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The Voters Guide listings are based entirely on material submitted by the candidates. In cases in which questionnaires were not returned, only the candidate's name and party are listed. Every candidate was asked to submit a photograph; those received are printed.

The guide lists all candidates in the November 7, 2017 municipal general election for Justices of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, Judges of the Superior Court, Judges of the Commonwealth Court, and Judges of the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas. Also listed is the candidate for Allegheny County Sheriff and Allegheny County Council candidates. Also listed are candidates for the offices of Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, even-numbered Pittsburgh City Council districts and odd-numbered Pittsburgh School Board districts. The candidates'

names are listed as they will appear on the ballot. The party of the governor is, by practice, given the first position on the ballot in Pennsylvania.

There are also Special Ballot questions for:

A Proposed Amendment to the Pennsylvania Constitution

The municipalities of: Bethel Park and Monroeville

A Proposed Home Rule Charter Amendment for the City of Pittsburgh

Judicial Retention Election Questions.

Study the guide and choose the candidates for whom you want to vote. You may take the guide into the voting booth to help you. Nothing in this guide should be construed as an endorsement of any candidate by the League of Women Voters.

Voters who are not sure if they are registered to vote should call the county Department of Elections, 412-350-4510. To find out what district you live in call the League of

Women Voters Community Information Center, 412-261-4284, Mon-Thurs 9am-3pm.

VOTING IN A MUNICIPAL ELECTION

To vote in this municipal election you must have been registered by October 10, 2017.

Your registration is permanent if

- You did not change your address.

- You did not change your name

PRISONERS' RIGHTS
You are eligible to vote if you are awaiting trial.

If you are a prisoner in Pennsylvania, you are eligible to vote if

- You are registered properly.

- You have obtained an absentee ballot.

- You were convicted of a misdemeanor

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW VOTERS

If you are a new voter or if you are voting at a polling place for the first time then you must bring your

voter ID card or a photo ID such as a driver's license, student ID or some other form of Federal or State government-issued ID. Some forms of non-photo ID are also acceptable such as a firearm permit, current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or government check. If you do not have any acceptable ID then you must be allowed to vote by provisional ballot.

PROVISIONAL BALLOTS

If your right to vote is challenged at the polls on Election Day and the problem cannot be resolved at the polling place, the judge of elections at the polling place should telephone the County Division of Elections. The problem could be resolved by phone if your name appears on the county records. If it does not and you want to try to resolve the problem, then you can go in person to the County Board of Elections (City-County Bldg. Room 700) where a judge from the Court of Common

Pleas will be on duty to resolve election problems. Alternatively you can ask for and vote by provisional ballot. If it is later determined that you were eligible to vote your ballot will be counted. You will be given instructions on how to determine if your vote was counted.

ABSENTEE VOTING

Registered voters who are ill, disabled, or will be absent from the municipality on Election Day may vote by absentee ballot. Completed APPLICATIONS for absentee ballots must be received by the Allegheny County Elections Division by 5 P.M., Tuesday, October 31. Completed absentee BALLOTS must be received back at the Elections Division by 5 P.M. on Friday, November 3. If an emergency arises (unexpected illness or business trip) after the Tuesday application deadline, call the Elections Division 412-350-4520 for information on emergency absentee voting. Proof of emergen-

cy may be required. An emergency application and ballot can be obtained and voted by 5 P.M. on Friday, November 3.

WRITE-IN VOTING

For write-in voting information, check with the workers at your polling place before entering the voting booth.

ELECTION DAY PROBLEMS

If your right to vote is challenged at the polls on Election Day and the problem cannot be resolved at the polling place, the judge of elections at the polling place will (MAY) telephone the county Division of Elections. The problem could be resolved by phone if your name appears on the county records. If it does not and you want to try to resolve the problem, then you will have to go in person to the county Board of Elections (City-County Bldg. Room 700) where a judge from the Court of Common Pleas will be on duty to resolve election problems.

Any disabled voter having questions regarding the accessibility of a polling place should consult the Elections Division at 412-350-4520.

INTERNET VOTERS GUIDE

This Voters Guide and other useful information for voters can be found on the League's web site at <http://lwvpg.org> or can be found by going to www.vote411.org and typing in your address and zip code.

PENNSYLVANIA

JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT

(Vote for not more than one)

TERM: 10 years **SALARY:** \$206,054

JOB DESCRIPTION: The Supreme Court is the highest court in the Commonwealth and the oldest appellate court in the nation. The Supreme Court's administrative powers and jurisdictional responsibilities are vested with the seven-member court by the Pennsylvania State Constitution and a collection of statutes known as the Judicial Code. Administratively, the courts within the Unified Judicial System are largely responsible for organizing their own staff and dockets; however, the Supreme Court has several committees and boards responsible for writing and enforcing rules for judges, attorneys, and litigants to ensure an efficient and fair judicial review.

Annually, the seven justices receive over 3,000 requests for appellate review.

QUESTIONS ASKED OF SUPREME COURT JUDICIAL CANDIDATES:

1. Under what circumstances would you recuse or have you recused yourself from a case?
2. As a member of the judiciary, what can you do on and off the bench to ensure that all Pennsylvanians have access to justice?

DEMOCRATIC

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EDUCATION: June 1988 Duquesne University School of Law Juris Doctor Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Areas of Study: Taxation, Securities, Corporations & Contracts. May 1979, University of Louisville, B.S. Finance, Louisville, Kentucky.

QUALIFICATIONS: 17 years private practice on defense & plaintiff side – 12 years serving on Common Pleas Court of Allegheny County – National Council of Juvenile & Family Court Judges – Allegheny County Jail Oversight Board – Juvenile Court Judges' Commission – PA Juvenile court Procedural Rules Committee – National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges – Allegheny Coun-



DWAYNE WOODRUFF

ty Bar Assoc. - American Bar Assoc. - Pennsylvania Bar Assoc. - Pennsylvania Interbranch Commission on Juvenile Justice - Allegheny County Interbranch.

ANSWER 1: A judge should recuse himself/herself when he/she is unable to quell one's own passion or when a bias exists. Yes, I have recused myself in cases where there is familiarity with the parties involved and/or I felt that there would be a perceived bias. Propriety always suggests that it is more important to create an open and fair perception of neutrality than to allow questions that impugn the judicial process.

ANSWER 2: As a judge, I have worked earnestly to secure equal justice for all: I lead the development of new court procedures that provide necessary legal assistance to pro se litigants; Appointed by PA Supreme Court to 3 statewide commissions all dealing with 'access to justice'; Chaired Allegheny County (AC) Commission on Juvenile Justice, implementing system reforms (published booklet, October 2012) & Under my leadership AC became first court in Commonwealth to practice continuing judicial education.

REPUBLICAN

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EDUCATION: University of Pittsburgh School of Law (J.D.), 1987 Washington and Jefferson College (B.A.), 1984

QUALIFICATIONS:

Highly Recommended by the PA Bar Association. Judge, The Superior Court of Pennsylvania, 2010-2016. Member Pennsylvania Interest on Lawyer Trust Accounts (IOLTA) Board. Member Disciplinary Hearing Committee, past chair. Legal Intelligencer's Top Women in Law, 2016. Former Lawyer in State College and Philadelphia region for 22 years. Former Public Defender, Tioga County in 2008-2009.

ANSWER 1: Whenever a circumstance, such as the identity of the parties or their lawyers or the issue presented raises a question in the mind of the judge that could compromise integrity, it is incumbent upon that jurist to engage in a process of introspection. Judges are human beings, subject to the same life experiences from which opinions are generated. The question is not whether you do or do not have opinions; rather the real question is can you set aside those feelings or opinions and judge fairly.

ANSWER 2: Access to justice requires more than an assurance that the courtroom doors be open and accessible to all citizens. To give true meaning to those words, we must insure that they have the legal representation necessary to make that access meaningful. As a former member of the IOLTA Board, I am aware of the breadth of the problem, and the potential to address it through pro bono service. My intention is to substantially expand pro bono legal services to bridge the gap between Legal Aid for the indigent and fee paying clients. An idea I intend to explore is to offer CLE credit for pro bono service.



SALLIE MUNDY

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

(Vote for not more than four)

TERM: 10 years

SALARY: \$194,422

JOB DESCRIPTION: The Superior Court is one of Pennsylvania's two statewide intermediate appellate courts. This court, which was established in 1895, reviews most of the civil and criminal cases that are appealed from the Courts of Common Pleas in the Commonwealth's 67 counties. The Superior Court consists of 15 judges who serve 10-year terms. The president judge of Superior Court is elected to a five-year term by his or her colleagues. A huge volume of appeals flow to Superior Court from the trial courts. Generally, appeals are heard by panels of three judges sitting in Philadelphia, Harrisburg or Pittsburgh. The court often is the final arbiter of legal disputes. Although the Supreme Court may grant a petition for review of a Superior Court decision, most such petitions are denied and the ruling of the Superior Court stands.

