

Supreme Court of Kentucky

2017-21

ORDER

IN RE: EXEMPTION FROM SPECIAL EXAMINATION UNDER SCR 1.060(4)

On December 2, 2017, the Administrative Office of the Courts administered a standard examination to individuals seeking a certification of qualification for candidacy to the office of circuit court clerk under Supreme Court Rule (SCR) 1.060(2). The names of individuals receiving a passing grade of 70% or more were certified to the Secretary of State by letter dated December 7, 2017, a copy of which is attached to this Order. Those individuals are eligible to run for the office of circuit court clerk in the 2018 general election.

Under SCR 1.060(4), the Administrative Office of the Courts is required to prepare and administer a special examination to such persons designated by the chief circuit judge when there is a vacancy in the office of circuit clerk. Individuals must receive a passing score on a special examination to be eligible for appointment or election to fill an unexpired term.

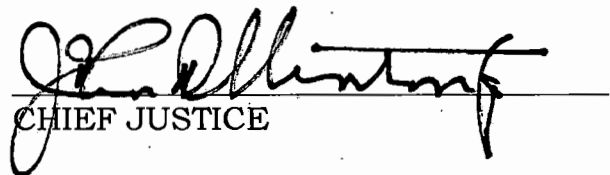
It is anticipated there will be vacancies in the office of circuit court clerk prior to the start of the new term of office on January 1, 2019, and that individuals who received a passing score on the standard examination may seek to be appointed to fill these vacancies. Accordingly, the Chief Justice has determined that an exception to the requirement for a special examination under SCR 1.060(4) is justified. To avoid the unnecessary administration of a

special examination, individuals who received a passing grade on the December 2, 2017, standard examination and whose eligibility as a candidate has been certified to the Secretary of State are not required to take a special examination to be eligible for an appointment to the office of circuit court clerk from the date of this Order until January 1, 2019.

Accordingly, it is ORDERED that those individuals whose eligibility was certified by the Administrative Office of the Courts to the Secretary of State by letter dated December 7, 2017, are exempt from the special examination required under SCR 1.060(4) until January 1, 2019. Nothing in this order will preclude a chief circuit judge from designating a person who did not take the December 2, 2017, standard examination to take a special examination should a vacancy occur.

This Order is effective December 7, 2017, *nunc pro tunc*, and until further Order of this Court. This Order will expire on January 1, 2019.

Entered this 15th day of December 2017.


CHIEF JUSTICE



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December 7, 2017

Alison Lundergan Grimes
Kentucky Secretary of State
Chair, State Board of Elections
700 Capital Avenue, Suite 152
Frankfort, KY 40601

RE: Circuit Court Clerks Examination Results

Dear Secretary Grimes:

Pursuant to SCR 1.060, the Administrative Office of the Courts administered the standard Circuit Court Clerks Examination on December 2, 2017, to prospective candidates for the office of circuit court clerk.

The AOC hereby certifies the persons listed below successfully completed the examination and are certified as eligible to appear on an election ballot for the office of circuit court clerk.

The incumbent circuit clerk for each county is included on this list, and if no other names are listed. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 1.060(3), incumbent circuit clerks shall not be required to be re-certified in order to be eligible to appear on an election ballot.

Adair

Incumbent: Dennis Loy
Kimberly Dawn Kean
Joshua Dale Withers

Allen

Incumbent: Todd B. Calvert
Meleah Jo Graves

Anderson

Incumbent: Pamela J. Robinson
Rhonda S. Traugott

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Ballard

Incumbent: Holly Oldham Dunker
Charissa C. Harris
Kimberly Story Graves
Ginger Lea Thomas

Barren

Incumbent: Krissie Coe Fields

Bath

Incumbent: Claudette Faudere

Bell

Incumbent: Colby Slusher

Boone

Incumbent: Dianne Murray
David Samuel Martin
Mitra M. Gripshover
Jennifer Renee Barnett
Taffie J. Conner
Sandy S. Ryan

Bourbon

Incumbent: Beverly Smits
Trina Burnell Huston

Boyd

Incumbent: Tracey L. Kelley
Debra Sue May

Boyle

Incumbent: Cortney Shewmaker

Bracken

Incumbent: Heather A. Rehtin
Crystal A. Dunn
Cynthia Mae Berry

Breathitt

Incumbent: James E. Turner

Breckenridge

Incumbent: Cindy Rhodes
Leslie Nicole Gedling
Jennifer Dowell Ford
Sheila Gail Carman
Shannon Gail Stinnett

