

# Application to the 2024-2025 Judgeship of the University of Chicago Scavenger Hunt

## 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 email, sent to **judgeapps2025@gmail.com** by Sunday, May 12th at 11:59pm Central Time. 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), your pronouns if comfortable, year in the University, email address, phone number, and physical address.

## Part 1: Sample List

Please submit an **anonymous** list of fifteen to thirty 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 2: Background Information

1. How would you like to see Scav Hunt grow and change over the next few years, if at all?
2. Please tell us about your Scav Hunt experience, if any, in one hundred words or fewer.
3. Please answer two of the following questions:
  - a. You have 15 minutes to prepare. What do you do?
  - b. What type of sunscreen are you and why? Please specify SPF.
  - c. Thoughts on isosceles triangles?
4. What was your favorite item from the Scav List in 2023 or 2024? 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. Your team's Scavving Sisyphus must roll a life-size boulder up a hill for the duration of Scav. What do you mean Illinois is a flat state? We guess rolling the boulder to and from every event on the list will do...

- b. Maleware.
  - c. Your intrepid explorers should climb to the top of Harper with a full set of gear and a sherpa in tow.
  - d. Scav makes Judges sleepy :( Please tuck us in, read us a bedtime story, and give us a kiss goodnight every night.
  - e. Doesn't the center of the Quad look like a helipad? We think so too. Real fucking helicopters get real fucking points.
  - f. An apple a day keeps the doctor away. UChicago Medicine has over 13,000 employees. You know what to do.
6. From the items listed in Question 5, select three and improve them. Describe why your way is better.

Thank you, and good luck!