

Iowa Judicial Branch
Application for a Supreme Court Justice Position

(Revised: 5-7-2018)

Part 1: Personal Background Information Form
For Submission to the State Judicial Nominating Commission
See the "Instructions for Applicants" (a separate page)

1. Applicant's full name:

Abbe Marie Stensland

2. Current occupation/title. (Lawyers: identify name of firm, organization, or government agency; judicial officers: identify title and judicial election district):

Central State Bank; Chief Risk Officer and General Counsel

3. City and county of residence:

Lisbon, Cedar County

4. Age:

38

5. Gender (Female / Male):

Female

6. Race/ethnicity:

White/Caucasian

Please provide this information so we can determine the extent to which the Iowa courts are attracting candidates from diverse racial/ethnic backgrounds. *Please write in the one or two categories that best fit(s) your background.*

- Asian/Pacific Islander (e.g., Chinese, Japanese, Vietnamese, Indian, Pakistani, Filipino, Indonesian, native Hawaiian)
- Black/African
- Hispanic/Latina(o)
- Native American (e.g., Meskwaki, Sioux, Inuit)
- White/Caucasian
- Other (write it in one of the boxes)

7. Are you related (within the third degree of consanguinity) to any of the members of the State Judicial Nominating Commission involved in the selection process for the position for which you are submitting this application? (Yes or No) If your answer is "yes," please explain.

No

8. Have you ever had a social relationship or business relationship (e.g., as a business or law partner) with any of the members of the State Judicial Nominating Commission involved in the selection process for the position for which you are submitting this application? (Yes or No) If your answer is "yes," please explain.

Yes. Christine Conover and I were law partners at Simmons Perrine Moyer Bergman PLC.

9. Explain why you are seeking this judgeship position:

As the final interpreting body of the Iowa Constitution and the laws passed and enacted by the Executive and Legislature, and the final arbiter for litigants who seek legal redress in this state, the Iowa Supreme Court holds a tremendous amount of authority. The scope of that authority requires that each member of the Court approach their task with clarity -- recognizing the act of interpretation as distinct from the act of creation. The weight of that authority requires that each member of the Court approach their task with humility -- recognizing curiosity and the ability and desire to find the just solution as distinct from innate, all-encompassing knowledge. The potential impact of that authority requires that each member of the Court approach their task with impartiality -- deciding the issues presented without regard to the social or economic status of the litigants or the political climate. In the words of the oath given to judicial officers across the state, "to support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Iowa...without fear, favor, affection or hope of reward." Iowa Code §63.6.

I have the skills necessary for the task, an understanding of both the depth and limits of the task, and an appreciation for the breadth of things I have yet to learn. I have been an advocate and a business woman. I am now compelled to service of a different sort, "to the best of [my] knowledge and ability, [to] administer justice according to the law, equally to the rich and the poor." Iowa Code §63.6.

10. Explain how your appointment would enhance the court:

When I started my current job as General Counsel for a community bank, I was struck by one harsh fact – I didn't know as much as I thought I did. I had spent a career developing the skills necessary to be a successful litigator and appellate attorney and I was good at lawyer things – researching, writing, and advocating. What was missing was true empathy for the circumstances my clients found themselves in and the inadequacy of the remedies that I could provide. When I counseled a particular course of action, I was not the one who had to implement that advice. I was not the one who had to offset the expenses associated with that advice. When a particular ruling did not go the way I had hoped, while disappointed, I was not the one who had to live with the weight of being judged as wrong or liable or guilty. I did not have to pay the damages, quit the job, or sell my property. I could move on to the next case, the next client, the next issue. My time in private legal practice was an excellent training ground to develop my skills, but ill-equipped to instill true empathy on how the law impacts the lives of every day Iowans.

My time as General Counsel has allowed me to marry my skills and knowledge with a true understanding of the client experience. I now know what it is like to be advised about "best practices" when compliance with those best practices may lead to the elimination of jobs. I know what it is like to delay strategic planning while waiting for a judicial ruling. I know what it is like to weigh the benefits of the legal system with the real time and money cost of doing so. I cannot move on to the next case or issue, I am the case and it is my issue. I cannot move on to the next client, I am the client.