QUESTIONS ASKED OF SUPERIOR COURT JUDICIAL CANDIDATES:

1. Under what circumstances would you recuse or have you recused yourself from a case?

2. As a member of the judiciary, what can you do on and off the bench to ensure that all Pennsylvanians have access to justice?

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EDUCATION: JD

QUALIFICATIONS:

As a judge in the largest Judicial district in our Commonwealth, I've had the opportunity to issue thousands of rulings. I have been appealed only 5 times and have never had a decision overturned. I believe this uniquely qualifies me for the Superior Court.

ANSWER 1: I have recused myself in a criminal matter after hearing argument on a bail reduction motion. It would be inappropriate for me to hear the underlying case because information was revealed during this motion that would be prejudicial to the defendant in his underlying case.

ANSWER 2: As a sitting Judge I always ensure that all parties are treated fairly and equally regardless of the issue before the Court. I also believe it is my duty as a Judge to educate the public and is the reason I take part in many community based organizations. I believe I should be a good example both on and off the bench.

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EDUCATION: Eastern University, St. Davids, PA MBA, 2000-2002; Temple University, Phila., PA, LL.M. Trial Advocacy, 1992-1994; Temple University, Phila. PA., Juris Doctor, 1981-1985; Temple University, Phila., PA, BFA, 1973-1978

QUALIFICATIONS: Before becoming a judge, I was a licensed attorney for over 20 years, practicing law in local government and as an independent solo

practice attorney. Phila. Court of Common Pleas Judge, Criminal Trial Div. 2011-present; Dep. Secretary of External Affairs, Mayor's Office, 2005-2006; Asst. Gen. Counsel at PPPA, 1999-2005; HR Dir. for Crime Prevention Assoc., 1997; Asst. Legal Counsel PHDC, 1995-1996; Asst. City Solicitor, City of Phila. Law Dept., 1990-1994

ANSWER 1: Impartial judges are a cornerstone of equal access to justice for all citizens. Recusal is a significant decision and is undertaken only when a judge's impartiality can be reasonably questioned. Circumstances, where recusal might be considered, would be conflicts of interest such as, personal economic gains or losses related to the outcome of a case, the involvement of a family member or friend in a case, or if there was a case that I previously worked on as an attorney.

ANSWER 2: In order to ensure fair and equitable treatment for a fair trial, I make sure that defendants are represented by competent legal counsel who will zealously defend them. If there is a conflict with the Defenders Office, I appoint legal counsel who can fulfill that role. Concerning all litigants, victims, and defendants alike, they come to court for justice and seek a full and fair hearing of the issues. Everyone, regardless of their background, or income level, deserve to be treated with respect.

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QUALIFICATIONS: 12 years experience as a trial court judge in Beaver County: presided over family, juvenile and civil matters; 13 years experience as an attorney: represented clients in personal injury, family and employment cases; 8 years as Chief County Solicitor for Beaver County; "Highly Recommended" by the Bar.

ANSWER 1: I have and would recuse in cases involving family members, close friends, or former clients. I have also recused in matters involving my campaign officers. I would also recuse in other cases as required by the PA Code of Judicial Conduct, Rule, 2.11

ANSWER 2: As a judge, on the bench, I can treat self-represented litigants with respect, so they are not intimidated by the legal system. Off the bench, I can speak at seminars and to the general public about the need for all people to have access to a lawyer to protect their legal rights. I can also advocate for state funding for our public defenders. (Pennsylvania is one of only two states that does not provide any state funding to the public defenders' office.)



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EDUCATION: B.A. Amherst College; J.D. Columbia University School of Law.

QUALIFICATIONS: The Judicial Evaluation Comm'n of the Pennsylvania Bar Association concluded; "This commission believes that the candidate possesses the highest combination of legal ability, experience, integrity and temperament and, therefore, highly recommends his candidacy for the Pennsylvania Superior Court".

ANSWER 1: Judges should recuse themselves when their impartiality might reasonably be questioned. In the context of the current judicial campaign, I have recused myself in situations where lawyers providing significant support to my campaign, or members of their firms, represent clients in our court.

ANSWER 2: I believe deeply in our civil service system, but it is far from perfect, in large part because too many litigants do not have the resources to afford legal representation in important classes of cases where such representation is not provided by the state. As a result, I have supported and will continue to support efforts to find ways to bridge that gap, including the "Civil Gideon" movement.



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REPUBLICAN

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EDUCATION: B.A. History - University of Delaware; J.D. Penn State Dickinson School of Law

QUALIFICATIONS: The Pennsylvania Bar Association awarded me a "Highly Recommended" rating.

ANSWER 1: I would follow the current law and all ethical standards in deciding whether to recuse myself. Moreover, even if there is no actual conflict of interest, I would be will be extremely cognizant of the appearance of impropriety in making the decision to recuse. Part of justice is making sure that the public is confident that matters were handled fairly, properly, and without taint.

ANSWER 2: Judges must start by leading by example when it comes to integrity and must never forget that they serve the public and not the reverse. As District Attorney, I have made a strong commitment to outreach, prevention, and education, and I believe a judge is in a perfect position to engage the community in similar ways without compromising their impartiality. Educa-



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tion is an absolute key in making sure that people know their rights and it will also instill confidence in our justice system.

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EDUCATION: J.D. Villanova Law School, B.A. Moravian College.

QUALIFICATIONS: I have received a "Highly Recommended" rating from the Pennsylvania Bar Association

ANSWER 1: I believe I have a proven record of conducting myself in a highly ethical manner as it relates to this issue.

ANSWER 2: The biggest issue that needs to be addressed in the courts is the crisis of public confidence our judiciary faces. Through scandal and ethics lapses, the courts are viewed negatively by too many people. That image will only be changed by electing qualified, ethical judges who will comport themselves in an appropriate manner when in office.



EMIL GIORDANO

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EDUCATION: B.A. Indiana University of Pennsylvania, J.D. Widener University School of Law

QUALIFICATIONS: Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, 15 years experience as a criminal prosecutor (the last eight as Chief Deputy) handling all types of criminal cases including murder cases, twelve years experience handling civil, family, and labor law. Adjunct Professor, Infantry Veteran of US Army Reserves. **ANSWER 1:** Consistent with the Judicial Cannons, any Judge should recuse themselves when they are unable to decide a matter fairly and impartially or where their fairness or impartiality could reasonably be called into question.

ANSWER 2: By working to improve the justice system for all Pennsylvanians. I have and will continue to work towards this goal. My experience on appointed committees has provided a venue to work on improvements. I also believe my experience as an adjunct professor has provided me the opportunity to have an impact on future generations of legal professionals.



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EDUCATION: Duquesne University, BS/BA 1992, MBA 1995, JD 1996

QUALIFICATIONS: As Magisterial District Judge for over 13 years and as an attorney for over 20, I have heard cases and practiced law in the areas that come before the Superior Court. In my tenure as a Magisterial District Judge, I have handled over 70,000 cases which make me aware of the concerns of PA citizens.

ANSWER 1: I have recused myself from cases where police officers who appear regularly in front of me were either victims or defendants. I have also asked for a change in venue on cases where someone has run against me in a recent campaign or if someone called me at my home and tried to influence my decision on a case.

ANSWER 2: On the bench, I make sure that my staff provides litigates information on their rights to appeal and phone numbers for legal representation through Neighborhood Legal Services or Lawyer Referral Services or the Public Defender's Office. Additionally, we try to provide interpreters when requested by the litigants. Off the bench, every citizen should lobby for adequate funding for the Courts and Legal Service organizations.



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EDUCATION: BA Political Science Temple U. Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa JD American University's Washington College of Law, Cum Laude. M.Ed. in Secondary Social Studies at Arcadia University. Perfect 4.0.

QUALIFICATIONS: Proven record of integrity: 5 terms as township commissioner, no scandals; afterwards awarded medal for "Outstanding Citizen" Handled multiple cases before Superior Court. 2 decades teaching teens values in Sunday School. Taught government and US history at the college and high school level. Licensed PA lawyer for 37 years, with no disciplinary complaints.

ANSWER 1: I would recuse myself in any case in which a party, or their attorney, contributed any money to any of my political campaigns; if I had a financial or political interest in the outcome of the case; if I believed that I could not fairly and impartially decide a case or if, for some reason, it appears that I could not fairly do so. Even if I believed I could fairly decide a case, if there was an appearance that I could not, then I would recuse myself. Public confidence in our system is #1.

