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This form seeks information about you that will be posted on the Judge4Yourself.com website with its ratings. Please complete and return this form and a black and white photograph of yourself before your scheduled interview. Each Candidate is responsible to provide accurate information, to review the information when posted and to advise the JCRC promptly of any correction required to that candidate's posted information.

Name: Ann Clare Oakar

Current City of Residence: Cleveland, Ohio Date and Place of Birth: May 24, 1976, Cleveland, Ohio

Undergraduate School and Degree (Year of Graduation): University of Dayton, BA Sociology 1998

Law School (Year of Graduation): Case Western Reserve School of Law, 2001

Other Graduate School, if any, and Degree (Year of Graduation): _____

Year Admitted to Practice in Ohio: 2001 Number of Years Engaged in Practice of Law in Ohio 16.5
(excluding Judicial Service)

Other Court(s) to Which
You Are Admitted & Year(s): United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, United States Supreme Court

Number of Years Engaged in Practice of Law in any State (excluding Judicial Service): 16.5

Briefly describe your areas of practice:

Currently I serve as a Magistrate in the Parma Municipal Court where I preside over both criminal and civil dockets. I am also a Law Director and Prosecutor for the Village of Bentleyville, Ohio. Previously I served as the Assistant Law Director and Prosecutor for the City of Broadview Heights for almost 9 years. I also have a successful private practice of Law, where I engage in general practice but focus on criminal defense. I also however handle cases in the areas of small civil matters, probate and estates and wills and trusts.

Summarize your experience, if any, before the court to which you seek election:

Throughout law school I worked as a legal intern at the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland. I started first in the civil division where we handled many matters in Cleveland Housing Court. I was then transferred to the Criminal Division which at the time served as the Public Defender for the City of Cleveland. There is where I truly began my love for municipal law and court. I worked at Legal Aid throughout the remainder of law school as an intern and then while awaiting my bar results. Upon my admittance to the bar I entered into private practice. I regularly handle retained clients in the Cleveland Municipal Court as well as every other municipal and county court in our area. In addition, I have served as special prosecutor on at least two occasions for the Cleveland Prosecutors' office.

Service as judge in state or federal court of record (identify position, court and years of service): _____

Current Position and Employer (number of years in this position): Magistrate, Parma Municipal Court, 4/2011-present.
Law Director and Prosecutor, Village of Bentleyville, 1/2009 - present. Self employed as an Attorney, 2001 - present.

Previous Employment and Dates: City of Broadview Heights, 12/2003 - 4/2011.

List no more than five of your significant community or charitable activities:

Legal advisor to the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Greater Cleveland., Member of Parent Club and volunteer St. Mark School, Member and legal advisor to Friends of Camp Christopher