

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.
Act 1075 of the Regular Session

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 694

By: Senator U. Lindsey
By: Representative Williams

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT REGARDING THE BALLOT FORM FOR A JUDICIAL
ELECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

REGARDING THE BALLOT FORM FOR A JUDICIAL
ELECTION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-7-305(c)(1), regarding the ballot form for a judicial election, is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1)(A) ~~Any~~ A person who ~~shall file files~~ for ~~any~~ an elective office in this state may use not more than three (3) given names, one (1) of which may be a nickname or any other word used ~~for the purpose of identifying to~~ identify the person to the voters, and may add as a prefix to his or her name the title or an abbreviation of an elective public office the person currently holds.

(B) A person may use as the prefix the title of a nonpartisan judicial office in an election for a ~~judgeship~~ nonpartisan judicial office only if ~~the~~:

(i) The person is currently serving in a nonpartisan judicial ~~position~~ office to which the person has been elected in the last election for the office; or

(ii) The person:

(a) Is a candidate for the office of circuit judge or district judge;



(b) Is currently serving in the office of circuit judge or district judge as an appointee; and

(c) Has been serving in that position for at least twelve (12) months.

(C) A nickname shall not include a professional or honorary title.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 7-10-103(f)(1), concerning the ballot form for a judicial election, is amended to read as follows:

(f)(1)(A) A candidate for nonpartisan judicial office may not use more than three (3) given names, one (1) of which may be a nickname or any other word used for the purpose of identifying the candidate to the voters.

(B)(i) A candidate for nonpartisan judicial office may add as a prefix to his or her name the title or an abbreviation of an elective public office the candidate currently holds.

(ii) A candidate may use as the prefix the title of a nonpartisan judicial office in an election for a ~~judgeship~~ nonpartisan judicial office only if ~~the~~:

(a) The candidate is currently serving in a judicial position to which the candidate has been elected in the last election for the office; or

(b) The candidate:

(1) Is a candidate for the office of circuit judge or district judge;

(2) Is currently serving in the position of circuit judge or district judge as an appointee; and

(3) Has been serving in that position for at least twelve (12) months.

(C) A nickname shall not include a professional or honorary title.

/s/U. Lindsey

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