

## Jane Hawn-Jackson



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**Occupation:** Attorney

**Education:** J.D. from Ohio Northern University, B.A. from Villa Maria College

**Work Experience:** Poverty Law, Criminal Law, Juvenile Law, Family Law and Disability Law since 1983

**Family:** Married to Clint Jackson with 2 children Sarah and Stuart Jackson

**Affiliations:** 2 Term Saybrook Township Trustee/Served on the boards of Big Brothers – Big Sisters, Homesafe Battered Womens Shelter, Lake Area Recovery Center, Gilda's Cub for Cancer Patients, ACCESS Ashtabula County, and Saints John and Paul School/Member of Our Lady of Peace Parish

**Endorsements:** No answer provided

**Bar Association Ratings:** N/A

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

No answer provided

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

I have practiced law for over 30 years in civil, criminal and juvenile matters and have maintained a successful private law practice for over 18 years. At the present time, I am a township trustee with leadership responsibilities including the oversight of 15 full-time, 30 part-time employees and the management of a 4 million dollar budget. As trustee I have collaborated in contracts with the county, city and townships that has allowed for the formation of 2 JEDDs (Joint Economic Development Districts) resulting in tens of thousands of dollars for the city and township. I have successfully written a grant for the Conneaut Youth Diversion program that later transitioned into the Ashtabula Juvenile Probation Department. I have also been fortunate to have worked with multiple community boards and agencies and have developed tremendous insight into the communities challenges as well as existing community resources to overcome these obstacles. Lastly, I am a trained mediator with over 100 hours of mediation training in general mediation as well as collaborative law and domestic violence.

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

The judicial office of municipal court requires an attorney with knowledge in criminal law as well as the civil rules of procedure and landlord – tenant law. Because of my 30 plus years of practice I have had various experience in all of these areas. Further, municipal court requires administrative leadership and knowledge; and as a two term elected public official I have actively collaborated in the leadership of Saybrook Township which has not only resulted in additional new funding resources but a safe, efficient and financially sound community. Moreover, I have always tried to reflect the attributes of a judicial candidate, independence, impartiality and integrity. I was raised in the community by hard-working parents and instilled with strong family values and taught: to always obey the law, treat others as I would want to be treated, to help those in need and give back to the community. I have raised my family with the same values of respect, common courtesy and decency, and I have tried to always reflect these values while actively volunteering. Various community services, such as Big Brothers Big Sisters, Homesafe shelter for battered women, Lake Area Recovery Center, Gilda's Club for cancer survivors and small claims

court mediator to name a few. I am running for Ashtabula Municipal Court Judge because I now want to address the drug and alcohol problem that is hurting families and plaguing the community. I have personally witnessed the impact municipal court can have in restoring sobriety and restoring family's health and happiness.

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