ANSWER 2: I will grant petitions to waive court filing fees which would be an unreasonable burden. I will also decide all cases based on the principles



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of justice, without regard to how good or experienced the attorneys are representing the parties. Off the bench, I will volunteer to speak at law schools and at Bar Assoc. events promoting pro bono. I would be willing to advocate for more support for equal access. I will work closely with the PA Legal Aid Network with sponsorships for fellows and events.

JUDGE OF THE COMMONWEALTH COURT

(Vote for not more than two)

TERM: 10 years **SALARY:** \$194,422

JOB DESCRIPTION: The Commonwealth Court is one of Pennsylvania's two statewide intermediate appellate courts. This court, which was established in 1968, is unlike any other state court in the nation. Its jurisdiction generally is limited to legal matters involving state and local government and regulatory agencies. Litigation typically focuses on such subjects as banking, insurance and utility regulation and laws affecting taxation, land use, elections, labor practices and workers compensation. Commonwealth Court also acts as a court of original jurisdiction, or a trial court, when lawsuits are filed by or against the Commonwealth. The Commonwealth Court is made up of nine judges who serve 10 year terms. The president judge is chosen by his or her colleagues for a five year term. The court generally decides cases in three-judge panels and sits in Philadelphia, Harrisburg and Pittsburgh.

QUESTIONS ASKED OF COMMONWEALTH COURT JUDICIAL CANDIDATES:

1. Under what circumstances would you recuse or have you recused yourself from a case?
2. As a member of the judiciary, what can you do on and off the bench to ensure that all Pennsylvanians have access to justice?

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EDUCATION: Montgomery County Community College (Associates Degree 1977) Temple University (BA 1979); Temple University School of Law (JD 1986)

QUALIFICATIONS:

I have been a Common Pleas Court judge for ten years, handled over a thousand bench and jury trials, decided thousands of legal motions, written close to 700 Opinions, and presided in an appellate capacity handling precisely the types of governmental agency appeals that the Commonwealth Court handles. Recommended by PA Bar Association who, after a thorough and independent investigation, determined my judicial reputation and record is one of "fairness, thoroughness, independence and integrity."

ANSWER 1: I am well versed in the Judicial Canon of Ethics. I would absolutely recuse myself from any matter in which I could not be completely fair and impartial. I conduct my personal and professional life in such a manner as to avoid potential conflicts. I have recused myself once in ten years based on a close rela-



ELLEN H. CEISLER

tionship with a character witness in the case.

ANSWER 2: I have frequently presided over matters involving unrepresented litigants. I always treat these individuals with the same respect as I would attorneys. I carefully consider all of their issues, pleadings and arguments, and, to the best of my ability, provide the time and patience necessary to put unrepresented parties at ease by fully explaining the process. Judges should participate in appropriate community outreach programs to help citizens understand our judiciary.

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EDUCATION: 1982-Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania-B.S., 1988-CUNY Law School, J.D., 1999-McGregor School of Antioch University, M.A./Conflict Resolution

QUALIFICATIONS:

Judge-Pittsburgh Municipal Court-1993-2003; Public Interest Attorney-preventing and addressing blighted and abandoned real estate, training and educating on laws we have, drafting of and advocating for laws we need, implementing new laws, representing inaugural PA land banks-2003-present.

ANSWER 1: I did not recuse myself from any case during ten years of judicial service on the Pittsburgh Municipal Court. Although I cannot anticipate circumstances under which I would recuse, I will always adhere to judicial conduct rules. I will continuously reflect on my impartiality from an objective point of view, readily disclose relevant information and be guided by Formal Advisory Opinion 2015-4 of the Judicial Ethics Committee of the PA Conference of State Trial Judges.

ANSWER 2: My record demonstrates commitment to social justice as a public interest attorney and to quality court administration as a former judge. As an appellate judge, I will do my part to eliminate the 'justice gap'. On the bench, I will review trial judges' use of existing authority to appoint counsel for litigants. Off the bench, I will join and advance the state and national Civil Gideon movement and persevere for systems' change needed for PA to achieve a record of excellence on access to justice.



IRENE M. CLARK

REPUBLICAN

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EDUCATION: Dickinson School of Law - J.D. 1996 University of Pennsylvania - BA 1993

QUALIFICATIONS: I am highly recommended by the Allegheny County Bar Association for Commonwealth Court and have twice been recommended by the Pennsylvania Bar Association for the Commonwealth Court. I am a former Pennsylvania Supreme Court law clerk and a successful appellate litigator.

ANSWER 1: I would recuse myself from any case where the Code of Judicial Conduct requires my



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recusal, or in any case where, after serious reflection, I would find that I could not give impartial consideration to a party's cause for whatever reason.

ANSWER 2: Supporting the efforts of the ACBA and the PBA to ensure the provision of effective legal services to all members of our society regardless of their means, is what I would continue to do if I am elected to the Commonwealth Court.

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EDUCATION:

Widener U. School of Law, J.D. cum laude 1994, University of Arizona, B.A. 1991

QUALIFICATIONS:

I am honored to be the only candidate in the race for Commonwealth Court that is rated "Highly Recommended" for a seat on the PA Commonwealth Court by the Pennsylvania Bar Assoc. Judicial Evaluation Commission. My 23 years of experience as a judge, attorney, public official, community leader, and special prosecutor have uniquely prepared me for the position on this Court. I am currently the head of the civil division of the Court of Common Pleas where I have closed over 1500 civil matters.

ANSWER 1: It is important not only that a judge approach each case with an open mind and complete impartiality but also that a judge avoid even the appearance of impropriety or partiality, which could undermine the public's confidence in the judiciary. I abide by the rules of judicial conduct which note that a "judge shall disqualify himself or herself in any proceeding in which the judge's impartiality might reasonably be questioned."

ANSWER 2: As a judge, I cannot advocate for or against specific legislation on the state level, however, I believe that everyone should have access to the justice system. I worked as a special prosecutor representing individuals who could not afford an attorney in presenting their cases before the court. In addition, I ensure that equal access to justice exists in my courtroom where I treat everyone I encounter fairly, impartially and equally, including litigants, attorneys, staff and the public.



CHRISTINE FIZZANO CANNON

JUDGE OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

(Vote for not more than two)

TERM: 10 years **SALARY:** \$178,868

DUTIES: The Court of Common Pleas is primarily a trial court. There are four divisions of the Court of Common Pleas: Civil, Criminal, Orphans, and Family. The judges can be assigned from one division to another as needed. Judges can run on both the Republican and Democratic tickets.

QUESTIONS ASKED OF COURT OF COMMON PLEAS JUDICIAL CANDIDATES:

1. Describe your legal experiences in the Civil, Criminal, Family and Orphans Division and why these qualify you to be a judge?
2. Do you believe juries in Allegheny County are representative of the diversity of our area? If not, what can be done to improve the diversity on juries?

DEMOCRATIC

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EDUCATION: Boston College, West Virginia University College of Law.

OCCUPATION: Attorney

QUALIFICATIONS:

For the past 20 years, I have practiced within the Court of Common Pleas on a daily basis, I am highly recommended by the Allegheny County Bar Association.

ANSWER 1. A majority of my legal experience has been in the Civil Division, where I handled thousands of cases from the initial pleadings stage, through discovery, dispositive motions practice, and trial. I have tried over 50 jury trials to verdict. More recently, I have taken on more quasi-judicial responsibilities, including having previously served on the City of Pittsburgh Ethics Hearing Board; currently serving as a Hearing Officer for the Allegheny County Retirement Board; being appointed as a Special Arbitrator in the Civil Division of the Court of Common Pleas; and being appointed in Federal Court as an Arbitrator and Mediator.

ANSWER 2. No. When selecting a jury, it is not unusual for there to be literally, no minority jurors in the assembled jury panel. This is not representative of Allegheny County. I know there has been an effort to improve minority participation in the process through tying jury rolls to voter registration, etc. More aggressive outreach and comprehensive efforts to educate and engage people must be implemented to engage and empower residents to participate. Relationships of trust must also be built through these efforts with specific populations who have been dismissed, devalued, and targeted by the systems and processes that exist today.

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EDUCATION: 1993, Duquesne University, B.A. cum laude; 1996, Duquesne University School of Law, Juris Doctor

OCCUPATION: Judge, Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas – appointed by Governor Tom Wolf (2016); Assistant/Deputy District Attorney (1998-2016); Adjunct Professor – Duquesne University School of Law; Point Park University.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Currently serving as a judge in the Family Division, I adjudicated hundreds of juvenile dependency and delinquency cases, and presided over one thousand Protection From Abuse proceedings.

