



# JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION STATE OF GEORGIA

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## MANDATORY RESIGNATION POLICY

All Members of the Georgia Judicial Nominating Commission ("JNC") shall act in accordance with the following protocols if applying to the JNC for an open judgeship:

1. Any Member of the JNC may be nominated and apply for consideration for an open judgeship.
2. If nominated, a Member shall promptly notify the co-chairs of the JNC in writing if the Member intends to apply for consideration for the open judgeship. In the absence of such notice, it is presumed that the Member declines all nominations.
3. If the Member expresses an intent to apply for the vacancy to the co-chairs of the JNC, then such Member ("Applicant Member") shall submit a letter of resignation to the Governor, with a copy to the JNC co-chairs, before applying to the JNC for the open judgeship.
4. The resignation of the Applicant Member is final, even if the Applicant Member subsequently withdraws his/her application or is disqualified from consideration.
5. Any Applicant Member violating this protocol shall be disqualified from consideration for the open judgeship.

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