

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

3 SENATE BILL 956

By: Daniels

6 AS INTRODUCED

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

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

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

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