

**Judicial Election Questionnaire**

1) Your full name:

**Cynthia Lynnae Beaman**

2) Office Address and Phone Number:

**P.O. Box 810, Gold Beach, Oregon 97444, 541-247-4511**

3) Web site (if applicable):

**n/a**

4) List high school, college and law school attended, including dates of attendance, degrees awarded and your reasons for leaving each school if no degree from that institution was awarded.

**Farmington High School, Farmington, Missouri**

**University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri – BSBA**

**University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law, Sacramento, California**

5) List employment since graduation from law school, including dates employed, your position and the nature of the practice or activity.

**Assistant Public Defender, Southwestern Oregon Public Defenders, Inc.**

**Attorney, Cynthia L. Beaman.**

6a) List state and federal bars, courts and administrative bodies to which you are presently admitted and the date of admission.

**California State Bar, 1998**

**Oregon State Bar, 1998**

6b) List any previous admissions, including dates, and the reason why you are no longer admitted.

**[Click here and type answer]**

7) List publications and/or articles you have authored.

**[Click here and type answer]**

8) List community, teaching (Continuing Legal Education or otherwise) or civic activities.

**Soccer Coach, Parent Teacher Organization, Youth Basketball Committee**

9) Prior to your becoming a judge, what was the general character of your legal practice? Indicate the nature of your typical clients and mention any legal areas in which you concentrated.

**General Practice – primarily criminal defense and family law**

10) List your judicial experience, including as a pro tem, and/or service on an administrative tribunal, or justice, municipal, tax, circuit, or appellate court.

**Circuit Court Judge, Coos and Curry Counties, 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial District - July 2007 – Present.**

11) Describe the general character of your judicial work over the past five years. Indicate the nature of the cases over which you preside, any specialty courts or court programs, and any legal areas in which you concentrate.

**Curry County is a small county. As one of two judges in this district, I preside over all types of cases filed in this court.**

12) Describe any judicial experience in appellate courts not included above.

**[Click here and type answer]**

13) State the approximate number of trials or contested hearings over which you have presided as the judicial officer during each of the past five years. Indicate roughly how many were jury trials and how many were trials to the court.

**Approximately 20 trials in the last year, 12 – 14 of them were jury trials.**

14) Describe any experience serving as an arbitrator or mediator.

**[Click here and type answer]**

15) List all bar association memberships, offices held and committee assignments.

**Past President of the Curry County Bar Association.**

16) Describe any bar association or judicial department committees, task forces, or special projects in which you have been involved.

**[Click here and type answer]**

17) Have you ever been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a violation of any federal, state, county or municipal law, regulation or ordinance? If so, please give details. Do not include parking offenses or traffic violations for which a fine of less than \$500 was imposed.

**No.**

18) Have you ever been the subject of a formal disciplinary proceeding as an attorney or judge? If so, please give the particulars and the result. *Include formal proceedings only.*

**No.**

19) What attracted you to a judicial career?

20) Briefly describe your philosophy of the judicial role, the qualities that are most important for the role, and the greatest challenges to the role.

21) Briefly describe a case, or a legal issue on which you worked, of which you are particularly proud, or which is reflective of your legal ability, work ethic, judicial philosophy, or temperament.

22) Briefly describe an issue, related to Oregon's justice system, that is of particular interest or concern to you, or that you have interest in working toward improving.

**I am interested in issues related to mental health and the court system. Our county is severely lacking in mental health facilities and programs. I hope to implement a mental health court in Curry County.**

23) Briefly describe a legal figure, personal, fictional or historical, whom you admire and why.

**I admire my parents. They are both intelligent and kind people. They taught me to think for myself and to make good decisions, and they did so without me knowing that they were teaching me those skills. They divorced, but each still respected and encouraged the other's relationship with me and my siblings, which I think has given me great insight when making decisions in custody and dissolution matters.**

24) State any other information that you regard as pertinent to your candidacy.

**I am committed to serving the citizens of Coos and Curry Counties and hope to bring to the bench understanding, patience, and an interest of fairness to the judicial system.**