Questionnaire for Republican Judicial Candidates
2016 Primary Elections

Thank you for completing this questionnaire as part of the Cuyahoga Valley Republicans' candidate screening process. We ask that you limit your responses to a few sentences. We understand, however, that any number of these questions might require a more thorough response. Feel free to expound, but please try respond in three or fewer paragraphs.

Identify the court for which you are a candidate and the term of office:

Part I: *Personal Background*

A. General information:

1. Name

2. Business Address

3. Email Address (where you prefer that we contact you)

4. Telephone Number (where you prefer that we contact you)

5. Year you became a registered Republican

B. Education:

1. Identify the undergraduate school(s) you attended, the years you attended, the degree(s) conferred, and any academic honors awarded

2. Identify the law school(s) you attended, the years you attended, the degree(s) conferred, and any academic honors awarded

3. Identify any additional post-graduate school you attended, the degree conferred (if any), and any academic honors awarded

C. Bar admissions/certifications:

List the date you were admitted to the bar of any state. If you currently are not a member in good standing of one of the state bars you listed, please provide the date and reason for that status. Also list the date of admission to any federal court, or state or federal administrative body that maintains rules for admission to practice before that administrative body.

If you have received a certification or accreditation as a specialist in an area of legal practice, please identify the entity that granted that certification or accreditation, provide that entity's address, and list the date of that certification or accreditation. Also indicate whether the certification or accreditation is current. If you no longer are certified or accredited, provide the date of and reason for inactivity.

D. Military service:

State your military service, if any, and provide the dates of that service and your rank at the time of discharge. If you are active in the Reserve or National Guard, please identify the service and present rank.

E. Work experience:

The CVR Candidate Screening Committee is interested primarily in your experience as a practicing attorney. To help us assess your experience, please list each legal employer, the employer's address, and the time period of your employment in reverse chronological order from your current position through the date you graduated from law school. (If you have had more than five legal employers, you may limit your answer to the five most recent.) Also provide a brief description of the type of work you did for each employer. Include any period of self-employment, and feel free to list and describe any non-legal employment experience that you believe is relevant to a judicial position.

Part II: *Substantive Background*

1. What is your general judicial philosophy?

2. Do you believe that a judge should or should not defer to the actions of a legislature?

3. How could the costs of judicial administration be reduced? Please provide a specific example of how you reduced costs in your law practice or court.

4. Please describe supervisory or administrative experience. What do you perceive as your primary strengths?

5. Who are your judicial role models? Why?

6. Please describe one instance where you faced an ethical dilemma and how you resolved it.

7. Please describe your first-hand experiences, if any, dealing with people who are different from you socially, economically, or politically.

8. What has been your greatest accomplishment in your legal career? What has been your greatest accomplishment in your personal life?

9. How would or do you prepare yourself to handle cases involving unfamiliar areas of the law?

10. What do you enjoy most about being an attorney?

11. Do you have an expertise in a field other than law?

12. Have you ever been disciplined by Supreme Court of Ohio or the court of another state?

13. Why should voters support you rather than your opponent?