The combination of these two experiences, equally important, have equipped me with both the skills and perspective necessary to enhance the Court. I understand that fidelity to the legal process, precedent and statutory language provides the stability and certainty the practicing bar relies on in advising client. I understand the impact that delayed judicial rulings have on the litigants while also understanding the impact that the ill-reasoned decision can broadly have across an industry. I understand what it is like be the expert legal authority and the new executive applying transferrable skills to a new industry. This holistic view, comprised of equal parts knowledge of the process and the impact it has on individuals, equips me with both the necessary skills and a respect (healthy fear) for the weight of the task of an appellate judge.

I also bring my life experiences – the work ethic learned growing up and working on a family dairy farm, the dedication to service that lead to my election to the local school board, and the ability to multi-task that comes from being the proud mother of four young children. These life experiences give me an appreciation for the scope of the task and the depth of responsibilities that an appellate judge faces, and the tools to be successful in that role.

11. Identify any offenses for which you have ever been **convicted** or pled guilty for the violation of any federal law or regulation, state law or regulation, or county or municipal law, regulation, or ordinance, *excluding* convictions that have been properly *expunged*. Do not include traffic violations for which the court imposed a fine of \$250 or less, unless you were arrested. (Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)

Convicted of (describe offense)	Seriousness of charge (e.g., serious misdemean., felony)	Location of court (County, State)	Disposition type (Plea, judge ruling, jury verdict)	Sentence / Penalty	Sentence date (mo/day/yr)
N/A					

12. Has any local, state, or federal office/agency ever assessed or threatened to assess you with a civil or criminal penalty in connection with the reporting of, or **failure to report, your federal, state, or local taxes**? (Yes or No) If yes, provide details.

No.

13. Have you ever been the subject of a **no-contact order**? (Yes or No) If yes, provide details (case number, county, state, date issued, date rescinded, and reason for the NCO).

No.

14. Have you ever been a **party** in any **legal proceeding** (excluding traffic violation cases for which a fine of \$250 or less was imposed, unless you were arrested)? If yes, provide the following information: (Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)

Case number	County,	Date filed	Date close	Description of case and outcome
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	State			
N/A				

15. Have you ever been **publicly disciplined** in any manner for a breach of professional ethics or unprofessional conduct by any court, administrative agency, bar association, disciplinary board, or other professional group? If yes, provide the following information: *(Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)*

Name of discipline board or agency	Date discipline imposed	Description of the ethics violation	Description of the public discipline
N/A			

16. List each **college and law school** you attended, including the dates of attendance, the degree awarded, and your reason for leaving each school if you did not receive a degree from that institution was awarded. *(Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)*

College(s) and Law School(s) – and reason for leaving, if applicable	Dates Attended (Mo/Yr to Mo/Yr)	Degree(s)	Month/Yr Received
Central College	08/98 to 05/02	B.A.; Biology and Chemistry	05/2002
University of Iowa College of Law	08/03 to 05/06	J.D. with distinction	05/2006

17. List any relevant **honors, prizes, awards**, or other forms of recognition that you have received for educational, professional, or community contributions/achievements. *(Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)*

Name/Title of Honor, Prizes, Awards	Awarded by:	Month/Yr Received
Next Generation Program	National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges	2015
Outstanding Trial Advocate	Iowa Academy Trial Lawyers	2006

18. List all **articles and books** you have published; include the citations and dates. *(Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)*

Bankruptcy in Iowa, 2d Edition (University of Iowa Press 2012)
Protecting the Keys to the Magic Kingdom; Shareholders' Rights of Inspection and Disclosure in Light of Disney, 30 J. Corp. L. 875 (2005)

Lee and Andi Smith v. Thompson, A Civil Case for the American Mock Trial Association

19. List all **public presentations** you have made at educational, professional, or other public forums; include the citations and dates. (Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)

Title of Presentation	City, State	Event Sponsor	Month & Year
The Validity of Virtual Attachments: Conveying Standard Terms & Condition to a Contract via the Internet	Des Moines, IA	Iowa State Bar Association	December 2007
Bankruptcy Case Law Update	Dubuque, IA	Bankruptcy Seminars, Inc.	July 2009
Bankruptcy Case Law Update	Iowa City, IA	Bankruptcy Seminars, Inc.	July 2010
Case Law Update	Des Moines, IA	Federal Bar Association	October 2011
Recent Bankruptcy Cases Decided by the U.S. Supreme Court	Des Moines, IA	Federal Bar Association	October 2014
Square Pegs in Round Holes – How Partnerships and LLC Interests are Treated in Bankruptcy	Kansas City, MO	American Bankruptcy Institution	October 2015
The Disciplinary Process: An Overview	Des Moines, IA	Association of Corporate Counsel	June 2016

