

**JUDGE LOUIS B. BUTLER, JR.**

Milwaukee Municipal Court, Branch 2
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CONFIDENTIAL

Alderman Michael D'Amato
Common Council
200 East Wells Street, Room 205
Milwaukee, WI 53202

RE: Judicial Appointment - Branch Two

Dear Alderman D'Amato:

I wanted to share with the Judicial & Legislation Committee some thoughts I had regarding the appointment process for the next municipal judge in Branch Two. In no particular order, based on my years at the court, I thought that the Committee might want to consider the following characteristics of the applicants for Branch Two:

1. Legal Ability
2. Experience
3. Electoral Appeal
4. Community Relations
5. Diversity
6. Independence
7. Temperament
8. Vision
9. Needs of the Court

I am sure there are other aspects that might be considered, but I thought this might be a good place to start. I would be happy to communicate with you and the other members of the committee as needed prior to and during the selection process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Louis B. Butler, Jr.", written over a horizontal line.

LOUIS B. BUTLER, JR.
Presiding Judge

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