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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**Notice of Judicial Vacancies Created by the Retirements of  
Judges John H. Bayly, Jr. and Stephanie Duncan-Peters**

Members of the bar, bench, and public are hereby notified by the District of Columbia Judicial Nomination Commission (the "Commission") that two vacancies on the Superior Court of the District of Columbia will occur as a result of the retirements of Judges John H. Bayly, Jr., effective April 22, 2011, and Stephanie Duncan-Peters, effective May 3, 2011. Within 60 days of each vacancy, the Commission shall submit to the President of the United States the names of three persons for possible nomination and appointment to the Court. D.C. Code § 1-204.34. Accordingly, the Commission invites qualified individuals to apply for these vacancies.

Pursuant to D.C. Code § 1-204.33(b), no person may be nominated or appointed a judge of a District of Columbia court unless the person—

- is a citizen of the United States;
- is an active member of the unified District of Columbia Bar and has been engaged in the active practice of law in the District for the five years immediately preceding the nomination or for such five years has been on the faculty of a law school in the District, or has been employed as a lawyer by the United States or the District of Columbia government;
- is a bona fide resident of the District of Columbia and has maintained an actual place of abode in the District of Columbia for at least 90 days immediately prior to the nomination, and shall retain such residency while serving as such judge;
- is recommended to the President, for such nomination and appointment, by the District of Columbia Judicial Nomination Commission; and

- has not served, within a period of two years prior to the nomination, as a member of the District of Columbia Tenure Commission or the Judicial Nomination Commission.

All persons interested in applying for these judicial vacancies shall review and comply with the revised instructions and application materials on the Commission's website. (See [www.jnc.dc.gov](http://www.jnc.dc.gov).) The applicant's letter of interest shall clearly identify all judicial vacancies for which the applicant is applying. Only one application package shall be submitted if the applicant is applying for more than one vacancy. All applications and correspondence shall be addressed to Kim M. Whatley, Executive Director, Judicial Nomination Commission, 515 Fifth Street, NW, Suite 235, Washington, DC 20001. Incomplete or outdated application materials will not be considered.

In addition to paper copies submitted to the Commission, applicants shall email their Letters of Interest, Resumes, and Applicant Questionnaires in separate PDF format files to the Executive Director and to each Commission member. The email subject line shall include the applicant's name and shall state that the email contains application materials for a judicial vacancy. If the writing samples are too voluminous to send electronically, so indicate in the email and send paper copies of those documents to each Commission member by mail or courier service. All application materials shall be received by the close of business on March 18, 2011.

The Commission does not require letters of recommendation, letters of support, or endorsements, but will accept them. Such letters shall be received by the Commission within 30 calendar days from the application deadline date, or by the close of business on April 18, 2011. Consult the Application Instructions for Judicial Vacancies on the District of Columbia Court of Appeals and the Superior Court of the District of Columbia on the Commission's website ([www.jnc.dc.gov](http://www.jnc.dc.gov)) for additional information on the procedures for submitting letters.

Questions concerning the judicial vacancy application process shall be directed to the Commission's Executive Director at (202) 879-0478 or [dc.jnc@dc.gov](mailto:dc.jnc@dc.gov).

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