

UNITED STATES SENATE
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR JUDICIAL NOMINEES

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1. **Name**: State full name (include any former names used).

Matthew Richard Byrne

2. **Position**: State the position for which you have been nominated.

United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio

3. **Address**: List current office address. If city and state of residence differs from your place of employment, please list the city and state where you currently reside.

Office: Ohio Twelfth District Court of Appeals
1001 Reinartz Boulevard
Middletown, Ohio 45042

Residence: Deerfield Township, Ohio

4. **Birthplace**: State year and place of birth.

1981; Evansville, Indiana

5. **Education**: List in reverse chronological order each college, law school, or any other institution of higher education attended and indicate for each the dates of attendance, whether a degree was received, and the date each degree was received.

2004 – 2007, The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law; J.D. (*cum laude*), 2007

2000 – 2003, Xavier University; B.A. (*magna cum laude*), 2003

1999, University of Dayton; (one summer class) no degree

6. **Employment Record**: List in reverse chronological order all governmental agencies, business or professional corporations, companies, firms, or other enterprises, partnerships, institutions or organizations, non-profit or otherwise, with which you have been affiliated as an officer, director, partner, proprietor, or employee since graduation from college, whether or not you received payment for your services. Include the name and address of the employer and job title or description.

2021 – present
Ohio Twelfth District Court of Appeals
1001 Reinartz Boulevard
Middletown, Ohio 45042
Presiding Judge (2026 – present)
Administrative Judge (2024 – 2025)
Judge (2021 – present)

2010 – 2020
Jackson Lewis P.C. [formerly Jackson Lewis LLP]
PNC Center, 26th Floor
201 East Fifth Street
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
Of Counsel (2016 – 2020)
Associate (2010 – 2016)

2006, 2007 – 2010
Taft Stettinius & Hollister, LLP
310 E. 4th Street, Suite 2800
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
Associate (2007 – 2010)
Summer Associate (2006)

Fall Semester 2005 or 2006 [do not recall exact term]
The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law
55 West 12th Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43210
Tutor

2004
The White House, Executive Office of the President, Office of Presidential Personnel
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500
Staff Assistant

Other Affiliations (uncompensated):

2024 – present
High Point University Kenneth F. Kahn School of Law
1 University Parkway
High Point, North Carolina 27262
Member, Extended Faculty

2021 – present
Twelfth Appellate District Judicial Conference, Inc.
1001 Reinartz Boulevard

Middletown, Ohio 45042
Ex officio Member, Board of Directors

2015 – present
Byrne Family Revocable Trust Agreement
[address omitted to protect personal privacy information]
Trustee

2013 – 2014, 2018 – 2024
St. Thomas More Lawyers Guild of Greater Cincinnati
310 East 4th Street, Suite 2800
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
President, Board of Directors (2024)
Member, Board of Directors (2018 – 2024)

Fall Semester 2006
The Ohio Senate
1 Capitol Square
Columbus, Ohio 4215
Legal Extern

2005
United States Department of the Treasury
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20220
Honors Summer Clerk

7. **Military Service and Draft Status:** Identify any service in the U.S. Military, including dates of service, branch of service, rank or rate, serial number (if different from social security number) and type of discharge received, and whether you have registered for selective service.

I did not serve in the military. I registered for the selective service upon turning 18.

8. **Honors and Awards:** List any scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees, academic or professional honors, honorary society memberships, military awards, and any other special recognition for outstanding service or achievement.

Included in *Super Lawyers: Rising Stars* list (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)

The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law
Degree conferred *cum laude* (2007)
Public Service Fellow with Dean's Highest Honors (2007)
Ohio State Law Journal
Donald S. Teller Memorial Award for Best Student Note (2007)
Symposium Editor (2006 – 2007)

CALI Award for Excellence in Administrative Law (2006)
CALI Award for Excellence in Legislation (2005)
Academic Scholarship (2004)

Xavier University

Degree conferred *magna cum laude* (2003)
Salter Award (presented to the student completing the political science major with highest distinction) (2003)
Gasiewicz Award (most outstanding junior political science major) (2002)
Alpha Sigma Nu (Jesuit academic honor society) (approximately 2002)
University Scholars Program (2000 – 2003)
Service Fellowship (full-tuition academic and community service scholarship) (2000 – 2003)

9. **Bar Associations:** List all bar associations or legal or judicial-related committees, selection panels or conferences of which you are or have been a member, and give the titles and dates of any offices which you have held in such groups.

American Bar Association (2008 – 2013)

Employment Rights and Responsibilities Committee (2008 – 2013) (estimated)

Butler County Bar Association (2023 – present)

Member, Continuing Legal Education Committee (2023)

Cincinnati Bar Association (2007 – 2018)

Clermont County Bar Association (2023 – present)

Federal Bar Association (intermittent from 2017 – 2022)

Member, John W. Peck Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky Chapter (intermittent from approximately 2017 – 2022)

Co-Chair, Membership Committee, John W. Peck Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky Chapter (2018 – 2019)

Kentucky Bar Association (2014 – present)

Northern Kentucky Bar Association (2014 – 2015)

Ohio Court of Appeals Judges Association (2021 – present)

Ex officio Board Member (2024 – present)

Ohio Judicial College (2024 – present)

Member, New Judges Orientation Team (2024 – present)

Ohio Judicial Conference (2021 – present)

Member, Appellate Law Committee (2025 – present)

Member, Case Management Working Group (2024 – present)
Member, Court Administration Committee (2023 – 2024)
Member, Court Technology Committee (2025 – present)
Member, Public Confidence and Community Outreach Committee (2023 – 2024)

Ohio State Bar Association (2019, 2020, 2025 – present)

St. Thomas More Lawyers Guild of Greater Cincinnati (2010 – present)
President, Board of Directors (2024)
Member, Board of Directors (2018 – 2024)
Chair, Red Mass Planning Committee (2013 – 2014)
Organizer, Catholic Lawyers Studium (2015)

Supreme Court of Ohio

Advisory Committee on Case Management (2024 – present)
Member, Appellate Workgroup (2024 – present)
Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness (2022 – 2024)
Commission on the Rules of Practice and Procedure in Ohio Courts (2024 – present)
Vice Chair (2025 – present)
Chairman, Appellate Rules Committee (2024)

Twelfth Appellate District Judicial Conference, Inc. (2021 – present)
Ex officio Member, Board of Directors (2021 – present)

Warren County Bar Association (2014 – present)
Member, Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee (approximately 2017 – 2019)
Member, Admission to the Bar Committee (approximately 2021)
Member, Social Committee (2025 – present)

10. **Bar and Court Admission:**

a. List the date(s) you were admitted to the bar of any state and any lapses in membership. Please explain the reason for any lapse in membership.

Ohio, 2007
Kentucky, 2014

There have been no lapses in membership. In 2021 or 2022, after becoming a judge, I took “CLE non-practice exemption” status with the Kentucky Bar because I no longer practice law in Kentucky.

b. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, including dates of admission and any lapses in membership. Please explain the reason for any lapse in membership. Give the same information for administrative bodies that require special admission to practice.

United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, 2010
United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana, 2013
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, 2014
United States District Court for the Western District of Kentucky, 2014
United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, 2008
Supreme Court of Kentucky, 2014
Supreme Court of Ohio, 2007

There have been no lapses in membership. In 2021 or 2022, after becoming a judge, I took "CLE non-practice exemption" status with the Kentucky Bar because I no longer practice law in Kentucky.

11. **Memberships:**

a. List all professional, business, fraternal, scholarly, civic, charitable, or other organizations, other than those listed in response to Questions 9 or 10 to which you belong, or to which you have belonged, since graduation from law school. Provide dates of membership or participation, and indicate any office you held. Include clubs, working groups, advisory or editorial boards, panels, committees, conferences, or publications.

American Enterprise Institute Leadership Network (2015 – 2020)

Bush-Cheney Alumni Network (2009 – present)

Butler County Republican Women's Club (2022 – 2025)

Cincinnati Right to Life

Informal advisor on administrative matters (intermittent from 2014 – 2018)

Cincinnati Zoo (2013 – 2014) (estimate)

Citizens for Community Values (now Center for Christian Virtue)

Informal advisor on administrative matters (intermittent from 2014 – 2018)

Countryside YMCA (2021 – present)

Cub Scouts (2024 – present)

Pack Committee Chair

Goldwater Institute American Freedom Network (approximately 2017 – 2019)

Hamilton County Republican Party

Member, Central Committee (2002 – 2003, 2014)

Member, Boards and Commissions Committee (2011 – 2013)

Member, Townships, Cities, and Villages Committee (2013 – 2014)

Member, Leadership Council (2007 – 2015)

Knights of Columbus (2007 – present)

Loveland/Symmes Township Republican Club (2013 – 2014)
Vice President (2013 – 2014)

National Rifle Association (intermittent from approximately 2009 – 2020)

Newport Aquarium (2015) (estimate)

Ohio Gun Collectors Association (2020 – present)

Pregnancy Center East (now known as Pregnancy Center Plus)
Member, Advisory Board (2015 – 2018)
“In Name Only” Member, Advisory Board (2018 – 2019)
Member, Banquet Speaker Committee (2018 – 2019)
Member, Staff Development Committee (2017)
Member, Fundraising Committee (2017)
Member, Government and Legal Committee (2017)

Republican National Lawyers Association (intermittent from 2007 – 2020)
Vice President, Cincinnati Chapter (2012 – 2014) (estimate)

The Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies (2004 – present)
Member, Madison Club (2012, 2014, 2018, 2019, 2022, 2024)
President, Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter (2014 – 2019)
Member, Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter (2007 – present)
Planning Committee, Ohio Chapters Conference (2017 – 2019)
Vice President, The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law Student Chapter (2006 – 2007)
Member, The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law Student Chapter (2004 – 2007)

Twelfth Appellate District Judicial Conference, Inc. (2021 – present)
Ex officio member, Board of Directors (2021 – present)

University Club of Cincinnati (2014 – 2019)

Warren County Area Progress Council (2016 – 2020)

Warren County Republican Party (2016 – 2019)
Member, Central Committee, representing Deerfield Township Precinct 105 (2016 – 2019)

Warren County Republican Women’s Club (intermittent from 2018 – 2025)

Warren County Right to Life

Informal advisor on administrative matters (intermittent from 2014 – 2018)

b. The American Bar Association's Commentary to its Code of Judicial Conduct states that it is inappropriate for a judge to hold membership in any organization that invidiously discriminates on the basis of race, sex, or religion, or national origin. Indicate whether any of these organizations listed in response to 11a above currently discriminate or formerly discriminated on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin either through formal membership requirements or the practical implementation of membership policies. If so, describe any action you have taken to change these policies and practices.

In the past, Boy Scouts of America (now known as “Scouts BSA”) limited membership to males. Consistent with Scouts USA policy and the decision of the church that sponsors the Cub Scouts Pack, membership in the Pack is limited to male grade school students.

Knights of Columbus is a fraternal organization whose membership is limited to men who are practicing Catholics in good standing with the Church, and so, it does limit membership based on sex and religion.

To the best of my knowledge, none of the other organizations listed above currently discriminates or formerly discriminated on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin, either through formal membership requirements or the practical implementation of membership policies.

12. **Published Writings and Public Statements:**

a. List the titles, publishers, and dates of books, articles, reports, letters to the editor, editorial pieces, or other published material you have written or edited, including material published only on the Internet. Supply copies of all published material to the Committee.

Judge Matthew R. Byrne, Twelfth District Court of Appeals Website, 2026. Copy supplied.

Hon. Matthew R. Byrne, The Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies Website, 2026. Copy supplied.

Judge Matthew R. Byrne, High Point University School of Law Extended Faculty Website, 2025. Copy supplied.

Nathaniel Fouch, “*A Document of Independent Force*”: *Towards a Robust Ohio Constitutionalism*, 49 Univ. of Dayton L. Rev. 1 (2023). I reviewed a draft of this article and provided feedback to the author. Copy supplied.

Beginning in 2021, I have maintained the following social media account for information about the Ohio Twelfth District Court of Appeals. This account does not contain any campaign-related content:

Facebook: “Judge Matthew Byrne - Judicial Page,”
<https://www.facebook.com/JudgeMatthewByrne> (2021 – present)

Republican Judicial Candidates Visit County, Record Herald, Feb. 21, 2020. I provided input on this article. Copy supplied.

With Katharine C. Weber et al., *New Kentucky Law: Employers May Make Arbitration Mandatory as Condition of Employment or Continued Employment*, Lexology, Mar. 26, 2019. Copy supplied.

With Julie E. Byrne, *Docket Watch: State ex rel. McCann v. Delaware County Board of Elections: Majority of Ohio Supreme Court Justices Signal the End of Chevron Deference in Ohio?*, Federalist Society Docket Watch, Jan. 14, 2019. Copy supplied.

Beginning in 2019, I maintained a website for my judicial campaign, Matthew Byrne for Court of Appeals Committee. The URL was www.matthewbyrneforcourtofappeals.com. The website was hosted on wordpress.com. I deleted the website a few years ago, but screenshots are still archived on the Wayback Machine, web.archive.org. Copy supplied.

Beginning in 2019, I have maintained the following “official” Matthew Byrne for Court of Appeals Committee judicial campaign social media accounts:

Facebook: “Matthew Byrne for Court of Appeals Judge - Campaign Page,”
<https://www.facebook.com/matthewbyrneforcourtofappeals> (2019 – present).
X (formerly Twitter): “Judge Matthew Byrne,” <https://x.com/ByrneForJudge> (2019 – present).
You Tube: “Matthew Byrne,” <https://www.youtube.com/@matthewbyrne5933> (2019 – present).

Additionally, I also maintain the following personal social media accounts that contain a “Paid for by Matthew Byrne for Court of Appeals” disclaimer:

Instagram: “matthewbyrneohio,”
<https://www.instagram.com/matthewbyrneohio/> (2019 – present).
LinkedIn: “Matthew Byrne,” <https://www.linkedin.com/in/matthew-byrne-010ab24/> (2007 – present).
Truth Social: “Judge Matthew Byrne,”
<https://truthsocial.com/@MatthewRByrne> (2026 – present).
X (formerly Twitter): “Judge Matthew Byrne,” <https://x.com/MatthewRByrne> (2009 – present).

With Andreas N. Satterfield, Jr. et al., *Supreme Court Hears Case on Enforceability of Arbitration Agreements for Transportation Workers*, Lexology, Oct. 8, 2018. Copy supplied.

With Collin O'Connor Udell et al., *President Trump Nominates Neil Gorsuch to U.S. Supreme Court*, Lexology, Jan. 31, 2017. Copy supplied.

Member Profile – Matthew Byrne, Republican National Lawyers Association Website, 2017 (estimate). Copy supplied.

With Brett Anders, *A Party May Comply with Rule 34 by Identifying Its Search Parameters as Opposed to Identifying Withheld Documents*, e-Discovery Law Today: The Latest Changes, Developments, and Trends in eDiscovery Law Blog, Sep. 13, 2016. Copy supplied.

With Karen T. Dunlevey, *Kentucky High Court Nixes Non-Compete Supported Only by Continued Employment*, Non-Compete and Trade Secrets Rep. (Sep. 2, 2014) Copy supplied.

