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## Feedback via the Judicial Candidate Survey 2020 [#91]

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Position and District Sought\*: Butler County Common Pleas Court, Probate Division

Are you an incumbent for this office?\*: NO

Have you previously held an elected position?\*: NO

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: Butler County Sheriff Richard K. Jones  
Butler County Prosecuting Attorney Michael T. Gmoser  
Fmr. State Representative Margy Conditt

: 1. Facilitate efficient adoption process for the benefit of all interested parties, especially the children!  
2. Strengthen guardianship oversight for the protection of the elderly.

1. Which former U.S. president's political philosophy best matches your own?: Ronald Reagan

Comments - Question 1:

2. Which U.S. Supreme Court Justice's legal philosophy best matches your own?: the late Justice Scalia

Comments - Question 2:

3. Rate your judicial philosophy regarding the U.S. Constitution on a scale of 1-10 with "living/evolving document" being 1 and "strict constructionist" being a 10:: 9

Comments - Question 3: The document has to be able to evolve to meet the times, which is why there is an amendment process already built-in. It is not the place of the judiciary to take additional liberties as a shortcut.

4. In *Roe v. Wade*, 410 U.S. 113 (1973), the U.S. Supreme Court recognized a "right to privacy" under the Constitution that includes abortion. The Constitution does not include this right.: Agree

Comments - Question 4:

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 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: I disagree with the *Obergefell* decision, but I will discharge my official duties as required by law in the same manner as the current (retiring) incumbent, Judge Randy Rogers.

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.: Agree

Comments - Question 11:

12. Laws that require businesses or religious organizations to work for or provide services to gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons despite these entities' religious or moral objections are unconstitutional.: Agree

Comments - Question 12:

13. List all organizations to which you have contributed time or money in the past four years.: St. Peter in Chains Catholic Church  
Badin High School  
Community Pregnancy Center (Middletown)

