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July 11, 2006

RE: August 3, 2006 Election

Dear Shelby County Voters:

As of last week, I have had the pleasure of practicing law in Shelby County for forty-four (44) years. During that time my practice has taken me to many Courts in this State and County. During these years, my clients and I have been blessed with a Judiciary here in Memphis that is superior to most other metropolitan Judiciaries. From time to time there have been problems, but in the main the men and women who have served our community in the Judicial branch have performed at an extremely high level.

Regretfully, this may quickly change as a result of the elections which are almost upon us. We have people running for Judicial positions who not only are short on experience and talent, but carry substantial, worrisome baggage. The same holds true for several of our other important positions that are closely connected with our Judicial branch of government.

Judge James Russell is running for reelection in Division 2 of Circuit Court. He has an outstanding record and is a member of the Vestry at St. John's Episcopal Church. His opponent has twice been publicly reprimanded by our Supreme Court Disciplinary body, the Board of Professional Responsibility. In addition he has several judgments rendered against him in General Sessions Court for nonpayment of debts. Judge Russell's opponent was also sued in Chancery Court for paternity and child support where it was alleged he caused the woman to quit her full time job and then withdrew all financial support from her.

Another example of what the voters are facing is Chancellor Arnold Goldin's race for reelection in Chancery 2. Those of us who have practiced before Chancellor Goldin are of the opinion he is one of the finest Chancellors that any of us can remember. When you walk into his Courtroom he usually knows more about your case than you do and he is fair to all parties and renders timely and scholarly opinions. His opponent, Carlee McCullough is another story. She was recently divorced from Scott Crawford, a former attorney who went to Federal prison as a result of his involvement with the Gangster Disciples. Before their divorce, Ms. McCullough and her husband owned the Ivy Cat, the former Justine's Restaurant. It was a financial disaster and investors lost all

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of their money. Ms. McCullough has twice been declared ineligible to practice law in California as a result of not paying her Bar dues and not taking the mandatory Continuing Legal Education programs. In addition, without having the required license, Ms. McCullough is presently passing herself off as a CPA which is a violation of Tennessee law. She has been warned about this by the State of Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance and was sent notices May 8, 2006 and May 22, 2006. As of yesterday, July 10, 2006, Ms. McCullough has not responded to the Complaint. However, in her present job with the City of Memphis assisting minority vendors, she has been involved with Reginald French's contracts with the City of Memphis which have been the subject of news media stories. In addition the records reflect Ms. McCullough has been involved in only two (2) cases in Chancery Court and in each of those she was a litigant. One of those was her own divorce case which she handled herself and another was where she was being sued. If that were not enough, she was only licensed to practice law in the State of Tennessee last year, 2005. Ms. McCullough has no standing to become a member of our Judiciary.

Our District Attorney General, Bill Gibbons, is facing competition from an attorney who is presently in Chapter 11 Bankruptcy because of her own personal financial matters. Not only does she have no experience to replace General Gibbons, but she certainly should not be a person handling a \$14,000,000.00 budget.

I am sending documentation to substantiate what I have said about Judge Russell's and Chancellor Goldin's opponents. If you want to sift through the Bankruptcy records, they are available through the Bankruptcy Court's website.

For the first time in these forty-four (44) years, I am making the effort to send to you the names of the candidates that I personally and professionally believe are best suited to hold the Judicial offices, Clerk positions, the District Attorney General position and the Sheriff position. Most of the people I am suggesting you vote for are incumbents and are so identified by the letter "I." For whatever it may be worth, the Republican party has endorsed twenty-one (21) of the twenty-two (22) candidates I am suggesting merit your consideration. I acknowledge in the race in which I differ from the Republican party, reasonable minds can come to a different conclusion.

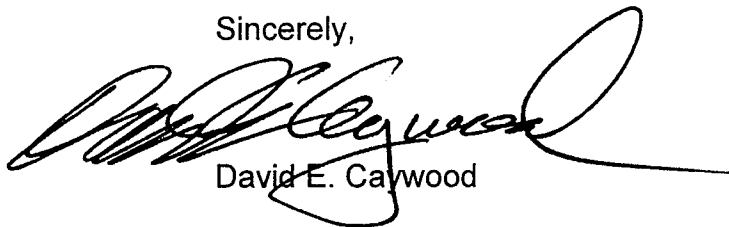
Many of you have asked me to send this list and for this reason I do not feel unduly presumptuous in communicating with you. If you concur with these suggestions, I invite you to distribute this list and letter to others.

Early voting begins this Friday, July 14, 2006. Since this is going to be a twelve (12) page ballot, my suggestion is you give serious consideration to not waiting until August 3, 2006 to vote.

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With warm regards I remain,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David E. Caywood", with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

David E. Caywood

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JOHNSON, CURTIS D.

BPR # 015518

March 05, 2001

County: Shelby

District: 9

Public censure on March 5, 2001. In his representation of a client, he failed to file the Federal Rule 26(A)1 disclosures at the time set by scheduling order and filed too late his response to a Motion for Summary Judgment.



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July 28, 2004

MEMPHIS LAWYER PUBLICLY CENSURED

Memphis lawyer Curtis D. Johnson was publicly censured by the Tennessee Supreme Court on July 27, 2004. Pursuant to Section 16 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Johnson submitted a guilty plea in exchange for a stated form of discipline. He acknowledged that he had been negligent in the handling of certain client matters, that he had charged an excessive fee and that he had failed to adequately communicate with his clients.