From 2011 to 2012, under the pseudonym “Righting,” I wrote the following eight blog posts on a Cincinnati-based Catholic blog titled, “Over the River and Into the Tiber,” copies of which have been supplied:

On Xavier: A Concern and a Petition, Apr. 4, 2012.

Santorum and Gingrich: A Sign of the End of Kennedy Catholicism?, Jan. 28, 2012.

Catholic Books of 2011, Jan. 1, 2012.

Bishop Foy's Decree on Liturgy, Dec. 20, 2011.

“*Complacency is the Enemy of Faith*,” Dec. 10, 2011.

“*Community Service*” *Versus Charity in Truth*, Dec. 4, 2011.

Snark, Dec. 4, 2011.

Missal Resources, Nov. 26, 2011.

Getting Started, Nov. 26, 2011.

Gerald E. Rosen et al., *Federal Employment Litigation: The Rutter Group Practice Guide* (The Rutter Group 2010 ed.). I contributed significantly to the update and re-write of co-author Thomas R. Schuck's chapters of the book for the 2010 edition. Letter detailing involvement supplied.

Restrictive Covenants Update: Recent, Significant Cases in the Field, Committee on Employment Rights and Responsibilities of the Section of Labor and Employment Law of the American Bar Association, Mar. 25, 2009.

Protecting National Security and Promoting Foreign Investment: Maintaining the Exxon-Florio Balance, 67 Ohio State L.J. 849 (2006). Copy supplied.

From 2006 – 2007, I maintained a blog that I deleted nearly two decades ago, and to which I no longer have access, titled “Rightings.” I wrote under the pseudonym “Rightings.” In the Wayback Machine's online archive, I found a screenshot of the blog's main page, including the following fifteen blog posts, copies of which have been supplied:

September 11: We Should Never Forget, Sep. 10, 2007.
John Edwards Wants Government to Control Your Body, Sep. 3, 2007.
Snow Leaving Sept. 14, Sep. 1, 2007.
More on Norman Hsu, Sep. 1, 2007.
Primary Date Problems, Aug. 31, 2007.
Does it Feel Like 1996 Again to You, Too?, Aug. 30, 2007.
Fred Thompson is in the Race, Aug. 30, 2007.
ACT Fined by FEC, Aug. 30, 2007.
John Edwards Makes it Sooooo Easy for Conservatives!, Aug. 29, 2007.
Moveon.org Targets Democrats Who Honestly Assessed Surge, Aug. 29, 2007.
President Bush's Speech to VFW, Aug. 24, 2007.
Sen. Warner's Wrong, Too, Aug. 23, 2007.
Pat Schroeder Slanders Conservatives With Reading Comments, Aug. 23, 2007.
Pope Benedict Is Right: Peace Is Not Absence of Conflict, Aug. 23, 2007.
Barnes on GOP's Future, Aug. 23, 2007.

Signatory, *Supporting Our Troops*, Xavier Newswire, March 26, 2003. Copy supplied.

How is the War Affecting Your Life?, Cincinnati Enquirer, Mar. 23, 2003. Copy supplied.

Panelists Relish Their Column-Writing Stint, Cincinnati Enquirer, Mar. 9, 2003. Copy supplied.

"Two Cents" response on State of the Union speech, estimated Jan. 2003, Cincinnati Enquirer. I was unable to locate this document in the Cincinnati Enquirer's archives.

"Two Cents" response on President Bush's tax cuts, Cincinnati Enquirer, Jan. 19, 2003. Copy supplied.

NARAL Still Means Abortion, Cincinnati Enquirer, Jan. 8, 2003. Copy supplied.

"Two Cents" response on meaning of Christmas, Cincinnati Enquirer, Dec. 1, 2002. Copy supplied.

Young People Are Politically Active, Cincinnati Enquirer, Nov. 20, 2002. Copy supplied.

"Two Cents" response on 2002 general election, Cincinnati Enquirer, Nov. 6, 2002. Copy supplied.

Signatory, *Iraq Poses Clear and Present Danger*, Xavier Newswire, Oct. 23, 2002. Copy supplied.

"Two Cents" response on September 11 anniversary, Cincinnati Enquirer, Sep. 11, 2002. Copy supplied.

Action Produces Justice, Xavier Newswire, Sep. 11, 2002. Copy supplied.

Avoid Reliance on Government, Cincinnati Enquirer, Aug. 21, 2002. Copy supplied.

Support Pledge of Allegiance, Cincinnati Enquirer, July 7, 2002. Copy supplied.

Bubble Breaks in Real World, Cincinnati Enquirer, May 29, 2002. Copy supplied.

“Two Cents” response on opposition to marijuana legalization, Cincinnati Enquirer, Apr. 14, 2002. Copy supplied.

Boycott Sends Wrong Message, Cincinnati Enquirer, Apr. 7, 2002. Copy supplied.

Introducing Our New Local Voices, Cincinnati Enquirer, Mar. 17, 2002. Copy supplied.

b. Supply copies of any reports, memoranda or policy statements you prepared or contributed in the preparation of on behalf of any bar association, committee, conference, or organization of which you were or are a member. If you do not have a copy of a report, memorandum or policy statement, give the name and address of the organization that issued it, the date of the document, and a summary of its subject matter.

As Vice Chair of the Commission on the Rules of Practice and Procedure in Ohio Courts, I delivered, along with the commission’s Chair, a report to the Justices of the Supreme Court of Ohio during their administrative conference on August 21, 2025. The report explained the changes to the rules of practice and procedure that were then proposed by the commission. The justices’ administrative conferences are confidential, so I am unable to provide a copy of the written report. However, a copy of the 2025 amendments is supplied.

Commission on the Rules of Practice and Procedure, *Appellate Rules Committee Report*, Nov. 8, 2024. Copy supplied.

Commission on the Rules of Practice and Procedure, *Appellate Rules Committee Report*, July 19, 2024. Copy supplied.

Commission on the Rules of Practice and Procedure, *Appellate Rules Committee Report*, Feb. 22, 2024. Copy supplied.

I was a member of the Supreme Court of Ohio’s Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness from 2022 to 2024. In that role I authored multiple post-hearing panel recommendations/opinions on whether applicants to the Ohio bar met the applicable character and fitness requirements. These recommendations are confidential under Ohio law.

c. Supply copies of any testimony, official statements or other communications relating, in whole or in part, to matters of public policy or legal interpretation, that you

have issued or provided or that others presented on your behalf to public bodies or public officials.

Supreme Court of Ohio Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness, Board Meeting (Oct. 16, 2024). Copy of redacted meeting minutes supplied.

Letter to Board of Professional Conduct of the Supreme Court of Ohio in Response to Subpoena for Character Letter in *Disciplinary Counsel v. Hon. John William Rudduck*, No. 2024-015, before the Board of Professional Conduct of the Supreme Court of Ohio (Oct. 3, 2024). Copy supplied.

Supreme Court of Ohio Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness, Board Meeting (July 9, 2024). Copy of redacted meeting minutes supplied.

Supreme Court of Ohio Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness, Board Meeting (Feb. 9, 2024). Copy of redacted meeting minutes supplied.

Supreme Court of Ohio Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness, Board Meeting (Oct. 12, 2023). Copy of redacted meeting minutes supplied.

Supreme Court of Ohio Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness, Board Meeting (July 7, 2023). Copy of redacted meeting minutes supplied.

Supreme Court of Ohio Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness, Board Meeting (Feb. 3, 2023). Copy of redacted meeting minutes supplied.

Supreme Court of Ohio Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness, Board Meeting (Dec. 16, 2022). Copy of redacted meeting minutes supplied.

Supreme Court of Ohio Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness, Board Meeting (July 20, 2022). Copy of redacted meeting minutes supplied.

Supreme Court of Ohio Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness, Board Meeting (July 8, 2022). Copy of redacted meeting minutes supplied.

Supreme Court of Ohio Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness, Board Meeting (Mar. 31, 2022). Copy of redacted meeting minutes supplied.

Supreme Court of Ohio Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness, Board Meeting (Feb. 4, 2022). Copy of redacted meeting minutes supplied.

In 2020, I responded to a “Judicial Votes Count” survey. Copy supplied.

In 2020, I responded to Ohio Right to Life PAC’s “2020 Judicial Candidate Confidential Personal Opinion Survey.” Copy supplied.

In 2020, I responded to Cincinnati Right to Life PAC's candidate survey. Copy supplied.

In 2020, I responded to the Clermont County Republican Party's judicial candidate survey. Copy supplied.

In 2020, I responded to the Clermont County Republican Party's generic candidate survey. Copy supplied.

In 2020, I responded to the Brown County Republican Party's candidate survey. Copy supplied.

In 2020, I responded to the Buckeye Firearms Association PAC's candidate survey. Copy supplied.

In 2020, I responded to the Center for Christian Virtue meet-the-candidates survey. Copy supplied.

On January 31, 2020, I responded to the Right to Life Action Coalition of Ohio candidate survey. On February 10, 2020, and February 12, 2020, I provided supplemental responses. Initial and supplemental responses supplied.

d. Supply copies, transcripts or recordings of all speeches or talks delivered by you including commencement speeches, remarks, lectures, panel discussions, conferences, political speeches, and question-and-answer sessions. Include the date and place where they were delivered, and readily available press reports about the speech or talk. If you do not have a copy of the speech or a transcript or recording of your remarks, give the name and address of the group before whom the speech was given, the date of the speech, and a summary of its subject matter. If you did not speak from a prepared text, furnish a copy of any outline or notes from which you spoke.

During my time as a judge and as a candidate, I have spoken to countless organizations. These talks were often short and extemporaneous, so I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I do not recall every speech I have ever given. Below represents my best efforts to identify my specific speeches, regardless of the capacity in which I spoke.

April 29, 2026: Panel moderator, "Panel Discussion on Free Speech and Universities," Supreme Court of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio. Outline supplied.

April 24, 2026: Speaker, "Presiding Judge Remarks," Ohio Twelfth Appellate Judicial District Conference, Mason, Ohio. Script supplied.

April 13, 2026: Panelist, "Question and Answer Session with Students After Oral Arguments," Ohio Twelfth District Court of Appeals, Eaton, Ohio. I answered student questions about the court of appeals and spoke about my career and work on the court. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Ohio Twelfth District Court of Appeals is 1001 Reinartz Boulevard, Middletown, Ohio 45042.

March 23, 2026: Guest lecturer, "Government Class," Sinclair Community College State and Local Government Class, Dayton, Ohio. I spoke about the work of the court of appeals and the Ohio court system. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Sinclair Community College is 444 West Third Street, Dayton, Ohio 45402.

March 23, 2026: Guest lecturer, "Writing Class," University of Dayton Legal Writing Class, Dayton, Ohio. Outline supplied.

March 3, 2026: Panel member, "Judicial Panel," Ohio Insurance Institute Continuing Legal Education Symposium, Columbus, Ohio. I answered the moderator's questions about my career and the work of the court of appeals. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Ohio Insurance Institute is 172 East State Street, Suite 201, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

March 2, 2026: Panelist, "Question and Answer Session with Students After Oral Arguments," Ohio Twelfth District Court of Appeals, Washington Court House, Ohio. I answered student questions about the court of appeals and spoke about my career and work on the court. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Ohio Twelfth District Court of Appeals is 1001 Reinartz Boulevard, Middletown, Ohio 45042.

February 12, 2026: Speaker, "Endorsement Meeting Speeches," Brown County Republican Party Central Committee, Georgetown, Ohio. I gave a brief speech asking for endorsement for reelection. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Brown County Republican Party.

February 10, 2026: Speaker, "Endorsement Meeting Speeches," Preble County Republican Party Central Committee, Eaton, Ohio. I gave a brief speech asking for endorsement for reelection. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Preble County Republican Party.

February 3, 2026: Speaker, "Endorsement Meeting Speeches," Madison County Republican Party Central Committee, London, Ohio. I gave a brief speech asking for endorsement for reelection. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Madison County Republican Party.

January 26, 2026: Speaker, "Comments," Preble County Republican Women's Club Annual Dinner, London, Ohio. I gave brief remarks about my campaign for reelection. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Preble County Republican Women's Club.

January 21, 2026: Speaker, "The Twelfth District Court of Appeals," Brown County Republican Women's Club Meeting, Georgetown, Ohio. Judge Melena Siebert and I spoke about the work of Ohio's courts of appeals, how courts of appeals differ from trial courts, and new developments at the Twelfth District. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Brown County Republican

Women's Club.

January 19, 2026: Speaker, "Comments," Lebanon Public Library Board Meeting, Lebanon, Ohio. I gave brief remarks on the importance of public service and taking an oath before swearing-in the new members of the library board. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Lebanon Public Library is 101 South Broadway, Lebanon, Ohio 45036.

January 17, 2026: Speaker, "Endorsement Meeting Speeches," Clermont County Republican Party Central Committee Endorsement Screening Committee Meeting, Batavia, Ohio. I gave a brief speech asking for endorsement for reelection. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Clermont County Republican Party is 197 East Main Street, Batavia, Ohio 45103.

January 10, 2026: Speaker, "Endorsement Meeting Speeches," Butler County Republican Party Central Committee Meeting, Monroe, Ohio. I gave a brief speech asking for endorsement for reelection. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Butler County Republican Party is 4347 Roosevelt Boulevard, Unit A, Middletown, Ohio 45044.

January 8, 2026: Speaker, "Endorsement Meeting Speeches," Warren County Republican Party Central Committee Meeting, Lebanon, Ohio. I gave a brief speech asking for endorsement for reelection. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Warren County Republican Party is 101 Dave Avenue, Suite A-1, Lebanon, Ohio 45036.

January 7, 2026: Speaker, "Endorsement Meeting Speeches," Butler County Republican Party Central Committee Screening Committee Meeting, Middletown, Ohio. I gave a brief speech asking for endorsement for reelection. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Butler County Republican Party is 4347 Roosevelt Boulevard, Unit A, Middletown, Ohio 45044.

January 6, 2026: Speaker, "Comments," Liberty Township Board of Trustees Meeting, Lebanon, Ohio. I gave brief remarks on the importance of public service and taking an oath before swearing in the newly-elected members of the Board of Trustees. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Liberty Township Board of Trustees is 5021 Winners Circle Drive, Liberty Township, Ohio 45011.

December 21, 2025: Speaker, "Comments," Cub Scouts Pack at my church. I spoke to a Webelos den meeting about the work of judges and the courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the church is omitted to protect personal privacy information.

December 12, 2025: Speaker, "Comments," Blackstone Legal Fellowship Columbus Alumni Chapter, Columbus, Ohio. I spoke about my career path to the bench, the Ohio Constitution, and the work of appeals court judges. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Blackstone Legal Fellowship is 15100 North 90th Street,

Scottsdale, Arizona 85260.

December 8, 2025: I spoke about my campaign for reelection as judge at my own campaign fundraiser in Monroe, Ohio. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of my judicial campaign is Post Office Box 100, Kings Mills, Ohio 45034.

December 1, 2025: Speaker, "Comments," Maineville Village Council Meeting, Maineville, Ohio. I gave brief remarks on the importance of public service and taking an oath before swearing in the newly-elected members of the Village Council. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Village of Maineville is 8133 South State Route 48, Maineville, Ohio 45039.

