



## **SABA North America Endorsements Policy**

SABA North America represents the rapidly growing South Asian legal community in North America. We promote the professional growth and advancement of attorneys of South Asian descent and strive to protect the rights and liberties of the South Asian community across North America. SABA North America also recognizes a critical need for greater participation by South Asian Americans in the government and judicial positions, and we are committed to supporting our members seeking government and judicial appointments.

The Endorsements Committee shall consider requests for a SABA North America endorsement for the following:

- (a) An appointment to any judicial or quasi-judicial body or to any government office that has a significant connection to the legal profession; and
- (b) Election to any judicial or quasi-judicial body.

SABA North America's endorsements shall be limited geographically to positions in North America.

Any candidate for an office described above may seek an endorsement from SABA North America by making a written request for an endorsement with the required submissions below, submitted to the Endorsements Committee inbox at [endorsementslist@sabanorthamerica.com](mailto:endorsementslist@sabanorthamerica.com), or to the SABA North America President at [president@sabanorthamerica.com](mailto:president@sabanorthamerica.com). ***Candidates should inform SABA North America of any endorsement deadlines and addresses in their request.***

To seek a SABA North America endorsement, a candidate must submit to the Endorsements Committee:

- (1) The application and other materials provided to the relevant governmental office in support of the candidate's appointment; and (2) any other documents requested by the Endorsements Committee. Candidates must submit documents to the Endorsements Committee setting forth the candidate's qualifications for the office.
- (2) Submit at least one reference from an official with a geographically relevant regional SABA North America local chapter or a member of the legal community in the relevant region. Submit any additional references requested by the Endorsements Committee at its discretion.
- (3) Provide an interview to one or more members of the Endorsements Committee at a time convenient to the Endorsement Committee representatives and the candidate.
- (4) Before obtaining a SABA North America endorsement, obtain and submit a written endorsement from a geographically relevant regional SABA North America local chapter. This requirement may be waived by the Endorsements Committee if there is no relevant regional local chapter or for good cause.