Pursuant to the guilty plea Johnson agreed to and has written an apology to Judge Polster; Johnson shall make and has made restitution to complainant Savannah Robertson; and Johnson shall have a practice monitor for a period of six months from the date of the final order in this cause who shall file written monthly reports to Disciplinary Counsel regarding Johnson's progress in establishing adequate communication procedures with his clients.

Johnson is required to reimburse the Board of Professional Responsibility the costs and expenses of the proceeding.

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"This just smells," said Neil P. Cohen, a law professor at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville and a specialist in criminal law and procedure. As judge, Crawford may not have helped clients when they appeared before him, yet, from an ethics perspective it's troubling, Cohen said. "It has to do with the appearance of the integrity of the system. . . . You have to have an impartial judge."

The ABAs judicial standards recommend using retired judges or temporarily assigning sitting judges from other jurisdictions. Shelby County's felony courts employ such a system. There, substitutes must be designated by the state Supreme Court. But in Shelby County General Sessions, the state's busiest court, the sheer volume of cases makes that practice all

say that the opportunity to benefit your clients would be very, very limited," said Barber, a former criminal defense attorney. General Sessions has no jury trials. Judges there issue trial verdicts, but most dispositions involve accepting pleas negotiated between the prosecutors and defense attorneys and rubber stamping agreed sentences.

"A lot of people tried to support it because of the legacy of the place" — Rodney Herenton

Restaurant reopening troubled from start

By Marc Perrusquia
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It was a Memphis dream: Reopen shuttered Justine's, the city's fabled mansion restaurant, making it a swank nightclub. More than anyone, that dream belonged to Scott Crawford. Records show Crawford, a successful lawyer and professional sports agent, invested \$300,000 in The Ivy, which opened three years ago as a private club, restaurant and rental hall — one of the few of its kind in the South owned and operated by African Americans. The project also lured small, \$1,000 investments from a

host of luminaries, including Mayor Willie Herenton's son Rodney. Two years before Crawford was charged this spring with laundering drug money stolen from the Memphis police evidence room, a little-known lawsuit in Virginia accused him of fraud in obtaining \$81,000 in seed money for The Ivy. NFL pro bowl running back Charlie Garner alleged that his agent, Crawford, forged his signature on loan papers in February 2001 to secure \$81,000 for The Ivy from American Bank. Garner's suit, filed in 2002 in federal court in

Alexandria, Va., also claimed Crawford fraudulently used Garner's name on corporate papers. The \$81,000 loan was used to match a \$70,000 loan from West Tennessee Venture Capital Corp., a minority lender licensed by the Small Business Administration and managed by developer Mabra Holeyfield. Garner's suit was settled and dismissed in October. Publicly, there was no row when Mayor Herenton cut the ribbon at The Ivy's August 2001 grand opening. Behind the scenes, Crawford was to purchase and maintain the 9,800-square-foot 1830s' estate at

919 Coward. The club borrowed \$390,000 from InterBay Funding of Coral Gables, Fla., \$300,000 from Crawford and \$15,000 from S&W Paving owner Floyd Veasley, according to a Chapter 11 bankruptcy petition filed by Ivy Properties Inc. in December. Judge Jennie Latra dismissed the club's reorganization plan in March, yet the bankruptcy file remains open. Discovery in Garner's suit shows the club sold \$1,000 memberships that made the first 50 buyers charter members with ownership rights entitling them to profit sharing. One investor, Rodney Herenton, said he never saw a return on his \$1,000 invest-

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"A lot of people tried to support it because of the legacy of the place," said Herenton, who said he never saw a return on his \$1,000 investment. McCullough, the Ivy's president, said he never saw a return on his \$1,000 investment. McCullough told Essence magazine in February 2003 that the club was earning "mid-six-figure revenues." She said she never saw a return on her \$1,000 investment. — Marc Perrusquia: 529-2545



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SECOND NOTICE

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RE: Complaint # 2006-01776-021

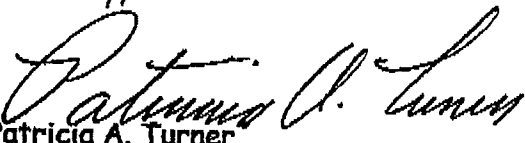
Dear Ms. McCullough:

The Tennessee State Board of Accountancy received the enclosed complaint. The complaint alleges that you are in violation of Tenn. Code Ann. § 62-1-113 (h) (2) Prohibited Activities. -

No person or firm not holding a valid license issued under § 62-1-107, § 62-1-108, or § 62-1-109 shall assume or use any title or designation that includes the words "accountant," or "accounting" or any other language (including the language of a report) that implies that such person or firm holds such a license or has special competence as an accountant or auditor; provided, that this subsection does not prohibit any officer, partner member, manager or employee of any firm or organization from affixing that person's own signature to any statement in reference to the financial affairs of such firm or organization with any wording designation the position, title, or office that the person holds therein or prohibit any act of public official or employee in the performance of the person's duties as such.

Please review the enclosed documentation and submit a written response within ten (10) working days of receiving this letter.

Sincerely,


 Patricia A. Turner
 Enforcement Assistant

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