

Preferred judicial candidates selected by local attorneys

The Columbus Bar annual Preference Poll results for candidates running for election in the Franklin County Municipal Court are in. 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.

Polling ballots were sent to more than 8,200 attorneys in Franklin County. Respondents were asked to indicate the candidate they preferred. Of the four judicial races being decided on Nov. 8 in Franklin County, three are contested. A total of 540 votes were cast for the candidates. The poll was conducted online by VoteNet Solutions 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.

The Columbus Bar conducts two polls each year in an effort to provide merit-based, non-partisan information to voters about the elected judiciary. The preference poll of judicial candidates is conducted each fall. A performance poll of sitting judges is conducted each spring.

CANDIDATES FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT	<u>Number of Responses</u>	<u>Percentage of Responses</u>
Eric Brown James Patrick O'Grady Abstain	200 290 50	41% 59%
W. Dwayne Maynard David C.Young Abstain	238 218 84	52% 48%
Andrea C. Peeples Barbara Pfeiffer Abstain	177 264 99	40% 60%