## JUDICIAL CANDIDATES RATING COALITION REQUEST FOR BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION FROM JUDICIAL CANDIDATES

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 color 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: Joy Kennedy

Current City of Residence: Euclid Date and Place of Birth: Cleveland, Ohio 3/7/1973

Undergraduate School and Degree (Year of Graduation): Hampton University, Bachelor of Social Work

Law School (Year of Graduation): Cleveland Marshall College of Law, 2005

Other Graduate School, and Degree (Year of Graduation): Virginia Commonwealth University, Master of Social Work

Year Admitted to Practice in Ohio: 2005 Number of Years Engaged in Practice of Law in Ohio 15 (excluding Judicial Service)

Other Court(s) to Which

You Are Admitted & Year(s): Northern District of Ohio - Federal Court, November 4, 2011

Number of Years Engaged in Practice of Law in any State (excluding Judicial Service): 15

Briefly describe your areas of practice: I primarily practice as a criminal defense trial attorney. Additionally, I have handled cases involving domestic relations matters, probate issues, and completed estate planning documents.

Summarize your experience, if any, before the court to which you seek election: <u>Over the last 12 years, I have handled cases</u> before this court that include divorce, dissolution, child custody and child support and retirement benefit issues.

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

Current Position and Employer (number of years in this position): Cuyahoga County Public Defender Office 15 years

## Previous Employment and Dates: SEE ATTACHMENT

List no more than five of your significant community or charitable activities: I am involved in many community or charitable activities. My roles and/or responsibilities are listed on the attached document. List below, however, are the organizations that I have determined to be my top 5.

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Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.

Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association

Hospice of the Western Reserve

Euclid Democratic Club

Black Woman's Political Action Committee