20. List all part-time and full-time **teaching positions** you have held. (Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)

Name of School / College	City, State	Name of Course(s)	Month/Yr to Month/Yr	Full-time or Part-time
Cornell College	Mt. Vernon, IA	Trial Advocacy/Mock Trial	08/2009 to present	Part-time

21. List the courts or **jurisdictions** in which you are, or have been, **admitted to practice law**, including any administrative bodies with special admission requirements, and the dates of admission for each. (Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)

State and federal jurisdictions in which you are, or have been, admitted to practice law	Month/Yr Admitted
State of Iowa	September 2006
United States District Court, Northern District of Iowa	October 2006
United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Iowa	October 2006
United State District Court, Southern District of Iowa	October 2007

United States Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of Iowa	October 2009
Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals	November 2008

22. List chronologically the **employment** you have had *since your initial admission to practice law* in any state or federal jurisdiction. For each time period, provide the following information as applicable:

a. If you served as a law clerk to a judge, provide the name of the judge, the court, and the court's location.

Dates (From -- To)	Name of judge, name of court, and court location

b. If you have practiced law, provide the following information for each position you have held:

- (1) Name of the law firm(s), company, or government agency that employed you,
- (2) City and state where the office was located,
- (3) Number of attorneys in the law firm or agency,
- (4) Whether you were a partner in the firm,
- (5) The areas of law in which you practiced, and
- (6) A description of the typical clients you represented. *(Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)*

Dates (From -- To)	Description of law practice (address topics in 22(b)(1) – (6) for each time period)
09/2006 – 01/2009	(1) Moyer & Bergman, PLC; Cedar Rapids, Iowa;
	(2) Cedar Rapids, Iowa
	(3) 15
	(4) Associate
	(5) bankruptcy; creditor's rights; general civil litigation; appeals; municipal law
	(6) At Moyer & Bergman, I had a bankruptcy focused practice where I represented bankruptcy trustees and creditors. I was also involved in general commercial litigation, representing corporate clients in contract and employment disputes.
01/2009 - 11/2016	(1) Simmons Perrine Moyer Bergman PLC
	(2) Cedar Rapids, Iowa
	(3) 56
	(4) Partner
	(5) bankruptcy; creditor's rights; appeals; litigation; municipal law
	(6) At Simmons, my practice broadened to all types of creditor's rights, representing financial institutions and creditors in state and federal court proceedings. I continued to handle general contract litigation and employment contract disputes, focusing on extraordinary remedies such as temporary injunctive relief. I also served

	as the Assistant City Attorney for a number of small communities in Eastern Iowa. In addition to my litigation practice, my practice also shifted significantly to post-trial motion and appellate work. I served as counsel of record and/or assisting in the research and drafting of post-trial motions or appellate briefs in a wide range of cases, including probate, bankruptcy, contract, and tort cases. My appellate practice spanned both state and federal appellate courts.
11/2016 – present	(1) Central State Bank
	(2) Coralville, Iowa
	(3) 1
	(4) Chief Risk Officer and General Counsel
	(5) At Central State Bank, I serve as In-house counsel overseeing litigation, regulatory compliance, human resources, mergers and acquisitions, and corporate governance
	(6) Central State Bank is a community bank located throughout Eastern Iowa.

23. Regarding your legal experience:

- a. Approximately what percentage of your court appearances have been in the following types of courts?

Type of court	% of appearances
(1) Federal courts	50%
(2) State courts	50%
(3) Administrative agencies	0%
(4) Other tribunals	0%

- b. Approximately what percentage of your time have you spent on the following types of cases?

Types of cases	% of your time
(1) Administrative	0%
(2) Civil (including bankruptcy)	95%
(3) Criminal	3%
(4) Domestic	2%
(5) Juvenile	0%
(6) Probate	0%
(7) Other (describe):	

- c. In the past **10 years**, approximately how many cases have you **tried to a conclusion** (rather than settling) before a judge and before a jury? Indicate the number in which you were sole counsel, chief counsel, or associate counsel.

Type of trial	Total # of trials	# as sole counsel	# as chief counsel	# as associate counsel
Tried before a jury	5		1	4
Tried before a judge	20	5	8	7
Column Total	25	5	9	11

- d. In the past **20 years**, in approximately how many cases have you have represented a party in an **appeal to an appellate court in any state or federal jurisdiction**? Indicate the number in which you were sole counsel, chief counsel, or associate counsel.

