

MOTION

NO. M-26-164

CITY HALL: April 23, 2026

BY: COUNCILMEMBER KING (BY REQUEST)

SECONDED BY:

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BE IT FURTHER MOVED, That the Clerk of Council shall immediately provide a certified copy of this motion to Justice Bernette Johnson, New Orleans Redevelopment Authority, the Law Department, and the Mayor's Office of Intergovernmental Affairs.

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

TO ACCOMPANY MOTIONS

BEFORE SUBMISSION TO CLERK OF COUNCIL

Requesting Department or Agency: Mayor's Office

Name of Contact Person: Chante Powell

Telephone Number: 504.658.1922

Email Address: chante.powell@nola.gov

Initials of Sponsoring Councilmember(s): Councilmember Freddie King

DETAILED SYNOPSIS OF THE MOTION

Please generally describe the purpose, intent, and effect of the proposed motion.

This motion is to appoint Justice Bernette Johnson to the New Orleans

Redevelopment Authority (NORA).

If the Motion is to appoint an individual to a City Board or Commission, please follow the procedures set forth in Rule 15 of the Council Rules and Regulations.

REQUESTED ADOPTION DATE: _____



APPOINTMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF: ORLEANS

Nominees for the appointments to any board, commission or public body must complete this form and submit it to the City Council Research Office to be considered for appointment. Please answer **ALL** questions and submit the notarized original document; copies will not be accepted.

References: Sec. 2-87.1 of the Code of the City of New Orleans and City Council Rule 15.

Public body to which nominated: ^(NORA) New Orleans Redevelopment Authority

Nominating entity or entity which nominee will represent: Mayor, City of New Orleans

Name of nominee: JUSTICE BERNETTE J. JOHNSON

Domicile address (street name and zip code only) PARK TIMBERS DR. 70131
Street Name Zip Code

Do you claim a homestead exemption at this address? Yes: No:

Month and year of birth: JUNE, 1943

Are you registered to vote in Orleans Parish? Yes: No:

City Council district in which you are registered to vote: DISTRICT C

APPOINTMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Education: List institutions, dates attended, degree(s) received, and date(s) granted:

Spelman College BA Degree 1964
LSU Law School, J.D. Degree 1969

Employment: List all employment during the past two years, including name of employer, location, job title(s), job description(s) and dates of employment:

Retired Chief Justice, Louisiana Supreme Court
400 Royal St. NOLA 70131,
Service 1994-2020

Government Experience: List any experience in or association with federal, state, or local governments, including paid and unpaid employment, advisory, honorary, volunteer, or other service or positions:

New Orleans Aviation Board 2022-25

Do you, any member of your immediate family, or employer have any interest in any matter that is presently, or that you have reason to believe may come before the board, commission, or authority to which you are proposed to be appointed? If yes, please explain:

no

APPOINTMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Do you, any member of your immediate family, or your employer have a contract with, or have any financial interest in any contract or transaction with the board, commission, authority to which you are nominated, or any other department, board, commission, or agency of the City of New Orleans, the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans, or the City Council? If yes, please explain:

no

Are you a public employee? If yes, please identify the government entity and your position:
(Note: Home Rule Charter sec. 9-106 prohibits any board/commission member from public employment compensated by the City of New Orleans.)

no

Do you hold an elected office? If yes, please identify the office and your title:

no

Are you currently a candidate for any elective office? If yes, please identify the office:

no

APPOINTMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Have you previously held public office? If yes, please identify the office and dates held:

Judge, Civil District Court (Orleans) 1984-1994
Justice, Louisiana Supreme Court 1994-2013
Chief Justice Louisiana Supreme Court 2013-2020

Do you serve on any other government board, commission, committee or authority? If yes, please identify the board, commission, committee or public body, the nature of its authority, and amounts of any compensation received.

no

Memberships: List all memberships, including offices, held in professional, fraternal, scholarly, civic, charitable, or other organizations

American Bar Ass'n; National Bar Ass'n,
National Ass'n of Women Judges, Links, Inc.,
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority

Do you agree to adhere to the provisions of the Code of Ethics for the City of New Orleans (Chapter 2, Article VII, Division 3 of the Code of the City of New Orleans), a copy of which is available at <https://www.nola.gov/nola/media/City-Council/Files/City-of-New-Orleans-Code-of-Ethics.pdf>?

Yes: No:

APPOINTMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Have you ever been convicted, pled guilty, or pled nolo contendere to any local, state, or federal crime other than a traffic violation? If yes, please explain:

no

Have you ever received a final judgment for any violation of City of New Orleans or Louisiana ethics laws, professional license regulations, or a final judgment for administrative adjudication proceedings, other than for parking violations? If yes, please explain:

no

Do you, any member of your immediate family, or your employer have any financial interest in any claim or pending lawsuit against the City of New Orleans, or any of its boards, commissions or public bodies? If yes, please explain:

no

Are you delinquent in the payment of any taxes, fees, fines (other than traffic or parking violations), or judgments to the City of New Orleans? If yes, please explain:

no

APPOINTMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

If requested, are you willing to appear before a Council committee to testify and bring any pertinent documents which may be requested? Yes No

NOTE — During the term of your appointment:

- You are under a continuing obligation to inform the City Council Governmental Affairs Committee, or its successor, should any of the information submitted in this questionnaire change for any reason;
- Failure to attend at least seventy-five percent of the meetings of the entity to which you are appointed shall constitute reasonable cause for your dismissal from the position appointed; and
- Material misrepresentation of any information provided in this questionnaire shall constitute cause for dismissal from the position appointed.

Sworn to and subscribed before the undersigned Notary this 5th day of March, 2026

Bernette J Johnson
Nominee Signature

