

## Inquirer Judicial Candidate Questionnaire

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1. Why are you qualified and well-suited to serve as a judge on the court for which you are running?

**I have over 30 years of legal experience in diverse areas of the law, and believe that I have good judicial temperament for a judge.**

2. Did you receive a rating of “recommended” or higher from the state or local bar association? If not, why not?

**Yes.**

3. If you are an incumbent judge, what’s a recent instance in which you acted to preserve your judicial independence? If you are an aspiring judge, how do you plan to remain independent if elected to the bench?

**I have no political ties and believe that the judiciary is an independent office that should not be subject to politics. Keeping to principles, not being influenced by public opinion will allow me to remain independent.**

4. A number of Pennsylvania judges have been sanctioned for campaign activities, ex parte dealings, and other alleged misconduct. How can the state’s judiciary promote ethical behavior among judges and court staff.

**Judges should be required to take ethics courses.**

5. If you believe that gender, racial, ethnic, class or other forms of bias can infect the justice system, how will you work to keep your courtroom as bias-free as possible?

I will aspire to treat everyone equally with the same respect and dignity.

Please e-mail your completed questionnaire by **Tuesday, April 12** to: