

Personal Qualifications Statement

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Form Approved:
OMB No. 3206-0012

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1. Kind of position (job) you are filing for (or title and number of announcement)
Deputy Assistant Attorney General

2. Options for which you wish to be considered (if listed in the announcement)

3. Home phone: [REDACTED] 4. Work phone: Area Code **202** Number **633-4277** Extension

5. Sex (for statistics only)
 Male Female 6. Other last names ever used

Name (Last, First, Middle)
Alito, Samuel A.

Street address or RFD no. (include apartment no., if any)
[REDACTED]

City [REDACTED] State [REDACTED] ZIP Code [REDACTED]

8. Birthplace (City & State, or foreign country)
Trenton, N.J.

9. Birth date (Month, day, year) [REDACTED] 10. Social Security Number [REDACTED]

11. If you have ever been employed by the Federal Government as a civilian, give your highest grade, classification series, and job title.
GS15 Assistant to the Solicitor General
Dates of service in highest grade (Month, day, and year)
From **Aug. 22, 1982** To **present**

12. If you currently have an application on file with the Office of Personnel Management for appointment to a Federal position, list: (a) the name of the area office maintaining your application, (b) the position for which you filed, and (if appropriate) (c) the date of your notice of rating, (d) your identification number, and (e) your rating.

13. Lowest pay or grade you will accept:
PAY \$ per OR GRADE **Nov. 1985**

14. When will you be available for work? (Month, and year)

15. Are you available for temporary employment lasting:
(Acceptance or refusal of temporary employment will not affect your consideration for other appointments.)
A. Less than 1 month? YES NO
B. 1 to 4 months? YES NO
C. 5 to 12 months? YES NO

16. Are you interested in being considered for employment by:
A. State and local government agencies? YES NO
B. Congressional and other public offices? YES NO
C. Public international organizations? YES NO

17. Where will you accept a job?
A. In the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan area? YES NO
B. Outside the 50 United States? YES NO
C. Anyplace in the United States? YES NO
D. Only in (specify locality)

18. Indicate your availability for overnight travel:
A. Not available for overnight travel.
B. 1 to 5 nights per month.
C. 6 to 10 nights per month.
D. 11 or more nights per month.

19. Are you available for part-time positions (fewer than 40 hours per week) offering:
A. 20 or fewer hours per week? YES NO
B. 21 to 31 hours per week? YES NO
C. 32 to 39 hours per week? YES NO

20. Veteran Preference. Answer all parts. If a part does not apply to you, answer "NO"
A. Have you ever served on active duty in the United States military service? (Exclude tours of active duty for training in Reserves or National Guard) YES NO
B. Have you ever been discharged from the armed services under other than honorable conditions? You may omit any such discharge changed to honorable or general by a Discharge Review Board or similar authority. YES NO
C. Do you claim 5-point preference based on active duty in the armed forces? YES NO
If "YES", you will be required to furnish records to support your claim at the time you are appointed.
D. Do you claim 10-point preference? YES NO
If "YES," check the type of preference claimed and complete and attach Standard Form 15, "Claim for 10-Point Veteran Preference," together with the proof requested in that form.
Type of Preference: Compensable Disability 30% or More Compensable Disability Below 30% Non-compensable Disability Purple Heart Recipient Spouse Widower(s) Mother

E. List dates, branch, and serial number of all active service (enter "N/A" if not applicable)
From To Branch of Service Serial or Service Number
N/A

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FOR USE OF EXAMINING OFFICE ONLY**

Material Entered register:
 Submitted Returned

Notations:

Form reviewed:
Form approved:

Option	Grade	Earned Rating	Preference	Aug. Rating
			<input type="checkbox"/> 5 Points (Tent.)	
			<input type="checkbox"/> 10 Pts. 30% or More Comp. Dis.	
			<input type="checkbox"/> 10 Pts. Less Than 30% Comp. Dis.	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Other 10 Points	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Disallowed	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Being Investigated	

Initials and date

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Preference has been verified through proof that the separation was under honorable conditions, and other proof as required.

5-Point 10 Points 30% or More Compensable Disability 10 Points Less Than 30% Compensable Disability 10-Point Other

Signature and title

Agency Date

I am and always have been a conservative and an adherent to the same philosophical views that I believe are central to this Administration. It is obviously very difficult to summarize a set of political views in a sentence but, in capsule form, I believe very strongly in limited government, federalism, free enterprise, the supremacy of the elected branches of government, the need for a strong defense and effective law enforcement, and the legitimacy of a government role in protecting traditional values. In the field of law, I disagree strenuously with the usurpation by the judiciary of decisionmaking authority that should be exercised by the branches of government responsible to the electorate. The Administration has already made major strides toward reversing this trend through its judicial appointments, litigation, and public debate, and it is my hope that even greater advances can be achieved during the second term, especially with Attorney General Meese's leadership at the Department of Justice.