An accomplished trial lawyer, I tried numerous jury trials including over 25 homicides as a prosecutor. “Highly Recommended” by the ACBA.



PATRICK CONNELLY

ANSWER 1. In 1996, I began practicing in the civil division. In 1998, I became as an assistant district attorney in the DA's Office, prosecuting misdemeanor and felony cases. I was promoted to the specialized Domestic Violence trial unit, where I prosecuted family violence cases where victims were physically or sexually assaulted and was the first prosecutor to appear in Family Division. In 2009, I became the youngest person to be appointed Deputy District Attorney supervising the attorneys that comprised the Domestic Violence Unit, Mental Health Court Unit, Veteran's Court Unit; and Pittsburgh Municipal Court. I assigned cases and approved case resolutions.

ANSWER 2. No. As a remedy, the Courts could ensure that the jury lists are current and up to date. Using utility registrations, public assistance records and high school graduation lists in addition to the typical voter registration and driver's license/photo identification data to generate potential juror lists. Judges could ensure potential jurors are brought fairly interviewed to combat explicit and implicit bias. The legislature could expand Pennsylvania law to permit more people with a criminal conviction to serve on a jury. Further the legislature could increase the amount of the daily jury service pay to be commensurate with a living wage.

REPUBLICAN

MARY C. MCGINLEY, Pittsburgh, **Phone:** 412-376-5987, **Email:** info@mcginleyforjudge.com

Website: <http://www.mcginleyforjudge.com>

EDUCATION: B.A., Pennsylvania State University, 1999; J.D.

Duquesne University, 2002

OCCUPATION: Attorney

QUALIFICATIONS: I been an attorney for 15 years. believe that my temperament is a fit for the position and because I believe that listening is among my strengths. These attributes are complimented by my legal experience, which is specialized in some respects and broad in others.

ANSWER 1. I regularly practice in the Civil Division and the Orphans' Court Division. My case load is evenly split between those Divisions. Most of the cases that I have handled in the Civil Division involve commercial disputes between companies or between individuals and companies, particularly contract disputes, but I have also handled personal injury matters. My civil practice requires me to work closely with and analyze contractual and statutory provisions and present interpretations in Court. This part of my practice has honed my analytical and trial skills, which would translate well to the bench.

ANSWER 2. No. Minorities in particular continue to be underrepresented. I do not believe that the threat of criminal contempt ultimately enhances diversity. I think that emphasis should be on social outreach and programming to encourage participation and foster a heightened sense of civic duty.



MARY C. MCGINLEY

PATRICK CONNELLY

See Above

ALLEGHENY COUNTY SHERIFF

(Vote for one)

TERM: 4 years

SALARY: \$99,237

DUTIES: The Sheriff as an officer of the court serves writs, warrants, summons and other judicial documents, impanels jurors, executes sheriff's sales and carries out orders of the county court.

QUESTION: 1. What in our past experience qualifies you to serve as Sheriff of Allegheny County?

QUESTION: 2. What are the enforcement implications if Pittsburgh becomes a sanctuary city?

DEMOCRATIC

BILL MULLEN, Pittsburgh, **Email:** sheriffbillmullen@gmail.com **Phone:** 412.292.4736

Website: <http://www.sheriffbillmullen.com>

EDUCATION: Specially trained at the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia and the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, first in his class at Pittsburgh Police Academy and a University of Dayton graduate.

OCCUPATION: Sheriff of Allegheny County

QUALIFICATIONS:

Before serving two terms as Sheriff, Bill Mullen was a highly decorated Pittsburgh police officer who worked his way through the ranks beginning as a Patrol Officer and rising through the ranks to Deputy Police Chief, the second highest ranking position in a force of nearly 1,000 officers.

ANSWER 1. I have always performed my duties in a way that is sensitive to community concerns. I modernized an office run by pen and paper and computerized it, paving the way to clear 100,000 warrants during my tenure. When the housing crisis hit, I worked with banks to keep thousands of families in their homes. Knowing that opioid addiction often starts with prescription medicines stolen from family members, I started a program tasking office personnel to go to people's homes on request and pick-up unused narcotic medicines and equipped deputies with the overdose rescue drug Narcan.

ANSWER 2. I have turned down a offer by I.C.E. to train and empower our deputies to enforce federal immigration laws. We are a city built on a foundation of immigration and I respect that tradition and the apparent intent of our elected leaders who have designated Pittsburgh a sanctuary city. Having said that, we will continue to enforce the laws of our cities and county and pursue suspects who have committed crimes in our jurisdiction regardless of their citizenship.



BILL MULLEN

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See Above



ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1

(Vote for one)

TERM: 4 years **SALARY:** \$9,000

DUTIES: Initiates and adopts ordinances, makes appropriations, adopts an annual balanced budget, adopts an administrative code, approves Executive appointments, conducts investigations of County Departments, accepts grants, gifts or donations on behalf of County, may modify or eliminate departments, agencies or functions that no longer serve citizens.

QUESTION: 1. What are your suggestions for improving our regional transportation system?

QUESTION: 2. What are your suggestions for providing affordable and accessible housing throughout the county?

DEMOCRATIC

JACK BETKOWSKI, Pittsburgh, PA **Phone:** 412-915-7387, **Email:** jackbetkowski@outlook.com

EDUCATION: 1994, Robert Morris University, MBA

1986, Robert Morris University, BSBA Major: Business Information Systems

OCCUPATION: In 2012, I retired from the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland as a manager after a 34-year career. I had held the Project Management Professional (PMP®) certification, which lapsed after my retirement. Currently, I am a Ross Township Commissioner representing the residents of the ninth ward. Prior to being elected commissioner, I served on the Ross Township Zoning Hearing Board.

QUALIFICATIONS: My tenure as a Ross Township commissioner and my experience in management have given me the opportunity to demonstrate my ability to build the relationships that are essential to actually getting things done. Public service is about being able to accomplish things, which requires working productively with your peers.

ANSWER: 1. Economic growth and development is intrinsically tied to an efficient, cost effective way to move our county's residents to jobs, to schools, and to our commercial districts. An extension of the light rail line both from the north shore to the Perrysville park and ride lot along with an extension out to the Pittsburgh International Airport needs to be done. Every year that these long talked about initiatives are delayed only increases the costs while depriving our region of the economic activity that these projects will produce. Allegheny County needs the leadership, vision and determination to get big things done.

ANSWER: 2. As Ross Commissioner, I supported changes to our zoning ordinances that provide for a mixed use overlay district. This permits residential, retail/professional offices, and restaurants to be placed within a particular parcel. A developer is now able to economically build a higher density residential portion of the project than would ordinarily be allowed in that area. Higher density construction means the developer incurs a lower per unit construction cost, making housing in the area more affordable



JACK BETKOWSKI

than it would otherwise be. In Allegheny County we need to follow this example of working with developers to increase our affordable housing stock.

REPUBLICAN

TOM BAKER, Pittsburgh, PA **Phone:** 412-608-8842, **Email:** bakerleadership@gmail.com

Website: <http://www.votebaker.com>

EDUCATION: Millersville University of PA, BS 2002; Indiana University of PA, MA 2005

OCCUPATION: County Councilman Tom Baker was elected in 2013 to represent District 1. He previously served as a School Director in the North Hills School District.

Councilman Baker is the Chief Community Affairs Officer for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Pittsburgh and has volunteered as a Big Brother to three little brothers, Preston (since 2002), Eric (since 2010), and E.J. (since 2015).

QUALIFICATIONS: Councilman Baker has served on a number of boards including North Hills Community Outreach, Allegheny County Library Association, Visit Pittsburgh, Breathe PA, PUMP, Pittsburgh Cares, Special Olympics of PA and In Community Magazine named Councilman Baker as the 2014 Volunteer of the Year for Ross Township.

ANSWER: 1. We have worked hard over the last four years to make a positive difference with regards to transit issues in District 1 through both the Port Authority and also with RIDE ACTA. Through working with constituents we have expressed the need for a reverse commute for the Moon Flyer (which was approved in 2016) and also extended service for Perry Highway through Ross Township. North Hills students are interested in attending CCAC North but simply cannot get to the campus. Our coalition worked well together to share about the need for service on Perry Highway and remains optimistic that this will take place.

ANSWER: 2. Ensuring that housing is available to county residents is certainly very important. As County Council members we work with the Allegheny County Housing Authority and appoint dedicated members to serve on the ACHA Board. The ACHA manages 3,300 units, coordinates over 5,000 vouchers, runs three HOPE VI developments and also 22 mixed finance properties to help support residents. By administering the Low-Income Public Housing Program and the Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCVP) our County government ensures that opportunities for housing exist for residents. By continuing to focus on these programs our ACHA will help to provide accessibility across the county.



