2020 Judicial Preference Poll Results

The Columbus Bar Association's annual Judicial Preference Poll closed for voting on September 18. This information is not intended as an endorsement for candidates but as a service to help voters make an informed decision when voting for judicial candidates.

There are ten contested judicial races being decided on November 3 in Franklin County for seats on the Franklin County Common Pleas Court- General and Domestic Divisions, Court of Appeals and Probate Court. Earlier this month, central Ohio attorneys were asked to indicate the candidate they preferred in each race. Polling ballots were sent to 7,672 attorneys in Franklin County and a total of 709 votes were cast. The poll was conducted online by Simply Voting and a statement included with the ballot requested that attorneys without "sufficient current knowledge or information about the candidates" abstain from voting in the poll.

Candidates for Franklin County Common Pleas Court, General Division

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Carl Aveni	461	85.5%
Josh Brown	78	14.5%

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Jenifer French	454	75.4%
Andy Miller	148	24.6%

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David C. Young	490	82.9%
Michael Cassone	101	17.1%

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Chris Brown	492	90.4%
Michael Carleton	52	9.6%

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Gina Russo	357	59.6%
Sheryl Munson	242	40.4%

Candidates for Franklin County Common Pleas Court, Domestic Relations/Juvenile

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Dana Preisse	475	76.5%
George W. Leach	146	23.5%

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Lasheyl Stroud	284	51.8%
Stephanie Hanna	264	48.2%

Candidates for Tenth District Court of Appeals

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Colleen O'Donnell	376	61.2%
Michael C. Mentel	238	38.8%

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Lisa Sadler	472	72.6%
Terri Jamison	178	27.4%

Candidates for Franklin County Probate Court

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Robert Montgomery	384	65.5%
Jeff Mackey	202	34.5%