



ATHENS CITY JUDGE

APPOINTMENT INFORMATION

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for appointment as City Judge, applicants must meet the qualifications set forth in the Athens City Charter, Athens City Code and Tennessee Code Annotated.

Athens City Charter

Article XXII

Athens City Code

Title 3 Municipal Court

Application Instructions

Interested and qualified individuals should submit the completed application **no later than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 7, 2026**. Applications may be submitted to:

City Manager's Office

City of Athens, Tennessee

815 North Jackson Street

Athens, TN 37303

Email: admin@athenstn.gov

Online: www.athenstn.gov

Tentative Appointment Schedule

- **Dec. 8, 2025 – Work Session:** Discuss process to appoint City Judge
- **Dec. 16, 2025 – Regular Session:** Approve process for filling the vacancy
- **Dec. 17, 2025 – Jan. 7, 2026:** Advertise vacancy; accept applications
- **Jan. 12, 2026 – Work Session:** Review and discuss applicants
- **Jan. 20, 2026 – Regular Session:** Appoint a qualified applicant and administer oath of office

For more information contact the Office of City Manager at (423) 744-2702 or admin@athenstn.gov.

ATHENS CITY JUDGE APPOINTMENT APPLICATION



Full Name: _____

Residential Address: _____
(Please attach proof of residency in McMinn County.)

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

TN Board of Professional Responsibility (BPR) Number: _____

1. Are you a resident of McMinn County?
(Athens City Code Chapter 3-I (3-1)(3)) ☐ Yes ☐ No

2. Do you understand that the City Judge serves at the will and pleasure of the City Council?
(Athens City Charter, Article XXII, Athens City Code Chapter 3-I (3-1)(1)) ☐ Yes ☐ No

3. Do you understand that maintaining residency in McMinn County is a continuing requirement, and loss of residency immediately vacates the office of City Judge?
(Athens City Code Chapter 3-I (3-1)(3)) ☐ Yes ☐ No

4. Do you certify that you are currently in good standing with the Tennessee Board of Professional Responsibility and have no pending disciplinary actions?
(Athens City Code Chapter 3-I (3-1)(3)) ☐ Yes ☐ No

5. Do you have any ongoing professional obligations that would prevent you from presiding during scheduled City Court times? (4:00pm Monday's and Wednesday's)
If yes, please explain: _____ ☐ Yes ☐ No

6. Please provide a brief statement explaining your interest in serving as the Athens City Judge.

7. Please list prior judicial or quasi-judicial experience:

I hereby certify that all information provided in this application is true and accurate. I acknowledge that the position of City Judge is governed by Tennessee law, the Athens City Charter, and the Athens City Code; that the City Judge serves at the will and pleasure of the City Council; that I must be bonded before taking office; and that I must maintain residency in McMinn County and active Tennessee law license in good standing at all times while serving.

Signature

Date