



2024 North Carolina Voter Guide Questionnaire for State Judicial Candidates

Candidate Information

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Candidate Questionnaire

Please indicate your responses below to the following questions. You may provide additional comments and explanations for your responses on a separate sheet of paper.

(Failure to answer a question will result in a listing of "No Response" in the 2024 Voter Guide.)

1. Which Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court best reflects your judicial philosophy?

Alito Barrett Gorsuch Jackson Kagan Kavanaugh Roberts Sotomayor Thomas

2. Rate your judicial philosophy toward the Constitution on a scale of 1-10 with a "living document" approach being a 1 and an "originalism" approach being a 10.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Living Document Approach *Originalism Approach*

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3. Please list the organizations with which you have been involved over the past five years through membership, religious affiliation, pro-bono legal work, or volunteer service.

CORNERSTONE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CHURCH, OXFORD, NC – I SERVE AS AN ORDAINED AND LICENSED MINISTER ON THE MINISTERIAL TEAM OF MY CHURCH

FAMILIES LIVING VIOLENCE FREE, GRANVILLE CO (DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ADVOCACY) – BOARD MEMBER

CALLED TO PEACE MINISTRIES, WAKE (DV ADVOCACY & SUPPORT) - BOARD MEMBER

GRANVILLE COUNTY TEEN COURT

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC. NU CHI OMEGA CHAPTER

ROTARY CLUB OF OXFORD, NC

ABIGAIL'S VEIL MINISTRIES, INC. - I AM THE FOUNDER OF THIS NONPROFIT, WHICH SUPPORTS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS AND EDUCATES THE FAITH COMMUNITY ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. IT IS BASED ON THE RELATIONSHIP OF ABIGAIL AND NABEL IN I SAM 25. OUT OF THIS EFFORT, I WROTE A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MANUAL FOR THE FAITH COMMUNITY (ABIGAIL'S VEIL IS AVAILABLE VIA AMAZON.COM)

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4. In the space below, or on a separate sheet of paper, please describe your overall judicial philosophy.

In a time when the Judicial Branch of North Carolina is vulnerable to divisive and partisan politics, I stand firm in my commitment to uphold the Constitution, the Rule of Law, and precedent. True justice is independent of party affiliation, divisive ideologies, and social differences. I have taken and believe in the oath to consistently uphold our laws and Constitution and will continue to do so.

With a rich background as a former District Court judge, Superior Court judge, and Deputy Commissioner for the Industrial Commission, I bring over 25 years of combined legal and judicial experience to the North Carolina Court of Appeals. This extensive experience has equipped me with a deep understanding of the importance of upholding the Constitution and applying the law to the facts of each case. My career as an attorney was marked by successful representation of the Department of Social Services in prosecuting petitions of abuse, neglect, and nonsupport of children, as well as a family law practice that always included representing victims of domestic violence and their children.

As a part of giving back to the community, I also served as a volunteer Teen Court Judge and a youth mentor for over ten years to help first-time youth offenders accept responsibility for their conduct while learning about the court system. I am a member of various community organizations, including Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, wherein I am co-chair of my chapter's Risk Management Committee.

I stand on the shoulders of generations who paved the way for my academic career at Hampton University, where I earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree and my Juris Doctor Degree from North Carolina Central University School of Law. Their servant leadership testament instilled in me early on that 'to whom much is given, much is required.' I honor their sacrifices with a dedication to serve others.

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5. In the space below, or on a separate sheet of paper, please describe the role faith plays in your daily life.

My family's legacy of tenacity in the face of obstacles has been the foundation of my faith and belief that all things are possible. This personal journey is what fuels my commitment to public service and justice.

My faith sustains me daily knowing that my Savior lives and holds my every-tomorrow regardless of the outcome of this election. I am running this race by faith and not by sight, which can easily distract from what I know to be the promises of God. My family's creed is "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Phil 4:13

Candidate Signature _____ Date _____
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Please return completed questionnaire by Friday, July 19, 2024

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