

Alaska Judicial Council

Judicial Applicant Biographical Statement

Name: Ben W. Muse

Position(s): Anchorage District Court

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Raised in Juneau and now raising kids in Anchorage, I've always called Alaska home.

After college, I obtained my USCG 100 Ton Master license and worked on boats in Southeast Alaska before attending law school at Gonzaga.

In 2012, following clerkships in the Juneau Superior Court and the Alaska Court of Appeals, I took a volunteer position with the Alaska Public Defender Agency. Thankfully, after two weeks, I was hired on. I spent almost 9 years with the Agency, practicing across the state and handling all levels of criminal cases. In my final year and a half, I served as the Deputy Director of the Agency's Criminal Division. In 2021, I transitioned to the Federal Public Defender, where I work as a trial lawyer.

Outside of work, I am at my children's sporting events or exploring the Chugach.