Bullitt

Incumbent: Paulita A. Keith

Butler

Incumbent: Melissa Cardwell

Caldwell

Incumbent: Danny Hooks
Christie Dalane Storm

Calloway

Incumbent: Linda Avery
Melinda Starks

Campbell

Incumbent: Taunya Nolan Jack

Carlisle

Incumbent: Kevin Hoskins
Cynthia C. Hoskins

Carroll

Incumbent: Laman L. Stark
Gloria Anne Belcher
Angela Lynn Dermon
Robert Todd Yocum

Carter

Incumbent: Larry D. Thompson

Casey

Incumbent: Craig L. Overstreet

Christian

Incumbent: Gary Haddock
Trinity J. Haddock
Terry Lee Parker
Ann Elgin Petrie
Lynn Paige Parker

Clark

Incumbent: Paula S. Joslin
Cole Adams Maier

Clay

Incumbent: James S. Phillips
Leslie A. Phillips

Clinton

Incumbent: Jake Staton

Crittenden

Incumbent: Melissa Guill

Cumberland

Incumbent: Tracy Brewington Daniels
Rian Daniel Craft
Jessica Parrish Milam

Daviess

Incumbent: Susan W. Tierney
Jennifer Hardesty Besecker
David J. Roberts
Daniel John Tierney

Edmonson

Incumbent: Tanya R. Hodges

Elliott

Incumbent: Wm. Jason Ison

Estill

Incumbent: Stephanie L. Brinegar
Sharla K. Plowman

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Fayette

Incumbent: Vincent Riggs

John B. Dobson

Fleming

Incumbent: Amy M. Saunders

Ramona L. Fannin

Lisa M. Black

Floyd

Incumbent: Douglas Ray Hall

Donald Ray Daniels II

Franklin

Incumbent: Amy Feldman

Fulton

Incumbent: Jaime Matthews

Gallatin

Incumbent: Pam McIntyre

Sandy Rae Renaker

Tammy Lou Trimble

Garrard

Incumbent: Dana Hensley

Bethany Lee Denny

Sheila Gale Oakes

Grant

Incumbent: Tina Melton

Wray J. Jump

Shirley Cook Wilson

Graves

Incumbent: Emily Ward Buzanis

Grayson

Incumbent: Stacie Blain

Angela Bridgeman Sharp

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Green

Incumbent: Ann Arnett Mattingly
Tammi Simpson Davis
Kristen Jade Parson
Karen Gilpin
Amy Sue Hedgespeth

Greenup

Incumbent: Allen Kent Reed

Hancock

Incumbent: Noel J. Quinn
Michael Todd Boling

Hardin

Incumbent: Loretta Crady

Harlan

Incumbent: Wendy Flanary
Margetta Joyce Heck

Harrison

Incumbent: Teresa W. Furnish

Hart

Incumbent: Kayla Rountree
Lori Ann Reynolds
Lance Paul Strother

Henderson

Incumbent: Herbert McKee Jr.

Henry

Incumbent: Gina Lyle
Jennifer L. Rankin
Lynette D. Yount

Hickman

Incumbent: Cinda Yates
Amy Louise Cunningham
Melanie A. Dowdy

Hopkins

Incumbent: Karen L. McKnight
Lisa Gail Ford
Tanya Michelle Bowman

Jackson

Incumbent: Doris Kay Ward
Amanda Rachelle Davis
Jennifer Denise Bingham
Walker Ryan Judd
Patricia Gail Moore
Priscilla Lynn Strong

Jefferson

Incumbent: David L. Nicholson

Jessamine

Incumbent: H. Douglas Fain

Johnson

Incumbent: Penny Adams
Susan Key VanHoose
Hillary Mikala Chafin

Kenton

Incumbent: John C. Middleton

Knott

Incumbent: Lisa Bolen
Spencer Dale Hamilton
William Jeffery Blair
Madeline Slone

Knox

Incumbent: Greg Helton

LaRue

Incumbent: Larry C. Bell
Emily Nicole Ernst
Linda Powell Ireland

Laurel

Incumbent: Roger L. Schott

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Lawrence

Incumbent: Jodi L. Parsley

Lee

Incumbent: Tyler Phillips

Leslie

Incumbent: Carmolitta Morgan-Pace

Letcher

Incumbent: Larry Adams
Janet Ratliff
Michael Ruben Watts

Lewis

Incumbent: Kathy Hardy

Lincoln

Incumbent: Teresa Reed
Angela Renee Napier
Dwight B. Hopkins

Livingston

Incumbent: Debbie Harp Knoth

Logan

Incumbent: Sherry Wilkins
Mary Orange Hardison

Lyon

Incumbent: Rebecca Howard
Kimberly Dawn Duncan

Madison

Incumbent: Allee Combs Whicker
David M. Fernandez

Magoffin

Incumbent: Tonya Arnett Ward
Christi Jo Montgomery
Bradley Christopher Patrick

Marion

Incumbent: Kim T. May
Lindsay Carol Strong

Marshall

Incumbent: Tiffany Fralicx Griffith
Jessica Leigh Doom

Martin

Incumbent: Steven M. Goble
Wanda Denise Gauze

Mason

Incumbent: Kirk Tolle

McCracken

Incumbent: Kim Channell
Cathy Marie Wix

McCreary

Incumbent: Othel King

McClellan

Incumbent: Stephanie J. King-Logsdon
Jessica Megan Troutman

Meade

Incumbent: Evelyn D. Medley
Jennifer Medley Hayes
Ellen Fackler Lindsey
Shannon Krista Stull