November 21, 2025: Participant, "Classroom to Courtroom," Mason City School District, Mason, Ohio. I participated in a program for 7th through 12th grade public school students to learn about legal careers. The event was conducted in a rotating, small group format. I discussed my legal career, work on the court of appeals, and other legal careers. I also answered student questions. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Mason City School District is 211 North East Street, Mason, Ohio 45040.

November 11, 2025: Speaker, "Court of Appeals Issues," Jackson Lewis P.C., Cincinnati, Ohio. Outline supplied.

November 11, 2025: Speaker, "Marsy's Law Appellate Rules Amendments," Butler County Bar Association Criminal Law Seminar, Hamilton, Ohio. As a member of the Commission on the Rules of Practice and Procedure, I summarized the recent amendments to the Rules of Practice and Procedure approved by the Ohio Supreme Court and confirmed by the General Assembly related to Marsy's Law. I also delivered a shortened version of the discussion on Ohio State Constitutional Law that I delivered to the same organization on October 30, 2025, using that slide deck as my outline. Outline and slides supplied.

October 30, 2025: Speaker, "Ohio State Constitutional Law," Butler County Bar Association, Hamilton, Ohio. Slides supplied.

October 14, 2025: Speaker, "Remarks at Freedom Rally and Prayer Vigil for Charlie Kirk," Brown County Republican Women's Club and other organizations, Mount Orab, Ohio. Audio recording supplied.

October 8, 2025: Panel Member, "The Declaration at 250, the Constitution at 237," Federalist Society University of Cincinnati College of Law Student Chapter, Cincinnati, Ohio. I answered the moderator's questions about the upcoming 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, focusing on how the Declaration of Independence influenced the development of state constitutional law. A video recording is available at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xo8MQ6Q8Xq4>.

September 16, 2025: Speaker, "Ohio State Constitutional Law," Federalist Society

University of Akron School of Law Student Chapter, Akron, Ohio. Notes and slides supplied.

September 15, 2025: Panelist, "Question and Answer Session with Students After Oral Arguments," Ohio Twelfth District Court of Appeals, Oxford, Ohio. I answered student questions about the court of appeals and spoke about my career and work on the court. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Ohio Twelfth District Court of Appeals is 1001 Reinartz Boulevard, Middletown, Ohio 45042.

September 10, 2025: Speaker, "Ohio Constitutional Law Issues," Ohio Court of Appeals Judges Association Meeting, Columbus, Ohio. Slides supplied.

September 9, 2025: Presenter, "Update on the Commission on the Rules of Practice and Procedure," Ohio Court of Appeals Judges Association Board Meeting, Columbus, Ohio. I provided an update on the Commission on the Rules of Practice and Procedure. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Ohio Court of Appeals Judges Association is 65 South Front Street, 4th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

June 20, 2025: Panel Member, "Midwestern State Court Round Up," Federalist Society Midwestern Chapters Conference, Detroit, Michigan. Outline supplied.

May 26, 2025: Speaker, "Jeffersonville Memorial Day Ceremony," Jeffersonville, Ohio. Prepared text supplied.

May 15, 2025: Co-Presenter, "New Judges Orientation: Part 2," Ohio Judicial College, Columbus, Ohio. I provided comments on an as-needed basis during other judges' presentations. I may have also presented particular topics, but after a search of my records I have been unable to determine what topics I addressed. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Ohio Judicial College is Supreme Court of Ohio, 65 South Front Street, Columbus, OH 43215.

May 8, 2025: Speaker, "Update: Ohio Supreme Court Certified Conflict Cases," Ohio Court of Appeals Judges Association, Perrysville, Ohio. Slides supplied.

May 7, 2025: Presenter, "Update on the Commission on the Rules of Practice and Procedure," Ohio Court of Appeals Judges Association Board Meeting, Loudonville, Ohio. I provided an update on the Commission on the Rules of Practice and Procedure. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Ohio Court of Appeals Judges Association is 65 South Front Street, 4th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

April 14, 2025: Speaker, "Remarks," Clinton County Republican Women's Club, Wilmington, Ohio. I spoke about state constitutional law and the Ohio Constitution. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Clinton County Republican Women's Club.

March 31, 2025: Speaker, "Remarks," St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church Scouts

BSA Troop 85, Beavercreek, Ohio. I spoke to members of the Scouts BSA Troop about running for office, the structure of government and the Constitution, and the work of the courts of appeals. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church is 1440 North Fairfield Road, Beavercreek, Ohio 45432.

March 3, 2025: Panelist, “Question and Answer Session with Students After Oral Arguments,” Ohio Twelfth District Court of Appeals, Georgetown, Ohio. I answered student questions about the court of appeals and spoke about my career and work on the court. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Ohio Twelfth District Court of Appeals is 1001 Reinartz Boulevard, Middletown, Ohio 45042.

January 12, 2025: Speaker, “Comments,” Cub Scouts Pack at my church. I spoke to a Webelos den meeting about the work of judges and the courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the church is omitted to protect personal privacy information.

December 10–11, 2024: Co-Presenter, “New Judges Orientation: Part 1,” Ohio Judicial College, Dayton, Ohio. I presented to new court of appeals judges on the following topics: “being an appellate judge,” “group discussion on transitioning to the bench,” “the appellate record,” “plain error,” and “structural error.” I also provided comments on an as-needed basis during other judges’ presentations. Slides and written materials supplied.

November 24, 2024: Speaker, “Comments,” Cub Scouts Pack 24, Colerain Township, Ohio. I spoke to a Webelos den meeting about the work of judges and the courts. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Dan Beard Council of Scouting America is 10078 Reading Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45241.

November 19, 2024: Speaker, “A Conversation About Law and Catholicism: The Court’s Good Servant, But God’s First,” St. Thomas More Catholic Society at the University of Cincinnati College of Law, Cincinnati, Ohio. Outline supplied.

October 22, 2024: Speaker, “Beyond the Bench: An In-Depth Look at Ohio’s Constitution with Judge Matthew R. Byrne,” Federalist Society University of Dayton School of Law Student Chapter, Dayton, Ohio. Prepared text supplied.

October 17, 2024: Speaker, “Remarks,” Southern Hills Kiwanis Club, Georgetown, Ohio. I spoke about state constitutional law, the Ohio Constitution, and the courts of appeals. I have no notes, transcript, or outline. The address of the Southern Hills Kiwanis Club is 207 West Grant Avenue, Georgetown, Ohio 45121.

October 15, 2024: Speaker, “Comments,” Second Amendment Coalition, Monroe, Ohio. I briefly spoke about the work of the court of appeals. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Second Amendment Coalition.

September 28, 2024: Speaker, “Veterans Appreciation Event,” First Baptist Church, South Lebanon, Ohio. I spoke about the appreciation we owe to U.S. military veterans. I

have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of First Baptist Church is 505 Mason Road, South Lebanon, Ohio 45065.

September 17, 2024: Presenter, "Update on the Commission on the Rules of Practice and Procedure," Ohio Court of Appeals Judges Association Board Meeting, Columbus, Ohio. I provided an update on the Commission on the Rules of Practice and Procedure. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Ohio Court of Appeals Judges Association is 65 South Front Street, 4th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

September 10, 2024: Speaker, "What Does the Court of Appeals Do?," Lebanon Kiwanis Club, Lebanon, Ohio. Slides (used as outline) supplied.

September 4, 2024: Panel Member, "Top 10 Reasons for Reversal," Ohio Association of Magistrates, Columbus, Ohio. Outline supplied.

August 22, 2024: Speaker, "Court of Appeals Issues," Frost Brown Todd LLC Appellate Practice Group, West Chester, Township, Ohio. Outline supplied.

August 9, 2024: Speaker, "Administrative Law Developments," Center-Right Coalition Meeting, Sycamore Township, Ohio. Prepared text supplied.

May 14, 2024: Speaker, "Constitution Class," my children's school. I spoke to the fourth-grade classes about the Constitution, the separation of powers, checks and balances, and the work of courts and answered students' questions. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the school is omitted to protect personal privacy information.

November 23, 2023: Speaker, "Remarks," Butler County Republican Party Zone 2 Region (Hamilton area), Hamilton, Ohio. I likely spoke about the work of the court of appeals and the Ohio Constitution. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Butler County Republican Party is 4347 Roosevelt Boulevard, Unit A, Middletown, Ohio 45044.

October 23, 2023: Speaker, "Independent Authority: A Conversation on State Constitutions with the Honorable Matthew R. Byrne," The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Columbus, Ohio. Speech supplied.

September 15, 2023: Speaker, "The Ohio Constitution: What Law School Didn't Teach You," Clermont County Bar Association, Batavia, Ohio. Slides supplied.

July 14, 2023: Speaker, "State Constitutional Law," Goldwater Institute American Freedom Network Conference, Chicago, Illinois. Speech supplied.

June 6, 2023: Speaker, "The Ohio Constitution: What School House Rock Didn't Teach You," Preble County Republican Party Central Committee, Eaton, Ohio. Slides supplied.

May 22, 2023: Speaker, "The Ohio Courts of Appeal and the Ohio Constitution: What

School House Rock Didn't Teach You," Eaton Rotary Club, Eaton, Ohio. Slides supplied.

April 24, 2023: Speaker, "The U.S. Constitution and the Ohio Constitution: What School House Rock Didn't Teach You," Republican Women of Warren County Dinner Meeting, Lebanon, Ohio. Slides supplied.

April 21, 2023: Moderator, "Breakfast Panel: Displaying Courage as Law Students and Young Lawyers," Federalist Society Ohio Chapters Conference, Columbus, Ohio. Outline supplied.

April 1, 2023: Speaker, "The Ohio Constitution: What School House Rock Didn't Teach You," Warren County Conservatives Meeting, Lebanon, Ohio. Slides supplied.

March 17, 2023: Officiant, Swearing-in of Butler County Treasurer Michael McNamara, Butler County Treasurer's Office, Hamilton, Ohio. I gave brief remarks on the importance of public service and taking an oath before swearing in the newly-elected county treasurer. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Butler County Treasurer Michael McNamara is 315 High Street, 10th Floor, Hamilton, Ohio 45011.

February 1, 2023: Speaker, "The Ohio Constitution: What School House Rock Didn't Teach You," Fraternal Order of Police Associates Lodge #21, Hamilton, Ohio. Slides supplied.

January 18, 2023: Speaker, remarks to the Brown County Republican Women's Club, Georgetown, Ohio. I likely spoke about the work of the court of appeals and the Ohio Constitution. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Brown County Republican Women's Club.

October 27, 2022: Speaker, "Courts and the Ohio Constitution: What School House Rock Didn't Teach You," St. Augustine Catholic Church Knights of Columbus Council Number 17092, Waynesville, Ohio. Slides supplied.

September 16, 2022: Speaker, "Remarks," County Auditors' Association of Ohio, Southwest Ohio Auditors District, Mount Orab, Ohio. I spoke about state constitutional law and the Ohio Constitution. The address of the County Auditors' Association of Ohio is 66 East Lynn Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

August 30, 2022: Panelist, "Welcome to the Legal Profession," University of Cincinnati College of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Cincinnati, Ohio. I participated in a panel discussion about law careers targeted at new first-year law students. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

June 14, 2022: Speaker, "Flag Day Speech," Preble County Republican Women's Club, Eaton, Ohio. Speech supplied.

May 10, 2022: Speaker, "The Ohio Constitution: What School House Rock Didn't Teach You," Northeast Hamilton County Republican Women's Club, Symmes Township, Ohio. Slides supplied.

May 9, 2022: Speaker, "The Ohio Constitution: What School House Rock Didn't Teach You," Butler County Republican Women's Club, Georgetown, Ohio. Slides supplied.

April 28, 2022: Speaker, "The Ohio Constitution: What School House Rock Didn't Teach You," Middletown Kiwanis Club, Middletown, Ohio. Slides supplied.

April 1, 2022: Moderator, "Breakfast Panel: Advice for Young Lawyers," Federalist Society Ohio Chapters Conference, Columbus, Ohio. Outline supplied.

March 31, 2022: Speaker, "Constitution Class," my children's school. I spoke to the fourth-grade classes about the Constitution, the separation of powers, checks and balances, and the work of courts and answered students' questions. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the school is omitted to protect personal privacy information.

March 9, 2022: Speaker, "The Role of State Appellate Courts in Our Federal System," University of Akron School of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Akron, Ohio. Speech supplied.

February 23, 2022: Speaker, "The Ohio Constitution: What School House Rock Didn't Teach You," Lindenwald Kiwanis Club of Hamilton/Fairfield, Hamilton, Ohio. Slides supplied.

January 29, 2022: Speaker, "Remarks," Madison County Republican Women's Club, London, Ohio. I spoke about my work on the Twelfth District Court of Appeals and the Ohio Constitution. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Madison County Republican Women's Club.

November 4, 2021: Speaker, "Dinner for Law Students," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter and University of Cincinnati College of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Montgomery, Ohio. Speech supplied.

September 23, 2021: Moderator, "SCOTUS Round-Up," University of Cincinnati College of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Cincinnati, Ohio. Outline supplied.

June 29, 2021: Speaker, "The Ohio Constitution: What School House Rock Didn't Teach You," Middletown Area Republican Club, Middletown, Ohio. Slides supplied.

May 7, 2021: Speaker, "Opening Remarks," Federalist Society Ohio Chapters Conference, Columbus, Ohio. Video recording available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RqPcVgiQGDC&t=122s>.

April 30, 2021: Panel Presenter, “A Panel Discussion on Briefing, Oral Arguments, and Appellate Practice in the Twelfth District Court of Appeals,” Twelfth District Appellate Judicial Conference, online-only conference. Remarks supplied.

April 22, 2021: Panel Presenter, “Remarks,” University of Cincinnati Federalist Society Student Chapter, online-only panel. I joined a panel of speakers for an online discussion of legal careers. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

April 20, 2021 (estimate): Speaker, “Remarks to the Litigation Drafting Class,” Northern Kentucky University Chase College of Law. I spoke to a “Litigation Drafting” class via Zoom. I focused my talk on appellate briefs. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Chase College of Law is 1 Nunn Drive, 216 Nunn Hall, Highland Heights, Kentucky 41099.

December 30, 2020: Judge, “Swearing-In Ceremony of Judge Matthew R. Byrne,” Ohio Twelfth District Court of Appeals, Middletown, Ohio. Notes supplied and video recording available at <https://www.youtube.com/live/ozyNiDRMXaw>.

October 30, 2020: Webinar Panel Member, “The State of Deference in the States: The End of Deference?,” American Bar Association’s Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice Section, online-only webinar. Video recording available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GTvqduMljR0>.

October 27, 2020: Speaker, “Candidates Forum,” Madison County Republican Women’s Club, London, Ohio. I spoke about my candidacy for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Madison County Republican Women’s Club.

October 24, 2020 (estimate): Speaker, “Remarks,” Clermont County Republican Party Central Committee, Batavia, Ohio. I spoke about my candidacy for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Clermont County Republican Party Central Committee is 197 East Main Street, Batavia, Ohio 45103.

October 22, 2020: “Remarks,” Matthew Byrne for Court of Appeals Committee, Liberty Township, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for reelection as judge at my own campaign fundraiser. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of my judicial campaign is Post Office Box 100, Kings Mills, Ohio 45034.

