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The Honorable Nikki R. Haley  
Office of the Governor  
1205 Pendleton Street  
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Governor Haley:

I, Adolphus Ray Jones, am writing this letter because of my interest in the open position of County Magistrate of Union. I have had a lifelong interest in the administration of the judicial system. Because of this interest, I earned a BA in Political Science from Tuskegee University (formerly Tuskegee Institute). I also have a Certificate of Criminal Justice from Spartanburg Methodist College. Most of my career has been in law enforcement. I served as a SC Department of Corrections Officer, Superior Court Administration Pre-Trial and 10% Release Program Officer and Sword Deputy Sheriff of Fulton County, Georgia.

As a resident of Union County, I know that a fair and just system is needed for all citizens in all matters of the justice system. This is one of the reasons I am interested in being appointed to this position. The second reason is that there are no minorities serving in this position in Union County even though non-whites make up 33.9% of the county population.

My character, knowledge and interest will enhance Union County's justice system. Besides the career information given above, I have served as a substitute teacher in the Union County Public School System and I am a volunteer for Union County Department of Juvenile Justice. As you go through the selection process, please give my application every consideration. I am dedicated, hard-working and dependable and I know I can do an excellent job if given the opportunity.

Sincerely,

  
Adolphus Ray Jones