Appellate court*	Total # of appeals:	# as sole counsel	# as chief counsel	# as associate counsel	# in which you presented oral argument
Iowa Supreme Court	2		1	1	0
Iowa Court of Appeals	7		1	6	1
Other state appellate court (identify):					
Other state appellate court (identify):					
Other state appellate court (identify):					
Other appellate court (identify): 8 th Circuit; Bankruptcy Appellate Panel	1			1	0
Federal Circuit Court(s)	1			1	0
U.S. Supreme Court					
Total	11		2	9	1

* Count it as an appeal to an intermediate court of appeals (ICA) -- e.g., Iowa's Court of Appeals -- if the state intermediate court of appeal initially handled it; count it as a separate appeal to the supreme court (SC) if the SC accepted it upon a petition for further review from the ICA; count an appeal to the supreme court if the SC retained jurisdiction without first assigning it to the ICA. (Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)

- e. Describe the general nature of your **current law practice**, including the substantive areas of the law in which you practice (e.g., civil, domestic, criminal) and the approximate percentage of time you have spent on each area over the **past five years**:

I currently serve as General Counsel for a community bank (approximately \$300M in assets) based in Coralville. As general counsel, I oversee litigation, regulatory compliance, human resources, corporate governance, and risk assessment for the entire institution. I serve as primary trial counsel for the Bank, appearing as counsel of record in all lawsuits brought by the Bank or in which the Bank is named. This is exclusively civil trial and appellate work.

Prior to accepting the position as General Counsel in November of 2016, my private practice was focused primarily on civil work, including creditor's rights, contracts, and employment law, jury and non-jury trials, discovery, appeals, extraordinary remedies such as injunctive relief, and post-trial motion practice. My civil practice included a great deal of appellate work where I appeared as counsel of record or assisting with drafting and evaluation of appellate briefs. I also served as a city attorney for several Iowa municipalities and in that role, served as the chief prosecutor for all citations or infractions brought under the city code.

During the last five years of my private practice, my practice was 95% civil and 5% criminal/domestic.

24. Describe three of the most significant legal matters that you have personally handled. For each of the significant legal matters include the following information:

- a. Title of the case and the county and state of venue,
- b. A brief summary of the substance of each matter,
- c. A succinct statement of what you believe to be the significance of it,
- d. The name of the party you represented,
- e. The nature of your participation in the case,
- f. Dates of your involvement,
- g. The outcome of the case,
- h. Name(s) and address(es) [city, state] of co-counsel (if any),
- i. Name(s) of counsel for opposing parties in the case, and
- j. Name of the judge before whom you tried the case.

Note: if the matter was *confidential*, please avoid the use of any information that may allow disclosure of the identity of the parties.

Significant legal matter #1:

- (a) Haskenhoff v. Homeland Energy Solutions, LLC; Chickasaw County, Iowa
- (b) A former employee brought a sex harassment, retaliation, and constructive discharge lawsuit against her former employer and, at trial, sought to base her supervisor sex harassment claim on common law negligence principles. My client, the former employer Homeland Energy, challenged the legal basis for

the claim and the jury instructions and urged the common law negligence theory removed its ability to prove an affirmative defense under the *Farragher-Ellerth* theory of prompt, remedial action. The trial court instructed the jury as requested by the employee and the jury returned a verdict in favor of the employee. On appeal, the Iowa Supreme Court overturned the verdict, reversed and remanded for a new trial affirming the statutory proof paradigm for sex harassment cases. *Haskenhoff v. Homeland Energy Solutions, LLC*, 897 N.W.2d 553 (2017).

(c) The legal framework surrounding sexual harassment and discrimination claims must provide sufficient redress for individuals who suffer from sexual harassment and/or discrimination, but post-harm redress is only part of the larger picture. That legal framework must also incentivize employers to act proactively to prevent and immediately eliminate any such behavior to avoid individuals suffering the harm in the first place. Eliminating the legal incentive for employers to act responsibly in creating a safe work environment and immediately eliminating any unacceptable behavior creates a system that is solely reactive. The Supreme Court's confirmation that employers must have the ability to affirmatively defend sex harassment claims by demonstrating that they were being responsible corporate citizens strikes the proper balance.

(d) Homeland Energy Solutions, LLC.

(e) Post-trial motions and appellate counsel.

(f) October 2014 to November 2016.