October 14, 2020 (estimate): Speaker, “Remarks,” Preble County Republican Party Central Committee, Eaton, Ohio. I spoke about my candidacy for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Preble County Republican Party.

September 30, 2020 (estimate): Speaker, “Remarks,” Harvest Baptist Church Freedom

Conference, Waynesville, Ohio. Slides supplied.

September 19, 2020: Speaker, "Remarks," Union Township (Clermont County) Republican Club, Union Township, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Union Township Republican Club.

August 8, 2020 (estimate): Speaker, "Remarks," Madison County Republican Party Central Committee, London, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Madison County Republican Party.

July 27, 2020: Speaker, "Remarks," Clinton County Republican Party Central Committee, Wilmington, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Clinton County Republican Party.

July 27, 2020: Speaker, "Remarks," Warren County Republican Party Central Committee, Lebanon, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Warren County Republican Party Central Committee is 101 Dave Avenue, Suite A-1, Lebanon, Ohio 45036.

February 29, 2020: Speaker, "Candidates Forum," Calvary Christian Center Church, Hamilton, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Calvary Christian Center Church is 2355 Jacksonburg Road, Hamilton, Ohio 45011.

February 26, 2020: Speaker, "Candidates Forum," Brown County Press, Georgetown, Ohio. A video recording is available on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=226819198496943>.

February 15, 2020: Speaker, "Candidates Forum," Union Township (Clermont County) Republican Club, Union Township, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Union Township Republican Club.

February 7, 2020: Speaker, "Remarks," Matthew Byrne for Court of Appeals Committee, Mason Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge at my own campaign fundraiser. I have no transcript, recording, outline, or notes. The address of my judicial campaign is Post Office Box 100, Kings Mills, Ohio, 45034.

February 4, 2020: Panelist, "Candidates Forum," West Chester Tea Party, West Chester Township, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the West Chester Tea Party.

February 1, 2020 (estimate): Speaker, "Remarks," Preble County Republican Party

Central Committee, Eaton, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Preble County Republican Party.

February 1, 2020 (estimate): Speaker, "Remarks," Brown County Republican Party Central Committee, Georgetown, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Brown County Republican Party.

January 30, 2020: Speaker, "Remarks," Brown County Republican Party Central Committee, Georgetown, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Brown County Republican Party.

January 18, 2020: Speaker, "Remarks," Matthew Byrne for Court of Appeals Committee, West Chester Township, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for reelection as judge at my own campaign fundraiser. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of my judicial campaign is Post Office Box 100, Kings Mills, Ohio 45034.

January 15, 2020 (estimate): Speaker, "Remarks," Schroeder, Maundrell, Barbieri & Powers law firm, Mason, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Schroeder, Maundrell, Barbieri & Powers is 5300 Socialville-Foster Road, Suite 200, Mason, Ohio 45040.

January 8, 2020: Speaker, "Remarks," Matthew Byrne for Court of Appeals Committee, Cincinnati, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for reelection as judge at my own campaign fundraiser. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of my judicial campaign is Post Office Box 100, Kings Mills, Ohio 45034.

January 7, 2020: Speaker, "Remarks," Madison County Republican Party Central Committee, London, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Madison County Republican Party.

December 10, 2019 (estimate): Speaker, "Remarks," Brown County Republican Party Christmas Party, Georgetown, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Brown County Republican Party.

November 21, 2019 (estimate): Speaker, "Remarks," Clermont County Republican Party Central Committee, Batavia, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Clermont County Republican Party is 197 East Main Street, Batavia, Ohio 45103.

November 20, 2019 (estimate): Speaker, "Remarks," Butler County Republican Party Central Committee, Monroe, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no

notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Butler County Republican Party is 4347 Roosevelt Boulevard, Unit A, Middletown, Ohio 45044.

November 14, 2019: Speaker, "Remarks," Warren County Republican Party Central Committee, Lebanon, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Warren County Republican Party is 101 Dave Avenue, Suite A-1, Lebanon, Ohio 45036.

October 29, 2019: Speaker, "Remarks," Middletown Area Republican Club Candidates Forum, Middletown, Ohio. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The Middletown Area Republican Club does not have an address because the club is no longer in operation.

October 4, 2019: Speaker, "Remarks," Matthew Byrne for Court of Appeals Committee, Mason, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for reelection as judge at a joint fundraiser for my campaign and two other judicial candidates in Mason, Ohio. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of my judicial campaign is Post Office Box 100, Kings Mills, Ohio 45034.

October 2, 2019: Speaker, "Remarks," Miami University College Republicans Club meeting, Oxford, Ohio. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Miami University is 501 East High Street, Oxford, Ohio 45056.

September 19, 2019 (estimate): Speaker, "Remarks," Clermont County Republican Party Central Committee, Batavia, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Clermont County Republican Party is 197 East Main Street, Batavia, Ohio 45103.

September 13, 2019: Speaker, "Patriot Fair: The Constitution Experience," Garfield Middle School, Hamilton, Ohio. I spoke about our country's constitutional system of government to middle school students. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Garfield Middle School is 250 North Fair Avenue, Hamilton, Ohio 45011.

August 22, 2019: Speaker, "Remarks," Brown County Republican Party Central Committee, Georgetown, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Brown County Republican Party.

August 21, 2019: Speaker, "Remarks," Clermont County Republican Party Central Committee, Batavia, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Clermont County Republican Party is 197 East Main Street, Batavia, Ohio 45103.

August 17, 2019: Speaker, "Remarks," Brown County Republican Party Fall Picnic, Hamilton, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Brown County Republican

Party.

August 8, 2019: Speaker, "Remarks," Fayette County Republican Party Central Committee, Washington Court House, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Fayette County Republican Party.

August 7, 2019 (estimate): Speaker, "Remarks," Madison County Republican Party Central Committee, London, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Madison County Republican Party.

August 6, 2019: Speaker, "Remarks," Preble County Chamber of Commerce Breakfast, Eaton, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Preble County Chamber of Commerce is 122 West Decatur Street, Suite A, Eaton, Ohio.

July 21, 2019 (estimate): Speaker, "Remarks," Middletown Area Republican Club Candidates Forum, Middletown, Ohio. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The Middletown Area Republican Club does not have an address because the club is no longer in operation.

June 12, 2019: Speaker, "Reagan and the Brandenburg Gates Speech 32 Years Later," EmpowerU, Cincinnati, Ohio. Outline supplied.

June 11, 2019 (estimate): Speaker, "President Trump's Federal Judicial Nominations," Lebanon Kiwanis Club, Lebanon, Ohio. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Lebanon Kiwanis Club.

June 10, 2019 (estimate): Speaker, "President Trump's Federal Judicial Nominations," Fayette County Republican Party Central Committee, Washington Court House, Ohio. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Fayette County Republican Party.

June 1, 2019: Speaker, "Remarks," "We the People" Constitution Day Scholarship Fundraiser, Fayetteville, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. This even was organized by a private individual who has since died.

April 5, 2019: Presenter, "Introduction of Attorney General Dave Yost," Federalist Society's Inaugural Ohio Chapters Conference, Columbus, Ohio. Video recording available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wMqKsR0pFMQ>.

April 5, 2019: Moderator, "Panel: Emerging Religious Liberty Issues in Ohio," Federalist Society Ohio Chapters Conference, Columbus, Ohio. Video recording available at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bc3eXVsimTY>.

March 25, 2019: Speaker, "President Trump's Impact on the Federal Judiciary," Middletown Area Republican Club, Middletown, Ohio. Slides supplied.

March 22, 2019: Speaker, "Remarks," Brown County Republican Party Lincoln Reagan Dinner, Mount Orab, Ohio. I spoke about my campaign for judge. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Brown County Republican Party.

March 8, 2019: Speaker, "President Trump's Impact on the Federal Judiciary," Center-Right Coalition Meeting, Sycamore Township, Ohio. Slides supplied.

March 6, 2019 (estimate): Panelist, "Law Schools and Legal Careers," Xavier University Pre-Law Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. I spoke about my legal career and experiences in law school. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Xavier University is 3800 Victory Parkway, Cincinnati, Ohio 45207.

February 28, 2019: Speaker, "President Trump's Impact on the Federal Judiciary," Northern Kentucky Tea Party, Covington, Kentucky or a nearby city. Slides attached.

January 16, 2019: Speaker, "Introductory remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Justice R. Patrick DeWine at a chapter event. Justice DeWine's speech was titled "What's Going on in Ohio's State Courts." I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

October 30, 2018: Speaker, "President Trump's Impact on the Federal Judiciary," EmpowerU, Cincinnati, Ohio. Slides supplied.

October 4, 2018: Speaker, "Effective Anti-Harassment Policies," Federal Bar Association John W. Peck Chapter, Cincinnati, Ohio. Slides supplied.

August 28, 2018: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced attorney Justin Reed Walker at a chapter event. Mr. Walker's speech was titled "The Kavanaugh Nomination and the Future of the United States Supreme Court." I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

August 21, 2018: Speaker, "President Trump's Impact on the Federal Judiciary," Cincinnati East Tea Party, Cincinnati, Ohio. Slides supplied.

July 25, 2018: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Judge Jeffrey S. Sutton at a chapter event. Judge

Sutton's speech was titled "51 Imperfect Solutions: States and the Making of American Constitutional Law." I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

April 6, 2018: Presenter, "Introduction of 'Lunch Discussion: *Janus v. AFSCME*' Panel and Moderator," Federalist Society Ohio Chapters Conference, Columbus, Ohio. Video recording available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LH2Rxu0Pf-s>.

April 6, 2018: Presenter, "Introduction of Analyzing Ohio's Judicial System and the Ohio Supreme Court' Panel and Moderator," Federalist Society Ohio Chapters Conference, Columbus, Ohio. Video recording available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eKKXWJiCBEQ>.

March 28, 2018: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Edward Whelan at a chapter event. Mr. Whelan's speech was titled "Book Discussion – Scalia Speaks." I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

March 15, 2018: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Professor Josh Blackman at a chapter event. Professor Blackman's speech was titled "Richard Cordray, Donald Trump, and the CFPB: Constitutional Questions." I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

February 22, 2018: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced the panelists, Amanda H. Neeley, Professor Christopher Walker, and Stephen White, at a chapter event. The panel discussion was titled, "A Panel Discussion on Federal District Court Vacancies." I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

January 25, 2018: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Ilya Shapiro at a chapter event. Mr. Shapiro's speech was titled "Nominations: Where are President Trump and the Senate Taking the Courts?" I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

January 4, 2018: Speaker, "Top 10 Employment Law Developments of 2017," Butler-Warren Society for Human Resources Management, Blue Ash, Ohio. Slides supplied.

October 11, 2017: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the

Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Professor Bradley A. Smith at a chapter event. Professor Smith's speech was titled "Analyzing *Gill v. Whitford*." I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

August 9, 2017: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Eric E. Murphy at a chapter event. Mr. Murphy's speech was titled "United States Supreme Court Review and Preview." I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

May 19, 2017: Speaker, "Probable Effects of Justice Gorsuch's Appointment on Labor/Employment Law," Ohio Management Lawyers Association, Columbus, Ohio. Slides supplied.

May 4, 2017: Speaker, "Justice Antonin Scalia's Life and Impact on the Law," EmpowerU, Cincinnati, Ohio. Slides supplied.

April 26, 2017: Speaker, "Nightmare # 1: Hiring and Recruitment Mistakes That Lead To Trouble," National Business Institute, Cincinnati, Ohio. I likely spoke about commonly recurring practices in hiring and employment that may lead to employment liability. I have no notes, transcript or recording. The address of the National Business Institute is Post Office Box 3067, Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54702.

March 31, 2017: Presenter, "Opening Remarks and Introduction of 'Convention of the States' Panel and Moderator," Federalist Society Inaugural Ohio Chapters Conference, Columbus, Ohio. Video recording available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D3v025I2i6s&t=236s>.

January 25, 2017: Speaker, "Best Practices to Identify and Reduce Employment Law Risk in 2017," Pro-Bono Partnership of Ohio, online webinar. Slides supplied.

January 25, 2017: Speaker, "Introduction to Employment Law: What Do I Need to Know?," Warren County Bar Association, Lebanon, Ohio. I spoke about general employment laws relevant to attorneys. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Warren County Bar Association is 500 Justice Drive, Lebanon, Ohio 45036.

January 25, 2017: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Justice Sharon L. Kennedy at a chapter event. The event was titled, "2017 Programming Kickoff Happy Hour." I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

October 13, 2016: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Professor John O. McGinnis at a chapter event. Professor McGinnis' speech was titled "Reclaiming Congress' Role Against the Administrative State." I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

September 14, 2016: Speaker, "NOW What Do They Want!: Helping Employers Address the Expansion of Employment Laws and Regulations," Warren County Area Progress Council, Springboro, Ohio. Prepared text supplied.

September 8, 2016: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Eric E. Murphy at a chapter event. Mr. Murphy's speech was titled "United States Supreme Court Review and Preview." I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

July 26, 2016: Speaker, "The DOL Worked Overtime to Revise White Collar Exemptions: Are You Ready?," Pro Bono Partnership of Ohio, Cincinnati, Ohio. Copy supplied.

May 24, 2016: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Paul DeCamp at a chapter event. Mr. DeCamp's speech was titled "Who Needs Congress?: The Labor Department's Rulemaking and Sub-Regulatory Efforts." I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

April 19, 2016: Speaker, "Here It Comes: Revisions to the DOL Regulations on Overtime & Your Organization," 2016 Annual Convocation of the National Association of Church Personnel Administrators, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Slides supplied.

March 8, 2016: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced panelists at a chapter event. The panel discussion was titled, "Panel Discussion: What is the Legacy of Justice Antonin Scalia?" The panelists were Judge Jeffrey S. Sutton, Eric Murphy, Benjamin C. Glassman, and Benjamin M. Flowers. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

February 24, 2016: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced William L. Messenger at a chapter event. Mr. Messenger's speech was titled "Free Riders or Free Speech?: *Friedrichs v. California*

Teachers Association and Compulsory Union Fees in the Public Sector.” I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

December 3, 2015: Speaker, “Introductory Remarks,” Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Clark Forsythe at a chapter event. Mr. Forsythe’s speech was titled “Abuse of Discretion: The Inside Story of *Roe v. Wade*.” I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

November 30, 2015: Speaker, “What’s in a Name?: Exempt/Non-Exempt and Employee/Independent Contractor Classifications,” Pro Bono Partnership of Ohio, online-only webinar. I spoke about wage and hour law and independent contractor issues relevant to employers. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. An address for the Pro Bono Partnership of Ohio is 255 East Fifth Street, Suite 1900 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.

November 18, 2015: Speaker, “Minimizing Exposure to Wage and Benefit Discrimination Claims,” National Business Institute, Union Township, Ohio. I spoke about ways to minimize legal risk with regard to wage and hour law and benefits law. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the National Business Institute is Post Office Box 3067, Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54702.

November 18, 2015: Speaker, “Employee Classifications: Ensuring Correct Status,” National Business Institute, Union Township, Ohio. I spoke and employee classification issues in the wage and hour law context. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the National Business Institute is Post Office Box 3067, Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54702.

