

Public Notice

CLERMONT COUNTY JUDICIAL VACANCY – MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE

Submitted by the Clermont County Republican Party

The Clermont County Republican Party is seeking interested candidates to fill a judicial vacancy in the Municipal Court due to the election of Clermont County Municipal Court Judge Jason Nagel to the Common Pleas Court as of January 1, 2025.

The Municipal Court has jurisdiction to hear misdemeanor cases committed within its' territory and has jurisdiction over the violation of any ordinance of any municipal corporation within the same, including exclusive jurisdiction over every civil action concerning violation of a state traffic law or a municipal traffic ordinance. The court has jurisdiction to hear felony cases committed within its territory.

This action is governed under Article IV, Section 13 of the Constitution of the State of Ohio and requires the Governor of the State of Ohio to fill this vacancy by appointment. The Governor has requested the Clermont County Republican Party to act as a screening committee whose purpose is to interview those persons interested in this appointment and recommend that person or persons who possess the necessary qualification for this vacant position. **The final decision and recommendation to the Governor for this appointment shall be made by a majority vote of the Republican Central Committee.**

In order to be considered for this appointment, applicants must be a qualified elector within the Judge's term of office and a resident of the territory of the court to which the judge is appointed. A municipal judge shall have been admitted to the practice of law in this state for at least one year proceeding appointment and, for a total of at least six years preceding appointment, shall have either served as a judge of a court of record in any jurisdiction in the United States or done any of the following:

- (1) Engaged in the practice of law in this state:
- (2) Practiced in a federal court in this state, regardless of whether at the time of that practice the person was admitted to practice of law in this state or practiced in the courts of this state;
- (3) Engaged in the authorized practice of law as in-house counsel for a business in this state or as an attorney for a government entity in this state, regardless of whether at the time of that practice the person was admitted to the practice of law in this state or practiced in the courts of this state.

All interested and qualified persons must submit a letter of intent postmarked no later than 5:00 p.m. January 31, 2025 to the Clermont County Republican Party 197 East Main Street Batavia, Ohio 45103. In lieu of mail, letters of intent may be sent via email to: chairman@gopclermont.org or paintbrush507@gmail.com.

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