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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 black and white 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: Melody J. Stewart

Current City of Residence: Cleveland Date and Place of Birth: February 1962 - Cleveland, OH

Undergraduate School and Degree (Year of Graduation): University of Cincinnati - Bachelor of Music (1984)

Law School (Year of Graduation): Cleveland State University - (1988)

Other Graduate School, if any, and Degree (Year of Graduation): Case Western Reserve University - Ph.D. (2008)

Year Admitted to Practice in Ohio: 1989 Number of Years Engaged in Practice of Law in Ohio 17 years
(excluding Judicial Service)

Other Court(s) to Which
You Are Admitted & Year(s): Federal courts in Ohio - 1989, District of Columbia Court of Appeals - 1991, U.S. Supreme Court - 2008

Number of Years Engaged in Practice of Law in any State (excluding Judicial Service): 17 years.

Briefly describe your areas of practice: Civil defense litigation, contract disputes, juvenile crime and delinquency, misdemeanor criminal offenses.

Summarize your experience, if any, before the court to which you seek election: I was a judge on the Court of Appeals for 12 years, a law school educator and administrator for 15 years before becoming a judge, and an assistant law director before that.

Service as judge in state or federal court of record (identify position, court and years of service): Justice on the Supreme Court of Ohio - 2019 to present; Judge on the Court of Appeals (8th District) - 2006 to 2018.

Current Position and Employer (number of years in this position): Justice on the Supreme Court of Ohio for almost five and a half years.

Previous Employment and Dates: Ohio Court of Appeals - Eighth District (2006-2018); Cleveland State University College of Law (2003-2006 and 1989-1998); Case Western Reserve University School of Law (2000-2003); University of Toledo College of Law 1998-1999); Cities of E. Cleveland and Cleveland Law Departments (1988 - 1990); Annashae Corporation (1980 - 1988).

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

Helping to prepare and deliver meals to shut ins for the holidays; visiting church members in care facilities; judging moot court and mock trial competitions; serving on various boards and commissions, teaching and presenting for CLE courses.