

SB418 Questionnaire
(NRS Ch. 293 and Ch. 293C)

Instructions:

Pursuant to SB418 of the 2023 Nevada Legislative Session, this questionnaire is required by law when filing for judicial office for all non-incumbent judicial candidates.

If you are currently the incumbent, you may, but are not required to, complete this questionnaire if you so chose.

A judicial candidate may answer "Not Applicable" to any of the following questions at the candidate's sole discretion.

This form will not be reviewed or endorsed by an election official for completeness, but will be posted verbatim on the election official's website as presented and submitted by the candidate for judicial office. Therefore, please carefully review all questions presented to be answered.

Incumbency

Are you the incumbent in the office for which you are filing?

Yes: No:

Name and Licensure

Name (as it will appear on the ballot): Richard Gardner

Bar Admission State, Year, and Bar Number (if applicable).

State	Admission Date	Number
California	1988	135020
Washington (inactive)	1990	19711
Nevada	1994	5317

Have you ever been suspended, disbarred, or otherwise disciplined from the practice of law in Nevada or another state?

Yes: No:

If yes, please complete the chart below.

State	Nature of Discipline	Date(s)	Reason

Statutory Qualifications

If you answer "no" to any of the following questions, you may be ineligible to serve in the specified office.

Supreme Court or Court of Appeals, NRS 2.020 or NRS 2A.020

Are you a qualified elector, defined in the Nevada Constitution, Art. 2 § 1 as a United States citizen who has actually resided in Nevada for at least 6 months and lived in the district or county in which the person will vote for the 30 days immediately preceding the election, in the State of Nevada?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Are you 25 years old or older?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Have you been a licensed attorney for at least 15 years, with at least two of those years in Nevada?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Have you been a bone fide resident of Nevada for the preceding two years?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Have you ever been removed from judicial office by the Commission on Judicial Discipline or the Nevada Legislature?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>

District Court. NRS 3.060

Are you a qualified elector, as defined in the Nevada Constitution, Art. 2 § 1 as a United States citizen who has actually resided in Nevada for at least 6 months and lived in the district or county in which the person will vote for the 30 days immediately preceding the election, in the State of Nevada?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Are you 25 years old or older?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Have you been a licensed attorney for at least 10 years, with at least two of those years in Nevada?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Have you been a bone fide resident of Nevada for the preceding two years?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Have you ever been removed from judicial office by the Commission on Judicial Discipline or the Nevada Legislature?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>

Justice Court. NRS 4.010

Are you qualified elector, as defined in the Nevada Constitution, Art. 2 § 1 as a United States citizen who has actually resided in Nevada for at least 6 months and lived in the district or county in which the person will vote for the 30 days immediately preceding the election, in the township in which you are running?	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have a high school diploma or equivalent?	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Have you ever been removed from judicial office by the Commission on Judicial Discipline?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If you are running for justice of the peace in county with a population of at least 100,000, in a township with a population of at least 100,000, have you been a licensed attorney for at least 5 years?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>

Municipal Court, NRS 5.020

Are you a qualified elector, as defined in NRS 266.016 to mean a person who is registered to vote in this State and is a resident of the area to be included in the proposed city, as shown by the last official registration lists, in the city in which you are running?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Have you been a resident of the city in which you are running for at least 1 year?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you meet all the qualifications set forth in the city charter or prescribed by ordinance for the city in which you are seeking office?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Have you ever been removed from judicial office by the Commission on Judicial Discipline?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>

Campaign Information

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Social Media: _____

Other: _____

Education and Employment

List all colleges and law schools attended, include dates of attendance, and degrees awarded.

Colleges and Law Schools	Dates of Attendance	Degrees Awarded
1. California Western School of Law	1. 1987 - 1988	1. J.D.
2. University of Utah	2. 1979 - 1983	2. B.S. Finance
3. _____	3. _____	3. _____
4. _____	4. _____	4. _____
5. _____	5. _____	5. _____
6. _____	6. _____	6. _____

List any relevant employment (including any previous elected or appointed office or military service) for the last 10 years, including dates of employment, the position, and a brief summary of the nature of your responsibilities.

Organization, Position, and Dates	Responsibilities
Organization: <u>Tahoe Township Justice Court</u> Position: <u>Justice of the Peace Pro Tem</u> Dates: <u>11/2022 - 10/2023</u>	Presided over court proceedings as directed by Honorable Judge Richard Glasson. Cases of civil and criminal matters including traffic court, bail hearings, warrants, sentencing and protective orders.
Organization: <u>Gardner Law Firm</u> Position: <u>Solo practioner</u> Dates: <u>1/1999 to present</u>	As a solo practioner, I represent construction and business clients in a broad range needs from civil litigation to transactional matters. My practice also includes administrative law in project permintting and entitlements.

<p>Organization: <u>Tahoe Douglas District</u></p> <p>Position: <u>Board Member</u></p> <p>Dates: <u>1/2011 - 12/2022</u></p>	<p>I was elected two terms and appointed for a portions of a third term to sit as a representative from my community on the local sewer board. We set policy for sewer distict transmission facilities. As a board member I made decisions and voted on budgeting, capital improvement plans, capital projects, litigation and employment approvals.</p>
<p>Organization: <u>Douglas County Tahoe Sewer Authority</u></p> <p>Position: <u>Chairman/Board Member</u></p> <p>Dates: <u>1/2022 - 12/2022</u></p>	<p>I was appointed as a board member and elected as chairman for the sewer distict that oversees transmission and treatment facilities in the Tahoe basin. I managed monthly meetings and periodic financial approvals for the Authority. The scope of responsibility included budgeting, capital improvement plans, capital projects, and employment approvals.</p>
<p>Organization: _____</p> <p>Position: _____</p> <p>Dates: _____</p>	
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Prior Elected or Appointed Government Experience

Have you ever held any elective or appointive public office in this or any other state? If yes, give details, including the offices involved, whether initially appointed or elected, and the length of service. Exclude political affiliation.

Yes No

Douglas County Planning Commission (appointed) two terms
Tahoe Douglas District (elected/appointed) 11 years
Douglas County Lake Tahoe Sewer Authority (appointed) 1 year

Have you been a candidate for any elective or appointive office, who was not elected or appointed? If yes, please list.

Yes No

Nevada Assembly Distric 39
Tahoe Township Justice of the Peace

Conduct

Have you ever been convicted of a violation of federal, state or local law, ordinance or regulation other than a minor traffic violation? If yes, please provide details of circumstances, charges, and dispositions.

Yes No

Have you read the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct and are you able to comply if elected?

Yes No

Candidate Statement

Provide a candidate statement not to exceed 200 words in length.

My strong community ties and my extensive experience in the practice of law make me a good candidate for Tahoe Township Justice of the Peace.

I have been a Douglas County resident since 1967. In those 55 years, I attended school and raised four children in the Tahoe Township. My family and I have owned businesses in this community for over four decades, including restaurants, construction companies, and my law firm. Giving back to our community has been a common thread throughout my life.

In the past 35 years of continuously practicing law, I have gained a wealth of legal knowledge and skills that uniquely prepare me to be a fair Justice of the Peace. My areas of practice extend from civil litigation to business transactional work. I was appointed as Tahoe Township Justice Pro Tem by Judge Glasson. My wide range of experiences in law brings a breadth of knowledge to the position.

I maintain an exclusive and lifelong tie to the Tahoe Township which gives me insights into this great community. I have extensive experience and understanding in the law. That, along with my strong sense of values uniquely qualifies me as your next Justice of the Peace.