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OHIO SUPREME COURT JUSTICE (1)



Sharon L. Kennedy

Resident of: Liberty Township, Ohio
List Elected Position(s) held: Justice of The Supreme Court of Ohio, Judge of Butler County Court of Common Pleas, Domestic Relations Division,

Public Boards or Commissions Experience: YWCA Dove Shelter Board, Butler County Mental Health and Addiction Recovery Services Board, Ohio Association of Domestic Relations Judges Board, Treasurer, Ohio Justice Alliance for Community Corrections

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I am seeking re-election as a Justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio in order to ensure this position remains with an individual committed to judicial restraint. In addition, if re-elected, I would continue my work on the Lean Forward: Advancing Veterans Treatment Courts Across Ohio initiative to ensure all justice involved servicemembers and veterans, where appropriate, receive treatment in lieu of incarceration.

Do you support Republican Party principles as outlined in our platform?: I am an individual that fully supports the United States and Ohio Constitutions and the laws of this state, which your platform advocates for. It has been my duty and solemn oath to uphold both constitutions and the laws of this state, and I have continuously done so.

OHIO SUPREME COURT JUSTICE (2)



Judi French

Resident of Columbus, Ohio
List Elected Position(s) held: 2013 – present: Justice, Ohio Supreme Court, 2004-2012: Judge, Tenth District Court of Appeals

Public Boards or Commissions Experience: Court Liaison, Ohio Access to Justice Foundation Board, Past member, Constitutional Modernization Commission

Past Professional Experience: 2002-2004: Chief Counsel to the Governor; 1997-2002: Assistant Attorney General; Chief Counsel to the Attorney General; 1993-1997: Deputy Director for Legal Affairs, Ohio EPA; 1992-1993: Associate Counsel, Steelcase, Inc.; 1988-1992: Associate, Porter, Wright Morris & Arthur law firm

Education: B.A. (1984), M.A. (1988), and J.D., with honors (1988): The Ohio State University

Bio: I am married and have two adult children.
Contact: www.JusticeJudiFrench.com and www.FriendsofFrench.com; Facebook: JusticeJudiFrench; Twitter: @JudgeJudi; Instagram: @JusticeJudi; Email: JusticeJudiFrench@gmail.com

I am running for re-election to the Ohio Supreme Court so that I may continue to serve as a conservative justice who upholds the ideals of a limited judiciary. A conservative majority that respects the separation of power among the branches of government is critical to judicial and economic stability and predictability. I am also running to continue my service outside the court as a resource to the people of Ohio. My two areas of focus have been and will remain (1) equal access to the Ohio justice system, and (2) civic education.

I will seek to improve the efficiency of the Ohio Supreme Court and the courts of Ohio; I will advocate for changes to the judicial system that offer broader access to the civil justice system for all Ohioans, regardless of their income.

Do you support Republican Party principles as outlined in our platform? As a judge, I did not subscribe publicly to policy platforms. I do, however, support the ideals of respecting the separation of power among the branches, refraining from second-guessing the policy decisions of the General Assembly, applying the law as it is written, and upholding the Constitution of Ohio and the Constitution of the United States.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER (1)



Timothy C. Lennon

Resident of: Russell Township
List Elected Position(s) held: Geauga County Commissioner "2016-Current" Republican Central Committee Public Boards or Commissions

Experience: President of NOACA, Family First Council, numerous others.

Current Occupation and Employer: President / Lennon Machinery LLC. / Heavy Equipment Sales / Small Business Owner

Past Professional Experience: Sales / Management
Education: West Geauga H.S. / Muskingum University
Bio: Married 14 yrs. Abigail Lennon/ 2 Children (8/6) Geauga County Bluecoats, NRA, Ducks Unlimited, Several local organizations, Raised in Geauga County, Youth Ice Hockey Coach, avid outdoorsmen

Contact: Geauga County Commissioners Office (440) 279-1667 tlennon@co.geauga.oh.us

Why you are seeking public office?: Continuing to keep Geauga County safe and fiscally sound with an eye on growth policies that protect the fabric of our great county. Continue to move the county towards becoming more efficient and effective with our facilities and operations. List 2-3 very specific goals you will strive to achieve if elected: Spearheading the completion of the Geauga County Administrative Facilities Project, completing the Geauga County Household Hazardous Waste Facility Project. Helping guide the completion of the ongoing Economic Development and Geauga County Comprehensive Plans

Do you support Republican Party principles as outlined in our platform? Life-Long Republican!! Family history of supporting conservative values, and candidates.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER (2)



Dennis Michael Galicki

Resident of: South Russell Village
List Elected Position(s) held Public Boards or Commissions Experience: Currently serving as a Member of Council in South Russell Village (Elected

November 2017).

I have served or am currently serving on the following public boards/commissions: Planning Commission (Council Representative to the Planning Commission-serving member); Safety Committee (served as member and chairman); Streets Committee (served as member and chairman); Human Relations Committee (served as member and chairman); Properties Committee (serving member); Public Utilities Committee (serving member); Emergency Planning/Response Committee (served as member)

Current Occupation and Employer: (Semi) Retired (as of January 2018)

Past Professional Experience: Retired Naval Officer (28 years active commissioned service – 32 years total active service in uniform); Retired Manufacturing and Facilities Manager, (Swagelok Company, C.B. Richard Ellis, Integrated Manufacturing & Development, and Solon Manufacturing); Former Executive Director of non-profit organization

Education: U.S. Naval War College, Newport Rhode Island (Master of Arts – National Security and Strategic Studies); United States Naval Academy, Annapolis Maryland (Bachelor of Science); Miami University, Oxford Ohio (1 year - Political Science); Leadership Geauga Class of 2019
Bio: Family: Wife, Leslie, married 28 years, former Special Agent for Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS); Children: Scott, 25; Caroline, 23; Elizabeth (Libby), 19; Michael, 15

Civic / Community Involvement: Charter & Life Member of VFW Post 12067 – Post Quartermaster since 2007 // Member, American Legion Post // Life Member, Naval Order of the United States // Associate Member, Geauga County Township Association // Member, Fraternal Order of Eagles // President, The Cleveland Society // Member, National Rifle Association // Parishioner, St Joan of Arc Church // Leadership Geauga //

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I am seeking public office to better serve the people of Geauga County. The citizens of Geauga County deserve good

government and engaged public servants. In the military there is a saying that with authority comes responsibility and with them both, accountability. We have to hold our elected officials to the highest standard of accountability and challenge them to be the best representatives of the people. Our public servants need to be actively engaged in county government; to show up for work and be present at county government proceedings and be a presence within the greater Geauga County community. Our citizens deserve better than a record of 75 percent attendance at Board of Commissioner meetings (with the expectation of 100 percent of the pay and retirement benefits) than they (the citizens) have received over the past eight years from the incumbent.

List 2-3 very specific goals you will strive to achieve if elected: 1. The military stresses mission accomplishment, and the first part of accomplishing any mission is showing up to do the job. I pledge to be fully engaged in the governing process as my primary focus, to show up to conduct county business, not only when it's convenient, and to increase my presence within the county; to more fully engage with the people of the county and solicit their concerns. 2. Improve transparency and accountability within the Board of Commissioners and all branches/departments of county government. 3. Improve communication/discourse/access between the commissioners and the elected representatives of the 16 townships, 4 villages and 1 city that comprise Geauga County. 4. Preserve the rural nature of our county and look forward strategically toward the future with respect to the needs of our citizens.

I am a lifelong Republican and fully support Republican Party platform principles.



Ralph Spidalieri

Resides in Munson Township
Current Geauga County Commissioner; Vice President of Blue Line Unlimited; Owner of Great Lakes Outdoor Supply for 21 years; Current

Commissioned Deputy Sheriff with the Mahoning County Sheriff Office

I have had a lifetime of service. My service began in law enforcement over 30 years ago and I am proud to say that I still serve today: Shaker Height Police Department and Geauga County Sheriff Office

I have one Daughter Nicole. I am involved and support the following within my Community in many areas, from civil groups through the Commissioner position, to Youth Groups that I sponsor within my company such as 4-H Youth Archery, Youth Intro to firearm safety, Cub scouts, Boy Scouts, Multiple school sports supporter, 4-H Agriculture Program, Church events.

