do you wish to become a Justice or Judge? What special strengths do you feel you possess that would particularly well qualify you for the position of Justice or Judge?

“*You must be the change you want to see in the world.*” Gandhi

This quote has served as the basis of my personal and professional life. Serving as a positive change agent, in all aspects of the world that I touch from working with citizens and colleagues, volunteering in communities, and raising my daughter to be a civically engaged, hard-working, and compassionate human being is foundational to my identity. As a practicing lawyer, advocate and judge, my oath to serve others and do no harm informs each decision I make.

While I am not perfect, I am committed to justice for all. I wholeheartedly believe that I am well-suited and qualified to be an appellate court judge on the Superior Court. I have repeatedly demonstrated my commitment to serving the public with integrity and heart, from my position as a public-school teacher to my time as a public defender and now as a member of the Judiciary. My courtroom is diverse, professional and efficient because I believe that individuals who come to the Court deserve no less. I have a strong work ethic and passion for the law; illustrated by the fact that after only five months on the bench, I was selected as one of five judges to handle major felony, sexual and family violence matters.

My career is rooted in public service and equity for all. I have focused on working with underserved and diverse communities in all aspects of my work. The law and public service are intertwined in my life as illustrated by my career choices. I firmly believe that it is essential that judges are impartial, knowledgeable and respectful - three attributes that I possess.

My service in this profession has been defined by a common-sense approach to applying facts to the law and a belief in the absolute necessity of inclusiveness and fairness. These attributes, I believe, make me an exceptional candidate for the Appellate Bench.

35. Did you sign the PBA Judicial Campaign Advertising Guidelines? (Please return signed pledge with completed questionnaire.)

Yes
CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

The undersigned certifies that all of the statements made in this questionnaire are true, complete and correct to the best of his/her knowledge and belief and are made in good faith.

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Type or print name

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Signature

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Date