(g) On appeal to the Iowa Supreme Court, the jury verdict was reversed and remanded for new trial.

(h) Kevin Visser (Cedar Rapids, Iowa) and Lisa Stephenson (Cedar Rapids, Iowa).

(i) Roxanne Conlin (Des Moines, Iowa), Paige Fielder (Des Moines, Iowa), and Brooke Timmer (Des Moines, Iowa).

(j) Hon. John J. Bauercamper (trial judge); Iowa Supreme Court (on appeal).

Significant legal matter #2:

(a) *American Family Mutual Insurance Co. v. Hollander*; Federal District Court, Northern District of Iowa (Cedar Rapids, Iowa) and Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals (St. Louis, Missouri).

(b) An insurance company sued its former employee alleging breach of a post-employment restrictive covenant. The employee counterclaimed alleging a breach of a commission agreement, a violation of ERISA, and claimed damages under the Iowa Wage Payment Collection Act. The jury denied the insurance company's claims and found in favor of my client, Richard Hollander, awarding him damages and attorney's fees under the Iowa Wage Payment Collection Act. The insurance company challenged the verdict on appeal arguing that the Iowa Wage Payment claim was not properly pleaded and therefore not the basis for a damage award. On appeal, the Eighth Circuit affirmed the jury's verdict, finding the insurance company's procedural appeal was without merit. *American Family Mutual Insurance Company v. Hollander*, 705 F.3d 339 (8th Cir. 2013).

(c) Procedural rules that govern civil trials must be strictly construed in light of the actions taken by the parties at trial. Those procedural rules properly bar a party that fails to object to the admission of evidence from manufacturing issues for appeal.

(d) Richard Hollander.

(e) Trial and appellate counsel (temporary injunction hearing through appeal).

(f) November 2008 through February 2013.

(g) The jury found in favor of Richard Hollander, awarding him damages on his counterclaim. On appeal, the Eighth Circuit affirmed the jury's verdict.

(h) Kevin Visser (Cedar Rapids, Iowa).

- (i) Michael Weston (Cedar Rapids, Iowa).
- (j) Hon. Edward J. McManus, District Court Judge, Northern District of Iowa (trial judge); Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals (on appeal).

Significant legal matter #3:

- (a) In the Matter of the Estate of Joseph C. Gantner III; Linn County, Iowa.
- (b) The spouse of the decedent sought a spousal allowance payable from retirement accounts that listed the decedent’s children as the sole beneficiaries.
- (c) Statutory interpretation requires fidelity to the words chosen and not chosen by the legislature.
- (d) Appellees (decedent’s children, beneficiaries of the retirement account).
- (e) Appellate counsel.
- (f) July 2016 to July 2017.
- (g) The trial court denied the surviving spouse’s application for spousal support. The Iowa Supreme Court affirmed on appeal.
- (h) Crystal Pound (Cedar Rapids, Iowa).
- (i) Benjamin Lange (Independence, Iowa).
- (j) Hon. Sean McPartland (district court judge); Iowa Supreme Court (on appeal).

25. Have you served as a judicial officer in any state? (Yes / No): If “No” – skip to # 26.

a. If “Yes” - provide the following information: (Use “Tab” in last row to add more rows.)

Dates (From -- To)	Judicial title	County or District	Types of cases within your jurisdiction

b. If you have been a judicial officer in **Iowa** during the previous **five years**:

(1) How many times did you **fail** to file the monthly Rule 22.10 reports by the report deadline?

(2) During the past **five years**, how many **cases** did you list on your Rule 22.10 reports that were more than the following number of days old from the time they were submitted for a ruling?

	120 days old	180 days old	240 days old	One year old
# of cases more than:				

26. If you are **currently** an officer, director, partner, sole proprietor, or otherwise engaged in the **management of any business enterprise or nonprofit organization** other than a law practice, provide the following information about your position(s) and title(s): (Use “Tab” in last row to add more rows.)