Website: www.RalphSpidalieri.com

I am running for Geauga County Commissioner. This will be my 3rd and final term that I will serve as Commissioner, I gave my word from the first time that I ran that I would not exceed 3 terms as commissioner. I feel that I want to give others an opportunity to serve and never got into politics for a job or as a key source of income as we see how it has negatively affected the world we live in today.

I have accomplished many great things since serving from 2012. When I entered the office in 2012 we had a long term debt structure of over 6 Million dollars. I am proud to report to our residents that through responsible and accountable management and finance, Geauga currently is at its strongest level financially with over 10 million dollars in surplus to assure future projects and needs are able to be handled.

My goal is to seek individuals that have an interest to be commissioner and welcome them to the office to teach them the responsibilities and duties we have so that the residents of Geauga can have candidates that are trained and will be able to come into the position prepared.

I have been a lifelong Republican supporter and support our president. I am pro second amendment and a card carrying NRA member, I am Pro Life, I Support our Veterans always, I support our Seniors, Most of all I believe in God and Love the USA.

COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY



James R. Flaiz

Resident of South Russell Village
List Elected Position(s) held: South Russell Village Council 2006-2012; Geauga County Prosecuting Attorney 2013-Present

Public Boards or Commissions Experience: Geauga County Budget Commission; South Russell Planning Commission; Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council

Past Professional Experience: Attorney in Private Practice until 2013

Education: Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin High School; B.A., Ohio State University; J.D. cum laude, Cleveland Marshall College of Law

Bio: Married to Laura who works as a Speech-Language Pathologist. We have three wonderful children. Grew up in Geauga county and I am a proud 30-year resident of South Russell. I am a longtime active member of the Chagrin Valley Jaycees; South Russell Planning Commission and I am the current President of the Chagrin Lakes Homeowners Association. I also enjoy coaching my kids in youth sports.

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Why you are seeking public office?: To continue working with law enforcement in Geauga County to keep our community safe and maintain our high quality of life. List 2-3 very specific goals you will strive to achieve if elected.

My first goal is to work with Sheriff Hildenbrand to solve

the few remaining unsolved homicides in our county. Over the past 7 years, I have worked with the Sheriff's office to solve and prosecute unsolved homicides in our county. This has provided families with answers and our community with justice. This has resulted in 5 murder convictions and an additional murder indictment (one case is still pending). There are very few remaining unsolved cases but we are committed to employing the latest technology to solve these.

Another goal is to continue with our education and outreach programs. Over the past several years, the prosecutor's office has established teen and pre-teen educational programs along with parent seminars to keep our kids safe online. With the support of Commissioner Spidalieri, I hired Geauga County's first and only electronic crimes investigator. This position has allowed us to take proactive steps to protect our children, like the educational programs outlined above, and has also enabled us to seek out and lock up those who prey on our kids. Additionally, we also work with our seniors to avoid scams. I have a criminal investigator who is assigned to work on cases referred by Adult Protective Services. Though this, we have successfully prosecuted individuals who victimize our senior residents.

Do you support Republican Party principles as outlined in our platform? Yes.

COUNTY CLERK OF COURTS



Sheila M Bevington

Resident of: Hambden Township
Current position: Deputy Clerk in the Clerk of Courts of Common Pleas, Legal Office.

Prior Experience: Judicial Secretary

for over 7 years and more than 20 years experience in the legal field with strong customer service experience.

Education: Continuing education at Cleveland State, Kent State and Lakeland Community College, various training seminars focusing on HR and the office of Clerk of Courts; Licensed Real Estate Agent.

Bio: Married to Tom Bevington for 19 years. Together we have 3 children and 3 amazing grandchildren. We are very involved in our neighborhood, helping neighbors with lawn maintenance, snow plowing or anything they may need. I am a proud member of the Geauga County Women's Republican Club, Geauga County Republican Party and longtime member of Mustard Seed Art Studio in Chesterland.; Good Deeds Program Spokesperson; Geauga County Women's Republican Club Volunteer

Contact: Cell Phone: 440-478-2687; Facebook page: Sheila Bevington for Clerk of Courts; Email: fhgof2@gmail.com

Why I chose to run for office: I am the best qualified and have the experience to ensure that the citizens of Geauga County continue to receive the best customer service possible, while ensuring that record preservation remains a high priority. I have had the pleasure of working in the office for more than 6 years. The office deserves to have someone who truly cares about the office in that position. Being in public service is a great privilege.

My goals are: to reduce the cost to the public of court cost collections; continue to ensure that record retention remains a priority; and continue using technology to move the office forward, saving taxpayers money by running the office as efficiently as possible.

Yes, I support the Republican Party principals.

COUNTY SHERIFF



Scott A. Hildenbrand

Resident of Hambden Township for 39 years

Elected Positions: Geauga County Sheriff, Geauga County Republican Party Central Committee Hambden Precinct C

Public Boards: Geauga County Local

Emergency Planning Committee; Geauga Safe Communities; Northeast Ohio Regional Fusion Center Advisory Board; Lakeland College Law Enforcement Advisory Board; Geauga County Family Planning Committee; Geauga County Drug Court treatment team

Past Experience: 19 yrs Chardon Police Department, Dispatcher, Patrolman, Sergeant; 13 yrs Geauga County Sheriff's Office as Chief Deputy; 3 yrs Geauga County Sheriff

Education: Chardon High School; Lakeland Community College; Certified Law Enforcement Manager; Graduate of the National Sheriff's Institute; Certified Adult training Instructor; State Certified Emergency Medical Technician; Thousands of hours of continuing education

Bio: Proud father of three adult Children born and raised in Geauga County. I have devoted my entire adult life to helping people in the community I live in. I have been a member of the Hambden Volunteer Fire Department for 39 yrs. I'm a member of the Farm Bureau, Chardon Rotary, Geauga Blue Coats, Geauga Police Chiefs, Buckeye Sheriff's Assoc., Geauga County Agricultural Society, National Sheriff's Assoc., International Association of Police Chief's, Geauga County Township Trustees Assoc., Lake/ Geauga FOP, National Rifle Assoc.

Contact: Hildenbrandforsheriff.com sheriffhildenbrand@gmail.com Sheriff Scott A. Hildenbrand FB, chiefxtwo twitter, 440-241-2002

I have been in Law Enforcement for almost my entire adult life. I have been in a leadership role with the Sheriff's Office for 17 years. I have had the honor to serve the citizens of Geauga County for the last three years as the Sheriff. I

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have the privilege of leading 117 fulltime and 32 part-time dedicated professional employees. We have solved several cold case murders and obtained convictions. We have a top notch narcotics team that works with every Police Department in the County, as well as State and Federal agencies. For almost two years now we have partnered with Geauga County Mental Health addressing the Opioid problem. After every overdose, Deputies respond to the home with Mental Health professionals to assist the family. We created the Geauga County Loss Team of 12 Volunteers to Victim Advocate. We operate one of the most efficient Jails in Ohio while bringing Millions of dollars to Geauga County. The Sheriff is responsible for Courts security, records management, civil papers and Sheriff's Sales, Concealed carry licensing, 911 phone calls for the County, dispatching of Law Enforcement and Fire/EMS Departments, Registering Sex Offenders and Arson Offenders. Security at our polling locations, operation of the County radio system used by all of our safety forces.

My goals for the future are to maintain the professional organization and continue to provide the men and women of the Geauga County Sheriff's Office the tools to continue to do their jobs in the most efficient way they can. We enjoy a great relationship with the Prosecutors Office, the Courts, the Commissioner's Office, the other Police and Fire Departments, and other elected Officials in the County. My goal is to continue these relationships. We can all do great things when we work together and keep Geauga County a great place to live and raise a family.

I have always supported the Republican Party principles and have supported the Republican Party financially as well as attending most events. I believe in their principles it is expected of me as an elected Central Committee member.

**Jimmy Lee Holden**

Resident of Newbury Township
Member of Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services; Retired Lieutenant of University Heights Police Department and continuing to serve as an Officer in Grand River.

