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Name: Craig E. Willis

Current City of Residence: Cleveland, Ohio

Date and Place of Birth: Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Undergraduate School and Degree (Year of Graduation):

Princeton University

Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs

B.A. 1978

Law School (Year of Graduation):

University of Michigan 1982

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

Year Admitted to Practice in Ohio: 1983 Number of Years Engaged in Practice of Law in Ohio 20

(excluding Judicial Service)

Other Court(s) to Which

You Are Admitted & Year(s):

Federal District Court, Northern District of Ohio (1985)

United States Supreme Court (1988)

Federal District Court, Western District of Tennessee (2004)

Admitted, Tennessee (2003)

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

34

Briefly describe your areas of practice:

Municipal, Local and Regional Government Law, Legislation, Public Law, Sunshine Law,

Administrative Law, Governmental Conflict of Interest & Ethics (Ethics Officer), Local Governmental

Educational Maintenance of Effort and Finance, Landlord Tenant Law, Contracts, General Business

Law, Homeland Security Law, State Court/Clerk Administration Law, Title VI Compliance, General

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

Some experience in Cleveland Municipal Court, particularly the Housing Division

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

None

Current Position and Employer (number of years in this position):

Administrator, Civil Division, Office of the Clerk of Court, Shelby County, Tn. (2016-2017)

Previous Employment and Dates:

Assistant County Attorney, Office of the County Attorney, Shelby County, Tn. (2004-2016)

Staff Attorney, Cuyahoga County Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA) (2002-2003)

Solo law practice, Office of Craig E. Willis (2001-2002)

Cleveland City Council, Councilman, Ward 9 (1990-2001)

Law Director, City of East Cleveland, Ohio (1988-1989)

Assistant Director of Law, City of Akron, Ohio (1987-1988)

Solo law practice, Office of Craig E. Willis (1986-1987)

Associate, Hahn, Loeser, Freidheim, Dean & Wellman, Cleveland, Ohio (1985-1986)

Assistant Director of Law, City of Cleveland, Ohio (1983-1985)

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

Member, St. Timothy Baptist Church, Cleveland, Ohio

Founded, Friends of Forest Hills Park and Garrett Square Economic Development Corporation

Cleveland Bicentennial Commission 1996

Leadership Cleveland Class of '95

American Cancer Society Trustee (1995-1996)

Respectfully Submitted,



Date: August 10, 2017

Craig E. Willis

Candidate for Judge, Cleveland Municipal Court (FTC 01/04/18)

Ohio Supreme Court Attorney Registration # 0021153

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