Name of business /	Your title	Your duties	Dates (From -- To)

organization			
Central State Bank	Chief Risk Officer; Member of the Board of Directors	As an officer, I oversee the daily operations of a number of departments. As a member of the Board of Directors, I am responsible for the oversight of the strategic planning for the bank.	11/2016 to Present
Game 7 Swine Genetics, LLC	Partner	I handle the financial planning and accounting tasks for a small, family swine operation.	9/2015 to Present
Cornshucker Baseball Club, Inc.	Director	I handle the financial planning and accounting for a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit focused on supporting youth baseball in Eastern Iowa.	2012 to Present
Bankruptcy Seminars, Inc.	Board Member	I assist with the planning of the annual seminar.	2014 to Present

27. List all county, state, and national **bar association and professional organization memberships** and the years you have been a member of each (e.g., 1998 to present), and identify any committees on which you have served and offices you have held in those organization(s) - and the titles and dates of any offices you have held. (Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)

Professional associations to which you have belonged	Committees / Offices	Dates (From -- To)
Iowa State Bar Association	Commercial & Bankruptcy Law Section (Section Council); Corporate Counsel law section	2006 - present
Linn County Bar Association	N/A	2006 - 2016
American Bankruptcy Institute	N/A	2007 - 2016

28. List all local, county, state, and national government (including but not limited to judicial branch) **commissions, task forces, or advisory committees** on which you have served - and any titles (e.g., chair) you have held on such commissions or committees. (Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)

Dates (From -- To)	Government commissions, task forces, etc. on which you served
N/A	

29. Describe your **pro bono** work during the past 10 years:

a. Approximate number of pro bono cases you've	10
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handled:	
b. Average number of hours of pro bono service per year:	20
c. Types of pro bono cases:	Domestic (attorney for children in divorce cases)

30. List any **employment outside of the legal profession** that you have had since graduating from law school that may be relevant to this application; include: (a) the dates, (b) organization or business for whom you worked, and (c) duties you performed. *(Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)*

Dates (From -- To)	Business / Organization Name, City, State	Your Duties
08/2005 – 08/2006	Iowa Judicial Branch; Supreme Court Clerk's Office; Des Moines, IA	I was responsible for filing appeal pleadings, organizing and preparing briefs for submission to the Court, and answering questions from the public and members of the Bar regarding status of appeals.

31. Have you ever held **public office** or have you ever been a candidate for public office? If the answer is "yes," describe the public office held or sought, the location of the public office, and the dates. *(Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)*

Dates (From -- To)	Public office(s): Indicate "Held" or "Sought" and Location
01/2015 to present	Held; Member, Lisbon Community School District School Board
10/2017 to present	Held; President, Lisbon Community School District School Board

32. Provide the following information on your **military service** (if any): *(Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)*

Dates (From -- To)	Military branch	Current Rank	Location and dates of service in other countries	Current Status (Active/Inactive)
N/A				

33. List any **civic, charitable, religious, educational, social or fraternal organization(s)** to which you belong or provide volunteer services. Describe the nature of your involvement with the organization(s), including any offices you have held with the organization(s). *(Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)*

Dates (From -- To)	Organization Name	Nature of your involvement
2009 - present	Seeds of Faith Lutheran Church	Member
2014 – present	American Mock Trial Association	Member; Civil Case drafting committee. Responsible for drafting a reviewing civil case run by undergraduate mock trial students.

34. List all the **social media applications** (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, Instagram, LinkedIn) that you have used in the past **five years** and your account name or other identifying information (excluding passwords) for each account. (Use "Tab" in last row to add more rows.)

Social media application name	Account name or other identifying information
Facebook	Abbe Stensland
Twitter	@AbbeCornellMock: @AbbeStensland
LinkedIn	Abbe Stensland

35. **References:** List the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of at least **five persons** who are in a position to provide knowledgeable comments about your qualifications for this judicial position.


Name	Address	Telephone number
Kevin Visser	115 3 rd Street SE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52401	319-366-7641
Eric Lam	115 3 rd Street SE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52401	319-366-7641
Michael Weston	118 Third Avenue SE, Suite 700, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52401	319-365-1186
Matt Preston	2735 1 st Avenue SE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402	319-866-9277
Jonathan Brand	600 First Street , Mt. Vernon, IA 52314	319-895-4334

36. Provide any **additional information** that may reflect positively on you or which you believe would assist the State Judicial Nominating Commission in selecting nominees for this position.

37. When you submit this **application** form, attach at least **two writing samples** (e.g., brief, opinion, or book) that reflect your personal work. Note: **Do not** submit a writing sample that includes confidential information about you or any other person unless you remove / redact the confidential information to obscure the identity of the parties and any information that may allow disclosure of the parties' identity.

38. **Certification.** I certify under penalty of perjury and pursuant to the laws of the State of Iowa that the information I have provided above is true and correct.

Applicant's signature:

<p>Attorney PIN:</p> <p>Date:</p>	 AT0008831 June 22, 2018
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