My law enforcement work experiences began at the Stark County Sheriff's Office as a Reserve Deputy and I served in the Mounted Unit for five years. I continued my service at Northfield Village Police Department and later served thirty-one years at the University Heights Police Department.

My professional experience is strong in tactical law enforcement response. My twelve years' experience on a multi-jurisdictional SWAT team included being the Team Leader. Additional law enforcement experience includes: Firearms instructor at the Cleveland Heights Basic Police Academy; OPOTA certified Firearms and Defensive tactics instructor, certified instructor in less-lethal options; NRA certified pistol instructor; Jail administrator; Evidence and property manager; Fleet manager and training coordinator

I support self-defense for women as having conducted courses for college staff and students as a certified R.A.D. instructor. I have conducted CCW classes to provide safe firearms instruction to Ohio residents since 2006.

Bachelor of Science: Government; Public Administration – Liberty University; Over 1500 hours of Law Enforcement training; Graduate of GlenOak High School

My wife Donna, is a Law Enforcement professional of 21 years and an Army veteran. We are proud parents of five children and a daughter-in-law. We keep very busy supporting our teenage children who are heavily involved in athletic and academic activities. Our adult children are college educated and thriving in their professions.

Proud member of the following organizations: Geauga County Bluecoats; Benefactor Life Member, NRA; Life Member, Ohio Gun Collectors Association; Ohio Tactical Officers Association; Constitutional Sheriff and Police Officer Association; Buckeye Firearms Association; Geauga County Township Association

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The residents and Deputies deserve a full-time Sheriff who has a strong tactical law enforcement instructional background in order to: Improve investigative procedures of crimes; Provide modern policing concepts to improve safety for deputies and our community; Implement community partnership programs to provide transparency with the public.

I am a Conservative Republican who stands for the principles set forth in the Constitution of the United States and I strongly support the 2nd Amendment. I am endorsed by the Ohio Gun Collector's Association. I support the Geauga County Republican Party platform.

COUNTY RECORDER**Celesta Mullins**

Resident of: Middlefield Village
Elected Positions held: Republican Central Committee – Middlefield A, Vice-President of the Geauga County Republican Women's Club
Public Boards or Committees: ORA

Blockchain Committee Member; Farm Bureau Volunteer; Geauga Township Associate Member; Department on Aging Volunteer; NRA Member; Cardinal Athletic Volunteer; Totally Dog's Fundraiser Volunteer; Geauga GOP Volunteer; Former Room Mother Aide; Former Board Member Chardon Community Daycare; Good Deeds Program Spokesperson; Veterans ID Card Representative at Lubrizol and County Events

Current Occupation: Chief Deputy – Geauga County Recorder's Office

Past Professional Experience: 20+ years working for the Geauga County Recorder's Office; Geauga County Interim Recorder (2007); Former Title Examiner – Continental Title; Administrative Assistant, Siracki Realty

Education: Associates Degree – Paralegal; Leadership

Gauga Graduate; Continuing Education Ohio Recorder's Association (ORA); Excel/Accounting Classes

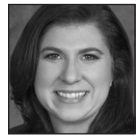
Bio: I am a mother to an amazing twelve-year-old boy who attends Cardinal Middle School in Middlefield. My son and I enjoy volunteering for the Department on Aging for meal deliveries on Thanksgiving. I am the youngest of 5 siblings (and the only girl). I have a very supportive fiancé that enjoys the beautiful parks Geauga County has to offer with me. On sunny summer days you can find us out on the bike paths walking our fur-child, Thor, or in our kayaks enjoying the water. Some days you might even see us out on our motorcycles taking in the many scenic views this County has to offer.

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I am running for Recorder because I have the experience and knowledge that is needed to protect one of our most valuable assets, our land records. As the current Chief Deputy, I love working in the Recorder's Office and serving all who come in to the office. I have worked under four Recorders and learned a great deal from all of them. It would be an honor to be your next Geauga County Recorder.

Goals: If I am elected, I will continue to serve the public to the best of my abilities and according to the law. I would continue to keep expenses down and run the office efficiently without cutting services to our residents. I would bring in the ability to accept credit cards as payment to make things easier on the customers. I will continue to promote the Property Fraud Program and Veterans ID Program as well as the Good Deeds Program. Service to others will always be my mission.

I support the Republican Party principles.

**Kerri Lynch Quay**

Resident of Auburn Township
Elected Positions: Former GOP Central Committee Member
Public Boards or Commissions Experience: Geauga Prevention Services Board Member; Geauga Teen Pregnancy Prevention Board Member; Geauga Youth Led Prevention Board Member

Current Occupation and Employer: Paralegal at Lynch & Lynch Co LLC Law Firm (Current)

Past Professional Experience: Lead Instructor Geauga Teen Pregnancy Prevention; Office Manager Case Services; Internet Marketing at Cabela's Corporate

Education: Bachelor of Science – Kent State University; Kenston H.S. Graduate

Bio: Family – Married to George, 22 years; Son George, 20 years Junior at The Ohio State University; Daughter Timber, 17 years Junior at Auburn Career Center

Civic and community involvement, etc.: Member of Geauga County Republican party; Member Geauga County Women's Club; Member Western Reserve Women's Republican Club; Donor & Supporter of the Kenston Foundation, Kenston Academic & Athletic Boosters and Musical Arts Association of Kenston; Ohio Ecological Food and Farm Association Member; Farm Bureau Member; Geauga County Maple Tour Participant

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I am running to serve and give back to the residents of Geauga County.

I believe any homeowner should have the right to receive a free copy of their deed on request and will establish a new policy to make this happen. The Recorders office should be modernized to accept credit cards. Currently business customers must make a deposit of funds to be held by the Recorder and add more as it is used. I will expand participation in the Good Deeds program to assist homeowners in understanding their property rights and how-to best plan for their families to avoid Probate. I will create a "Frequently Asked Questions" section on the Recorders website to include forms to help homeowners avoid legal expense, such as information on how to cancel the lien on your home once the mortgage is paid off, and what type of deed will avoid probate for a spouse or child.

I have always supported the Conservative, Constitutional, Pro-Life and Liberty principles of the Republican Party!

COUNTY TREASURER**Chris Hitchcock**

When I first ran for County Treasurer, it was to bring about a business attitude to this important work. When I was elected and took office, there were over 1500 certified delinquent properties.

We are now down to about 200 and most of them are on payment plans. As a result, Geauga County has one of the lowest delinquency rates in the state. With a staff of six, the Treasury is a lean tax-collecting machine. We can be mean, but only to tax deadbeats. Working with County Prosecutor Flaiz and Sheriff Hildenbrand, seldom must we resort to foreclosure, but know it is available.

I dare say we have one of the lowest foreclosure rates because we work with every single delinquency on a personal basis.

On the investment side, I bring decades of finance experience and have used it to significantly enhance the rate of return to the tune of several million dollars. Under my leadership, Geauga County has never lost a dollar as investments have always been based on a priority of safety first, last, and always!

As a long-time member of the Geauga County Republican Party's Executive Committee, I fully support our party and its platform.

There is no higher honor than serving the citizens of Geauga County.

I hope to continue bringing my expertise to this vital office and respectfully ask for your support on March 17th.

COUNTY ENGINEER**Joseph A. Cattell**

Resident of: Newbury
List Elected Position(s) held: Geauga County Engineer

Public Boards or Commissions Experience: Member of Board of Directors at County Engineers Association of Ohio, NOACA Board (alternate), NOACA Planning and Programming Committee, NOACA Transportation Subcommittee Chair, Lakeland Community College Civil Engineering Advisory Committee

Past Professional Experience: Ohio Department of Transportation, Middough Associates, Chief Deputy at Geauga County Engineer's Office

Education: In 1993 graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Cleveland State University. Returned to college in 1995 to fulfill requirements to pursue surveying license. In 1999, became a registered Professional Engineer (PE) in the state of Ohio. In 2002, became a registered Professional Surveyor (PS) in the state of Ohio.