Menifee

Incumbent: Karen Wells-Sorrell
Donald Tracy Harper
Shannon Rae Lawson
Gary David Hale

Mercer

Incumbent: Allison B. Buchanan

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Metcalfe

Incumbent: Tommy A. Garrett
Erica Cheree Hensley

Monroe

Incumbent: Joyce Emberton
Jan Beth Bartley
Kimberly Dianne Hagan
Kimberly Renae Arnett
Branden Jon Vetter

Montgomery

Incumbent: Tanya P. Terry

Morgan

Incumbent: Mary E. Coffee
Shellie Louise Adkins
Geannie Hammons Wright
Shenea Renee Easterling

Muhlenberg

Incumbent: Camron Laycock

Nelson

Incumbent: Diane Thompson

Nicholas

Incumbent: Sandye Watkins
Deanna Joyce Smoot

Ohio

Incumbent: Shannon Kirtley

Oldham

Incumbent: Stephen Kaelin
Shellie Ernst
James David Sparks
Amy Ann Parrish

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Owen

Incumbent: Margaret Forsee
Sara H. Satterwhite
Meredith Kay Marston
Mary Katelyn Stewart

Owsley

Incumbent: A. Michael Mays

Pendleton

Incumbent: Michael D. Redden

Perry

Incumbent: Charles Patterson
Charles Raleigh
Samuel Douglas Neace

Pike

Incumbent: Anna Pinson Spears

Powell

Incumbent: Patricia Darlene Drake
Betty Atkinson
James William Cook
Kelli Nichole Drake
Brian Alan King
Christine Elizabeth Epperson
Billie Jo Campbell
Christine Hazel Townsend
Tonya Renee Williams
Jessica Lynne Yarber
Conchita Ann Everman

Pulaski

Incumbent: Joseph S. Flynn
Janice Ann Smith

Robertson

Incumbent: Tabitha Tilton

Rockcastle

Incumbent: Eliza Jane York
Renita K. Blanton

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Rowan

Incumbent: Jim Barker
Melissa Dawn Powers
Anthony Ward Caldwell
Kimberly Rae Tabor

Russell

Incumbent: Tony D. Kerr
Joanna Elizabeth Trautman
Barry Kay McKinley

Scott

Incumbent: Karen Boehm
Tina Marie Foster
William Thomas Druen

Shelby

Incumbent: Lowry S. Miller
Austin Lee Redmon
Wendy Baldrige Graney
Donna Lynn Hamblen

Simpson

Incumbent: Mary Thomas Vincent
Beth Anne Fiss

Spencer

Incumbent: Becky M. Robinson
Amy Marie Montgomery

Taylor

Incumbent: Rodney Burress
Jennifer Kay Caulk
Adam L. Burress
Glenda Allen Shreve
Myra Susan Skaggs

Todd

Incumbent: J. Mark Cowherd

Trigg

Incumbent: Pam W. Perry
Myra Skinner Cornelius
Jon Kevin Goodwin
Lisa Anne Fuller Thomas

Trimble

Incumbent: Stacy M. Bruner

Union

Incumbent: Trish Tackett
Kathy Jo Sheridan

Warren

Incumbent: Brandi Duvall
Sonya Renee Corder

Washington

Incumbent: JoAnne Mudd Miller

Wayne

Incumbent: Patricia Lay
Tracie Lynn Sexton

Webster

Incumbent: Debbie Austin

Whitley

Incumbent: Gary W. Barton

Wolfe

Incumbent: Debra Sparks
Tracy Michelle Sparks
Chanda Lynette Oliver
Natasha Nicole Tipton

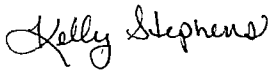
Woodford

Incumbent: Christie Edwards
Sarah W. Littrell

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If you have any questions regarding the results, please do not hesitate to contact the Administrative Office of the Courts for further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kelly Stephens".

Kelly Stephens
AOC Circuit Court Clerks Exam Supervisor

CC: Laurie K. Dudgeon, Director, Administrative Office of the Courts