

2018 Judicial Preference Poll

The Columbus Bar Association's annual Judicial Preference Poll closed for voting at noon on October 25, 2018. 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 seven contested judicial races being decided on November 6 in Franklin County for seats on the Franklin County Common Pleas Court- General and Domestic Divisions. Earlier this month, central Ohio attorneys were asked to indicate the candidate they preferred in each race. Polling ballots were sent to 7,505 attorneys in Franklin County and a total of 787 votes were cast. 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. Results of both polls and findings of the Judicial Screening Committee are available at **JudgeTheCandidates.org**, our non-partisan voter education portal designed to help voters make informed decisions at the ballot box.

Candidates for Franklin County Common Pleas Court, General Division

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Bill Creedon	442	65
Jaiza Page	240	35

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James Hughes	361	51
Karen Phipps	349	49

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Hon. Kim Brown	583	82
Michael Cassone	129	18

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Carl Aveni	220	31
Hon. Dan Hawkins	494	69

Candidates for Franklin County Common Pleas Court, Domestic Relations Division

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Jessica Barwell	78	12
Hon. James Brown	573	88

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Hon. Terri Jamison	342	53
Janie Roberts	306	47

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Monica Hawkins	193	28
Magistrate Amy Koorn	498	72