

SIXTH CIRCUIT JUDICIAL COUNCIL

Office of the Circuit Executive

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Pursuant to the Bankruptcy Amendments and Federal Judgeship Act of 1984, P.L. 98-353, the Regulations of the Judicial Conference of the United States for the Selection of United States Bankruptcy Judge Nominees, and the Procedures of the Sixth Circuit Judicial Council for the Selection of Bankruptcy Judge Nominees, the Sixth Circuit Judicial Council received applications from persons interested in appointment to the bankruptcy judge position in the Eastern District of Michigan (duty station in Bay City, Michigan).

A Merit Selection Panel considered all applications received and recommended the following candidates to the Sixth Circuit Judicial Council for consideration for appointment to the bankruptcy judge vacancy:

Melanie Beyers	Bay City, MI
Kevin Erskine	Detroit, MI
John Pottow	Ann Arbor, MI
Charissa Potts	Harper Woods, MI
Karen Rowse-Oberle	St. Clair Shores, MI

The Sixth Circuit Judicial Council must consider the list of recommended candidates for this position. Under the Act, the final selection of persons for appointment as bankruptcy judge will be made by the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

Any person may now submit written comments for consideration by the Judicial Council and the Court of Appeals regarding the qualifications of the above-listed final nominees. Such written comments must be received **no later than July 30, 2026**, at the Office of the Circuit Executive, 503 Potter Stewart United States Courthouse, 100 East Fifth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202; or CA06-CECourtAdmin@ca6.uscourts.gov.

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