TOM BAKER

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 3

(Vote for one in your district)

TERM: 4 years **SALARY:** \$9,000

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Website: <http://www.anitaprizio.com>

DEMOCRATIC

EDUCATION: 1968-1981, The Winchester Thurston School, Pittsburgh 1985, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA, B.A. Political Science/German 1989, University of Pittsburgh, M.B.A.

1999, University of Pittsburgh, J.D. (admitted to PA Bar 9-24-99)

OCCUPATION: Small Business Owner: Pittsburgh Crankshaft Service, Inc. located in East Liberty with a branch location in Harrisburg, PA

QUALIFICATIONS: I have the legal, political and business experience to be an effective and independent voice on County Council. From 1998-2006, I served as an elected member of O'Hara Township Council. In such capacity, I worked on

budgets, ordinances and was the designated representative assigned to (NHCOC) to facilitate cooperative agreements among the member municipalities.

ANSWER: 1. I would continue to support a regional transportation alliance feasibility study to determine if a multi-county public transit would actually improve service to some of the more rural and suburban area and realize cost savings, by reducing duplicative administrative expenses and eliminating redundant routes. Since most of the funding for a regional transportation system would come from the state legislature and governor, it is important to involve them early in the process.

ANSWER: 2. Allegheny County needs to take a serious look at TIFs and LERTAs as a powerful tool to spur development of affordable housing. Developers who seek these tax abatements in thriving real estate markets should include affordable and mixed income housing in their plans. A progressive county-wide housing policy that includes community land trusts would be another step toward the goal of affordable housing.



ANITA PRIZIO

REPUBLICAN

EDWARD J. KRESS Pittsburgh, PA **Phone:** 412-471-4218

EDUCATION: J.D. Duquesne University School of Law, 1997; B.A. Indiana University of Pennsylvania, 1993; Shaler Area High School, 1989

OCCUPATION: Attorney and Allegheny County Councilman for District 3

QUALIFICATIONS: As an Allegheny County Councilman I protected local jobs in passing E-Verification for county contracts and subsidized projects, approved bringing millions of dollars

of private money into the county budget, improved local infrastructure, introduced legislation so homeowners can now file their assessment appeals online, and rewarded taxpayers who report fraud.

ANSWER: 1. Ensuring more of the fees and taxes that Allegheny County residents pay are used to improve our infrastructure. Unfortunately, the



EDWARD J. KRESS

majority of the money we pay in taxes goes to Washington D.C. and it benefits powerful special interests instead of our community's infrastructure. That is why I voted for mandating that a portion of the Pennsylvania motor vehicle registration fee generated in Allegheny County must be used to fix our infrastructure in Allegheny County. This has vastly increased the quality of roads in my district such as Middle Road, Fox Chapel Road, Vilsack Road, Mt. Troy Road, and Anderson Road.

ANSWER: 2. The best way to make housing affordable and accessible throughout the county is to make sure that people have access to good paying jobs. I have worked with business and labor in keeping and attracting companies, implementing E-Verify programs to protect our local workers, having employment fairs, while working with high school students to find careers in the Building and Trades. Further, I would like to see more money spent on flood control projects because affordable housing exists in many flood prone areas and we need to alleviate these flooding problems as flood insurance is becoming unaffordable for those homeowners.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

(Vote for one in your district)

TERM: 4 years **SALARY:** \$9,000

DEMOCRATIC

PATRICK CATENA, Carnegie, PA, **Phone:** 412-215-5424 **Email:** info@patrickcatena4countycouncil.com

Website: http://patrickcatena4countycouncil.com

EDUCATION: 1995, University of Pittsburgh, BA
OCCUPATION: Senior Financial Analyst

QUALIFICATIONS: 8 years as a member of Carnegie Council, 7 years as Council President. Former Chair of Budget and Finance for Carnegie Borough. Both a Financial and Business Oriented Background that believes in fostering economic and community development while being an advocate for our tax dollars that allows us to be fiscally responsible.



PATRICK CATENA

ANSWER: 1. I believe in a three-pronged approach: Maximize our current transportation system including current roads, trails, rail, bus lanes, bike lanes, HOV lanes to create a synergy of all existing assets working together rather than the disjointed approach we currently have in place.

Invest in technology for critical infrastructure needs that is flexible and adaptive based upon the needs of the future.

Operate as one contiguous unified system between regional centers like Washington, Greensburg, Pittsburgh and the Airport with shared resources and planning and overall strategy for all of Southwest Pennsylvania.

ANSWER: 2. There needs to be a major focus on Public Private partnership in investing in this need. For instance, new transit oriented development could solve this problem and help deal with both blight and underutilized property in areas served by mass transit. For instance, the Borough of Carnegie is well served by the West Busway but is limited because of a lack of

parking and housing that could satisfy the needs by being both affordable and highly accessible. In addition, new high density mixed use housing would encourage business development and control urban blight which plagues communities along mass transit routes.

REPUBLICAN

DIMITRIOS PANTZOULAS

No Reply

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 8

(Vote for one in your district)

TERM: 4 years **SALARY:** \$9,000

DEMOCRATIC

CHARLES MARTONI, Pittsburgh, PA, **Phone:** 724-325-6650, **Email:** cmartoni@ccac.edu

EDUCATION: Doctorate in Higher Ed, University of Pittsburgh; Masters in History, California University; School of Admin. and Counseling Duquesne University

OCCUPATION: President, CCAC Boyce Campus
Qualifications: 50 years of service including elected governing offices ranging from School Board and Swissvale Borough Mayor to board membership on numerous regional boards. Currently serving the community as the District 8 representative to Allegheny County Council.

ANSWER: 1. We should conduct more comprehensive studies on our viable transportation system in existence and research how to improve them, and in the future, plan more and better systems.

ANSWER: 2. Do a thorough study on all funding sources to provide affordable and accessible housing throughout the county. This will include potential funding sources and good locations for the affordable and accessible housing,



CHARLES MARTONI

REPUBLICAN

MICHAEL DELL, Plum, PA **Phone:** 412-977-7282, **Email:** mdell@completebusvc.com, **Website:** www.mdell4office.US

EDUCATION: Graduate of Hampton HS, BS Degree in Management & Marketing – Orlando College. Accounting Certificate – Univ of Pittsburgh, BS Degree Accounting – Univ of Maryland, currently enrolled in Master's Degree Program – Univ of Maryland

OCCUPATION: CPA – Public Accountant

Qualifications: With my education and experience on Plum Boro Council I am ready to take on the challenge of Allegheny County. The county has expanded into one of the largest employers in our area and it's budget has been growing at



MICHAEL DELL

a rate of 10% per year.

ANSWER: 1. Our transportation system is facing numerous problems including increased costs and decreased riders. For those that work downtown every day we must make the system reliable and cost effective. The North and East should be taking advantage of our current rail system. We will then see more users because they can get in and out of downtown quickly. If it takes 1 hour to get downtown most would rather drive their own car than sit on a bus. The rail system works very efficiently in many areas of the country.

ANSWER: 2. Pittsburgh is ranked as one of the most affordable areas in the country. We see housing in the East Liberty and Southside areas developing at a rapid pace. Allegheny County should offer low cost loans to those currently in public housing and help them become homeowners. Many renters on public assistance pay a monthly stipend, let's turn that into a mortgage and give them ownership in their own property. I would event take it one step further and waive property taxes for short period of time and do a gradual increase to help with homeownership

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 9

(Vote for one in your district)

TERM: 4 years **SALARY:** \$9,000

DEMOCRATIC

BOB MACEY

No Reply

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 12

(Vote for one in your district)

TERM: 4 years **SALARY:** \$9,000

DEMOCRATIC

ROBERT PALMOSINA Pittsburgh, PA, **Phone:** 412-670-2824 **Email:** mustangmarg@comcast.net

EDUCATION: St Margaret's of Scotland, Bishop Canevin High School

OCCUPATION: Director of Public Works for Collier Township

QUALIFICATIONS: I have dedicated much of my life to coaching and mentoring young men and women throughout the communities. I still run the "Little Dribblers Basketball" at St. Margaret of Scotland where I have been on staff as a coach for 30 years. I serve the Community as the current Chairman of the Pittsburgh Democratic Party 20th Ward.

I believe in giving back to the youth and seniors in the District.

ANSWER: 1. I am committed to finding a ded-



ROBERT PALMOSINA

icated funding stream to improve our region's transportation system. Many of our seniors that built these communities and non-drivers rely on our transportation system. Some people are choosing to bike to work or school and designated spacing should be available to them to ensure their safety.

