

Roy Gabbert



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Occupation: Attorney and Adams County Court Acting Judge

Education: B.A. from The Ohio State University, summa cum laude, 1986; J.D. from The Ohio State University, With Honors, 1989

Work Experience: Private Practice Attorney since 1989; Adams County Court Acting Judge since 1997; Member of Adams County Board of Elections, 2009-2018

Family: Married with a Daughter

Affiliations: Seaman Church of Christ, Choir Member

Endorsements: N/A

Bar Association Ratings: N/A

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

I have spent over twenty-eight years as a solo practitioner in the small town of West Union, in Adams County, Ohio. As such, I have spent my legal career solving problems. Tax problems, Real Estate Problems, Probate Estate Problems, Traffic Problems, Misdemeanor Problems, and other life problems have crossed my desk during my legal career. More importantly, this practice has qualified me to be a judge because I have learned to listen with an open ear and think patiently with an open mind in any situation. I have also been a Member of the Adams County Board of Elections for over eight years, including a term as the Chairman of the Adams County Board of Elections. During this time, Ohio has been a swing state in national elections. I have been confronted with highly charged situations, with political tensions and contesting participants with differing opinions. Handling a complex set of facts with contesting political candidates is a fine preparation for the judicial setting of a Judge of the Adams County Court. Abraham Lincoln famously said that "A Lawyer's Time and Advice are his Stock In Trade." My life and my legal experience have trained me to seek a genuinely good outcome. Hard work and common sense will be my guide, as they always have been.

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

The Adams County Court is the judicial portal for the front line of rural America's addiction problem. It is important to remember that most citizens' first contact with Appalachia's

Judicial Votes Count



WHAT'S AT STAKE?

In 2018, Ohio voters elected judges to the Supreme Court of Ohio and all 12 districts of the Court of Appeals, as well as most courts of common pleas and county courts.

Election Results

2019 Voter Registration Deadlines

For Primary Election: April 8, 2019

For General Election: Oct. 7, 2019

[Register to Vote Online or Update Your Name/Address Here](#)

2019 Election Dates

Primary Election: May 7, 2019

General Election: Nov. 5, 2019

Polls are open on Election Days from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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(1) List your judicial experience (courts and years) Adams County Court, Acting Judge (1997 to present); appointed by the Honorable Judge Alan Foster Adams County Court, Acting Judge (1992-1994); appointed by the Honorable Judge David Duce Wilson Adams County Common Pleas Court Referee/Magistrate (1992-1994); Cases involving Child Support Enforcement, Custody, and Visitation Brown County Common Pleas Court Referee/Magistrate (1992); Cases involving Child Support Enforcement

opioid and meth problem is the Adams County Court. This could be as the Defendant with the disease of addiction. Or it could be the victim of a crime where an addict has stolen property to finance the disease. The Adams County Court deals with these problems in their rawest and first iteration, when the wounds are the freshest on the body of our community. Such situations as this require hard work, common sense, patience, and open-mindedness from a Judge. I am running for the Adams County Court because I understand that a Judge must first "Do Justice" because we live in a world of right and wrong. A Judge must also "Love Kindness" by treating everyone in the courtroom with courtesy and respect, never ruling based on political division. Finally, a Judge must "Walk Humbly" understanding that legal precedent and the wisdom of our Founding Fathers provide guidance for the jurist. I feel my career and my life have led me to this point; have led me to be prepared for the work; have provided the experience that can be trusted to make good decisions for genuinely good outcomes. What is required of a Judge? The same thing that is required of all of us: Do Justice. Love Kindness. Walk Humbly.

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