August 26, 2015: Speaker, “Avoiding Wage and Hour Violations (and the \$50,000 Question),” Warren County Bar Association, Lebanon, Ohio. I spoke about wage and hour law issues, including potential violations to be avoided. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Warren County Bar Association is 500 Justice Drive, Lebanon, Ohio 4506.

August 5, 2015: Speaker, “Introductory Remarks,” Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Eric Murphy at a chapter event. Mr. Murphy’s speech was titled “United States Supreme Court Round Up.” I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

July 1, 2015: Speaker, “Introductory Remarks,” Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Attorney General Mike DeWine at a chapter event. Attorney General DeWine’s speech was titled “A Report from the Ohio Attorney

General.” I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

May 20, 2015: Speaker, “Season Opener: What’s New in 2014?,” Jackson Lewis P.C. client seminar, Cincinnati, Ohio. I have no record of the specific employment law topics I addressed. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Jackson Lewis, P.C. is 44 South Broadway, 14th Floor, White Plains, New York, 10601.

May 20, 2015: Speaker, “Preparing for the Release of the Proposed New White Collar Exemption Regulation,” Jackson Lewis P.C. client seminar. I spoke about the Department of Labor’s announced revisions to the white collar exemption. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of Jackson Lewis, P.C. is 44 South Broadway, 14th Floor, White Plains, New York, 10601.

May 13, 2015: Speaker, “Introductory Remarks,” Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Robert Alt at a chapter event. Mr. Alt’s speech was titled “Overcriminalization: One Nation Under Arrest?” I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

April 27, 2015: Speaker, “Introductory Remarks,” Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Professor John C. Eastman at a chapter event. Professor Eastman’s speech was titled “Immigration Reform and Executive Authority: Assessing the President’s Actions.” I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

March 25, 2015: Speaker, “Avoiding Wage and Hour Violations,” National Business Institute, Dayton, Ohio. I spoke about wage and hour law and ways to avoid violations. Written materials supplied.

November 6, 2014: Speaker, “Introductory Remarks,” Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Stuart Kyle Duncan at a chapter event. Mr. Duncan’s speech was titled “Hobby Lobby and Religious Freedom.” I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

October 15, 2014: Speaker, “Introductory Remarks,” Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Professor David R. Forte and attorney Alphonse Gerhardstein at a chapter event. Professor Forte and Mr. Gerhardstein participated in a debate titled “Debate: Assessing Recent Abortion Clinic Laws and Litigation.” I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

September 17, 2014: Speaker, "Establishing Effective Training Programs to Reduce Litigation," Ohio Chamber of Commerce, webinar. Slides supplied.

April 30, 2014: Speaker, "Introductory Remarks," Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. As President of the Cincinnati Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society, I introduced Professor Bradley A. Smith at a chapter event. Professor Smith's speech was titled "A Win for Free Speech or Corruption?: Assessing the Supreme Court's Recent Decision in *McCutcheon v. Federal Elections Commission*." I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Federalist Society is 1776 I Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

December 17, 2013: Speaker, "Title VII Discrimination: The Year in Review," Employers Resource Association, Cincinnati, Ohio. I spoke about recent developments in Title VII case law. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Employers Resource Association, now known as MRA, is 400 East Business Way, Suite 325, Cincinnati, Ohio 45241.

December 5, 2012: Speaker, "Discipline and Discharge: Necessary Documentation," National Business Institute, Cincinnati, Ohio. Written materials supplied.

May 15, 2012: Speaker, "Common Labor Law Traps for Non-Union Employers," Employers Resource Association, Cincinnati, Ohio. Slides supplied.

April 19, 2011: Speaker, "Ethics in Athletic Training," Greater Cincinnati Athletic Trainers' Association, Cincinnati, Ohio. I spoke about ethics in the employment law context. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. I am unable to locate an address for the Greater Cincinnati Athletic Trainers' Association.

April 19, 2011: Speaker, "The Biggest Mistakes Employers Commonly Make in Potential FMLA Situations," Employers Resource Association, Cincinnati, Ohio. I spoke about ways to avoid violations of the Family and Medical Leave Act. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address of the Employers Resource Association, now known as MRA, is 400 E. Business Way, Suite 325, Cincinnati, Ohio 45241.

2000 – 2003: I was an officer of the Xavier University College Republicans from 2000 to 2002 and an officer of the Ohio College Republican Federation from 2002 to 2003. I spoke at many College Republican meetings and events at Xavier University, other Ohio universities, and statewide events. I have no detailed records of my remarks and I have no notes, transcripts, or recordings. The address of the Xavier University College Republicans is 3800 Victory Parkway, Cincinnati, Ohio 45207. I am unable to locate a formal address for the Ohio College Republican Federation.

e. List all interviews you have given to newspapers, magazines or other publications, or radio or television stations, providing the dates of these interviews and copies of the clips or transcripts of these interviews where they are available to you.

Matthew Byrne on the Cincinnati Red Mass, Son Rise Morning Show, Sep. 23, 2024. Audio recording available at <https://www.sacredheartradio.com/son-rise/show-notes-for-monday-9-23-2024/>.

Staff Report, *Educating Students and Citizens About Appellate Court*, Court News Ohio, Sep. 29, 2023. Copy supplied.

Staff Report, *Travel Influential in Judge's Journey to Supreme Court*, Court News Ohio, Jan. 13, 2023. Copy supplied.

Brett Milam, *Matthew Byrne Talks Candidacy for Appellate Court at Forum*, Clermont Sun, Mar. 12, 2020. Copy supplied.

Logan Bliss, *Byrne Enters Race for Warren County Judge*, Springboro Star Press, Jul. 15, 2019. Copy supplied.

Matthew Byrne Wants Your Vote, Brian Thomas Radio Show, Feb. 12, 2020. Audio recording available at <https://55krc.iheart.com/featured/brian-thomas-wkrc/content/2020-02-12-matthew-byrne-wants-your-vote-for-judge/>.

Unnamed Segment (discussing my campaign for judge and the Fayette County Fair), Harry Wright of Oldies WCHO 1250, July 19, 2019.

Matthew Byrne, Former White House Staffer, Announces His Candidacy for Ohio's 12th District Court of Appeals, Clermont Sun, July 5, 2019. Copy supplied.

Jason Williams, *PX Column: How Should the Reds Honor Marty Brennaman? Give Him a Sign at Great American Ball Park Before He Signs Off the Air for Good*, Cincinnati Enquirer, June 28, 2019. Copy supplied.

Reagan and the Brandenburg Gate Speech 32 Years Later, Brian Thomas Radio Show, June 12, 2019 (estimate).

Danae King, *Federalist Society Debates Anti-Discrimination Laws*, Dayton Daily News, Apr. 7, 2019. Copy supplied.

Danae King, *Religious Freedom at Issue*, Columbus Dispatch, Apr. 6, 2019. Copy supplied.

Conversation with Matthew Byrne About Faith and Judicial Nominees/Candidates, Driving Home the Faith Radio Show, Mar. 6, 2019. Audio recording available at <https://soundcloud.com/sacred-heart-radio/driving-home-the-faith-20190306>.

Conversation with Matthew Byrne About 2018 Judicial Elections, Driving Home the Faith Radio Show, Dec. 6, 2018. Audio recording available at

<https://soundcloud.com/sacred-heart-radio/driving-home-the-faith-20181206>.

Conversation with Matthew Byrne about Judge Kavanaugh Nomination, Brian Thomas Radio Show, July 10, 2018.

Gail Finke, *At Red Mass, Judges and Lawyers Pray for Justice*, Catholic Telegraph, Oct. 5, 2017. Copy supplied.

Allen Smith, *Supreme Court Leaves Home Care Rule in Place*, Society for Human Resources Management, July 5, 2016. The article was previously available at www.shrm.org/resourcesandtools/legal-and-compliance/employment-law/pages/home-care-rule-left-in-place.aspx.

Paula Christian and Amanda Seitz, *Can Trump Be Stopped? After Tuesday's Big Win in the East, Trump May Have Nomination in Sight*, WCPO.com, Apr. 27, 2016. Copy supplied.

Paula Christian, *How Local Republicans Might Help Hillary Win*, WCPO.com, Mar. 3, 2016. Copy supplied.

Jessica Brown, *Ohioans Get a Jump on Picking President*, Cincinnati Enquirer, Sep. 28, 2008. Copy supplied.

Carl Weiser, *They Could Dictate Who Wins in 2004*, Cincinnati Enquirer, Nov. 3, 2003. Copy supplied.

Chuck Sambuchino, *Campus Reacts to War*, Xavier Newswire, Apr. 2, 2003. Copy supplied.

Lisa Degenhart, *CPAC Big Success for Students*, Xavier Newswire, Feb. 5, 2003. Copy supplied.

Elizabeth Boneau, *Xavier Takes Action*, Xavier Newswire, Nov. 7, 2001. Copy supplied.

Ben L. Kaufman, *Xavier Class Debates Action*, Cincinnati Enquirer, Oct. 9, 2001. Copy supplied.

Melissa Currence, *Clubs Battle Cintas*, Xavier Newswire, Mar. 14, 2001. Copy supplied.

Melissa Mosko, *Election Up for Grabs*, Xavier Newswire, Nov. 1, 2000. Copy supplied.

At some point in 2000, likely on the morning after one of the 2000 presidential debates, I participated in a live roundtable discussion regarding politics with a local Cincinnati television station. I do not remember the television station or exact date.

13. **Judicial Office:** State (chronologically) any judicial offices you have held, including

positions as an administrative law judge, whether such position was elected or appointed, and a description of the jurisdiction of each such court.

Judge, Ohio Twelfth District Court of Appeals (2021 – present)
Presiding Judge (2026 – present)
Administrative Judge (2024 – 2025)

This judicial office is elected, and the jurisdiction covers Brown County, Butler County, Clermont County, Clinton County, Fayette County, Madison County, Preble County, and Warren County, Ohio.

a. Approximately how many cases have you presided over that have gone to verdict or judgment?

Because I have not served as a trial judge, I have not presided over any cases. As an appellate judge, I have participated in the disposition on appeal of approximately 850 cases through May 26, 2026. I have also participated in the disposition of petitions for extraordinary writs filed as an original matter in the Twelfth District Court of Appeals; these extraordinary writ proceedings account for less than 5% of my court's docket. I have been appointed by the Chief Justice to sit as a visiting justice on the Supreme Court of Ohio in five cases, and as a visiting judge on other Ohio courts of appeals in 11 cases.

i. Of these cases, approximately what percent were:

jury trials:	0%
bench trials:	100%

ii. Of these cases, approximately what percent were:

civil proceedings:	45%
criminal proceedings:	55%

b. Provide citations for all opinions you have written, including concurrences and dissents.

The Ohio Twelfth District Court of Appeals does not maintain a comprehensive list of all opinions authored by a particular judge. Based on my best-efforts review, the following are all the Twelfth District majority opinions I have authored:

Bessenbacher v. Clark, 2026-Ohio-1900 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Dhimal, 2026-Ohio-1805 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Ross, 2026-Ohio-1606 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Hubbard v. Weber, 2026-Ohio-1416 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Packer v. Packer, 2026-Ohio-1417 (Ohio Ct. App.)
902 Carp Loveland, L.L.C. v. Potts, 2026-Ohio-1313 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Colwell v. Bob & Shawn Enters., L.L.C., 2026-Ohio-976 (Ohio Ct. App.)

State v. Steckel, 2026-Ohio-979 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re S.B., 2026-Ohio-947 (Ohio Ct. App.)
U.S. Bank Nat'l Ass'n v. Daugherty, 2026-Ohio-870 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Evans v. Gardner, 2026-Ohio-690 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Robertson v. Park, 2026-Ohio-388 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re E.D.L., 2026-Ohio-28 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Rarden, 2025-Ohio-5798, 275 N.E.3d 1198 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Haery v. Spaeth, 2025-Ohio-5801, 275 N.E.3d 1204 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Cherry, 2025-Ohio-5802 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Tanner, 2025-Ohio-5689 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Wesley, 2025-Ohio-5690 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Konrad v. Konrad, 2025-Ohio-5691 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re P.L., 2025-Ohio-5693 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Tipton v. Butler Cnty. Dog Warden, 2025-Ohio-5361 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Marks v. Welch, 2025-Ohio-5362 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Snapp, 2025-Ohio-5276 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re R.C., 2025-Ohio-5150 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State ex rel. Pitstick v. Hastings, 2025-Ohio-5093 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Leonard v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co., 2025-Ohio-5089 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Hagens, 2025-Ohio-4989 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Fleenor, 2025-Ohio-4897 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Harder Invs., L.L.C. v. Perin-Tyler Family Found., L.L.C., 2025-Ohio-4706, 273 N.E.3d 741 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Goodykoontz v. Harris, 2025-Ohio-4511 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Bell v. Cedar Fair, LP, 2025-Ohio-3112 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Potter v. South, 2025-Ohio-2812 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Hollon, 2025-Ohio-2725, 271 N.E.3d 922 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re N.L., 2025-Ohio-2625 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Todd, 2025-Ohio-2559 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Marinakis v. Marinakis, 2025-Ohio-2555, 271 N.E.3d 884 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Wood, 2025-Ohio-2273 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Bowling, 2025-Ohio-2272 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re J.R., 2025-Ohio-2271 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Williams, 2025-Ohio-2190 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Lakes v. Lakes, 2025-Ohio-2187 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Fisher v. Fisher, 2025-Ohio-2040 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Barnes, 2025-Ohio-1967 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Neyer Holding II, Inc. v. Huang, 2025-Ohio-1776 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Hymer, 2025-Ohio-1691 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Chambers, 2025-Ohio-1320, 268 N.E.3d 1182 (Ohio Ct. App.)
U.S. Bank, N.A. v. Chibinda, 2025-Ohio-1212 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Spain, 2025-Ohio-1121, 268 N.E.3d 631 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Harner, 2025-Ohio-698 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Adkins v. City of Middletown, 2025-Ohio-317, 263 N.E.3d 429 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Lemasters, 2025-Ohio-129 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Nichols v. Croplands, L.L.C., 2025-Ohio-128, 261 N.E.3d 1207 (Ohio Ct. App.)

