

Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati, Inc.
JUDICIAL CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE 2012

A candidate's position on life issues is important to pro-life voters. Whether sponsoring legislation, setting policy, or making public statements, the candidates we elect are crucial for promoting the sanctity of life. Please identify your positions on the following issues.

Candidate Name: Richard P. Ferone Candidate Signature: [Signature] 11/2/14

Phone: _____ Email: [Redacted]@net

Position and District Sought: Judge, Common Pleas Court Clermont County, Full Term starting

Have you previously held any public office? Please specify: Yes: Current serves 11/2/13
Judge of Common Pleas Court Clermont County

1. Which former U.S. president's political philosophy best matches your own?

- Gerald Ford
- Jimmy Carter
- Bill Clinton
- George H.W. Bush
- Ronald Reagan
- George W. Bush
- Barack H. Obama
- Other (please specify)

2. Which U.S. Supreme Court Justice's legal philosophy best matches your own?

- Roberts
- Stevens
- Scalia
- Kennedy
- Thomas
- Ginsburg
- Breyer
- Alito
- Sotomayor
- Other (please specify)

3. Rate your judicial philosophy regarding the U.S. Constitution on a scale of 1-10 with "living/evolving document" being 1 and "strict constructionist" being a 10:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

4. In *Roe v. Wade*, 410 U.S. 113 (1973), the U.S. Supreme Court recognized a "right to privacy" under the Constitution that includes abortion. The Constitution does not include this right.

- Agree
- Disagree
- Undecided

Comments: As a Judge, my oath requires me to disregard my personal views I have on any issue and uphold our Federal and State Constitutions. *Roe v Wade* remains the law of the land at this time.

5. Judges should refrain from "legislating from the bench." The translation of public policy into law and the creation, extension, modification or limitation of citizens' rights (and governmental authority) are properly within the province of the legislative, not judicial, branch of government.

- Agree
- Disagree
- Undecided

Comments:

6. An unborn child is biologically human at every stage of his or her biological development, beginning at fertilization.

- Agree
- Disagree
- Undecided

Comments:

7. The law should be applied to pro-life demonstrators in the same manner as is applied to environmental, anti-war and labor demonstrators.

- Agree
- Disagree
- Undecided

Comments: while equal protection is afforded by the United States Constitution and its Bill of Rights, there may be "laws" that are applicable to groups but not to pro-life. Each case is to be decided upon thoughtful review of each unique factual circumstance.

8. There is no provision in the current Ohio Constitution intended to require the use of public funds for abortion.

- Agree
- Disagree
- Undecided

Comments: As a Common Pleas Judge, this issue could be raised in a case assigned to me. Ohio's Code of Judicial Canons, Rule 4 prohibits me from stating how I may rule on such an issue, other than in a written decision determining such an issue in my court.

9. List all organizations to which you have contributed time or money in the past four years.

Goodwill, Crayons To Computers, Hospice Southwest Ohio, Military Nursing Fund, Free Home Food Bank, Clermont Philharmonic, St. Jude's Hospital, Chase Law School

