

JUDICIAL CANDIDATES RATING COALITION
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Name: _____ William Vodrey _____

Current City of Residence: _____ Cleveland _____ Date and Place of Birth: _____ Sept. 1, 1964, in East Liverpool, Ohio _____

Undergraduate School and Degree (Year of Graduation): _____ Oberlin College, with Honors in Government and a History minor (1987); awarded Alumni Medal, for "outstanding, sustained, or unique service to Oberlin College" (2018) _____

Law School (Year of Graduation): _____ Case Western Reserve University School of Law (1992); named Distinguished Recent Graduate (2002); given Mentor of the Year Award (2019) _____

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

Year Admitted to Practice in Ohio: _____ 1992 _____ Number of Years Engaged in Practice of Law in Ohio _____ 9 _____
(excluding Judicial Service): _____ 18 years as a magistrate _____

Other Court(s) to Which You Are Admitted & Year(s): _____

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio (1993)
U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio (1994)
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit (1994)
Supreme Court of the United States (1997)

Number of Years Engaged in Practice of Law in any State (excluding Judicial Service): _____ 9 _____

Briefly describe your areas of practice: _____ As a magistrate of Cleveland Municipal Court, I preside over trials (both jury and bench), rule on motions, and advise or cover the dockets of the judges of our court, as needed. Our court handles criminal, civil and traffic cases. I have had 21 decisions officially reported as Ohio precedent. _____

Summarize your experience, if any, before the court to which you seek election: _____ As an assistant county prosecutor appointed by the late Stephanie Tubbs Jones, I regularly appeared before the judges of the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas. Most of that time was as a member of the felony trial unit, working on criminal cases up to and including capital cases. When I was a Legal Aid lawyer in New Philadelphia, Ohio, I regularly practiced in the Common Pleas courts of Tuscarawas, Carroll, Harrison, Coshocton and Holmes counties. Much of my work there was representing victims of domestic violence seeking civil protection orders, and Ohio consumers in class action lawsuits against major utilities. To learn more about my candidacy, please visit VoteVodrey.com. _____

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

Current Position and Employer (number of years in this position): _____ Magistrate, Cleveland Municipal Court (2001-present) _____

Previous Employment and Dates: _____

National Field Staff Member, Dukakis for President campaign (1987-88)
News Reporter, *The Morning Journal*, Lisbon, Ohio (1988-89)
Associate, Jackman S. Vodrey Law Office, East Liverpool, Ohio (1992-93)
Staff Attorney, Southeastern Ohio Legal Services, New Philadelphia, Ohio (1993-95)
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Cuyahoga County, Ohio (1995-2001)
Visiting Professor in Legal Advocacy, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio (2007-present)

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

Member, Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association, Character and Fitness Committee (2013-present)

Mock Trial Club advisor, Shaker Heights High School (2013-present); Mock Trial judge, Cleveland Metropolitan School District (2001-present); Mock Trial judge, Ohio Commission for Law-Related Education (1996-present)

Troop Committee member and merit badge counselor, Boy Scout Troop 662, Shaker Heights, Ohio (2012-present)

Member, Cleveland Civil War Roundtable (1995-present; vice president, 1999-2000; president, 2000-2001)

Lector, usher, Vestryman and adult forum committee member, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Cleveland Heights (1995-present)