When I first became interested in government and politics during the 1960s, the greatest influences on my views were the writings of William F. Buckley, Jr., the National Review, and Barry Goldwater's 1964 campaign. In college, I developed a deep interest in constitutional law, motivated in large part by disagreement with Warren Court decisions, particularly in the areas of criminal procedure, the Establishment Clause, and reapportionment. I discovered the writings of Alexander Bickel advocating judicial restraint, and it was largely for this reason that I decided to go to Yale Law School.

After graduation from law school, completion of my ROTC military commitment, and a judicial clerkship, I joined the U.S. Attorney's office in New Jersey, principally because of my strong views regarding law enforcement.

Most recently, it has been an honor and source of personal satisfaction for me to serve in the office of the Solicitor General during President Reagan's administration and to help to advance legal positions in which I personally believe very strongly. I am particularly proud of my contributions in recent cases in which the government has argued in the Supreme Court that racial and ethnic quotas should not be allowed and that the Constitution does not protect a right to an abortion.

As a federal employee subject to the Hatch Act for nearly a decade, I have been unable to take a role in partisan politics. However, I am a life-long registered Republican and have made the sort of modest political contributions that a federal employee can afford to Republican candidates and conservative causes, including the National Republican Congressional Committee, the National Conservative Political Action Committee, Rep.

Christopher Smith (4th Dist. N.J.), Rep. James Courter (12th Dist. N.J.), Governor Thomas Kean of N.J., and Jeff Bell's 1982 Senate primary campaign in N.J. I am a member of the Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy and a regular participant at its luncheon meetings and a member of the Concerned Alumni of Princeton University, a conservative alumni group. During the past year, I have submitted articles for publication in the National Review and the American Spectator.

21. Experience: Begin with current or most recent job or volunteer experience and work back. Account for periods of unemployment exceeding three months and your residence address at that time on the last line of the experience blocks in order of occurrence.

May inquiry be made of your present employer regarding your character, qualifications, and record of employment?
 (A "NO" will not affect your consideration for employment opportunities except for Administrative Law Judge positions.) YES NO

A Name and address of employer's organization (include ZIP code, if known) Office of Solicitor General Department of Justice 10th & Constitution Ave., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20007	Dates employed (give month and year) From Aug. 1981 To present	Average number of hours per week 40+
	Salary or earnings Beginning \$ 42,900 per yr. Ending \$ 57,488 per yr.	Place of employment City Wash. State D.C.

Exact title of your position General Assistant to the Solicitor	Name of immediate supervisor Charles Fried	Area Code 202	Telephone number 633-2201	Number and kind of employees you supervised —
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Kind of business or organization (manufacturing, accounting, social services, etc.) Dept. of Justice	If Federal service, civilian or military; series, grade or rank, and date of last promotion GS15 - Aug. 22, 1982	Your reason for wanting to leave accept new position
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Description of work (Describe your specific duties, responsibilities and accomplishments in this job):
Briefed and argued cases for government in Supreme Court. Recommended to Solicitor General whether adverse lower court decisions should be appealed and, if so, arguments to be made.

For agency use (skill codes, etc.):

B Name and address of employer's organization (include ZIP code, if known) U.S. Attorney's Office District of New Jersey Federal Building 970 Broad St. Newark, N.J. 07102	Dates employed (give month and year) From Nov. 1977 To Aug. 1981	Average number of hours per week 40+
	Salary or earnings Beginning \$ 22,700 per yr. Ending \$ 40,900 per yr.	Place of employment City Newark State N.J.

Exact title of your position Assistant U.S. Attorney	Name of immediate supervisor Judge Maryanne T. Barry	Area Code 609	Telephone number 989-2009	Number and kind of employees you supervised
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Kind of business or organization (manufacturing, accounting, social services, etc.) U.S. Attorney's office	If Federal service, civilian or military; series, grade or rank, and date of last promotion Excepted appointment	Your reason for leaving Accept new position
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Description of work (Describe your specific duties, responsibilities and accomplishments in this job):
Handled federal criminal cases, principally at appellate level.

For agency use (skill codes, etc.):

C Name and address of employer's organization (include ZIP code, if known) Judge Leonard I. Garth U.S. Courthouse Newark, N.J. 07102	Dates employed (give month and year) From July 1976 To Aug. 1977	Average number of hours per week 40+
	Salary or earnings Beginning \$ 17,056 per yr. Ending \$ 20,442 per yr.	Place of employment City Newark State N.J.

Exact title of your position Law Clerk	Name of immediate supervisor Judge Leonard I. Garth	Area Code 201	Telephone number 645-3356	Number and kind of employees you supervised —
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Kind of business or organization (manufacturing, accounting, social services, etc.) Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals	If Federal service, civilian or military; series, grade or rank, and date of last promotion GS12	Your reason for leaving Expiration of 1-yr. clerkship.
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Description of work (Describe your specific duties, responsibilities and accomplishments in this job):
Assist judge as required

For agency use (skill codes, etc.):

Attach Supplemental Sheets or Forms Here

22. A. Special qualifications and skills (skills with machines, patents or inventions, your most important publications [do not submit copies unless requested], your public speaking and publications experience, membership in professional or scientific societies, etc.)