I have one daughter and two sons. My daughter is currently teaching at the University of Indiana, while simultaneously obtaining her Ph.D. My oldest son earned two Associate's Degrees while in high school, and he is currently serving in the U.S. Army National Guard as an Air Defense Battle Management System Operator and concurrently attending college to become a commercial pilot. My youngest son is currently serving in the U.S. Army full time as a Horizontal Construction Engineer.

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The job of County Engineer combines two of my passions; engineering and serving others. During the course of any given day, I can make decisions that affect the safety of anyone traveling on our roads in Geauga County. Having kids, I know how important safety on our roads is to everyone.

List 2-3 very specific goals you will strive to achieve if elected: Continue to make safety improvement to minimize the accident rates in Geauga County. Continue to work with the Townships to help them get the funding they need to maintain their roads.

Do you support Republican Party principles as outlined in our platform? Yes

COUNTY CORONER**John Urbancic**

Resident of Munson Township
Current Geauga County Coroner
Employed as Family Physician, UH Geauga Family Physicians 1998-present

Education: West Geauga High School 1983; USMC 1983-1987; University of Virginia, BA 1991, MD 1995; Case Western Reserve / Mount Sinai Residency 1995-1998

Married Ida 1994. We have a large family.

I am seeking re-election to Geauga County Coroner. I enjoy serving my county and meeting many of the people that make this a great county. I will continue to offer thorough and compassionate care to the families and persons who need the help of the Coroner's Office. I will also continue to work closely with law enforcement, fire, and mental health professionals through mutual cooperation, education, and communication.

I wholeheartedly support Republican Party principles and particularly those outlined in the Geauga County GOP Platform document.

PROBATE/JUVENILE COUNTY JUDGE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS**Timothy J. Grendell**

Resident of Chesterland
List Elected Position(s) held: Geauga County Probate/Juvenile Court Judge (incumbent); State Representative; State Senator; Geauga Republican Party Central/Executive Committees

Executive Boards: National College of Probate Judges (NCPJ); Ohio Association of Juvenile Court Judges (OAJCJ) - President; Ohio Association of Probate Judges (OAPJ) - 2nd Vice President; Ohio Judicial Conference (OJC); Juvenile Detention Center; Presiding Judge of the Geauga County Common Pleas Court (3x); Ohio Prison Oversight Commission; Chair, Ohio Senate Criminal Justice Committee; Faculty, Ohio Supreme Court Judicial College; Ohio Supreme Court Rules of Superintendence Committee

Past Professional Experience: Captain, U.S. Army JAG Corps - Faculty U.S. Army JAG School. Special Detail, DOD – U.S. Senate Armed Services Committee; Partner at Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue and other firms; State Representative; State Senator

Education: Master of Laws (LLM), University of Virginia Law School; Juris Doctorate (JD), Case Western Reserve School of Law (top 10%); Bachelor of Arts (BA), John Carroll University

Bio: Husband of Diane Grendell, with two children, 3 grandchildren. Member of American Legion, Chagrin Valley Rotary, West Geauga Kiwanis, Geauga Farm Bureau, Geauga Bar Association, Geauga Historical Society, and Italian American Brotherhood. Founder of Geauga Learn and Geauga Fresh Farm Market.

Contact: www.judgetimgrendell.com; www.facebook.com/JudgeTimGrendell; timgrendell@yahoo.com; 440-321-8282

Why you are seeking public office? To use my 8 1/2 years of judicial experience to continue to protect children, seniors, and families in Geauga County. As Judge, I have: been recognized by the Ohio Association of Juvenile Court Judges (OAJCJ) for my judicious handling of the 2012 Chardon High School shooting case, and am Supreme Court qualified to rule on capital cases; have issued over 20,000 orders and judgments with less than .001 reversal rate; been appointed

by Chief Justice O'Connor to hear cases in Ashtabula and Lake Counties; and implemented innovative services for Geauga County residents.

List 2-3 very specific goals you will strive to achieve if elected: Continue to: Expand Good Deeds Program to help all Geauga County residents save time and money by better understanding the Ohio Probate process; Use my judicial experience to protect our vulnerable children and seniors, through innovative programming such as the Help Center, Resource Center, Launchpad for foster children, anti-bullying programs in schools, and CASA; Provide expeditious access to justice by maintaining a current docket and issuing timely, accurate, and constitutional orders and judgments

Do you support Republican Party principles as outlined in our platform?: Of course - Geauga registered Republican 30+ years; Geauga Republican Party and Lake-Geauga Young Republicans Halls of Fame; conservative voting record in Ohio Legislature; Ohio Christian Alliance Life Award; Farm Bureau Friend of the Farmer Award; United Conservatives of Ohio Watchdog of the Treasury Award (5 times); Veterans and Police Organizations Legislator of the Year; elections by Geauga Republicans in multiple primaries; Geauga Republican Party Central Committee; and appointment to its Executive Committee by Republican Party Chair.

**Matthew Rambo**

Resident of: Russell Township
Current Occupation and Employer: Associate Attorney, Freeburg & Freeburg LLC; Certified Guardian Ad Litem

Past Professional Experience: Associate Attorney, Collins & Scanlon

LLP (June 2018 – September 2019); Staff Attorney, Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court: Judge Maureen Cuyahoga (December 2016 – June 2018, Judge Richard J. McMonagle (September 2013 – December 2016); Magistrate, Court of Claims of Ohio (May 2006 – March 2013)

Education: The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, Juris Doctor (2005); The Ohio State University, Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering (2002)

Bio: Deciding where to establish our family permanently, my wife and I chose to raise our two sons in Geauga County, not far from where her father grew up. Our sons will attend West Geauga Schools from kindergarten through graduation and undoubtedly earn a complete and robust education. Active in the Geauga County community at large, my family and I are members of the Geauga Historical Society and I am a member of the Geauga County Township Association. I maintain strong ties to my alma mater as a life member of the Ohio State University Alumni Association and serve on the Board of Directors of the Ohio State Alumni Club of Greater Cleveland. Professionally, I am a member of the Geauga County Bar Association, the John M. Manos Inn of Court, and the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association. Additionally, I served as a "Reader," grading exams for the Ohio State Bar Examination in 2019.

Contact: www.ramboforgeauga.com; matt@ramboforgeauga.com; Facebook: @ramboforgeauga

I am seeking office out of a strong desire to serve the community that I love and in which I have chosen to raise my family, and to do my part to ensure that it remains such as my children grow. I am seeking the bench to restore faith in the Probate/Juvenile Court and return civility to its operation. My desire is to reestablish a position of respect and prominence in the community for the Court, and to foster a return to collaboration with the various stakeholders in Geauga County, including County agencies and elected officials. My pledge is to return the Probate/Juvenile Court to its intended role as a nonpartisan arbiter of justice.

List 2-3 very specific goals you will strive to achieve if elected: I will restore fiscal conservatism to the Probate/Juvenile Court. Over the past nine years, spending by the Probate/Juvenile Court has become increasingly wasteful and unmanageable. The Probate/Juvenile Court must return to responsible fiscal habits and be more judicious when spending the precious financial resources entrusted to it through the hard-earned dollars of Geauga County taxpayers. In order to rein in spending, the Court must work cooperatively with the County Commissioners, the Geauga County Prosecutor, the Geauga County Auditor, and the County's various law enforcement agencies. Additionally, many of the "programs" for Juveniles offered and supported by the Court are duplicative or overlap programs already offered by agencies and entities in the County. The Probate/Juvenile Court should work cooperatively with Ravenwood, the Family First Council, Catholic Charities, and other stakeholders to offer support for Geauga's families without duplicating efforts. With respect to the Geauga Park District, if elected Judge I will appoint Park Board Commissioners I can trust with backgrounds in conservation, as well as business, to ensure that the Park District maintains its statutory duty to preserve and protect Geauga County's precious natural resources. After the appointment of such commissioners, I will remove myself from any further direct management of the Geauga Park District except as necessary by law and allow them to operate autonomously.

Do you support Republican Party principles as outlined in our platform?: As a judge, I would take an oath to be fair and impartial. However, personally, I fully support the Geauga County Republican Party Platform.

