



**LOCAL NON-PARTISAN VOTER GUIDE**  
**GENERAL ELECTION**  
**Tuesday, November 3, 2020**  
**REDFORD TOWNSHIP**

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**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF NORTHWEST WAYNE COUNTY**

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***Included in this Local  
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Contested Races:

Michigan House of Representatives,  
District 10  
Wayne County Prosecuting Attorney, Clerk,  
Treasurer and Register of Deeds  
Wayne County Commissioner District 8  
3<sup>rd</sup> Circuit Court Judge – Non-Incumbent  
Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees  
Redford Union School Board  
South Redford School Board

Uncontested Races are listed on page 2

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***Information about the following  
races not included in this local  
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President  
US Congressional Representative  
US Senate  
Michigan Supreme Court  
Michigan Court of Appeals  
Governing Board of Michigan Universities  
2 State Ballot Proposals

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- Wayne County Sheriff: 1 candidate running for 1 position
- 17th District Court: 1 candidate running for 1 position
- 3rd Circuit Court Judge Incumbent, 6-Year Term: 15 candidates running for 15 positions
- 3rd Circuit Court Judge Incumbent, Partial Term: 1 candidate running for 1 position
- Wayne County Probate Court Judge, 6-year Term: 3 candidates running for 3 position
- Redford Township Supervisor and Treasurer: 1 candidate running 1 position (each)
- Redford Township Board of Trustees: 4 candidates running for 4 positions
- Redford Township Parks Commission: 7 candidates running for 7 positions

**Michigan House of Representatives, District 10 - 2 Year Term**

**VOTE FOR 1**

<b>CANDIDATES</b>	<b><u>Education:</u></b> <i>What is your position on the role of public funding of education in Michigan? What measures do you support/propose to improve educational outcomes and accessibility for all Michigan students?</i>	<b><u>Economic Security:</u></b> <i>What policies do you support to increase jobs and help Michigan residents improve their economic positions, in general and given the pandemic?</i>	<b><u>Social Justice:</u></b> <i>How would you address the racial, economic, health, education, etc. inequities, including Michigan's 20% of children and 17% of seniors living in poverty?</i>
<p><b>Mary Cavanaugh (D)</b></p> <p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.MaryforMichigan.com">http://www.MaryforMichigan.com</a></p> <p><b>Facebook:</b> <a href="http://facebook.com/maryforstaterep">http://facebook.com/maryforstaterep</a></p> <p><b>Twitter:</b> <a href="https://twitter.com/MaryForRep">twitter.com/MaryForRep</a></p> <p><b>Occupation / Current Position:</b> Director of Project Development for New Start Construction Company &amp; Work-Force Development Training</p> <p><b>Education:</b> Early acceptance to Michigan State through the Drew Scholars Program led to an interest in Anthropology. Transferred to Wayne State University, I will be graduating with a Bachelors in December 2020.</p> <p><b>Qualifications and Experience:</b> Working as an AmeriCorps member in Detroit Public Schools, a Direct Care Provider for residents with developmental disabilities, and current Director for a County-wide Construction Company</p>	<p>In 2015, I had the opportunity to serve as an AmeriCorps Member for Osborn- one of the most under-sourced/under-funded public high schools in Detroit having one of the lowest graduation rates in the country. This position showed me the challenges/strains experienced by staff, students, &amp; families when our schools are not made a priority. I support/ will sponsor/co-sponsor any measures that will improve educational outcomes/accessibility for all MI students starting with a district-wide equity fund streamlining funds to most needed schools in the district while diverging taxpayer dollars away from for-profit charters.</p>	<p>COVID-19 is devastating families in all places across MI, but especially communities such as mine in Redford &amp; NW Detroit. Putting hard-working families out of work for months (perhaps indefinitely) &amp; while unemployment benefits have become more inclusive to handle the rising numbers, residents are still going without sufficient pay/assurances in the coming months. As State Representative, unemployment benefits will reflect the current state of the economy with longer claim periods &amp; increased state-provided unemployment. We must hire and train cohorts of people for nationwide testing, contact tracing, and prevention.</p>	<p>Now more than ever, we are seeing a demand for Criminal &amp; Social Justice Reform. Me, my communities, and all People want radical change and I will support all justice reform that includes the elimination of mass incarceration, minimum sentencing, cash-bail, and removing police from schools. Once we demilitarize communities, invest in community self-governance, and invest in affordable healthcare for all, we can begin to tackle the inequity occurring everyday in communities such as mine and across the nation. I will focus funding and prioritize education &amp; health for our children, seniors, and much-needed communities.</p>
<p><b>Cathy L. Alcorn (R)</b></p>	<p>RESPONSE NOT RECEIVED IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION</p>	<p>RESPONSE NOT RECEIVED IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION</p>	<p>RESPONSE NOT RECEIVED IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION</p>

