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Position and District Sought*: Judge, First District Court of Appeals

Are you an incumbent for this office?: NO

Have you previously held an elected position?: NO

: Not applicable.

: I have received the endorsement of the Hamilton County Republican Party. I am now seeking the endorsement of the Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati and will be seeking in the near future the endorsements of FOP Queen City Lodge No. 69 and the FOP Hamilton County Suburban Lodges, plus others as yet undetermined.

: 1. To ensure the firm, but fair, and impartial administration of justice in both criminal and civil cases.
2. To exercise judicial restraint by interpreting, not making, the laws and to construing and applying the U.S. and Ohio Constitutions, and all duly promulgated statutes and regulations, according to the enacting bodies' original intent.

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: 10

Comments - Question 3:

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: There is no such language in the Constitution.

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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: See my judicial priority no. 2 above.

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: The right to peaceful assembly is one of our most important and cherished constitutional rights.

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: See my answer to Question 5 above.

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.:

Comments - Question 10: Article I, Section 7 of the Ohio Constitution expressly protects every individual's right of conscience for sincerely held religious beliefs and the U.S. Supreme Court's recent decision in the Hobby Lobby case confirmed that such protection extends to organizations under the U.S. Constitution.

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

Comments - Question 11: Article I, Section 7 of the Ohio Constitution expressly protects every individual's right of conscience for sincerely held religious beliefs and the U.S. Supreme Court's recent decision in the Hobby Lobby case confirmed that such protection extends to organizations under the U.S. Constitution.

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.:

Comments - Question 12: As this question is worded, I do not believe that I can answer it under Ohio's Code of Judicial Conduct.

13. List all organizations to which you have contributed time or money in the past four years.: I have contributed substantial time to the Cincinnati Bar Foundation (CBF) as a Trustee and as its Secretary and Treasurer and also to the Hamilton County Republican Party (HCRP) as Chair of its Election Day Operations over the past four years. I have also provided pro bono legal assistance to a number of individuals through the Volunteer Lawyers for the Poor (VLP).

I have also contributed money to the following organizations over the past four years:

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Catholic Ministries Appeal
Our Lady of the Visitation Church
Sacred Heart Church
St. Joseph Church of North Bend
Mercy Health Foundation
Healthy Moms & Babes
Xavier University
University of Cincinnati Foundation
Volunteer Lawyers for the Poor (VLP)
Cincinnati Bar Foundation (CBF)
Ohio Military/Veterans Legal Assistance Project (OMVLAP)
Army Emergency Relief (AER)
United Service Organizations (USO)
Disabled American Veterans (DAV)
Wounded Warriors Project (WWP)
Gary Sinise Foundation