State ex rel. Moore v. Fornshell, 2025-Ohio-65, 261 N.E.3d 1091 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Jordan, 2025-Ohio-64 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Murphy, 2025-Ohio-63 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Donovan v. Lebanon, 2024-Ohio-6059, 261 N.E.3d 467 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re C.J.F.-O., 2024-Ohio-6056 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Chasteen v. Lynch, 2024-Ohio-5857 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re Z.B., 2024-Ohio-5387 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Creech, 2024-Ohio-5245, 257 N.E.3d 459 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Howe, 2024-Ohio-5143 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Wallace, 2024-Ohio-4955, 256 N.E.3d 733 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re K.J.C., 2024-Ohio-4527 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Reyes v. Kiwewa, 2024-Ohio-4524 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Bechtol, 2024-Ohio-4444 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Mills, 2024-Ohio-3359 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Mundy v. Centrome, Inc., 2024-Ohio-3358, 250 N.E.3d 1259 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re L.W., 2024-Ohio-3228, 250 N.E.3d 1218 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Thayer, 2024-Ohio-3050 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Qaqa v. Cintron, 2024-Ohio-2970 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Long, 2024-Ohio-2852 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Madden, 2024-Ohio-2851 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re K.K., 2024-Ohio-2595, 247 N.E.3d 612 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Haley, 2024-Ohio-2303 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Willis, 2024-Ohio-2210 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re K.H., 2024-Ohio-2113 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Schooler v. Combs, 2024-Ohio-2111, 244 N.E.3d 211 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Williamson v. Williamson, 2024-Ohio-1919 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Cullen, 2024-Ohio-1916, 244 N.E.3d 188 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Buck, 2024-Ohio-1840 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Napier, 2024-Ohio-1837 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Burson, 2024-Ohio-1834 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Baldwin v. Church of God of Trenton, 2024-Ohio-1726 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Bowling, 2024-Ohio-1638 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Spires, 2024-Ohio-1633 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Hubbard, 2024-Ohio-1315 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Elkins, 2024-Ohio-1314 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Baker v. Comley, 2024-Ohio-1312 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Wagoner v. Wagoner, 2024-Ohio-1000 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re J.S., 2024-Ohio-773 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Marshall, 2024-Ohio-688 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re C.L., 2024-Ohio-616 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re B.S., 2024-Ohio-509 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Harrop, 2024-Ohio-507 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Ostigny v. Brubaker, 2024-Ohio-384, 235 N.E.3d 600 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Agnew, 2024-Ohio-295 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Pack, 2024-Ohio-190, 234 N.E.3d 565 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Gibson, 2024-Ohio-120 (Ohio Ct. App.)

State v. Greene, 2024-Ohio-35 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Speaks, 2024-Ohio-15, 236 N.E.3d 268 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Crank, 2023-Ohio-4591 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Certain Interested Underwriters at Lloyd's, London, Eng. v. Total Quality Logistics, L.L.C., 2023-Ohio-4470 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Lykins v. Lykins, 2023-Ohio-4469, 231 N.E.3d 543 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re J.F., 2023-Ohio-4244 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Speaks, 2023-Ohio-4170, 229 N.E.3d 662 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re J.L.C., 2023-Ohio-4081 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. McIntosh, 2023-Ohio-4022, 228 N.E.3d 151 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Herold v. Venetis, 2023-Ohio-3829, 226 N.E.3d 1092 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re P.M.S., 2023-Ohio-3825 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Morris, 2023-Ohio-3412 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Suburban Realty L.P. v. MD Vape & Tobacco, L.L.C., 2023-Ohio-3198, 224 N.E.3d 598 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re R.B., 2023-Ohio-3145 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Akladyous, 2023-Ohio-3105, 224 N.E.3d 104 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Bowman, 2023-Ohio-2818, 223 N.E.3d 506 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Campbell, 2023-Ohio-2815 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Ridenour, 2023-Ohio-2713 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Maloney, 2023-Ohio-2711 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Carpenter, 2023-Ohio-2523 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Doty v. Doty, 2023-Ohio-2519 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re J.B., 2023-Ohio-2454 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Gosser v. Warren Cty. Engineer's Off., 2023-Ohio-2439 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re K.S., 2023-Ohio-1951, 216 N.E.3d 1282 (Ohio Ct. App.)
In re K.S., 2023-Ohio-1936 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Goddard, 2023-Ohio-1701 (Ohio Ct. App.)
McLemore v. Clinton Cnty. Sheriff's Off., 2023-Ohio-1604, 214 N.E.3d 723 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Iverson, 2023-Ohio-1601 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Miller, 2023-Ohio-1600 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Hunter, 2023-Ohio-1317 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Scott, 2023-Ohio-1184 (Ohio Ct. App.)
State v. Wilson, 2023-Ohio-1111 (Ohio Ct. App.)
Smith v. Smith, 2023-Ohio-982 (Ohio Ct. App.)
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In re B.T., 2025-Ohio-3109 (Ohio Ct. App.) (concurring)
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State v. Francis, 2024-Ohio-5547 (Ohio Ct. App.) (concurring in the judgment)
State v. Pierce, 2024-Ohio-5357 (Ohio Ct. App.) (concurring in part and dissenting in part)
State v. Downing, 2024-Ohio-381 (Ohio Ct. App.) (concurring)
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State v. Walton, 2021-Ohio-3958 (Ohio Ct. App.) (concurring)
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Assured Admin., LLC v. Young, 2021-Ohio-2159 (Ohio Ct. App.) (concurring in part and concurring in judgment only in part)

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Baronzzi v. Gamble, 2023-Ohio-894 (Ohio Ct. App.)

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1. *Adkins v. City of Middletown*, 2025-Ohio-317, 263 N.E.3d 429 (Ohio Ct. App.).

Adkins was involuntarily terminated as Middletown’s city manager. Adkins, a 56-year-old white male, sued the city for age, sex, and race discrimination. The trial court granted Middletown’s motion for summary judgment, dismissing all of Adkins’ claims. Adkins appealed. The court of appeals’ majority opinion, which I authored, upheld the trial court’s summary judgment decision. However, the court of appeals rejected the higher standard for “reverse discrimination” claims imposed on members of racial majorities, finding that this standard was not supported by the Ohio discrimination statute’s text and should not have been applied by the trial court. A few months later, the United States Supreme Court applied similar analysis to reach the same result, rejecting the Sixth Circuit’s higher standard under Title VII. The court of appeals was the first and only Ohio court of appeals to reject the Sixth Circuit’s non-text-based standard. Adkins did not appeal our court’s decision.

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2. *State v. Froman*, 2022-Ohio-2726 (Ohio Ct. App.). Copy supplied.

Froman killed his former girlfriend's son in Kentucky. He then abducted his former girlfriend, drove to Ohio, and killed her. The Warren County Court of Common Pleas convicted Froman of aggravated murder of the former girlfriend and sentenced Froman to death. The Ohio Supreme Court affirmed the conviction and death sentence. Froman later filed a petition for postconviction relief, arguing 47 grounds for relief. The state moved to dismiss the petition and the trial court granted the motion to dismiss. Froman appealed, raising nine assignments of error. The court of appeals' majority opinion, which I authored, upheld the trial court's decision to dismiss Froman's petition for postconviction relief. Among other findings, the court of appeals held: (1) that American Bar Association Guidelines regarding professional norms in death penalty cases are not law, (2) that the death penalty is constitutional, (3) that pretrial publicity about the former girlfriend's murder did not require a change of venue, (4) that Froman's counsel was not ineffective for failing to request a jury instruction on testosterone use, and (5) that Ohio's postconviction relief system is not unconstitutional.

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3. *Marinakis v. Marinakis*, 2025-Ohio-2555, 271 N.E.3d 884 (Ohio Ct. App.).

This case involved a probate dispute over whether a deceased man's extensive assets should be inherited by his siblings or his children. The children were born after the deceased man drafted his will, and thus the children were "pretermitted children" under R.C. 2107.34(A). The case turned on language in a statute that originally entered Ohio law in the 1830s, but which had never been interpreted by the Twelfth District Court of Appeals and was seldom interpreted by other courts. The trial court granted summary judgment in favor of the children. The siblings

appealed, and the children cross-appealed. The court of appeals' majority opinion, which I authored, interpreted the relevant statutory language in a significantly different manner than the probate court had interpreted that language. The court of appeals also found that the trial court should not have granted summary judgment because genuine issues of material fact still existed. The court of appeals reversed the probate court's decision.

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4. *Evans v. Gardner*, 2026-Ohio-690 (Ohio Ct. App.). Copy supplied.

In an earlier lawsuit, ClarkDietrich Building Systems LLC brought a defamation claim against the Certified Steel Stud Association, Inc., a trade association. The defamation claim was based on the association's statements about ClarkDietrich's products in the association's trade publication. During trial, ClarkDietrich offered to settle the case by voluntarily dismissing its defamation claim in exchange for no money. The board of directors of the trade association rejected the no-cost settlement offer. A jury then found for ClarkDietrich, resulting in a \$40 million judgment against the trade association. The trial court then appointed a receiver to bring claims, on behalf of the Certified Steel Stud Association, against individual members of the trade association's board of directors for breach of fiduciary duty and declaratory judgment, based on the directors' rejection of the no-cost settlement offer. The trial court granted summary judgment to the directors and dismissed the receiver's claims, based on its interpretation of Delaware's business judgment rule. The court of appeals' majority opinion, which I authored, applied Delaware law in finding that the directors' decision to reject the no-cost settlement offer was subject to review under Delaware's business judgment rule. Based on the nature of a trade association, language in the association's bylaws, evidence establishing a rational basis for the directors' decision to reject the no-cost settlement offer, and other factors, the court of appeals affirmed the trial court's summary judgment decision.

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5. *Preterm-Cleveland v. Yost*, 2023-Ohio-4570 (Ohio). Copy supplied.

Preterm-Cleveland, an abortion provider, challenged Ohio’s Heartbeat Bill in the Hamilton County Court of Common Pleas. That court, finding that the law violated a federal constitutional right to abortion, issued a statewide preliminary injunction enjoining the law. The state appealed, and the First District Court of Appeals affirmed. The state then appealed to the Supreme Court of Ohio. Chief Justice Sharon Kennedy appointed me as a visiting justice in the place of Justice Joseph Deters, who recused. I participated in oral arguments. The only issues before the court were procedural: whether the state may immediately appeal orders preliminarily enjoining state laws and whether the plaintiffs had standing. Before the Ohio Supreme Court could issue a decision, Ohio voters approved an amendment to the state constitution that provided for “a right to make and carry out one’s own reproductive decision,” including but not limited to abortion. Ohio Const. art. I, § 22. *Preterm-Cleveland* argued the case should be returned to the trial court, and the state argued the Ohio Supreme Court should decide the procedural issues. Five justices voted to *sua sponte* dismiss due to a change in the law. Justice Brunner dissented and would have dismissed the appeal as having been improvidently accepted. I dissented on different grounds, because I would have proceeded with addressing the propositions of law previously accepted for review. I concluded that jurisdiction is determined at the time a case is filed, and thus the important procedural questions before the court regarding the appealability of a single-county judge’s statewide injunction preliminarily enjoining state law and standing should be decided.

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6. *Dudley v. Siler Excavation Servs., LLC*, 2023-Ohio-666, 210 N.E.3d 580 (Ohio Ct. App.).

The plaintiff was a human resources manager who opposed her employer's decision to require an

employee who tested positive for COVID to return to work in less than 10 days. The employer terminated her. The plaintiff brought a claim for wrongful termination in violation of public policy. The trial court granted the employer's motion to dismiss. In a majority opinion authored by Judge Robin Piper, the court of appeals affirmed, finding the plaintiff failed to articulate a clear public policy to support her claim. I authored a concurring opinion in which I further explained, on separation of powers grounds, that the "Responsible Restart" guidance issued by the Ohio Department of Health was not law and thus could not form the basis for a public policy claim.

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7. *State v. Fuell*, 2021-Ohio-1627, 172 N.E.3d 1065 (Ohio Ct. App.).

The appellant, while 17 years old, shot and killed the victim during a home invasion. He was charged with murder, aggravated robbery, and aggravated burglary. A juvenile court conducted a mandatory bindover hearing and then transferred the appellant to adult trial court. After the appellant was convicted of murder, the trial court sentenced him to fifteen years to life in prison, which was required by statute. He appealed, arguing that (1) the bindover hearing violated his confrontation clause rights, (2) the bindover hearing should have been governed by the Ohio Rules of Evidence, and (3) the trial court committed plain error in not considering the appellant's youth when sentencing him. In an opinion that I authored, the court of appeals held that (1) federal and state confrontation rights do not apply at a juvenile bindover hearing; (2) the Rules of Evidence do not apply at juvenile bindover hearings; and (3) the failure to consider the appellant's youth was not plain error.

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8. *In re S.B.*, 2026-Ohio-947 (Ohio Ct. App.). Copy supplied.

A juvenile court granted permanent custody of S.B., a minor child, to a county children services agency. The parents appealed, arguing the juvenile court's decision was not supported by sufficient evidence and was against the manifest weight of the evidence. In an opinion that I authored, the court of appeals affirmed the juvenile court's permanent custody decision. Among other facts supporting the award of permanent custody to the agency, S.B. experienced homelessness, exposure to domestic violence, educational neglect, neglect of health conditions, and more while in the mother's care. S.B. experienced severe anxiety when required to interact with the mother. The court of appeals also noted that the father had very little contact with S.B. and did not attempt to assist her when she was homeless. However, the court of appeals also noted that "[t]here is no requirement in Ohio law that parents must unquestioningly accept and support their minor children's claims of transsexual identity or preferred pronouns." Likewise, the court of appeals noted that "[p]arents are free to assist and guide their children in the development of their religious faith." Finally, the court of appeals noted that the court would use S.B.'s biological pronouns.

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9. *Ehlers v. Thomas*, 2024-Ohio-2531, 247 N.E.3d 586 (Ohio Ct. App.).

The petitioner, a deputy coroner, sought a civil stalking protection order after the respondent sent numerous confrontational email messages to her about a death that the respondent believed was part of a coverup. The trial court granted the protection order. In addition to barring the respondent from contacting the petitioner, the court's order barred the respondent from making any social media posts that mentioned the petitioner and prohibited the respondent from possessing firearms. In an opinion authored by Judge Robert A. Hendrickson, the court of appeals struck down the trial court's speech and firearms restrictions as overbroad and not permitted by the First and Second Amendments. Further, in the case of the firearm restriction, the restriction was improperly imposed when there was no evidence the respondent used or threatened to use a firearm. The other restrictions in the protection order remained in place.

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10. *State ex rel. Parikh v. Berkowitz*, 2024-Ohio-4686, 255 N.E.3d 693 (Ohio Ct. App.).

The Hamilton County Clerk of Courts eliminated online access to court records in residential eviction cases that were older than three years. The Hamilton County municipal court judges ordered the Clerk to restore online access and threatened to hold the Clerk in contempt. In response, the Clerk sought a writ of prohibition in the First District Court of Appeals against the municipal court judges. The municipal court judges sought a writ of mandamus requiring the Clerk to restore online access. Chief Justice Sharon Kennedy appointed three judges of the Twelfth District Court of Appeals, including me, to sit on the First District Court of Appeals by designation because the First District judges recused. In an opinion authored by Judge Robin Piper, the court of appeals concluded that the Clerk was not entitled to a writ of prohibition because the judges had the authority to hold the Clerk in contempt and because the Clerk had an adequate remedy at law. The court also granted the judges' petition for writ of mandamus.

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e. Provide a list of all cases in which certiorari was requested or granted.

To the best of my knowledge, certiorari was requested or granted in only one appeal from one case in which I participated:

State v. Froman, 2022-Ohio-2726 (Ohio Ct. App.), *cert. denied*, 143 S. Ct. 2572 (2023).

f. Provide a brief summary of and citations for all of your opinions where your decisions were reversed by a reviewing court or where your judgment was affirmed with significant criticism of your substantive or procedural rulings. If any of the opinions listed were not officially reported, provide copies of the opinions.

No majority opinion I authored has been reversed by the Supreme Court of Ohio. Nor has the Supreme Court of Ohio affirmed a majority opinion I authored with significant criticism of my substantive or procedural rulings.

g. Provide a description of the number and percentage of your decisions in which you issued an unpublished opinion and the manner in which those unpublished opinions are filed and/or stored.

