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## John T. Wallace

**Office:** Hocking County – Hocking County Common Pleas Court

**Age:** 62

**Residence:** Logan, OH

**Email:** N/A

**Website:** Judge John T Wallace on Facebook

**Occupation:** Common Pleas Judge

**Education:** J.D. Cleveland-Marshall College of Law

**Work Experience:** Attorney for 32 years, Municipal Court Judge for 4 years, Common Pleas Judge for 7 years

**Family:** Married with 2 adult sons

**Affiliations:** Kiwanis, Boy Scouts of America, Knights of Columbus, Catholic

**Endorsements:** N/A

**Bar Association Ratings:** N/A

### (1) List your judicial experience (courts and years):

I began my service as a judge in the Hocking County Municipal Court in December 2006. In the Municipal Court, I presided over about 10 jury trials, and many bench trials. I also presided over the resolution of thousands of cases. I was appointed to the Hocking County Common Pleas Court in July 2011, and was elected in November 2012. Since I became Common Pleas Court judge, I have presided over more than 30 jury trials, dozens of bench trials, and seen thousands of other cases to resolution. I have presided over two aggravated murder trials with death penalty specifications, two other aggravated murder trials, one attempted murder trial, and several sex crime cases. I have also presided over a number of civil jury trials including a medical malpractice case.

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

Prior to becoming judge, I spent 20 years in private practice. My experience has been in the areas of criminal law, domestic relations, insurance defense, probate, real estate, and many other fields. I have also handled many cases in the Ohio Court of Appeals and have presented a case in the U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals.

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

Serving the people of Hocking County, first as a Municipal Court judge and now as Common Pleas Court judge, has been a great honor. The office of judge is also a tremendous responsibility. As judge, I am tasked with assuring that all parties in the court are treated fairly. I believe that writing concise and detailed orders is important because explanations of reasoning makes it more likely that people will understand the fairness of the court's decision. It has been my great pleasure to start the Hocking County Common Pleas Court's Drug Court. At any one time, my team and I help 15 to 20 people become and remain clean and sober. We have enjoyed great success with many people reuniting with their families, becoming employed, and becoming contributing members of our community. I have successfully pursued a large number of private, state, and federal grants that have funded the Drug Court, improved security at the Hocking County Courthouse, and allowed us to purchase a new case management system for the Clerk of Courts' office. I will continue to look for further funding opportunities to improve the operations of the Common Pleas Court.

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