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2020 General Election Judicial Candidate Ratings

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Court/Term	Candidate	Asian American Bar Assoc.	Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Assoc.	Cuyahoga Criminal Defense Lawyers Assoc.	Norman S. Minor Bar Assoc.	Ohio Women's Bar Assoc.	Media Endorsements PD/ Cleveland.com
Supreme Court of Ohio FTC 1/1/2021	Sharon L. Kennedy	Good	Satisfactory	Good	Satisfactory	*	
	John P. O'Donnell	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Good	*	Endorsed
Supreme Court of Ohio FTC 1/02/2021	Judi French	Good	Good	Excellent	Good	*	Endorsed
	Jennifer Brunner	Excellent	Good	Excellent	Good	*	
Eighth District Court of Appeals FTC 2/11/2021	Emanuella D. Groves	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Endorsed
	Pamela A. Hawkins	Not Recommended	Not Recommended	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	
Eight District Court of Appeals UTE 1/1/2023	Lisa Forbes	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Good	Excellent	
	Ray Headen	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Endorsed
Cuyahoga County Court of Common Plea – General Division FTC 1/3/2021	Phil Calabrese Withdrew on 8/5/2020	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	
	William Vodrey	Excellent	Good	Excellent	Good	Good	
	Kenneth R. Callahan	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Good	Endorsed
Cuyahoga County Court of Common Plea – General Division FTC 1/6/2021	Robert C. McClelland	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Endorsed
	Andrew J. Santoli	Good	Good	Good	Good	Excellent	
Cuyahoga County Court of Common Plea – General Division UTE 1/2/2023	Richard A. Bell	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Good	Excellent	
	Wanda C. Jones	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Good (preferred)	Good	Endorsed
Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas – DR Division FTC 1/8/2021	John E. Mayer Withdrew on 7/8/2020	Refused to Participate	Not Recommended	Not Recommend	Refused to Participate	Not Recommended	
	Colleen Ann Reali	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Endorsed
	James Cochran	Not Recommended	Not Recommended	Not Recommended	Not Recommended	Not Recommended	

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