B. Kind of license or certificate (pilot, registered nurse, lawyer, radio operator, CPA, etc.) **lawyer**

C. Latest license or certificate
 Year: **1975** State or other licensing authority: **N.J.**
1982 **N.Y.**

D. Approximate number of words per minute
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23. A. Did you graduate from high school or will you graduate within the next nine months, or do you have a GED high school equivalency certificate?
 Yes: No:
 Month and Year: **June 1968** Highest grade completed: **—**

B. Name and location (city and State) of latest high school attended
Hamilton HS East
Hamilton Twp., N.J.

C. Name and location (city, State, and ZIP Code, if known) of college or university. (If you expect to graduate within nine months, give MONTH and YEAR you expect to receive your degree.)

Name and Location	Dates Attended		Years Completed		No. of Credits Completed		Type of Degree (e.g. B.A.)	Year of Degree
	From	To	Day	Night	Semester Hours	Quarter Hours		
Princeton University	1968	1972	4				A.B.	1972
Yale Law School	1972	1975	3				J.D.	1975

D. Chief undergraduate college subjects

Subjects	No. of Credits Completed	
	Semester Hours	Quarter Hours
Political Science		
History		

E. Chief graduate college subjects

Subjects	No. of Credits Completed	
	Semester Hours	Quarter Hours
Law		

F. Major field of study at highest level of college work
Law

G. Other schools or training (for example, trade, vocational, Armed Forces or business). Give for each the name and location (city, State and ZIP Code, if known) of school, dates attended, subjects studied, number of classroom hours of instruction per week, certificate, and any other pertinent data.

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24. Honors, awards, and fellowships received
Phi Beta Kappa

25. Languages other than English. List the languages (other than English) in which you are proficient and indicate your level of proficiency by putting a check mark (✓) in the appropriate columns. Candidates for positions requiring conversational ability in a language other than English may be given an interview conducted solely in that language. Describe in item 34 how you gained your language skills and the amount of experience you have had (e.g., completed 72 hours of classroom training, spoke language at home for 18 years, self-taught, etc.).

Name of Language(s)	PROFICIENCY							
	Can Prepare and Deliver Lectures		Can Converse		Have Facility to Translate Articles, Technical Materials, etc.		Can Read Articles, Technical Materials, etc., for Own Use	
	Fluently	With Difficulty	Fluently	Passably	Into English	From English	Easily	With Difficulty

26. References. List three persons who are NOT related to you and who have definite knowledge of your qualifications and fitness for the position for which you are applying. Do not repeat names of supervisors listed under Item 21. Experience.

Full Name	Present Business or Home Address (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP Code)	Telephone Number (Include Area Code)	Business or Occupation
George Pieler	Office of Majority Leader U.S. Senate Wash., D.C. 20510		lawyer
Judith L. Hammerschmidt	Special Asst. to the Atty Gen. Dept of Justice Wash., D.C. 20530		lawyer
			law professor lawyer

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Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Office of Legal Counsel

Introduction

With the Assistant Attorney General and under his general direction shares responsibility for carrying out the duties imposed on that officer as Chief Adviser to the Attorney General on matters of law, assisting the Attorney General in his duties as legal adviser to the President, the Cabinet, and the whole executive branch of the government, preparing formal opinions of the Attorney General, and rendering informal opinions and legal advice on the wide variety of subjects and legal questions which arise in the determination of the national and international policies of the United States and in the carrying out of those policies through all the departments and agencies of the Executive branch.

Duties and Responsibilities

Is personally familiar with all matters being considered by the Assistant Attorney General. Under the general supervision of the Assistant Attorney General is in direct charge of the staff of the division and relieves the Assistant Attorney General by making assignments to the legal staff on the basis of subject matter, difficulty of assignment, legal ability and experience of staff members. Reviews and makes revisions of proposed executive orders, proclamations, and regulations, prior to final approval of the Assistant Attorney General.

Supervises the preparation of opinions, briefs, and correspondence in connection with pending legislation and gifts and bequests to the United States Government.

Personally investigates and formulates opinions of a highly confidential and complex nature for the President, requiring consultation with executives of other departments and agencies.

Assists the Assistant Attorney General in preparing reports on pending legislation, particularly with regard to constitutionality and effect on governmental structure, and assists in drafting important legislation sponsored by the President or the Attorney General. Represents the Attorney General on various interdepartmental committees and conferences.

The scope of both formal and informal opinions and advice covers broad legal problems arising in the administration of the Executive branch of the government and relates to matters of special importance and difficulty, of national and international significance. In any time of stress, as during the present national emergency, the problems of law required to be resolved by or under the direction of this official are particularly numerous and important, since many situations arise for which there is no legal precedent and since the legal advisers of new government agencies tend particularly to rely on advice from the Attorney General on important matters.