

# Dutchess County Bar Association

## Judicial Screening Questionnaire

1. Full Name: **Joseph Anthony Egitto**
2. Identify the Court for which you are a candidate and state whether you are a candidate for election or appointment: **Dutchess County Family Court; candidate for re-election**
3. List the political party or parties which are supporting your candidacy, or of which you are seeking nomination: **Republican and Conservative parties**
4. List in reverse chronological order all employment and periods of unemployment since graduation from law school. Please feel free to continue on an additional page or attach a resume or CV.

Name of Employer	Location	Dates of Employment	Job Title
NYS UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM	50 Market Street Poughkeepsie, NY	January 1, 2014 to the present	Family Court Judge
LaGrange Town Justice (part time)	120 Stringham Rd LaGrangeville, NY	April, 2012 to December 31, 2013	Town Justice
Wolfson, Greller, Reisman & Egitto, Esqs. AND successor law firms.	11 Market Street Poughkeepsie, NY	January 1, 1991 to December 31, 2013	Member of the Firm
Crane, Wolfson, Roberts & Greller, Esqs.	11 Market Street Poughkeepsie, NY	October, 1987 to January 1, 1991	Associate Attorney

Law Office of Frank Paone, Esq.	26 Court Street, Suite 1406 Brooklyn, NY	January 15, 1986 to October, 1987	Associate Attorney

5. Have you ever been issued a license, other than a marriage license, driver's license, license to practice law or license as a notary public? If yes, please describe the license and list the dates of its initial issuance and its last renewal: **Sportsman's hunting/fishing license issued about twenty years ago, Sportsman's fishing license only renewed every year from about eight years ago.**

6. Has any license, including a license to practice law, a license as a notary public or a driver's license, ever been revoked or suspended? If yes, please describe the circumstances: **No**

7. College and professional schools (other than law schools) attended:

School	Major/Course of Study	Dates Attended	Date of Graduation
St. John's University	Psychology, Business, Speech	September, 1978 to June, 1982	June, 1982

8. Law Schools Attended:

School	Location	Dates Attended	Date of Graduation
Brooklyn Law School	250 Joralemon St. Brooklyn, NY	September, 1982 to June, 1985	June, 1985

9. List all courts in which you are admitted or have ever been admitted to practice, along with the date of admission for each: **All New York State Courts, January 15, 1986**  
**United States District Courts for the Northern, Southern and Eastern Districts of New York**  
**United States District Court for the Southern District of California, (*pro hac vice*, 1986)**
10. List all areas of law in which you have concentrated or have had substantial experience for any sustained period of time: **Family, Criminal, Matrimonial, Civil,**
11. FOR ATTORNEYS: Have you complied with all registration requirements for lawyers, including Continuing Legal Education, in the state of New York and any other jurisdiction in which you are licensed to practice law? If no, please describe the circumstances: **Yes**
12. FOR JUDGES: Have you attended the mandatory Judicial Ethics Training courses offered at the Judicial Institute? If no, please provide the dates of any such courses for which you are registered to attend: **Yes**
13. List any bar associations or professional organizations that you are a member of. If you have served in a leadership capacity for the organization, please also include the position you held:
- Chair, Advisory Committee for the Attorneys for Children Panel, A.D., 2<sup>nd</sup> Dept.
  - Chair of the Dutchess County Raise the Age Implementation Committee
  - New York State Family Court Working Group
  - New York State Regional Youth Justice Team
  - National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges
  - Juvenile Justice Committee, Dutchess County
  - Child Welfare Court Improvement Project, Dutchess County
  - New York State Family Court Judges Association
  - New York State Magistrates Association
  - Dutchess County Magistrates Association
  - New York State Bar Association

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Mid-Hudson Women's Bar Association  
Capital Defender Panel qualified

14. List any community service activities you participate in:  
Coached and supported Town of Beekman Women's Softball  
Coached Town of LaGrange Girls Youth Softball  
Supported Dutchess Divas Girls Travel Softball Club and served on its Board of Directors  
Supported Empire State Huskies and USA Lady Hawks Girls Travel Softball Clubs  
Supported Arlington High School Orchestra and Marching Band
15. Have you written any articles for publication? If yes, please give the name and date of the publication and title of each article: **No**
16. Have you had any teaching experience, including serving as a presenter for Continuing Legal Education programs, in law or related fields? If yes, please list: **Yes:**  
**2019 New Judges Training at the Judicial Institute "What Do I Do When..."**  
**Probation Officer Training "Penal Law Article 35"**  
**Guest lecturer on Trial Evidence in Criminal Law class at Marist College**
17. Have your qualifications for public office previously been reviewed by any bar or other professional association? If yes, please list the organization, date of review and findings of the organization: **Yes:**  
**DCBA, Judicial Screening, 2013, Rated: "Highly Qualified"**  
**DCBA, 2016, rating for appointment as Acting Supreme Court Justice**

18. FOR ATTORNEYS: Attach a list of five cases in which you have actively and substantially participated in that you feel best represent the scope of your work. Please include the title of the case, the index or docket number, the court in which the case was heard and a brief description of the case.
19. FOR JUDGES: Attach a list of five opinions, trials or appeals that you feel best represent the scope of your judicial experience. Please include the citation for each (if published) or a brief description of the nature of the case (if not published).

June 9, 2021: Matter of Skye H., 195 A.D. 3d 711, 149 N.Y.S. 3d 535

November 18, 2020: Keuleman v. Earp, 188 A.D. 3d 1063, 134 N.Y.S. 3d 417

December 26, 2018: DeSiena v. DeSiena, 167 A.D.3d 1006, 91 N.Y.S.3d 175

May 9, 2018: Lashlee v. Lashlee, 161 A.D.3d 866, 73 N.Y.S.3d 438

April 6, 2016: Jacobs v. Jacobs, 138 A.D.3d 742, 27 N.Y.S.3d 884

20. FOR ALL CANDIDATES: Please include any additional information which is reasonable to expect our membership would want to know when considering your qualifications for the office you seek.

During the COVID pandemic, court operations were almost completely suspended. The courts were only hearing emergencies. Attorneys for children and others on our assigned counsel panels saw their income greatly diminished as they could not submit vouchers for work that had been completed. Working with the Director of the AFC Panel, I suggested a plan to have vouchers for work already performed on pending cases reviewed by the judges in the District and approved paid without having to physically submit the vouchers to the court. This included vouchers for cases long over but not submitted. The Administrative Judge approved the plan which worked so well it is still used today.

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I acknowledge by my signature that the answers I have given are true and complete and recognize my continuing obligation during the evaluation process to correct and supplement my answers in order to ensure that they remain true and complete.

  
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Signature

September 20, 2023  
Date