

Reference:

Article V, Section 8

Ballot Title:

Eligibility to be County Court Judge

Ballot Summary:

Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution, effective July 1, 1985, to require that unless otherwise provided by general law, no person shall be eligible for the office of county court judge unless he is, and has been for the preceding five years, a member of the bar of Florida unless otherwise provided by general law, a person shall be eligible for election or appointment to the office of county court judge in a county having a population of 40,000 or less if he is a member in good standing of the bar of Florida.

Full Text:

ARTICLE V

JUDICIARY

SECTION 8. Eligibility.--No person shall be eligible for office of justice or judge of any court unless he is an elector of the state and resides in the territorial jurisdiction of his court. No justice or judge shall serve after attaining the age of seventy years except upon temporary assignment or to complete a term, one-half of which he has served. No person is eligible for the office of justice of the supreme court or judge of a district court of appeal unless he is, and has been for preceding ten years, a member of the bar of Florida. No person is eligible for the office of circuit judge unless he is, and has been for the preceding five years, a member of the bar of Florida. Unless otherwise provided by general law, no person is eligible for the office of a county court judge unless he is, and has been for the preceding five years, must be a member of the bar of Florida. Unless otherwise provided by general law, a person shall be eligible for election or appointment to the office of county court judge in a county having a population of 40,000 or less if he is a member in good standing of the bard of Florida.