

2010 North Carolina Voter Guide

Questionnaire for State Judicial Candidates



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Candidate Questionnaire

Please indicate your position on the following issues by marking "Yes," "No," or "Undecided."
You may provide additional comments and explanations for your responses on a separate sheet of paper.
(Failure to answer a question will result in a listing of "No Response" in the 2010 Voter Guide.)

1. Which U.S. President best represents your political philosophy?

F. Roosevelt H. Truman D. Eisenhower J. Kennedy L. Johnson R. Nixon
 G. Ford J. Carter R. Reagan G. H. Bush W. Clinton G. W. Bush B. Obama

2. Which one of the current/recent Justices on the U.S. Supreme Court best reflects your judicial philosophy?

Stevens O'Connor Scalia Kennedy Thomas Souter Ginsburg Breyer
 Roberts Alito Sotomayor

3. Rate your judicial philosophy on a scale of 1-10 with a living document approach being a 1 and a strict constitutionalist being a 10.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

4. Do you believe that a judge has the right to display the Ten Commandments in his or her courtroom?

Yes No Undecided

5. Should the code of Judicial Conduct for judges include protection of people on the basis of sexual orientation?

Yes No Undecided

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6. In *Republican Party of Minnesota v. White*, 536 U.S. 765 (2002), the United States Supreme Court ruled that it is unconstitutional for a canon of judicial ethics to prevent judicial candidates from expressing their views on “disputed legal or political issues.” Do you agree with the *Republican Party of Minnesota v. White* decision, which recognizes the constitutional right of judicial candidates to express their views on “disputed legal or political issues?”

Yes No Undecided *please see additional comment*

7. In *Lawrence v. Texas*, 539 U.S. 558 (2003), the United States Supreme Court recognized a right to homosexual sexual relations under the United States Constitution. Do you agree with the *Lawrence* decision, which recognizes a constitutional right to homosexual sexual relations?

Yes No Undecided *please see additional comment*

8. In *Roe v. Wade*, 410 U.S. 113 (1973), the United States Supreme Court recognized a right to abortion under the United States Constitution. Do you agree with the *Roe* decision, which recognizes a constitutional right to abortion?

Yes No Undecided *please see additional comment*

9. In *Sante Fe Independent School District v. Doe*, 530 U.S. 290 (2000), the United States Supreme Court ruled that a student-initiated, student-led invocation over the loudspeakers before a public high school football game was unconstitutional. Do you agree with the *Sante Fe Independent School District v. Doe* decision, which recognizes that student-initiated, student-led invocations prior to a public high school football game violate the United States Constitution?

Yes No

Candidate Signature (required) *Rick Elmore* Date *Mar. 24, 2010*

Additional comments as follows:

6. This decision is the current law and must be respected as such. Judicial candidates must be very cautious not to express their views on cases which may come before them.
7. This decision is the current law and must be respected as such. While I believe that all persons are deserving of equal protection under the law, the Constitution is silent on the rights of homosexuals and I believe that decisions in this area are better reserved for the individual states.
8. This decision is the current law and must be respected as such. The Constitution is silent regarding the right of a woman to have an abortion. Decisions in this area are better reserved for the individual states.