

# 2010 North Carolina Voter Guide

## Questionnaire for State Judicial Candidates



### Candidate Information

(Please Print or Type)

Candidate Name \_\_\_\_\_ Party Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Office Sought \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Campaign Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Campaign Phone/Fax \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Campaign Website \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(required)

### 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

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

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

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 \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(required)

**Please return questionnaire by fax: (919) 807-0900; or by mail: P.O. Box 20607, Raleigh, NC 27619 with a postmark no later than March 22, 2010.**