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE TO CONGRESS**David P. Joyce**

Resident of: Bainbridge Township
List Elected Position(s) held: Geauga County Prosecutor (1988-2012)

Past Professional Experience: Public Defender, Cuyahoga County (1983-1984); Public Defender, Geauga County

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(1985-1988); Prosecutor, Geauga County (1988-2012)
Education: University of Dayton, J.D.; University of Dayton, B.S.

Bio: A lifelong Ohio, Dave was born in Cleveland in 1957 to a World War II veteran and proud housewife. Dave graduated from West Geauga High School and attended the University of Dayton. He currently lives in Bainbridge Township with his wife Kelly. They have three children: Trenton, Bridey, and Keigle. Dave is an avid hunter, sportsman, and lifelong member of the National Rifle Association.

Contact: Email: info@joyceforcongress.com; Phone: (440) 296-9481; Website: joyceforcongress.com; Twitter: @DaveJoyceOH14; Facebook: Just Dave

It is an incredible honor to represent Ohio's 14th district. I am humbled by the continued support of the Geauga County Republican Party over the years, and I ask for your support once more for the opportunity to continue delivering results for hardworking Ohio families in Ohio and uphold our conservative principles.

List 2-3 very specific goals you will strive to achieve if elected: Ensure full funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative to protect and preserve Lake Erie, an economic powerhouse for Northeast Ohio.; Combat the opioid epidemic by harshening criminal penalties for drug dealers, providing evidence-based care for those working to overcome addiction, and ensuring counties and law enforcement agencies have the necessary resources to battle this crisis on the front lines.; End the detrimental precedent of passing Continuing Resolutions in place of negotiating a fiscally responsible budget. These massive spending resolutions only continue massive Obama-era government spending and spiral our country further into debt.

I support the platform of the Geauga County Republican Party. Since first elected to Congress in 2012, I have upheld conservative principles by helping passing historic tax cuts, fought for fiscal responsibility on Appropriations Committee, and voted to protect life at every opportunity. I will work hard to continue strengthening our values and look forward to supporting President Trump's reelection as a 2020 campaign co-chairman.

Mark Pitrone

No response

OHIO STATE SENATOR - D18**Jerry Cirino**

Resident of Kirtland, Ohio
Positions Held: Currently Lake County Commissioner (President 2017 and 2019)

Public Boards /Commissions: County Board of Revision; Solid Waste Management Board; Homeland Security Advisory Board; Lakeland Community College Board Chair(Past); LakeHealth Board of Trustees(Past); Numerous public and private company Boards.

Current Occupation: CoFounder and Owner of MyBoard Consulting

Past professional Experience: CEO and Chairman of several medical device/distribution companies.

Education: B.S. and MBA in Business from Lake Erie College; Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Lake Erie College.

Bio: Jerry and his wife Donna raised nine children in Lake County and have been involved in many civic and church activities.

Contact: Cell: 216-409-0383; campaign website: www.jerrycirino.com; email: jC@jerrycirino.com; Facebook: jerrycirino for state senate.

Why Seeking Office: To influence public policy in Ohio and to promote and protect values which are important to me and the community.

Specific Goals: First, to advance economic development in the state to promote a healthy economy; second, to solve the problem of educational financing for the state; third, to protect family values.

I support published Republican Party principles.

REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE, MAN - D18**Mike Berger**

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I am the Director of Claims Operations for the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation in North Canton. I regularly deal with complex workers' compensation issues, difficult labor relations matters, challenging employer concerns, and work to continuously improve the level of service to our customers. In a previous position with the Ohio Lottery Commission, I worked as a Regional Manager and on various Special Projects.

Over the last decade, I have served as a Portage County Central Committee member and the County Chair for the Governor's campaign. I have actively participated in numerous campaigns, fundraising activities, and other political activities for state and local candidates.

Prior to my service as a public employee, I worked for 25 years in the private sector and was a self-employed business owner for nearly 18 of those 25 years. I am an entrepreneur and a business leader. Additionally, I own and manage, along with my wife and sons, several residential rental properties in Summit and Portage Counties.

I hold a Bachelor's degree in Political Science and Criminal Justice from the University of Akron, a Master's degree in Organizational Leadership from Malone University, I am a Certified Public Manager, and I am a Lean Six Sigma Black Belt.

My wife Melissa and I have been married for 27 years and have 2 young adult sons who are working to finish their engineering degrees at the University of Akron. I have been

a member of our church board and have volunteered with disaster relief efforts in New Orleans and Alaska.

I am running for office because we need Republican leadership in Ohio that will stand for real conservative values. I am pro-2nd Amendment, pro-life, a fiscal conservative, and believe strongly in individual liberty and freedom from excessive government involvement in citizens' lives. My passion is for people, problem solving, and organizational excellence. I am a respectful and professional communicator who seeks excellence in all aspects of my professional and personal life. Building trust and strong relationships has been an integral and effective part of my success as a leader.

If elected, I will continuously listen to the concerns of the residents of the 18th District, I will work diligently to build strong, positive relationships with State Central Committee members and other stakeholders, I will attend all scheduled Committee meetings, and I will respectfully and professionally participate in Committee meetings.

I support the Republican Party principles as outlined in the Geauga County GOP platform.

Contact: mike@ppcoho.net; @VoteMikeBerger Candidate for Republican State Central Committee, 18th District

**John Plecnik**

Resident of Willoughby Hills

List Elected Position(s) held: I served as Councilman-at-Large & Vice President of Council in Willoughby Hills, where the public record shows I balanced the budget, CUT spending, CUT taxes, reduced the City debt by half, and personally authored and negotiated the tax abatement that brought Produce Packaging, Inc. and over 300 good-paying jobs to my community.

I currently serve as a Member of the Lake County Republican Party Central Committee and was recognized as the Outstanding Member of the Year in 2018.

Public Boards or Commissions Experience: Library Trustee / Vice President for Willoughby-Eastlake Public Libraries; Chairman of Recreation Commission for Willoughby Hills

Current Occupation and Employer: Associate Professor of Law & Director of the Master of Legal Studies Program at the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law at Cleveland State University. My research has been cited as authority by the Supreme Court of the United States.

Past Professional Experience: Attorney-Adviser to Judge Gustafson of the U.S Tax Court; Adjunct Professor of Law at Georgetown University; Associate Attorney at Thacher Proffitt & Wood LLP

Education: New York University School of Law, New York, NY: Master of Laws in Taxation, 2009; Columbia Business School, New York, NY: Certificate in Business Excellence, 2009; Duke University School Of Law, Durham, NC: Juris Doctor, cum laude, 2006; Belmont Abbey College, Belmont, NC: Bachelor of Arts in Accounting, Co-Valedictorian, summa cum laude, 2003; Homeschooled, Belmont, NC: High School Diploma, 1999

Bio: I grew up as the oldest of seven children in a home-schooling family and was Co-Chairman of the North Carolina Federation of College Republicans. Today, I am proud to be a member of the Lake County Young Republicans. I volunteer as a Board Member of the Slovenian American Times newspaper. I am also a member of St. Vitus Church, Slovenska Pristava, SNPJ (Slovenian National Benefit Society), KSKJ (American Slovenian Catholic Union), Collinwood Slovenian Home, North Coast Lions, Willoughby Hills Historical Society and the High Note Society of the National Cleveland-Style Polka Hall of Fame. In fact, the Polka Pirates and I wrote a polka together in honor of my dog Bimmer—just google "Puppy Polka" and "feel free to bark along!"

Contact: (440) 382-9978; John@JohnPlecnik.com; www.JohnPlecnik.com; www.Facebook.com/NeighborsForPlecnik; Twitter: @plecnik

Why you are seeking public office?: To bring our CONSERVATIVE, Pro-Life and Pro-2nd Amendment values to Columbus! The Lake County Republican Party recognized me with their Elden A. Spencer Award for being the Outstanding Republican County Central Committee Member of the Year in 2018, and I am ready to serve you on the Republican State Central Committee.

