

Commonwealth of Kentucky
Department of Workers' Claims
Workers Compensation Board Application Supplement

The Workers' Compensation Nominating Committee requests that you submit the following information/items as a supplement to your application for consideration to be nominated for a position on the Workers' Compensation Board. The additional information shall include:

1. Cell phone number.
2. A writing sample. For attorneys, this should include a brief that has been submitted to the Board, or a substantially similar pleading such as a brief to an ALJ. It would be expected that current administrative law judges or Board members would submit a recently authored Opinion.
3. A statement of the number of workers' compensation cases you handled in the most recent year in which you practiced workers' compensation law, to include the following specific information:
 - a. The year in which you most recently practiced workers' compensation law;
 - b. The number of cases you handled that year that went to a formal hearing;
 - c. The number of cases you handled that year in which an appeal was taken; and
 - d. The number of briefs prepared personally by you for submission to: i.) an ALJ; or ii.) to the Board, Court of Appeals, or Supreme Court on appeal.
4. A statement related to your fitness to manage the general duties of a Workers Compensation Board member, such as:
 - a. Managing a large caseload so that appeals are expeditiously resolved;
 - b. Supervising support staff;
 - c. Understanding voluminous and complex medical evidence;

- d. Maintaining a current and thorough understanding and knowledge of substantive and procedural aspects of workers' compensation law;
 - e. Writing opinions that clearly and decisively reflect an understanding and sound analysis of the issues on appeal, and communicate the result in a concise and succinct manner;
 - f. Understanding the distinction between an ALJ and a Board member to be that the Board member is not to re-weigh evidence and substitute findings made by an ALJ; and
 - g. Working cooperatively with two other Board members.
5. How many presentations have you participated in as a speaker in a CLE-qualifying program on Workers' Compensation?
6. If you have served as a member of the Workers' Compensation Board, in how many opinions have you dissented from the majority opinion and in those cases did the ultimate appellate tribunal agree with your dissent?

Please explain your qualifications to fulfill the duties and demands of the office of a Board member of the Kentucky Department of Workers' Claims.