ANSWER: 2. I believe that we should all have respect for individuals and the value of diversity. The district could benefit from affordable and accessible housing as many families may be on a limited income and senior citizens reside in the District. Affordable and accessible housing could breathe new life into some communities that haven't had any economic growth recently. Reasonable pricing for those in need and accessibility to seniors that built these communities will help bring back a sense of community and family values.

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

MAYOR CITY OF PITTSBURGH

(Vote for one in your district)

TERM: 4 years **SALARY:** \$109,650

DUTIES: The executive, administrative and law enforcement powers of the city are vested in the mayor. The mayor shall control and be accountable for the executive branch of city government.

QUESTION: 1. What recommendations do you have for improving the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority (P&S)?

QUESTION: 2. What is your position on requiring developers receiving public funds to allocate a portion of their apartments as affordable, accessible (ADA) units?

DEMOCRATIC

BILL PEDUTO, Pittsburgh, PA, **Phone:** 412-294-8683

Website: <http://www.billpeduto.com>

EDUCATION: Pennsylvania State University, B.A. University of Pittsburgh, M.A.

Occupation: Mayor

QUALIFICATIONS: Bill Peduto was elected as Mayor of Pittsburgh in 2013. He has 22 years of public service being a champion for Pittsburgh; fighting for economic growth that is done in a way that benefits everyone and respects our unique history that makes Pittsburgh a special place to live.

ANSWER: 1. We have taken the issue head-on by establishing a 10 yr capital plan to address decade long problems.

We are working with the county health department, as well as state and federal government on addressing lead issues within the system. We have established a taskforce of experts to allow us to take on the long-term solutions needed to provide safe water to the city. We are working with Harrisburg to change laws to be able to assist low-income households. We are providing free water filters to all Pittsburghers.



BILL PEDUTO

ANSWER: 2. I support new initiatives which will provide affordability and accessibility in return for subsidies. We are working with County and school district to utilize LERTA funding as a vehicle to deliver this important program. In addition, we are developing an affordable housing trust fund to add additional funding as well as land bank and community-led land trust to turn blight into opportunity. Affordability and accessibility. The City visitability tax credit provides visitable housing to all individuals, with or without disabilities, by offering a tax credit to encourage the inclusion of the visitability features, which enhances both visitability and usability for visitors and residents.

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

PITTSBURGH CITY COUNCIL BY DISTRICT

(Vote for one in your district)

TERM: 4 years **SALARY:** \$65,423

DUTIES: Council consists of nine members elected by district by the city of Pittsburgh voters. The legislative power is vested in the council. Council members in odd-numbered districts are elected 2 years after the even-numbered district members are elected.

QUESTION: 1. What recommendations do you have for improving the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority (P&S)?

QUESTION: 2. What is your position on requiring developers receiving public funds to allocate a portion of their apartments as affordable, accessible (ADA) units?

DISTRICT 2

DEMOCRATIC

THERESA KAIL-SMITH,
No Reply

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

DISTRICT 4

DEMOCRATIC

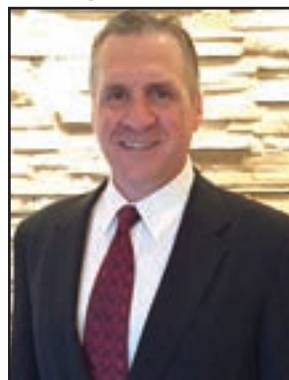
ANTHONY COGHILL Pittsburgh, PA **Phone:** 412-424-9964, **Email:** info@coghillforcitycouncil.com

Website: <http://www.coghillforcitycouncil.com>

EDUCATION: John A. Brashear High School Class of 1984

OCCUPATION: Roofing Contractor, Owner, Coghill Roofing Co.

QUALIFICATIONS: I have long been dedicated to the south Pittsburgh community. As a successful business owner, chairman of the 19th Ward and



ANTHONY COGHILL

a community leader, my commitment to our neighborhoods has helped me to garner strong support and the right qualifications for office.

ANSWER: 1. We have to find ways to help improve our infrastructure and address the deteriorating conditions of our aging water and sewage systems. I will work with our state legislators to secure funding for residential assistance in improving infrastructure and taking the burden off of homeowners when it comes to improvement. I strongly believe that the burden of years of neglect to our systems should not fall into the tax payers lap.

ANSWER: 2. I believe that developers who receive public funds have a responsibility to the taxpayers to provide affordable and accessible housing. Community input is necessary and should be encouraged at all levels of decision making when it comes to neighborhood development. Making sure that the voices of residents are prioritized will lead to affordable, accessible, and responsible development in the city.

REPUBLICAN

CLETUS CIBRONE-ABATE Pittsburgh, PA, **Phone:** 412-298-3055/412-377-1951, **Email:** abatepgh@gmail.com

EDUCATION: Carmalt Elementary 1975-1980, St. Patricks - 1980-1983, Graduated Immaculate Conception HS#87, Fairfield Community College 89-90, US History/Political Science, CCAC-General Studies 90-92, Pittsburgh Center for the Arts 93-94, Pittsburgh Filmmakers 1999-2002

OCCUPATION: Mom, Historian, Writer, Photographer, Videomaker, Community changer, Pro-life advocate, Community Producer PCTV channel 21, Political Activist, Religious Advocate, Freedomworks.org-volunteer

QUALIFICATIONS: I have been active in politics since birth being born into a steelworking family. I am currently a Republican committeewoman for the City of Pittsburgh 4th District. I have worked on and been active in my community for many years on many political campaigns. From Bob O'Connor to Rick Santorum.

ANSWER: 1. My recommendations for improving the PWSA is as follows. Start from the top. We need a new Executive director. And we must elect a whole new board. First and foremost. Immediately we must provide filters to all customers affected by contaminated water until we can replace the lead pipes. We must understand with this comes cost and there is a chance of a rate increase. But we need new leadership at PWSA to move forward in the best interest of the customer and community. We gave this group long enough. It is time for a changing of the guard.

ANSWER: 2. My position on requiring developers receiving public funds to allocate a portion for ADA units is as follows: If the developer applies for and receives public federal funds to improve housing and there are known requirements on how they should spend the money, then I believe it is up to them to do what they want with there developmental dollars. The city should not dictate the terms or how the developer should spend the funds that he applied for. As long as the developer is in compliance with the law.



DISTRICT 6**DEMOCRATIC**

DANIEL LAVELLE, Pittsburgh, PA **Phone:** 412-255-2134 **Email:** Daniel.lavelle@pittsburghpa.gov

EDUCATION: 2000, Kent State University B.A.
OCCUPATION: City Councilman
QUALIFICATIONS: Councilman Lavelle chairs the Committee on Public Safety, Councilman Lavelle also serves on the board of the Urban Redevelopment Authority. Councilman Lavelle's legislative records includes: an Affordable Housing Trust Fund and the Decriminalization of Marijuana. Councilman Lavelle's recognitions include Pittsburgh's 50 finest and the NAACP Bill Lych Political Courage Award

**DANIEL LAVELLE**

ANSWER: 1. One critically important recommendation I have is for PWSA to ensure that as they replace their lead sewer lines, they simultaneously replace the property owners lead sewer line.

ANSWER: 2. I am fully supportive.

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

DISTRICT 8**DEMOCRATIC**

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Website: <http://www.dangilman.com>

EDUCATION: B.S. Carnegie Mellon University, 2004

OCCUPATION: Member of Pittsburgh City Council, District 8

QUALIFICATIONS: I am honored to currently represent District 8, and I worked as a Council aide for 10 years before being elected to City Council. I have worked to modernize City services, reform City government, invest in our communities and build a City for All, and I would continue this work with a second term in City Council.

ANSWER: 1. The PWSA has been neglected for far too long. The cost to remediate lead, replace old lines, and implement a green solution to the CSO challenges will cost billions. We need to restructure the PWSA, and create a long-term capital plan to replace our aging water infrastructure without bankrupting our City. We must also lobby Harrisburg to change state law, giving Pittsburgh the legal ability to replace private lead laterals. Additionally, we should

**DAN GILMAN**

find creative partnerships to help fund new water infrastructure, maintain the PWSA as a public asset, and ensure clean and safe water for all residents of Pittsburgh.

ANSWER: 2. As a member of the Affordable Housing Task Force, I worked with other elected officials, as well as community advocates and housing experts, to create affordable housing recommendations for the City. We need many more tools in the toolbox to subsidize affordable housing in every neighborhood of the City. Each of the 90 neighborhoods is different and a one size fits all development requirements does not make sense. The needs and markets vary greatly. Some neighborhoods markets are strong and should require affordability with a subsidy, while other markets need public support to even develop market rate housing.

