

# Application to the 2019 Judgeship of the University of Chicago Scavenger Hunt

## Part 0: Instructions for Submission

The application consists of two parts: a sample list and your answers to a series of questions. Each should be submitted as a Word document in a single e-mail, sent to [judgeapps2019@gmail.com](mailto:judgeapps2019@gmail.com) by Sunday, October 28, at 11:59 p.m. In your sample list, please exclude **any and all** obvious identifying information. In the body of your email, please provide your full name (including middle), preferred pronouns, year in the University, email address, phone number, and physical address.

## Part I: Sample List

Please submit an **anonymous** list of thirty (30) sample items. While composing your list, please maintain the utmost secrecy. If you are chosen for the Judgeship, these sample items may become part of the next List. Please keep in mind that, while we think our own items are excellent, your list will be judged solely on its own merits; items that are repetitions of past Lists count as the bad kind of sycophancy, since we don't get to see your Scav mind at work. Please note that it is not necessary to assign point values for your items, unless you feel that a pointing scheme is critical for our understanding of your intent.

## Part II: Background Information

In your second document, please submit brief responses to the following prompts.

1. How would you like to see Scav Hunt grow and change over the next few years, if at all?
2. How do you see yourself fulfilling the role of a Scav Judge? What do you bring to the table?
3. Please answer two of the following questions:
  - a. TED Talks, but does he ever really listen?
  - b. If you were customizing a jean jacket for a bald eagle, how would you trick it out?
  - c. First, there was Edwardo's Natural Pizza. After that, there was Packed: Dumplings Reimagined. After that, there was Cemitas Puebla. Now, there's about to be Seoul Taco. When it inevitably closes, you're in charge of filling its space—what business do you build?
4. What was your favorite item from the Scav List in 2018? What is an item you feel didn't belong on the List? Why?
5. Please give brief critiques (two sentences or fewer) of the following items. If you think an item is perfect, explain why.
  - a. Be the hero our city needs and clean up the streets! Send someone to 56th and Ellis, and make sure they have a broom.
  - b. The Committee on Social Thot.
  - c. Who's the most lactose intolerant of them all? We're about to find out! Send us your most lactose intolerant team member—the first to sit upon the porcelain throne will win.
  - d. It's like Uber, but for Scav. Whenever a Judge calls your team, make sure a Scavvie is prepared to pick them up and drive them to their destination.
  - e. A king-sized bed of rice.
  - f. Send your best Sir Bartlett, Cathey, or Baker to do battle on the Quads, dressed in their regalia. That is, plate- and cutlery-armor sourced exclusively from their home domain.
6. From the items listed in Question 5, select three and improve them. Describe briefly why your way is better.

Thank you, and good luck!