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2008 Contested General Election Judicial Candidate Ratings

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Contested Races

Court/ Term	Candidate	Average Rating	Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association	Cuyahoga Criminal Defense Lawyers Association	Norman S. Minor Bar Association	Ohio Women's Bar Association	Newspaper Endorsements	
							The Call & Post	The Plain Dealer
Supreme Court of Ohio Starting 1/1/09	Maureen O'Connor	1.75	Adequate	Adequate	Not Recommended	Good	Endorsed	Endorsed
	Joseph D. Russo	3.5	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Good		
Supreme Court of Ohio Starting 1/2/09	Peter M. Sikora	3.25	Good	Good	Good	Excellent		Endorsed
	Evelyn Stratton	3.75	Excellent	Excellent	Good – Preferred	Excellent – Preferred	Endorsed	
8th District Court of Appeals Starting 2/10/09	Larry Jones	3.5	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Good – Preferred	Endorsed	Endorsed
	R. Brian Moriarty	2.5	Adequate	Good	Adequate	Good		
Common Pleas General Division Starting 1/3/09	Robert C. McClelland	2.25	Good	Good	Not Recommended	Good – Preferred		
	Steven Terry	3.25	Good	Good	Excellent	Good	Endorsed	Endorsed
Common Pleas General Division Starting 1/10/09	Richard J. McMonagle	4.0	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Endorsed	Endorsed
	Lynn McLaughlin Murray	2.0	Adequate	Adequate	Adequate	Adequate		
Common Pleas General Division Starting 2/9/09	Deena Calabrese	3.0	Good	Good	Good	Good	Endorsed	Endorsed
	Sam Zingale	1.0	Not Recommended	Adequate	Not Recommended	Adequate		
Common Pleas General Division Unexpired Term Ending 1/4/11	Lance T. Mason	3.25	Good- Preferred	Good	Excellent	Good	Endorsed	Endorsed
	Pamela A. Barker	2.25	Good	Adequate	Adequate	Adequate		
Common Pleas Probate Starting 2/9/09	Laura Gallagher	2.5	Adequate	Adequate	Good	Good – Preferred	Endorsed	
	Kathleen Sutula	2.0	Adequate	Good	Not Recommended	Good		Endorsed



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2008 Unopposed General Election Judicial Candidate Ratings

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Unopposed Candidates

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Supreme 8th District Court of Appeals Starting 2/9/09	Sean Gallagher	4.0	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent		
8th District Court of Appeals Starting 2/11/09	Patricia Blackmon	3.75	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent		
8th District Court of Appeals Starting 2/12/09	Kenneth Rocco	4.0	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent		
Common Pleas General Division Starting 1/1/09	Michael Russo	3.75	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent		
Common Pleas General Division Starting 1/2/09	Nancy Fuerst	4.0	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent		
Common Pleas General Division Starting 1/4/09	Nancy McDonnell	3.5	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Good		
Common Pleas General Division Starting 1/5/09	Brendan Sheehan	3.0	Good	Good	Good	Good		
Common Pleas General Division Starting 1/6/09	Eileen A. Gallagher	4.0	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent		
Common Pleas General Division Starting 1/7/09	Nancy Margaret Russo	3.0	Adequate	Excellent	Excellent	Adequate		
Common Pleas Domestic Relations Starting 1/8/09	Timothy Flanagan	0.0	Refused to Participate	Refused to Participate	Refused to Participate	Refused to Participate		
Common Pleas Domestic Relations Starting 1/9/09	Leslie Ann Celebrezze	0.0	Not Recommended	Not Recommended	Not Recommended	Not Recommended		
Common Pleas Probate Starting 1/1/09	Anthony Russo	3.5	Good	Good	Excellent	Excellent		