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

PITTSBURGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**PITTSBURGH SCHOOL DIRECTOR BY DISTRICT**

(Vote for one in your district)

TERM: 4 years **SALARY:** \$0

DUTIES: The Board of School Directors has the responsibility to establish and equip, furnish and maintain a sufficient number of public schools to educate every person residing in the district attending public schools and to adopt a budget and levy and collect necessary taxes. It may establish and maintain schools for other age groups and for vocational and recreational purposes. The school district of the city of Pittsburgh includes Mount Oliver.

QUESTION: 1. What is your position on school choice and school vouchers?

QUESTION: 2. What is your position on the use of suspension, or alternatives to suspension, at various grade levels?

DISTRICT 1**DEMOCRATIC**

SYLVIA C. WILSON, Pittsburgh, PA **Phone:** 412-527-6747 **Email:** wilson4pps@gmail.com

EDUCATION: 1972, Carnegie Mellon, B.A. 1976, University of Pittsburgh, M.Ed.

OCCUPATION: Retired Teacher

QUALIFICATIONS: 40.5 years as a Pittsburgh Public Schools educator

ANSWER: 1. I am in favor of School Choice within the PPS school system by providing various academic opportunities throughout the district.

I oppose school vouchers. The gap between a voucher given and the remainder of tuition costs means that those with the financial means get to go where their money "gets" them in. Voucher systems

**SYLVIA C. WILSON**

allow for accepting the most desired students and refusing to take others. Those without the finances-well, too bad. Public Education is for all students, no matter where they live, who they are, their abilities, or their family's financial status.

ANSWER: 2. When students exhibit disruptive behaviors, it is an indication of needs that have to be addressed. The education of other children and the insurance that others aren't physically harmed must not be ignored. Out of school suspensions have been used. Better alternatives to out of school suspensions can include in school suspension, restorative practices, and peer mediation. School wide behavioral plans, if instituted correctly, have also been effective. The PPS Community School initiative should also provide additional assistance for students with specific individual needs.

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

DISTRICT 3**DEMOCRATIC**

SALA UDIN

No Reply

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

DISTRICT 5**DEMOCRATIC**

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Website: <https://www.facebook.com/friendsofterrykennedy>

EDUCATION: 1983 Carnegie-Mellon University B.S. in Applied Mathematics, Computer Science track

OCCUPATION: Program Specialist providing Scout programs to people with special needs.

QUALIFICATIONS: Long time PPS volunteer, with direct involvement in early intervention, special and gifted education, magnet programs, assistive technology, and CITY Connections. Past chair/co-chair of LTF communities. Past officer of four parent-teacher organizations. Past member of several district level committees. Past treasurer in multiple organizations.

ANSWER: 1. I am against both of these items since they drain money from traditional public schools and help promote segregation.

ANSWER: 2. I support efforts to reduce and eliminate suspensions when possible. No non-violent suspensions should occur below the third grade. Suspensions for students in the third, fourth, and fifth grades should only occur in extreme circumstances. I believe Restorative Justice and Practices should be implemented in all of our schools.

**TERRY KENNEDY**

REPUBLICAN**TERRY KENNEDY**
SEE ABOVE**DISTRICT 7****DEMOCRATIC****CYNTHIA ANN FALLS**, Pittsburgh, PA **Phone:** 412-527-5118 **Email:** excuses101@yahoo.com**EDUCATION:** Indiana University of Pennsylvania 2000, Pennsylvania State University 1983, Community College of Allegheny County 1975**OCCUPATION:** Retired Educator**QUALIFICATIONS:** PPS BD District 7 (2013-2017)

Seeking Reelection of PPS SBD District 7 (2017-2021)

Health Technology Instructor (1992-2010)

PSCC member of several PPS

Carrick Community Board of Directors (past) Overbrook Community Council (past)

Registered Nurse (1979 to present)

ANSWER: 1. There are both pros and cons to school choice and vouchers. They offer alternative choices for parents. They promote competition in education. They can approve or deny students according to the qualifications these schools establish. However, these schools take away funding from public education. Accountability of economics and other issues are not transparent. Boards are chosen not elected, thus accountability to the public is questionable. These variables can promote economic and racial segregation. I'll remain open minded regarding this matter, however, I do believe that public education offers students more opportunities to grow academically, socially and personally.

ANSWER: 2. There are NO benefits to students being out of school so, therefore, alternatives strategies must be in place for each individual according to the severity of the infraction. Creating a caring climate, increasing parental involvement, building strong relations on all levels promote positive responses. Character educations must be incorporated in all aspects of academic learning. Medication and mindful initiatives should be part of all aspects of learning. In addition restorative practices and positives behavior initiatives must be a natural part of everyday experiences.

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SEE ABOVE**DISTRICT 9****DEMOCRATIC****VERONICA M. EDWARDS**, Pittsburgh, PA**Phone:** 412-771-8061 **Email:** vladylbrit@verizon.net**Website:** <http://edwardsfordistrict9@gmail.com>**EDUCATION:** Carlow University, B.S. (1993)

Leadership Pittsburgh XX (2004)

OCCUPATION: Sales Specialist J.C. Penney Corporation Robinson Town Center**QUALIFICATIONS:** Retired PPS Administrator (2006) Community Leader: Windgap Chartiers City Civic Club (Present)**ANSWER: 1.** I am supportive of all educational venues that serve children and families well educating them to be productive citizens and gives them a quality education to lead successful lives.

ANSWER: 2. I do support restorative justice as a means of conflict resolution. I would like to see Character Education used as a tool to support the Code of student conduct. Because respect, responsibility and self-control are not being taught in today's society there should be an opportunity for students to learn positive decision making skills based upon sound character traits. Character Education can be taught at all school levels beginning in early childhood.

**VERONICA M. EDWARDS****REPUBLICAN****VERONICA M. EDWARDS**
SEE ABOVE**2017 MUNICIPAL ELECTION
BALLOT INITIATIVE****PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL
AMENDMENT**

Shall the Pennsylvania Constitution be amended to permit the General Assembly to enact legislation authorizing local taxing authorities to exclude from taxation up to 100 percent of the assessed value of each homestead property within a local taxing jurisdiction, rather than limit the exclusion to one-half of the median assessed value of all homestead property, which is the existing law?

**PLAIN ENGLISH STATEMENT
OF THE OFFICE OF THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL**

The purpose of the ballot question is to amend Article VIII, Section 2(b)(vi) of the Pennsylvania Constitution to permit the General Assembly to pass a law authorizing local taxing authorities to increase the amount of assessed value of homestead property that may be excluded when determining the real estate tax owed for homestead property. If the ballot question is approved, the General Assembly could then

pass a law authorizing local taxing authorities to exclude up to one-hundred percent (100%) of the assessed value of each homestead property when calculating the real estate tax owed on homestead property.

The Pennsylvania Constitution currently permits the General Assembly to pass a law authorizing local taxing authorities to exclude only a portion of the assessed value of homestead property when determining the amount of real estate tax owed. Under current law, the amount of assessed value that may be excluded from taxation cannot exceed one-half the amount of the median assessed value of all homestead property within a local taxing jurisdiction. Local taxing authorities may not increase the millage rate of its real property tax to pay for homestead property exclusions.

The effect of the ballot question would allow the General Assembly to pass a law increasing the amount of assessed value that local taxing authorities may exclude from real estate taxation for homestead property. Currently, local taxing authorities can exclude from taxation only up to one-half the amount of the median assessed value of all homestead property located in the local taxing jurisdiction. But if the ballot question is approved, the General Assembly would have authority to pass a law permitting local taxing authorities to exclude up to one-hundred percent (100%) of the assessed value of each homestead property. Local taxing authorities would continue to be prohibited from increasing the millage rate of its tax on real property to pay for the homestead exclusions.

The ballot question, by itself, does not authorize local taxing authorities to exclude up to one-hundred percent (100%) of the assessed value of each homestead property from real estate taxation. Local taxing authorities could not take such action unless and until the General Assembly passes a law authorizing them to do so. The ballot question authorizes the General Assembly to pass that law.



MUNICIPALITY OF BETHEL PARK PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #1

Shall Section 303. Term of Office, of the Bethel Park Home Rule Charter be amended to provide that the term of Council members shall commence on the first Monday of January following the year in which elected, at an organizational meeting, the time of which is to be determined and advertised by Council. If the first Monday of January is a legal holiday, the organization meeting shall take place the following business day?

