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Occupation: Attorney

Education: Graduate of Conneaut High School, B.A. from Baldwin Wallace College and J.D. from Ohio Northern University College of Law

Work Experience: Private practice for 38 years and Former Special or Outside Counsel to 4 Ohio Attorney Generals.

Family: 2 sons, Alex and John, and 2 grandchildren

Affiliations: Ashtabula County Bar Association, Ohio State Bar Association; admitted to practice in Ohio, Pennsylvania, before the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, and before the U.S. Supreme Court; Conneaut Elks Lodge, past Exalted Ruler; Ashtabula County Children Services (former President); KSU Ashtabula Area College Committee Inc Board; Ashtabula County Public Defender Inc Board (President); previously served as Conneaut City Councilman, Conneaut Charter Commission Member, Conneaut School Board Member, Conneaut youth basketball and baseball coach, and Conneaut Democratic Party Precinct Committeeman

Endorsements: Ashtabula County AFL-CIO Central Labor Council and Conneaut Democrat Party

Bar Association Ratings: No answer provided

(1) List your judicial experience (courts & years).

First appointed Acting Judge in the Conneaut Municipal Court in 1983. Served under Judges R. Vaughn Tittle and Thomas E. Harris. Over 30 years. Acting Judge serves in the absence of presiding Judge.

(2) What about your non-judicial legal experience qualifies you to be a judge?

38 years in private practice from my Main Street Conneaut office. Conneaut native. Generations of Family in Conneaut. Served as Special or Outside Counsel to 4 Ohio Attorney Generals. Proven record of charitable and civic service to Conneaut and Ashtabula County – former City Councilman, School Board Member, Charter Commission Member & Democrat Party precinct committee person; youth basketball and baseball coach; Catholic Charities Guardianship program instructor and volunteer; Ashtabula County Children Services Board member and past President; Ashtabula County Public Defender, Inc. board member, president; Kent State University Ashtabula Area College Committee, Inc. board member; former Ashtabula County Big Brothers/Big Sisters Board member and Big Brother; Conneaut Elks Club Past Exalted Ruler.

(3) Why are you running for this particular court seat?

I want to be the Conneaut Municipal Court Judge. I am, most of all, a Conneaut guy- born and raised in Conneaut, went to school here, practiced law on Main Street my entire legal career, and raised our 2 sons, Alex and John, in Conneaut. We graduated from Conneaut High School. My family goes back several generations in Conneaut. I have demonstrated a lifetime commitment to Conneaut. I was appointed Acting Judge in the Conneaut Municipal Court by Judges R. Vaughn Tittle and Thomas E. Harris, both fine Judges, to sit in their absences when assigned. That first appointment was in 1983. With decades of experience as Acting Judge, I have the demonstrated legal knowledge and ability to do the job. I understand and appreciate the value of the Conneaut Municipal Court to my native City.

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