If elected, my first goal is to re-elect our President Donald Trump. I voted for President Trump in the Primary and General Election in 2016, and I was honored to serve as a Volunteer Team Leader for Trump's Republican National Convention in Cleveland.; Second, you need to know that President Trump strongly supports our Ohio Republican Party Chair Jane Timken AND so do I. If elected, I will STAND WITH PRESIDENT TRUMP and vote to re-elect Timken for another term as our Chair.

Do you support Republican Party principles as outlined in our platform? Yes. In fact, I helped to draft the Lake County Republican Party Platform.

**James R. Sherbaugh, Jr.**

I am James R. Sherbaugh Jr. a resident of Mantua Village Ohio. Currently a member of the Portage County Republican Central Committee, retired and able to devote extra time to the committee position, my

past occupational history includes owning and managing a successful trucking fleet operation and a cigar club distribution. Education credentials include graduating from high school at 17, Penn Foster College and many U.S. military courses. Furthermore, besides being an advisor to President Trump's team and eight years active Army, I am a member of the Patriot Guard, Prosperity For Portage, Portage County Republican Women's Club, American Legion Riders, and Widows Sons. I am seeking Public position to serve the people and to preserve our U.S. Constitution. If elected, I will strive to preserve our God given rights and freedoms, grow the Republican Party and contribute input to insure Republican Party principles are maintained. I can be reached at: sherbaughjr@gmail.com or Facebook, Page @SherbaughforSCC

REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE, WOMAN - D18**Elayne J Cross**

Resident of the City of Kent in the County of Portage, Ohio

Member of the Portage County Board of Elections; Vice Chairman Portage County Republican Party; Self Employed Writer; National Federation of Republican Women member

High School Science teacher focused on Chemistry and Physics; Medical office Management; B.S. Ed. Kent State University 2007

As a lifelong resident of Northeast Ohio I have worked with the Republican Party utilizing my education and managerial experiences to train, advise and support the advancement of Republican conservative ideals toward unifying the party and the successful election of Republican candidates. I have willingly put my personal writing on the back burner the last three years as Vice Chairman of Portage County Central Committee. I am married to my likeminded and very supportive husband of fifteen years. Together we have seven children and eight grandchildren.

Contact: CrossPortage@ElayneCross.com; https://www.facebook.com/Elayne-Cross-for-Republican-State-Central-Committee

I have worked hard at the county level for many years serving the Republican Central Committee and Republican Women's Club. Portage County is the largest county in the 18th Senate District in Ohio which is the district for which I am running. Having the majority of Republicans represented at the state level is important to me. However, a more important issue is the unique quality of Portage County as one of seven swing counties who have voted for the candidate who would become president. This is a vital year as American freedoms are being challenged openly by socialist candidates on the Democratic side. Socialism is the finance side of Communism which is 180 degrees opposed to Capitalism and our Representative Republic.

2-3 very specific goals you will strive to achieve if elected: I will be a voice for all Republicans in Portage, Geauga, and Lake counties. Districts are created based on registered voters and census data, I don't believe representation should be so limited when it comes to representing Republicans to Republicans.; I will work to share and remind the State Central Committee what swing counties like Portage, walk away Democrats, and confused voters need to hear from the Party to be engaged in 2020 and to become true long standing Republicans for life.

I support Republican Party principles as outlined in the 2016 National Republican Platform and the 2015 Geauga County platform.

**Mary E. O'Toole**

Resident of Auburn Township

List Elected Position(s) held: I served on Newbury Local School Board from 2008-2010, Geauga County Republican Central Committee from 2012- Present, Republican State Central Committee from 2016 to Present

Current Occupation and Employer (if any, excluding elected office): Happily Retired

Past Professional Experience: Teacher and coach at Kenston Local Schools for 30 years.

Education: I graduated from John Carroll University with a BA and Kent State with a Masters

Bio: I am married to to my wonderful husband Gary and live in Auburn with our cat Prince. As a professional educator I have always been involved in community and have coached various sports and been involved with many extra curriculars.

Contact: Email address is okcats2@yahoo.com, cell phone 440-623-9077

As a member of the State Central Committee, I am honored to serve Republicans and be their voice in Columbus for Geauga, Portage and Lake Counties. I want to continue to serve and make sure that the voices of our local parties are heard at the level.

List 2-3 very specific goals you will strive to achieve if elected: I have and will continue to work on improving the endorsement process for primary elections.; I have and will continue to work to make sure the local parties are supported and have the resources they have to win elections at all levels.

Do you support Republican Party principles as outlined in our platform? Yes, I support the platform.

OHIO STATE SENATOR - D32**Sandra O'Brien**

Resident of Lenox Township, Ashtabula County

Elected Ashtabula county Auditor for three terms

Member of National Rifle Association (NRA), Lake County Right to Life and Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Bachelor's Degree from Bowling Green State University (Education), Master's Degree from Edinboro University (Administration)

I grew up in Bainbridge, graduated from Kenston High School and married my high school sweetheart. We settled on a small farm in Ashtabula County where we raised our four children, Casey, Colleen, Connor and Corey (all NDCL graduates). I was a stay at home mom. I taught at both the junior high (Ashtabula Area City School District) and collegiate level (Lakeland Community College). I was elected Ashtabula County Auditor, defeating a twenty-year incumbent, and served twelve years (three terms). I received the Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers' Association each year, the Outstanding Auditor's Award and served as President of the Northeast Ohio Auditor's Association. I've handled over a billion dollars and managed a staff of 25. I am a proven

fiscal conservative. I led a successful referendum to defeat a county sales tax increase.

I am running for Ohio's 32nd Senate seat, comprised of all of Ashtabula County, all of Trumbull County and the Northeast section of Geauga County (Chardon City and townships of Thompson, Montville, Huntsburg, Hambden and Claridon). Unlike private enterprise, government uses GAAP accounting. I understand the ins and outs of this system and can hit the ground running. Since education is of such importance, my experience allows me the perspective of students, parents and educators. I support President Trump and am proud of his accomplishments. I am running for this seat because the people of Ohio's 32nd Senate District deserve a state senator who reflects their values.

I support Republican Party principles.

Contact: sandyforsenate.com; Facebook sandyforsenate

**Kenneth J Polke D.D.S., FAGD, DICOI**

Resident of Ashtabula, Ohio

I am not a career Politician and have never held any political office nor have I served on any Boards and/or Commissions.

Currently own and operate a Commercial Real Estate Firm associated with Keller Williams Real Estate Brokerage. Prior to that I was in Private Dental Practice for close to 40 years.

Graduate of Cleveland St. Joseph High School in 1970. BA Degree in Chemistry from the University of Dayton in Dayton, Ohio in 1974. Professional Degree (Doctor of Dental Surgery) from Case Western Reserve Dental School in 1981.

Quarterback Miami Dolphins and Quarterback Cleveland Browns.

Director of Nottingham Youth Center in Cleveland, Ohio. Appointed by City Council President Michael Polensek of the City of Cleveland.

Current Member of NFL Alumni Association for 20 years involved in CARING FOR KIDS PROGRAM. Member of Mentor, Ohio Rotarians for many years. Currently Member of Ashtabula, Ohio Chamber of Commerce.

Contact: ConqueringYourAdversities.com; KennethPolke@KW.com

Seeking the office of Ohio Senate to provide much needed leadership in this Economically Depressed District #32. My leadership skills, my vast education in the Healthcare Industry and my many years of being a Small Businessman will bring valuable knowledge and talents to the Affordable Healthcare Dilemma, Job Growth and Economic Development, Affordable Drug/Medicine Prices and the Opioid Epidemic.

I will promote Free market Enterprise among the Healthcare Insurance Industry by allowing more than 3 Healthcare Insurers into the State of Ohio to promote competitive pricing. I will promote UpFront Pricing for all Medical Procedures and all Hospital Costs. I will promote an increase in (HAS's) Healthcare Savings Accounts. I will promote Medical Tort Reform. I will promote Competitive pricing among Foreign Countries to sell their Medical Drugs in Ohio. I will promote Federal and State Subsidies for High Risk Medical Candidates. I will promote "Population Pools" to purchase Medical Insurance at Group Rates. I will promote special certification and training in the "TRADES" along with a Business Acumen to promote Free Enterprise and Entrepreneurial Growth within the "TRADES".

REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE, MAN - D32**Casey P. O'Brien**

Resident of New Lyme Ohio (Ashtabula County)

List Elected Position(s) held – Republican State Central Committee – Multiple Terms since 2000

Ashtabula County Education Service Center

Public Boards or Commissions Experience: Lake Erie College – Board of Directors; Country Neighbor Inc. – President Board of Directors; Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Ohio – Board of Directors – Former Member; Ohio State Bar Association – Current Member; Geauga County Bar Association – General Member and Bar Poll Committee Chair; Ashtabula County Bar Association – Current Member; Association of the Trial Lawyers of America – Past Member; Order of Barristers – Past Member

Current Occupation and Employer (if any, excluding elected office): Ibold & O'Brien (formerly Petersen & Ibold)

Past Professional Experience: Attorney – 20 years; Chardon Municipal Court – Part Time Magistrate (former); Lake County Prosecutor's Office – Law Clerk; New Lyme Township Zoning Inspector

Education: Notre Dame Cathedral Latin; Walsh University; Cleveland Marshall College of Law

Bio: Married 20 years to Wendi (nee Chutas), 3 sons – Triston (17), Brendan (15) and Collin (11). Hobbies include working an active farm, coaching various youth sports teams – serving on various charitable boards (Lake Erie College, Country Neighbor Inc and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Ohio) all while running a mid-sized law firm as a manger and active litigator.

Contact: caseybrien@hotmail.com

Why you are seeking public office?: To continue to serve the Republican voters of the 32nd District as their voice in Columbus with the Ohio Republican Party.

List 2-3 very specific goals you will strive to achieve if elected: To work towards the re-election of President Donald J. Trump and all other Republican Candidates in Northeast Ohio

Do you support Republican Party principles as outlined in our platform? I do.

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REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE, WOMAN - D32



Kathi Creed

Chairman Trumbull County Central/ Executive Committees 2010-2014

Conducted all business in an orderly fashion; Worked openly and honestly with the committee; Supported candidates; Maintained a headquarters with open door policy; Encouraged input, ideas, criticism, complaints, suggestions, and recommendations.

Serving over 20 years on Central and Executive committees Trumbull County GOP; Currently serving as 2nd Vice Chairman Trumbull County GOP; President Warren Republican Women; Worked to further the goals of the WRWC; Vice-President Ohio Federation of Republican Women (Z Terms); Planned and coordinated four district conferences. Worked to further the goals of the OFRW; Trustee/Secretary of Foreign Missions/India Crusade 24 Years; Founding Board Member Liberty Business Association; Worked closely with Township officials in matters involving beautification, safety, crime, schools, and other issues important to maintaining a high quality of life in our community. 1998-2000

State GOP endorsements in contested primaries can be very beneficial to a candidates campaign but some can also be controversial. I would look closely at this process.

I believe the state GOP has the responsibility to foster candidates at all levels and to foster relationships with county party chairs. I would like to help include Trumbull County in this process.

The agenda and the minutes of the state committee meetings can be meaningful to county party leaders. I believe it's important to provide them with this information.

I support the Republican Party Principles and Platform. I am pro 2nd amendment, Pro Life, and Pro Trump



Melissa M. Pope

Hi! My name is Melissa M. Pope of Saybrook Township in Ashtabula County. I am the current State Central Committeewoman of the 32nd Ohio State Senate District. I am a long time NRA

member. I have years of experience as a domestic engineer as not only a wife and mother but also as a grandmother. I currently work P/T at the BOE. I enjoy volunteer work with organizations. In the past, I have donated time with Community Care and currently with Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA). I pride myself on being available to help when and where I may be needed. With all of my past experiences, I am excited to have been chosen as a Delegate-At-Large for President Trump for the upcoming 2020 Election.

I am running for re-election for the seat I currently hold as the State Central Committeewoman of the 32nd Ohio State Senate District. I want to continue to show support for those who uphold our conservative values within the Republican Party and show support for the principles outlined in the Geauga County Platform. These values include but are not limited to: pro-life, pro-second amendment, campaigning for our Republican candidates, and supporting our elected officials. I not only enjoy being in this position but I am passionate about this position. I feel honored to be the State Central Committeewoman of the 32nd Ohio State Senate District and hope you see fit to re-elect me for this position. If you should have any questions, comments, or concerns feel free to contact me through my Facebook page: Melissa Pope for State Central Committee.

OHIO STATE REPRESENTATIVE - D76



Diane V. Grendell

Resident of Chesterland
List Elected Position(s) held State Representative, 76th District (incumbent); Appellate Court Judge, 11th District

Public Boards or Commissions
Experience: Ohio Judicial Conference (OJC); Public Confidence and Community Outreach Committee; Legislative Review Committee; Ohio House of Representatives: Chairman, Pensions Committee; Chairman, Children and Youth Committee; Ways and Means Committee; Health, Retirement and Aging Committee; Agricultural and Natural Resources Committee; Family Service Committee; Healthcare Oversight Committee; National Civil Justice Taskforce Committee; Ohio Treasurer, STABLE Board

Past Professional Experience: Appellate Court Judge - 203 cases published by the Ohio Supreme Court; appointed to sit on Ohio Supreme Court 9 times by Chief Justice; OJC Distinguished Service Award; State Representative; JAG Officer, Ohio Military Reserve; Attorney - Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue; and Barrett, Sexton & Federman; Federal District Court, Clerk for Judge George White; Cleveland Bar Association, Law Clerk

Education: Juris Doctorate (JD), Cleveland-Marshall College of Law; Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) in Business / Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Psychology, Baldwin Wallace College; Registered Nurse, St. John's College Metropolitan Hospital School of Nursing

Bio: Married to Timothy Grendell, with two stepchildren, and three grandchildren. 30+ year resident of Chesterland. Member of Farm Bureau, Chamber of Commerce, and Rotary; work with 4-H and Salvation Army.

Contact: www.dianegrendell.com; www.facebook.com/OhioRep76; 440-789-5292

Why you are seeking public office?: I am dedicated to public service and I am a proven Conservative leader who works every day to strengthen our communities.

List 2-3 very specific goals you will strive to achieve if elected: Defending our freedoms: continue to protect innocent life and to defend our Second Amendment.; Meaningful tax relief: voted to cut taxes by over \$300 million for Ohio

families every year, and continue to look for ways to relieve the tax burden of residents in the 76th District.; Health Care Transparency: As a nurse, I cared for everyday Ohioans at their most vulnerable, and I know firsthand the rising cost of health care. I voted to require health care providers to show cost estimates to patients, and I stand with patients against surprise billing.

Do you support Republican Party principles as outlined in our platform?: Absolutely. Geauga Republican Party and Lake-Gauga Young Republicans Halls of Fame; conservative voting record in Ohio Legislature - recipient of Armed Forces Seven Seals Award, Wilson Academic Achievement Award, ARC of Ohio Legislator of the Year Award, Watchdog of the Treasury Award, and National Security Leadership Award by Mission Readiness Counsel; my Republican values are unanimously endorsed by Ohio Republican Party and personally by Jane Timkin, Chair of Ohio Republican Party; elections by Geauga Republicans in multiple primaries; member of Geauga Republican Party Executive Committee 8 years.



Frank Hall

Resident of Munson
Current Occupation and Employer: Football Coach and Tutor at Chardon Local Schools

Past Professional Experience: Former Deputy Sheriff Richmond Virginia, Dean of Students Lakeside High School, Ashtabula, OH

Education: Bachelor's Degree Kent State
Bio: My wife, Ashley, and I have been married for 13 years. We are blessed to be parents of Quincy 25, Jarret 18, Christian 16, Marina 15, Amir 14, Mark 13, Shawn 13, Madelynn 3, and Mackenzie 3. Creator of the Coach Hall Foundation, Founding Board Member of the Paul Demshar Foundation

Contact: Website - www.frankhallforohio.com Social Media - Facebook @frankhall4ohio, Twitter @frankhall4ohio, Instagram @frankhall4ohio, & YouTube - Frank Hall For Ohio; Email - frankhall77@yahoo.com Phone # - 4408131434

Why you are seeking public office?: Ronald Reagan coined the phrase "citizen politician" and that's where I find my motivation. I am just a normal citizen wanting to stand up and protect the three precious words, "We The People." I'm an everyday citizen who knows how important it is to protect the taxpayers from the tax spenders. The most important role of the government is to protect its citizens. I am seeking office to protect Ohio.