EXPLANATION OF BALLOT QUESTION #1

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, the time and day of the organizational meeting held after the election of Council Members may be changed. The Home Rule Charter currently provides that the organizational meeting is to take place at 8 p.m. on the first Monday in January. This amendment will authorize Council to set the time of the meeting, which must be advertised. In addition, if the first Monday of January is a legal holiday, the organizational meeting shall be held the following business day.

If approved, this amendment will take effect upon the certification of the November 7, 2017 Municipal Election results.

MUNICIPALITY OF BETHEL PARK PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #2

Shall Section 802. Comprehensive Plan, of the Bethel Park Home Rule Charter be amended to provide that the Municipality of Bethel Park Comprehensive Plan shall be reviewed and updated at intervals of no longer than ten (10) years?

EXPLANATION OF BALLOT QUESTION #2

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, the Bethel Park Home Rule Charter will be amended to extend the time in which the Comprehensive Plan of the Bethel Park Home Rule must be reviewed and updated to no longer than ten (10) years. Currently, the review and update period is no longer than five (5) years.

If approved, this amendment will take effect upon the certification of the November 7, 2017 Municipal Election results.

MUNICIPALITY OF BETHEL PARK PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #3

Shall Section 1002. Submission of Budget, of the Bethel Park Home Rule Charter be amended to provide that on or before September 30, the Municipal Manager shall submit to Council a proposed budget for the ensuing year with an accompanying message?

EXPLANATION OF BALLOT QUESTION #3

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, the Bethel Park Home Rule Charter will be amended to provide that the date at which the Municipal Manager shall submit a proposed budget and message to Council for the ensuing year shall be changed to September 30. Currently, the budget and message submission date is September 1.

If approved, this amendment will take effect upon the certification of the November 7, 2017 Municipal Election results.

MUNICIPALITY OF BETHEL PARK PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #4

Shall Section 1003. Capital Program, of the Bethel Park Home Rule Charter be amended to provide that at least one (1) month prior to the date for submission of the proposed budget, the Municipal Manager shall submit to Council a five (5) year capital program?

EXPLANATION OF BALLOT QUESTION #4

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, the Bethel Park Home Rule Charter will be amended to provide that the Municipal Manager shall submit a capital program to Council at least one (1) month prior to the date for submission of the proposed budget. Currently, a capital program must be submitted at least two (2) months prior to the proposed budget.

If approved, this amendment will take effect upon the certification of the November 7, 2017 Election results.



MUNICIPALITY OF MONROEVILLE PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #1

Shall Article VII. Municipal Manager, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter be amended to require that the Manager be appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Pennsylvania Borough Code, increase the mandatory educational and work experience requirements of the Manager and Acting Manager and change the title of administrative units to departments, as more fully described in Monroeville Ordinance 2667?

EXPLANATION OF BALLOT QUESTION #1

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, Article VII of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter shall be amended to require that the Municipal Manager be appointed pursuant to Sections 1142 and 1143 of the Pennsylvania Borough Code.

Article VII shall also be amended to require that the Municipal Manager shall have had at least five (5) years experience as a manager or assistant manager, or a combination thereof, of a similar size and composed municipality. The Manager must have a Bachelor's Degree and a Master's degree is preferred, in Public or Business Administration or related field from an accredited college or university. The Acting Manager shall possess at least three (3) years of Governmental Business Administrative and Supervisory experience and a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university. The experience and educational requirements for both the Municipal and Acting Manager are mandatory and cannot be waived.

Article VII shall also be amended to change the title of appointed administrative unit heads to departments heads.

If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 7, 2017 Municipal Election results.

MUNICIPALITY OF MONROEVILLE PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #2

Shall Article VIII. Municipal Attorney, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter be amended to provide that the Municipal Attorney may also be retained as an Independent Contractor and be considered an Official of the Municipality of Monroeville?

EXPLANATION OF BALLOT QUESTION #2

If this question is approved by a majority of

MUNICIPALITY OF MONROEVILLE PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #2

those voting, Article VIII of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter shall be amended to permit the Municipality to decide if the Municipal Attorney be considered an employee or an Independent Contractor.

Article VIII shall also be amended by changing the status of the Municipal Attorney from an Administrative Unit Head to an Official of the Municipality of Monroeville.

If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 7, 2017 Municipal Election results.

MUNICIPALITY OF MONROEVILLE PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #3

Shall Article IX. Administrative Units, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter be amended by replacing Section 901(e) with the following: "The planning, development and monitoring of employee human resources duties pursuant to, but not limited to, an employee handbook, collective bargaining agreements, along with commonwealth and federal laws" and adding Section 901(h): "Information technology infrastructure and support, including telecommunications"?

EXPLANATION OF BALLOT QUESTION #3

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, Section 901(e) of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter which currently provides that an Administrative Unit shall perform "The collection and analysis of data on the social problems and need of the municipality and identification of programs, funding and resources appropriate for assisting in the solution of these problems and provision for social service referral information to the citizens" be replaced with "The planning, development and monitoring of employee human resources duties pursuant to, but not limited to, an employee handbook, collective bargaining agreements, along with commonwealth and federal laws."

Administrative Units shall also be required to perform "Information technology infrastructure and support, including telecommunications".

If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 7, 2017 Municipal Election results.

MUNICIPALITY OF MONROEVILLE PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #4

Shall Article X. Police, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter be amended by changing its title to Police Force, requiring that the appointment, promotion and reduction of the Police Force comply with applicable law, create the titles of Chief and Deputy Chief of Police, increase their employment qualifications and entitle them to civil service protection, abolish Special School Police and include additional qualifications for Special and Auxiliary Police, as more fully described in Monroeville Ordinance 2667?

EXPLANATION OF BALLOT QUESTION #4

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, the title of Article X of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter shall be changed to "Police Force" and the method of hiring, promoting and reducing Police Force employees shall be done according to applicable law.

The administrative head of the Police force shall be changed to "Chief of Police" and both the Chief and Deputy Chief of Police and shall have a Bachelor's Degree either in criminal justice, public administration or related field and five (5) years experience in law enforcement at a supervisory/administrative level, the ability to receive certification as a police officer in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (Act 120 or successor legislation) and a background of employment in the field of law enforcement and public safety. The Chief and Deputy Chief of Police shall now be entitled to civil service protection and be a member of the Career Service.

The Special School Police shall be abolished.

The powers of the Special Police shall be restricted to situations involving a sudden or unexpected event, which creates a dangerous condition necessitating immediate action. They shall have full police powers and jurisdiction only for the duration of an emergency.

The Auxiliary Police shall be nominated by the Chief of Police and appointed by the Mayor. They shall complete a training course prescribed by the Chief of Police and be sworn. They may only be called to duty by the Mayor and only serve during an emergency.

The duties of the Special Police or the Auxiliary Police may not be used to replace police officers due to a reduction in the Police Force.

If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 7, 2017 Election results.

CITY OF PITTSBURGH PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION

Shall Section 707. Multiple Employment Prohibited, of the Pittsburgh Home Rule Charter be amended to permit a compensated City employee to hold a compensated position as a part-time athletic coach in a public school system or a compensated part-time educational position at a public institution of higher learning, as more fully described in Pittsburgh Ordinance 36?

Explanation of Ballot Question

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, the Pittsburgh Home Rule Charter will be amended to allow City of Pittsburgh employees to be compensated scholastic sport coaches in part-time positions with a public school district and compensated part-time educational positions in public institutions of higher learning.

For each part-time position, the City Department of Personnel shall develop a strict multiple employment policy and enforcement procedure to ensure employee integrity and compliance.

If approved, this amendment will go into effect upon the certification of the November 7, 2017 Municipal Election results.

JUDICIAL RETENTION ELECTION QUESTION

(VOTE YES OR NO) FOR EACH CANDIDATE

Shall Thomas G. Saylor be retained for an additional term as Justice of the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania?

Shall Debra Todd be retained for an additional term as Justice of the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania?

Shall Jacqueline O. Shogun be retained for an additional term as Judge of the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania?

Shall Kelly Eileen Bigley be retained for an additional term as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County?

Shall Cathleen Cawood Bubash be retained for an additional term as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County?

Shall Michael Edward McCarthy be retained for an additional term as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County?

Shall Kelly Jack McVay, Jr. be retained for an additional term as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County?

Don't forget to vote on November 7



What to Bring

You do not need photo identification to vote on November 7

If this is your first time voting in a federal election in Pennsylvania you may be asked to show an ID before you can vote on Election Day. Identification may include (but is not limited to):

- A current and valid Pennsylvania driver's license
- Another valid photo ID
- A current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or other government document that shows your current and complete name and current address.

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