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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 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: **James Cochran**

Current City of Residence: **Cleveland** Date and Place of Birth: **07/29/1953 Columbus, OH**

Undergraduate School and Degree (Year of Graduation): **University of Dayton, B.A. Political Science (1975)**

Law School (Year of Graduation): **Cleveland Marshall College of Law (1978)**

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

Year Admitted to Practice in Ohio: **1978** Number of Years Engaged in Practice of Law in Ohio **41**
(excluding Judicial Service)

Other Court(s) to Which

You Are Admitted & Year(s): **U.S. District Court Northern District Ohio, 1978**
U.S Sixth Circuit of Appeals, 2004
U.S. District Court Southern District Ohio, 2013

Number of Years Engaged in Practice of Law in any State (excluding Judicial Service): **41**

Briefly describe your areas of practice: **Eminent Domain (Real Estate), Labor and Employment Law, Personal Injury, Workers Compensation, and Criminal Law**

Summarize your experience, if any, before the court to which you seek election: **Ohio Supreme Court decision which originated in Cuyahoga County. One other contested divorce case with children in Cuyahoga County.**

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): **Senior Assistant Attorney General, Ohio Attorney General's Office, Executive Agencies Section, 6 years.**

Previous Employment and Dates:

THE CITY OF CLEVELAND LAW DEPARTMENT
Cleveland, Ohio, Frank G. Jackson, Mayor

Assistant Director of Law (Labor and Employment Law Section)

2008 – 2013

CUYAHOGA COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE
Cleveland, Ohio, William D. Mason, Prosecutor
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Civil Division 2002 - 2008

Other Relevant Work Experience:
COCHRAN, NASO & PORTER, LLP, Cleveland, Ohio
Managing Partner 1996 - 2002

MEYERS, HENTEMANN & REA CO., LPA, Cleveland, Ohio
Associate Attorney 1989 - 1996

CUYAHOGA COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE
Cleveland, Ohio, John T. Corrigan, Prosecutor
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Criminal Major Trial Division 1985 – 1989

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

Grassbaugh Veterans Project (The Moritz College of Law) since 2017
South Cuyahoga Sportsman's Association since 2017
Bay Travel Baseball Association (1990-1996)
OSBA Lawyer to Lawyer Mentoring Program (Pre 2016)
CMBA 3 R's Program (Pre 2016)