List 2-3 very specific goals you will strive to achieve if elected: 1) Return to our local communities a higher percentage of the tax dollars we pay to Columbus. 2) Prioritize programs that protect our students in schools. 3) Analyze our options to reform how we fund our schools in a more consistent, fair way. School budgets should not limit educational opportunity for our students.

Do you support Republican Party principles as outlined in our platform? Yes

OHIO STATE REPRESENTATIVE - D99



Sarah E. Fowler

Resident of Rock Creek, OH (Morgan Twp, Ashtabula Co)
List Elected Position(s) held: Ohio State Board of Education - District 7

Public Boards or Commissions
Experience: Ohio State Board of Education - District 7: member 2013-present, appointee to National Association of State Boards of Education Governing Affairs Committee (2015), Chairman of the Teaching, Leading & Learning Committee (2019-present)

Current Occupation and Employer (if any, excluding elected office): Fowler Enterprises, Inc - Director of Marketing 2005-2020, Badger Run Berries, LLC (owner/operator) 2018-2020, Piano Teacher - Instructor to over 50 students 2015-2020

Past Professional Experience: Independent Sales Consultant with Lilla Rose, Norwex, Plexus and Young Living (2012-2018); Sarah's Eggs (dba) - (1999-2012)

Education: Teaching English as a Second Language (Ministry Certification) - 2006; Fowler Agriculture & Business Academy (Homeschool High School Graduate) - 2007

Bio: Sarah resides on a small farm in Ashtabula County with her family and recently became engaged to Isaac Arthur of Geneva-on-the-Lake (Ashtabula County). She enjoys reading, writing, gardening, camping and hiking. The oldest of seven children, you will often find her reading aloud to her younger siblings or cheering on their softball teams. Sarah has taught hands-on skills, including canning and sewing, to small classes of adults and children in both the United States and Mexico. Sarah has also been a volunteer speech and debate judge for Christian Communicators of Ohio local tournaments for four years. Sarah is the first homeschool graduate in the nation to be elected to a State Board of Education. She credits her parents and grandparents for instilling in her the valuable life lessons of hard work, respect, loyalty and love for God and others.

Contact: www.ElectSarahFowler.com; https://www.facebook.com/SarahOhioEdu7/; sarah@ElectSarahFowler.com; 440-563-8535

Why you are seeking public office?: I am in my final term on the State Board of Education. While education policy remains a passion of mine, I am excited for an opportunity to continue influencing Ohio's laws and regulations with our shared values of smaller government, personal responsibility, and less taxes. It has been my honor to serve District 7 on the Ohio State Board of Education for seven years and I look forward to expanding my service into the legislature!

List 2-3 very specific goals you will strive to achieve if elected: 1) Return to our local communities a higher percentage of the tax dollars we pay to Columbus. 2) Prioritize programs that protect our students in schools. 3) Analyze our options to reform how we fund our schools in a more consistent, fair way. School budgets should not limit educational opportunity for our students.

Do you support Republican Party principles as outlined in our platform? Yes.

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Sarah Thomas Kovoov

Resident of: Warren (Trumbull County)

Current Occupation and Employer: Self-employed attorney

Past Professional Experience: Private practice attorney since 2002. Assistant Prosecutor, Trumbull County Prosecutor's Office 1998 - 2002

Education: B.A. from University of Rochester, J.D. from University of Akron School of Law

Bio: After college, my husband and I moved to Northeast, Ohio. We raised our three children in Warren, and it has been my family's home for nearly 30 years. I am involved in my community in several ways. Aside from my participation in my church, I perform volunteer work for the Howland Rotary Club, Meals on Wheels and Trumbull County Republican Women's Club. I am a supporter of the Mya Women's Center, the Christian Medical College of Vellore, Meals on Wheels and two international schools for girls.

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Why you are seeking public office?: I was interested in the law from a very young age. It was my respect for our Constitution that led me to enroll in law school at the University of Akron School of Law, where I earned my law degree over 22 years ago. I have practiced law at every level within the court's jurisdiction. A majority of the cases filed in the Court of Appeals stem from criminal cases, but a great number of the appeals filed are cases that originated in the Domestic Relations Court. I have extensive experience in adult and juvenile criminal law as both a prosecutor and a defense attorney. In addition, my diverse law practice includes years of experience in all matters of family law, civil litigation and appellate law. I believe in a fair, just and impartial judicial branch and that a judge's role should be as an interpreter of the law. If elected, I will strictly uphold the constitution in my decisions and will make efficient use of the court system. I vow to treat everyone before the court



The Geauga County Republican Party is pleased to present this Voters Guide which profiles Republican candidates appearing on the March 17, 2020 Primary Election ballot. Our county party does not endorse candidates prior to primary elections; however, we want to give voters the opportunity to be better educated about their choices before they cast their ballots. Each candidate was given the same written questions to answer and they are solely responsible for the content of their replies.

In conjunction with this guide, we are holding a Candidates Forum on Monday, February 17th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Chardon Middle School - LGIR room located at 424 North Street. Attendees must reserve a ticket through Eventbrite. The ticketing link may be found on our website at www.geaugagop.com. If you cannot attend, you will be able to view the videotaped version on our website a few days after the event. G-TV will also be present at the forum.

We hope that you find these resources helpful in making your candidate selections in the upcoming March 17th

with dignity and respect and ensure all people are fairly heard and their rights are preserved. I am extremely well-prepared to serve on the bench and I would be honored to serve our community in that endeavor.

List 2-3 very specific goals you will strive to achieve if elected: To render fair and thoughtful opinions based on the law as written; To provide a balance of experience to the judiciary; To make efficient use of the court's resources.

Do you support Republican Party principles as outlined in our platform? Yes.

COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE (2)



Matt Lynch

Bainbridge Township
Judge 11th District Court of Appeals 2019 - present; State Representative 2012 -2015; Bainbridge Trustee 2008-2011; Partner Lynch & Lynch Co LPA Law Firm 1980 -2018

Abundant Life Church, Middlefield, OH; Geauga Womens Club Associate Member; Geauga Bar Association

Graduate Cathedral Latin HS (1969), John Carroll Univ (1973); Cleveland Marshall University Law School (1980)

Married 24 years to Laura Lynch, children Kerri, Christy, Katie, Jennifer, Tiffany

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I'm running to continue to serve as a Judge dedicated to seeking Justice.

Justice delayed is justice denied. I believe the Court should establish firm guidelines for the resolution of cases on a timely basis. I believe Judges should not hear cases with lawyers who have contributed to a Judge's campaign.

I have always supported the Conservative and Constitutional principles of the Republican Party as an "originalist," meaning I apply the meaning of the Constitution as the Founders originally intended.


primary election. The last day to register to vote or update voter registration information is Tuesday, Feb. 18th. Early absentee voting by mail and in person voting at the Board of Elections begins on Wednesday, February 19th.

We invite you to attend our annual Lincoln Day Dinner on Saturday, February 22nd at The Tanglewood Club in Bainbridge Township where we celebrate the founder of our Republican Party, Abraham Lincoln. Visit our website or Facebook Page for more information. Our keynote speaker will be Bob Paduchik with Trump Victory 2020 with special remarks by Congressman Dave Joyce and Ohio Supreme Court Justice Judi French.

We are excited about the upcoming Presidential Election and ask that you get involved with our party to help re-elect President Donald J. Trump.

Thank you!

Nancy McArthur, Chairman
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Lincoln Day Dinner


February 22, 2020

The Tanglewood Club
8745 Tanglewood Trail
Chagrin Falls, OH 44023


Doors open at 5:30PM
Dinner served at 7:00PM

\$60 Individual
\$90 VIP


Featuring



Bob Paduchik
Trump Victory 2020
With special remarks from
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Dave Joyce
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& Justice



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