

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

SENATE BILL 956

By: Daniels

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to courts; amending 20 O.S. 2021, Section 92i, which relates to candidates for district or associate district judge; modifying certain qualification for candidacy; updating statutory language; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 20 O.S. 2021, Section 92i, is amended to read as follows:

Section 92i. To file as a candidate for the office of district judge or associate district judge, one must have been a registered voter and actual resident of the appropriate ~~county~~ district for at least six (6) months prior to the first day of the filing period. Should no one file for any such office, and should a vacancy thereby created be filled by appointment according to law, there shall be no such residency or durational registration requirement imposed on the appointee, providing ~~said~~ the appointee is otherwise qualified, nor shall any person appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of district judge or associate district judge be required to comply

1 with ~~such~~ the residency or durational registration requirement in
2 becoming a candidate for a full term following ~~such~~ an appointment.
3 No one who has been removed from judicial office or who has resigned
4 from office pending disciplinary proceedings shall qualify to file
5 as a candidate for judicial office.

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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