



5. Judges should refrain from “legislating from the bench.” The translation of public policy into law and the creation, extension, modification or limitation of citizens’ rights (and governmental authority) are properly within the province of the legislative, not judicial, branch of government.: Agree

Comments - Question 5:

6. An unborn child is biologically human at every stage of his or her biological development, beginning at fertilization.: Agree

Comments - Question 6:

7. The law should be applied to pro-life demonstrators in the same manner as it is applied to environmental, anti-war and labor demonstrators.: Agree

Comments - Question 7:

8. There is no provision in the current Ohio Constitution intended to require the use of public funds for abortion.: Agree

Comments - Question 8:

9. The judiciary does not possess the authority to expand the definition of marriage to include anything but one man and one woman.: Agree

Comments - Question 9: As a Judge, I am sworn to uphold the law whether I agree with it or not. The United States Supreme Court has decided in Obergefell, that same sex couples have a fundamental right to marry under the Due Process and Equal Protection Clauses of the 14th Amendment. This is the law in the United States.

10. The law protects individuals’ and organizations’ rights of conscience from being forced to participate in abortion or other practices contrary to their moral or religious convictions.: Agree

Comments - Question 10:

11. Laws, regulations, or ordinances that restrict individuals’ and organizations’ rights of conscience are unconstitutional.:

Comments - Question 11: This calls for a legal conclusion. The issue may come before me so I may not comment on the issue without risking the need to recuse myself from hearing such matters.

12. List all organizations to which you have contributed time or money in the past four years.: Clermont County Bar Association, Mt. Carmel Christian Church, Clermont County Republican Party, Miami Pistol and Rifle Club, NRA, Batavia Lodge 3104 F.& A.M., Scottish Rite, Bill Brewer/ Neediest Kids, Vietnam Veterans Chapter 649, Clermont Senior Services