Of my 211 majority opinions, 46 have been published in a reporter and 165 have not been published in a reporter. This means roughly 22% have been published in a reporter and 78% have not been published in a reporter. All of my court's opinions—whether published in a reporter or not—are available on the website of the Ohio Supreme Court.

h. Provide citations for significant opinions on federal or state constitutional issues,

together with the citation to appellate court rulings on such opinions. If any of the opinions listed were not officially reported, provide copies of the opinions.

In re S.B., 2026-Ohio-947 (Ohio Ct. App.). Copy supplied.

State v. Francis, 2024-Ohio-5547 (Ohio Ct. App.) (concurring opinion), *discretionary appeal not allowed*, 2025-Ohio-2537, 263 N.E.3d 355 (Ohio). Copy supplied.

State v. Akladyous, 2023-Ohio-3105, 224 N.E.3d 104 (Ohio Ct. App.).

Dudley v. Siler Excavation Servs., LLC, 2023-Ohio-666, 210 N.E.3d 580 (Ohio Ct. App.) (concurring opinion).

State v. Hensley, 2023-Ohio-119, 206 N.E.3d 77 (Ohio Ct. App.).

In re C.L., 2022-Ohio-3596, 198 N.E.3d 948 (Ohio Ct. App.).

State v. Froman, 2022-Ohio-2726 (Ohio Ct. App.), *cert. denied*, 143 S. Ct. 2572 (2023). Copy supplied.

Betzko v. Mick, 2022-Ohio-999, 187 N.E.3d 18 (Ohio Ct. App.) (concurring opinion).

State Fuell, 2021-Ohio-1627, 172 N.E.3d 1065 (Ohio Ct. App.), *discretionary appeal allowed*, 2021-Ohio-1723, 164 Ohio St.3d 1419 (Ohio), *appeal dismissed as improvidently granted*, 2022-Ohio-1607, 200 N.E.3d 1607 (Ohio).

i. Provide citations to all cases in which you sat by designation on a federal court of appeals, including a brief summary of any opinions you authored, whether majority, dissenting, or concurring, and any dissenting opinions you joined.

I have never sat by designation on a federal court of appeals.

14. **Recusal:** If you are or have been a judge, identify the basis by which you have assessed the necessity or propriety of recusal (If your court employs an "automatic" recusal system by which you may be recused without your knowledge, please include a general description of that system.) Provide a list of any cases, motions or matters that have come before you in which a litigant or party has requested that you recuse yourself due to an asserted conflict of interest or in which you have recused yourself sua sponte. Identify each such case, and for each provide the following information:

a. whether your recusal was requested by a motion or other suggestion by a litigant or a party to the proceeding or by any other person or interested party; or if you recused yourself sua sponte;

b. a brief description of the asserted conflict of interest or other ground for recusal;

- c. the procedure you followed in determining whether or not to recuse yourself;
- d. your reason for recusing or declining to recuse yourself, including any action taken to remove the real, apparent or asserted conflict of interest or to cure any other ground for recusal.

In deciding whether to recuse myself from a case, I apply the standards for disqualification set forth in Rule 2.11 of the Ohio Code of Judicial Conduct. That rule provides that “[a] judge shall disqualify himself or herself in any proceeding in which the judge’s impartiality might reasonably be questioned,” including but not limited to the circumstances described in the remainder of the rule. The Twelfth District Court of Appeals does not utilize an automatic recusal system. Instead, the judges receive a monthly memorandum listing newly-filed cases, review the list, and inform court administration of the cases from which they intend to recuse. A judge may recuse later in the appellate process if a reason for recusal becomes apparent.

In the following cases, I recused *sua sponte* (1) because of personal relationships with parties, entities, or others; (2) because I had preexisting knowledge about the case; or (3) because I would be personally impacted by the outcome of the case:

State of Ohio ex rel. Becker v. Faris, Clermont No. CA2020-10-058
Spitzer v. Frisch’s Rests., Inc., Butler No. CA2020-12-128
Weidman v. Hildebrant, Warren No. CA2021-09-084
Miami Valley Constr. v. Thompson, Warren No. CA2021-03-024
Motz v. Hicks, Warren No. CA2021-12-116
Goebel v. Hopkins, Warren No. CA2022-06-042
State v. Reynolds, Butler No. CA2023-04-043
West Chester Twp. v. West Chester Prof’l Firefighters, Butler No. CA2023-05-050
In re Estate of Parks, Warren No. CA2023-10-081
Hicks v. Clermont Cnty. Republican Cent. Comm., Clermont No. CA2024-02-011
Gauthier v. Gauthier, Warren No. CA2024-05-026
Kane v. Kane, Warren No. CA2025-03-020
State v. Lindhorst, Warren No. CA2025-01-006
In re A.C.F., Warren No. CA2023-03-022
Flippin v. Gray, Warren No. CA2025-03-024
Auto Temp, Inc. v. Cincinnati Ins. Co., Clermont No. CA2025-11-091
Hamilton Twp. v. Koch, Warren No. CA2026-02-013

When I was elected, I voluntarily adopted two recusal rules beyond what was required by Rule 2.11 of the Ohio Code of Judicial Conduct: (1) I would recuse from any cases involving my former law firm for one year; and (2) I would recuse from any cases involving my former clients for at least two years. In the following cases, I recused *sua sponte* because of my application of these self-imposed rules:

Stewart v. Solutions Cmty. Counseling and Recovery Cntrs., Warren No. CA2021-01-008
Hamilton v. Atrium Med. Ctr., Warren No. CA2021-04-034

Great Am. Assurance Co. v. Winstead, Butler No. CA2021-08-097
Silko v. Miami Univ., Butler No. CA2021-12-162
Price v. Jeff Wyler Eastgate, Inc., Clermont No. CA2024-12-096

In the following case, a party requested that I recuse myself due to an asserted conflict of interest:

1st National Bank of Lebanon v. Thomas, Clinton No. CA2026-01-001: Thomas filed an action in the Supreme Court of Ohio (Case No. 26-AD-040) seeking disqualification of Judges Matthew R. Byrne, Stephen W. Powell, Robert A. Hendrickson, Robin N. Piper, and Michael E. Powell from his appeal. Thomas argued that the judges should be disqualified because they expressed positive views of the character of Judge Timothy Rudduck in letters submitted in support of Judge Rudduck in response to subpoenas in a disciplinary action that was previously filed against him. The judges opposed disqualification, arguing their views of Judge Rudduck would not impact their evaluation of the parties' arguments. Chief Justice Sharon Kennedy dismissed the affidavit of disqualification as to Judges Byrne, Hendrickson, and Powell, and denied the affidavit as moot with regard to Judges Stephen Powell and Michael Powell.

15. **Public Office, Political Activities and Affiliations:**

a. List chronologically any public offices you have held, other than judicial offices, including the terms of service and whether such positions were elected or appointed. If appointed, please include the name of the individual who appointed you. Also, state chronologically any unsuccessful candidacies you have had for elective office or unsuccessful nominations for appointed office.

Member (2002 or 2003), Hamilton County Republican Party Central Committee; appointed by vote of members of the Central Committee.

Candidate for Member (2010), Hamilton County Republican Party Central Committee; unsuccessful election campaign.

Member (2014), Hamilton County Republican Party Central Committee; elected by voters.

Candidate for Warren County Clerk of Court (2015); withdrew seven days after filing candidate petitions.

Member (2016 – 2018), Warren County Republican Party Central Committee; elected by voters in two elections.

I sought, but did not obtain, nomination to be a Judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio in 2018 and 2019.

b. List all memberships and offices held in and services rendered, whether

compensated or not, to any political party or election committee. If you have ever held a position or played a role in a political campaign, identify the particulars of the campaign, including the candidate, dates of the campaign, your title and responsibilities.

Volunteer, Bush/Cheney Victory 2000 (2000). I answered phones, stuffed envelopes, contacted voters, and conducted other standard campaign volunteer tasks.

From 2000 to 2018, I volunteered on many different political campaigns although I do not remember all of the specific candidates or parties.

Buck C. Niehoff Intern, Hamilton County Republican Party (2001). I answered phones, stuffed envelopes, contacted voters, attended fundraisers, and conducted other standard political party intern tasks.

Member, Hamilton County Republican Party Central Committee (2002 or 2003). I participated in central committee meetings.

Volunteer Coordinator, Sandra Faith Hall for State Representative (2002). I recruited volunteers, organized volunteer events, contacted voters, and conducted other standard campaign duties.

Volunteer Coordinator, Barbara Trauth for City Council (2003). I recruited volunteers, organized volunteer events, contacted voters, and conducted other standard campaign duties.

Volunteer, former Representative Rob Portman's PAC (2007 – 2008). I contacted voters, stuffed envelopes, organized volunteers, assisted with special projects, and conducted other standard volunteer duties.

Volunteer, McCain/Palin Campaign or Hamilton County Republican Party (2008). I contacted voters, answered phones, assisted with special projects, and conducted other standard campaign volunteer duties.

Volunteer election day operations lawyer and/or poll observer, McCain/Palin Campaign or Ohio Republican Party (2008). I participated in a training session and served as a poll observer in a legal capacity on election day.

Volunteer, Andrew Ciafardini for State Representative (2008). I assisted with general campaign tasks.

Member, Hamilton County Republican Party Leadership Council (approximately 2007 – 2015). I attended monthly meetings featuring local speakers.

Member, Hamilton County Republican Party Boards and Commissions Committee (approximately 2011 – 2013). I assisted the county party's effort to find and promote individuals willing to serve on state boards and commissions.

Volunteer election day operations lawyer and/or poll observer, Romney/Ryan Campaign (2012). I participated in a training session and served as a poll observer in a legal capacity on election day.

Member, Hamilton County Republican Party Townships, Cities, and Villages Committee (approximately 2013 – 2014). I attended meetings focused on planning an annual fundraiser for local candidates.

Member, Hamilton County Republican Party Central Committee (2014). I attended central committee meetings.

Member, Warren County Republican Party Central Committee (2016 – 2019). I attended central committee meetings.

Convention Delegate Designee, Marco Rubio for President Campaign (2016). I communicated with campaign staff or state leadership regarding outreach efforts and provided general outreach assistance.

Faith Engagement Deputy Chair for Southwest Ohio, Josh Mandel for United States Senate Campaign (approximately 2017 – 2018). I participated in campaign strategy meetings, organized meetings, and engaged in outreach to faith community leaders.

Candidate, Matthew Byrne for Court of Appeals Judge Committee (2019 – present). I ran for and was elected judge in 2020. I am currently an unopposed candidate for reelection. In both campaigns, I participated in the full range of campaign activities, except where prohibited by the Ohio Code of Judicial Conduct.

16. **Legal Career:** Answer each part separately.

a. Describe chronologically your law practice and legal experience after graduation from law school including:

i. whether you served as clerk to a judge, and if so, the name of the judge, the court and the dates of the period you were a clerk;

I never served as clerk to a judge.

ii. whether you practiced alone, and if so, the addresses and dates;

I have not practiced law alone.

iii. the dates, names and addresses of law firms or offices, companies or governmental agencies with which you have been affiliated, and the nature of your affiliation with each;

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- iv. whether you served as a mediator or arbitrator in alternative dispute resolution proceedings and, if so, a description of the 10 most significant matters with which you were involved in that capacity.

I have not served as a mediator or arbitrator in alternative dispute resolution proceedings.

- b. Describe:

- i. the general character of your law practice and indicate by date when its character has changed over the years.

During my entire law practice, I have focused primarily on employment law. While at Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP, I occasionally performed some work related to other practice areas. At Jackson Lewis P.C., I focused entirely on employment law.

I devoted approximately 85% or more of my time to representing employers in employment litigation. I handled cases involving claims brought under the Fair Labor Standards Act, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the Family and Medical Leave Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and other federal statutes, as well as claims brought under state employment law statutes and state common law claims such as non-competition/restrictive covenant cases, promissory estoppel, and negligent hiring and supervision. In the last few years of my practice, I devoted a greater portion of my practice to representing employers in wage and hour collective action and class action disputes.

I represented clients primarily in the United States District Courts for the Southern District of Ohio, the Western District of Kentucky, and the Eastern District of Kentucky, and in the state courts of Ohio and Kentucky.

I also represented clients in agency proceedings with the Equal Employment

Opportunity Commission, the National Labor Relations Board, the Department of Labor Wage and Hour Division, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, the Ohio Civil Rights Commission, and other agencies. While at Jackson Lewis, I also occasionally represented clients in workers' compensation appeals in state court and appeared before the Ohio Industrial Commission. I also represented clients in arbitrations with the American Arbitration Association, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), the National Arbitration Forum, the Center for the Resolution of Disputes, the National Arbitration and Mediation agency, and JAMS.

I devoted the remaining up to 15% of my time to advising employers with respect to employment law issues, including on employee handbooks, employment applications, hiring processes, applicant background checks, employee terminations and discipline, disparate impact concerns, disability accommodation, wage and hour compliance, leave management, alternative dispute resolution procedures, polygraphs, and other workplace policies and practices.

- ii. your typical clients and the areas at each period of your legal career, if any, in which you have specialized.

During my career as a lawyer, I focused on employment litigation, representing employers. I represented large national and multi-national corporations in the Fortune 100, cutting-edge technology companies, universities, large financial institutions, religious organizations, non-profit and charitable organizations, healthcare providers, family-owned companies, and small start-ups. I occasionally jointly represented individuals who were co-defendants with my employer clients.

- c. Describe the percentage of your practice that has been in litigation and whether you appeared in court frequently, occasionally, or not at all. If the frequency of your appearances in court varied, describe such variance, providing dates.

I estimate 85% of my practice was focused on litigation. I engaged in extensive motions practice, which is typical of employment litigation matters. I estimate that I appeared before a judge physically or by telephone once every few weeks.

- i. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

1.	federal courts:	65%
2.	state courts of record:	25%
3.	other courts:	0%
4.	administrative agencies:	10%

- ii. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

1.	civil proceedings:	100%
2.	criminal proceedings:	0%

d. State the number of cases in courts of record, including cases before administrative law judges, you tried to verdict, judgment or final decision (rather than settled), indicating whether you were sole counsel, chief counsel, or associate counsel.

I have tried three cases to verdict. In one of these cases, a federal jury trial, I was associate counsel. In two of those cases, both state court bench trials, I was chief counsel.

i. What percentage of these trials were:

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| 1. | jury: | 33% |
| 2. | non-jury: | 67% |

e. Describe your practice, if any, before the Supreme Court of the United States. Supply copies of any briefs, amicus or otherwise, and, if applicable, any oral argument transcripts before the Supreme Court in connection with your practice.

I have never appeared before the Supreme Court of the United States.

17. **Litigation:** Describe the ten (10) most significant litigated matters which you personally handled, whether or not you were the attorney of record. Give the citations, if the cases were reported, and the docket number and date if unreported. Give a capsule summary of the substance of each case. Identify the party or parties whom you represented; describe in detail the nature of your participation in the litigation and the final disposition of the case. Also state as to each case:

- a. the date of representation;
- b. the name of the court and the name of the judge or judges before whom the case was litigated; and
- c. the individual name, addresses, and telephone numbers of co-counsel and of principal counsel for each of the other parties.

