Biographical Statement

Name:	Matt Widmer	
Position(s) for which you wish to be considered:		
	Palmer District Court	
Date:	November 12, 2024	

When I entered law school in Virginia, I never expected that my life as an attorney would begin in a courtroom in Bethel, Alaska. What followed was a career that would take me to courthouses throughout the State, from Nome to Juneau, state and federal, criminal and civil.

Public service has always been important to me. Before law school, I was an Eagle Scout. After law school, I coached youth soccer, practiced law as an Assistant Public Defender, served on the Board of Junior Achievement of Alaska, and taught for the Anchorage Youth Court.

Most Alaskans, to the extent they experience the legal system at all, will do so through the lens of the District Court. My practice has encompassed indigent defendants and pro se litigants. I would be humbled to be allowed to continue to serve the public as judge on the Palmer District Court.