1. *McLaughlin v. Fifth Third Bank*, No. 16-CI-151 (Campbell Cnty., Ky. Cir. Ct.); 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 95639, No. 2:16-cv-00058 (E.D. Ky. June 7, 2018), *aff'd*, 772 F. App'x 300 (6th Cir. 2019).

My client, Fifth Third Bank, terminated the employment of three plaintiffs. The plaintiffs brought claims for sex and age discrimination under Kentucky state law in Campbell County Circuit Court. Fifth Third filed a motion to dismiss, or, in the alternative, for summary judgment, arguing that the claims should be dismissed because the plaintiffs had signed lawful contractual limitation of actions provisions and their claims were untimely filed. After full briefing and a hearing at which oral argument was presented, Judge Julie Reinhardt Ward of the Campbell County Circuit Court granted the motion and dismissed the plaintiffs' claims. Plaintiffs McLaughlin and Raniero then filed similar sex and age discrimination claims under Title VII in

the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky. The parties engaged in discovery, after which Fifth Third filed a motion for summary judgment, this time addressing the merits of the plaintiffs' claims, rather than timeliness. United States District Judge Karen K. Caldwell granted Fifth Third's motion for summary judgment and dismissed the case on June 7, 2018. The plaintiffs appealed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. The Sixth Circuit affirmed the district court's summary judgment decision on May 24, 2019. The Sixth Circuit panel that heard and decided the appeal included United States Circuit Judges Danny J. Boggs, Alice M. Batchelder, and Jane Branstetter Stranch. I represented Fifth Third in the state trial court, federal trial court, and federal court of appeals. The dates of my representation were 2016 to 2019.

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2. *Bey v. WalkerHealthcareIT, LLC*, No. 2:16-cv-01167 (S.D. Ohio).

The plaintiff brought putative class and collective action claims of unpaid overtime under the FLSA and Ohio state law. The potential class included at least 500 individuals. The plaintiff alleged that she was not paid time and a half for overtime hours worked, and that our client, Encore Health Resources, LLC, was liable, along with the other defendants who were not represented by our firm. Our client filed a motion to dismiss, arguing that the complaint failed to allege that our client was either an employer or joint employer under the FLSA or state law. United States District Judge George C. Smith permitted the plaintiff to file an amended complaint, and the plaintiff did so. Our client filed a new motion to dismiss, which was denied. Other plaintiffs came forward in other states, and similar cases were filed in California (the *Pierce* case) and Texas (the *Andrus* case). We initially represented Encore in the *Pierce* case but had to withdraw after a conflict arose between Encore's previous owner (our first client) and Encore's new owner. Despite this withdrawal in *Pierce*, we continued to represent Encore in *Bey* and to work closely (pursuant to a joint defense agreement) with Encore's new counsel in the *Pierce* and *Andrus* cases. The three cases were mediated together and a global settlement for \$2.7 million was reached. The three cases were then consolidated in Texas, and the parties worked through the settlement notice and approval process. The dates of my representation were 2016 to 2019.

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3. *Hook v. Ascendum Sols., LLC*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 232790, No. 1:18-cv-00056 (S.D. Ohio June 4, 2019).

The plaintiff brought a putative collective action claim for unpaid overtime under the Fair Labor Standards Act. The potential class included approximately 40 Ascendum employees and over 1,000 loanDepot.com employees. We represented both companies. The plaintiff alleged that he and other loan underwriters were owed overtime beginning January 26, 2015. The defendants argued (1) that loanDepot.com's underwriters were already paid overtime and were already classified as non-exempt under the FLSA, and (2) that Ascendum's underwriters were (for the most part) properly classified as exempt under the FLSA. On June 4, 2019, the district court granted in part and denied in part the plaintiff's motion for conditional certification. Class notice was issued, and 35 individuals opted into the collective action. The parties then negotiated a settlement, which was approved by United States District Judge Timothy S. Black on November 5, 2020. The dates of my representation were 2018 to 2020.

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4. *Hicks v. Ampacet Ohio, LLC*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 49632, No. 2:16-cv-182 (S.D. Ohio Mar. 31, 2017).

The plaintiffs brought putative class and collective action claims for unpaid overtime under the Fair Labor Standards Act and Ohio state law. The potential class included approximately 34 production technicians. The defendants argued that the unpaid time identified by the plaintiffs was not in fact compensable. After the court allowed class notice on March 31, 2017, and no class members chose to opt in to the case, our client settled with the three named plaintiffs. The case was dismissed with prejudice on November 21, 2017. The dates of my representation were from 2016 to 2017. The case was heard and decided by United States District Judge Michael H. Watson.

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5. *Gagne v. The Cincinnati Hotel*, No. 1:10-cv-681 (S.D. Ohio).

Gagne alleged that he was not hired to be the chef at The Cincinnati Hotel's Palace Restaurant because of his age. The Cincinnati Hotel denied that age played a role in the hiring decision. The case was tried before a federal jury, which reached a verdict in favor of The Cincinnati Hotel on February 15, 2012. United States District Judge Michael R. Barrett presided. Gagne appealed, but the appeal was never heard as the matter was resolved on a confidential basis. The dates of my representation were 2010 to 2012.

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6. *Bangoy v. Total Homecare Sols., LLC*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 177859, No. 1:15-cv-573 (S.D. Ohio Dec. 21, 2015).

Plaintiffs brought putative class and collective action claims for unpaid overtime under the FLSA and Ohio state law. The potential class included approximately 300 individuals. The plaintiffs alleged that they were owed overtime beginning January 1, 2015, based on the Department of Labor's revised companionship exemption regulations. Defendants argued that they were not required to comply with those regulations while they were vacated by the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. On December 21, 2015, United States District Judge Sandra Beckwith (now Ammann) granted our client's motion to dismiss, establishing the first precedent in the country regarding the effective date of the Department of Labor's new companionship exemption regulations. The date of my representation was 2015.

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7. *Castellon-Vogel v. Int'l Paper Co.*, 2020 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 35279, No. 1:18-cv-00688 (S.D. Ohio Mar. 2, 2020), *aff'd*, 829 F. App'x 100 (6th Cir. 2020).

The plaintiff sued International Paper Co. for sex, national origin, and age discrimination, and retaliation after her position was eliminated. We represented International Paper, which moved to dismiss the plaintiff's claims, arguing that those claims were barred by the release of claims that

Plaintiff signed in exchange for severance benefits. On March 2, 2020, United States District Judge Michael R. Barrett granted International Paper's motion to dismiss. The plaintiff appealed, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit affirmed the district judge's decision on October 5, 2020. The Sixth Circuit panel that heard and decided the appeal included United States Circuit Judges Joan L. Larsen, Eugene E. Siler, Jr., Jeffrey S. Sutton. The dates of my representation were 2018 to 2020.

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8. *Osborne v. Jeff Wyler Frankfort*, No. 13-CI-871 (Franklin Cnty., Ky. Cir. Ct.).

The plaintiff was a former car salesman who alleged that he was harassed, denied promotions, and terminated on the basis of his race, and that he was also terminated in retaliation for his complaints of harassment. The defendant argued that the plaintiff was not harassed and was terminated for a legitimate, non-discriminatory reason. After discovery, the case was resolved on a confidential basis. The dates of my representation were 2013 to 2014. The case was heard and decided by Franklin County, Kentucky Circuit Court Judge Thomas Dawson Wingate.

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9. *Tackett v. XPO Logistics, Inc.*, 453 F. Supp. 3d 915 (W.D. Ky. 2020).

We represented XPO Logistics, Inc. XPO terminated the plaintiff, a freight delivery driver, for poor performance. The plaintiff brought claims against XPO for discrimination in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act, retaliation in violation of that act, smoking discrimination under Kentucky state law, and discrimination and retaliation in violation of Kentucky state law. After discovery, XPO moved for summary judgment. United States District Judge Thomas B. Russell granted XPO's motion for summary judgment, dismissing all of the plaintiff's claims, on April 9, 2020. The dates of my representation were 2019 to 2020.

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10. *Davis v. Ferrigan*, No. 1:18-cv-00771 (S.D. Ohio).

Plaintiffs brought putative collective and class action claims against our client, a car dealership, and other defendants for failure to pay minimum wages, violation of the Ohio Prompt Pay Act, breach of contract, fraud, negligent misrepresentation, invasion of privacy, violation of the Ohio Deceptive Trade Practices Act, civil conspiracy, and conversion, in connection with pre-employment sales training courses offered by the defendants at one of the car dealership's locations. Our client denied the claims, arguing that the individuals who took the class were not its employees at the time, and other defenses. After discovery, the case was resolved on a class basis. An order granting final approval of the class settlement was issued on November 24, 2020. The dates of my representation were 2018 to 2020. The case was heard and decided by United States District Judge Michael R. Barrett.

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18. **Legal Activities:** Describe the most significant legal activities you have pursued, including significant litigation which did not progress to trial or legal matters that did not involve litigation. Describe fully the nature of your participation in these activities. List any client(s) or organization(s) for whom you performed lobbying activities and describe the lobbying activities you performed on behalf of such client(s) or organizations(s). (Note: As to any facts requested in this question, please omit any information protected by the attorney-client privilege.)

While I was in private practice, I primarily focused on litigation. In addition to the litigation activities described above, I engaged in the following legal activities: advice and counsel, appearances before administrative agencies, systems hiring process reviews, Department of Labor audits, employee and manager training, participation in firm practice groups, internal firm electronic discovery leadership, workers' compensation representation, and mentoring of younger attorneys.

19. **Teaching:** What courses have you taught? For each course, state the title, the institution at which you taught the course, the years in which you taught the course, and describe briefly the subject matter of the course and the major topics taught. If you have a syllabus of each course, provide copies to the committee.

I have never taught a course.

20. **Deferred Income/ Future Benefits:** List the sources, amounts and dates of all anticipated receipts from deferred income arrangements, stock, options, uncompleted contracts and other future benefits which you expect to derive from previous business relationships, professional services, firm memberships, former employers, clients or customers. Describe the arrangements you have made to be compensated in the future for any financial or business interest.

Other than retirement accounts, I have no such arrangements.

21. **Outside Commitments During Court Service:** Do you have any plans, commitments, or agreements to pursue outside employment, with or without compensation, during your service with the court? If so, explain.

I have no plans, commitments, or agreements to pursue outside employment, with or without compensation, during my service with the court.

22. **Sources of Income:** List sources and amounts of all income received during the calendar year preceding your nomination and for the current calendar year, including all salaries, fees, dividends, interest, gifts, rents, royalties, licensing fees, honoraria, and other items exceeding

\$500 or more (if you prefer to do so, copies of the financial disclosure report, required by the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, may be substituted here).

When my nomination is formally submitted to the Senate, I will file my mandated Financial Disclosure Report and supply a copy to this Committee.

23. **Statement of Net Worth:** Please complete the attached financial net worth statement in detail (add schedules as called for).

See attached Net Worth Statement.

24. **Potential Conflicts of Interest:**

a. Identify the family members or other persons, parties, categories of litigation, and financial arrangements that are likely to present potential conflicts-of-interest when you first assume the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you would address any such conflict if it were to arise.

If confirmed, I will recuse in any litigation where I have ever played a role. I will also recuse in any case where my wife Julie E. Byrne, who is a practicing attorney, represents any party. I will evaluate any other real or potential conflict, or any other relationship that could give rise to the appearance of a conflict, on a case-by-case basis and determine appropriate action with the advice of parties and their counsel including recusal where necessary.

b. Explain how you will resolve any potential conflict of interest, including the procedure you will follow in determining these areas of concern.

If confirmed, I will carefully review and address any real or potential conflicts by reference to 28 U.S.C. § 455, Canon 3 of the Code of Conduct for United States Judges, and any and all other laws, rules, and practices governing such circumstances.

25. **Pro Bono Work:** An ethical consideration under Canon 2 of the American Bar Association's Code of Professional Responsibility calls for "every lawyer, regardless of professional prominence or professional workload, to find some time to participate in serving the disadvantaged." Describe what you have done to fulfill these responsibilities, listing specific instances and the amount of time devoted to each.

While I worked at Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP, I represented a handful of individuals in employment law matters on a pro bono basis through the Volunteer Lawyers Project. I no longer have records regarding these matters, but I know I represented a young man who was not paid wages by his employer. I filed a wage and hour lawsuit on his behalf, but it was eventually dismissed when the plaintiff left the country and was unavailable to pursue the matter.

My next law firm, Jackson Lewis P.C., did not permit attorneys to represent employees. Therefore, my pro bono work at Jackson Lewis instead focused on finding ways to provide

employment law advice to charitable/non-profit organizations. I advised several non-profits on specific situations involving employment law concerns and updated employment policies and/or employee handbooks for such organizations. These organizations included a national leadership organization for girls, a national organization that engages in breast cancer advocacy and education, a church, and an organization that engages in public advocacy for people with a particular form of cancer. I also gave presentations on employment law compliance to non-profit charitable organizations through the Pro Bono Partnership of Ohio.

On average I performed around 30 hours of pro bono legal work per year while I was a practicing attorney.

Currently, as a judge, I cannot engage in pro bono legal services. So, I have found other ways to make a positive impact on the legal system and the administration of justice. I frequently volunteer for speaking engagements and public ceremonies. I also arranged for our court to travel to off-site locations so that schoolchildren may attend oral arguments and question-and-answer sessions with the judges and discussions about the role of state courts in our constitutional system. I regularly speak to students at my children's school about the legal profession and the role of the courts, and make myself similarly available to other school or student groups when invited.

26. **Selection Process:**

a. Please describe your experience in the entire judicial selection process, from beginning to end (including the circumstances which led to your nomination and the interviews in which you participated). Is there a selection commission in your jurisdiction to recommend candidates for nomination to the federal courts? If so, please include that process in your description, as well as whether the commission recommended your nomination. List the dates of all interviews or communications you had with the White House staff or the Justice Department regarding this nomination. Do not include any contacts with Federal Bureau of Investigation personnel concerning your nomination.

I learned of Judge Michael Watson's decision to take senior status in October 2025. I promptly informed Senators Moreno and Husted of my intention to seek their recommendation for the President's nomination to fill the vacancy. The United States Senators from Ohio do not utilize a selection commission for judicial vacancies. Instead, each Senator's office informed me of their respective application processes. I submitted the requested applications to both senators. I interviewed with Senator Moreno's staff on November 24, 2025, and with Senator Husted's staff on January 7, 2026. I interviewed with Senator Moreno and his staff on January 26, 2026, and with Senator Husted and his staff on February 13, 2026. On April 21, 2026, I interviewed with attorneys from the White House Counsel's Office in Washington, D.C. Since then, I have remained in contact with attorneys from the White House Counsel's Office and officials from the Office of Legal Policy at the Department of Justice. On May 27, 2026, President Trump called me to inform me that he had selected me to be nominated for a position on the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio.

b. Has anyone involved in the process of selecting you as a judicial nominee discussed with you any currently pending or specific case, legal issue or question in a manner that could reasonably be interpreted as seeking any express or implied assurances concerning your position on such case, issue, or question? If so, explain fully.

No.

AFFIDAVIT

I, Matthew R. Byrne, do swear that the information provided in this statement is, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate.

05-26-2026
(DATE)

Matthew R. Byrne
(NAME)

Stephanie Bradford
(NOTARY)