**Wayne County Prosecuting Attorney 4-year term**

VOTE FOR 1

CANDIDATES	<i>Please provide biographical information and experience, and explain why you are running for this office.</i>	<i>What are the priority issues facing this office and what actions would you take to address them if elected?</i>
<p><b>Kym L. Worthy (D)</b></p> <p><b>Address:</b> P.O. Box 07225 Detroit,, MI 48207  <b>Campaign Email:</b> ctekymworthy2020@gmail.com  <b>Education:</b> B.S., economics and political science, University of Michigan, J.D., University of Notre Dame Law School  <b>Campaign Website:</b> www.kymworthy.com  <b>Facebook:</b> <a href="http://www.facebook.com/ProsecutorKymWorthy/">http://www.facebook.com/ProsecutorKymWorthy/</a></p>	<p>I have served as the Wayne County Prosecutor for the last 16 years. Prior to that, I was elected and served three terms as a judge on Recorder's Court (now Wayne County Circuit Court). During my years as Wayne County prosecutor, some of the initiatives we have undertaken include: Finding, investigating and prosecuting cases from the 11,000 abandoned sexual assault kits in Detroit; (work that has been implemented across the country); created along with Attorney General Nessel, the nation's first unit dedicated to the prosecution of LGBTQ crimes; created Wayne County's first unit for Elder Abuse; created over 20 diversion programs; created the state's first Conviction Integrity Unit, where almost 20 prisoners have been exonerated or given new trials; and created a Witness Protection Program. I have also been a fierce advocate for Michigan's most vulnerable victims (children/sexual assault)</p>	<p>My priorities are to continue to build on our office's work in the following areas: Protecting and rectifying wrongful convictions Continuing to lead the Detroit Rape Project Protecting seniors from elder abuse Advocating for LGBTQ justice Preventing youth crime Encouraging criminal rehabilitation and diversion Supporting mental health Reducing gun violence Advancing accessibility and transparency.</p>
<p><b>Daniel Ziemba (Lib)</b></p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION</p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION</p>

**Wayne County Clerk**

**4-year term**

VOTE FOR 1

CANDIDATES	<i>Please provide biographical information and experience, and explain why you are running for this office</i>	<i>What are the priority issues facing this office and what actions would you take to address them if elected?</i>
<p><b>Cathy M. Garrett (D)</b></p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION</p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION</p>
<p><b>Dylan M. Gomula (R)</b></p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION</p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION</p>

**Wayne County Treasurer**

**4-year term**

VOTE FOR 1

CANDIDATES	<i>Please provide biographical information and experience, and explain why you are running for this office</i>	<i>What are the priority issues facing this office and what actions would you take to address them if elected?</i>
<p><b>Eric R. Sabree (D)</b></p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION</p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION</p>
<p><b>Anthony Wozniak (R)</b></p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION</p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION</p>

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<b>Bernard J. Youngblood (D)</b>	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION
<b>Parker Burns (R)</b>	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION
<b>Richard J. Secula (Lib)</b>	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION

**WAYNE RESA PROPOSAL  
REGIONAL ENHANCEMENT MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL**

Pursuant to state law, the revenue raised by the proposed enhancement millage will be collected by the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency and distributed to local constituent public school districts including eligible public school academies within the boundaries of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency based on pupil membership count. As a renewal of authority which expires with the 2021 levy, shall the limitation on the amount of ad valorem taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency, Michigan, be increased by 2 mills (\$2.00 per thousand dollars of taxable value) for a period of six (6) years, 2022 to 2027, inclusive, to provide operating funds to enhance other state and local funding for local school district operating purposes? It is estimated that 2 mills would raise approximately \$90.4 million when first levied in 2022. The revenue from this millage will be disbursed to public school academies within the boundaries of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency which are eligible to receive enhancement millage under the Revised School Code and the following school districts: Allen Park Public Schools, Crestwood School District, Dearborn City School District, Dearborn Heights School District #7, Detroit Public Schools Community District, Ecorse Public School District, Flat Rock Community Schools, School District of the City of Garden City, Gibraltar School District ,Grosse Ile Township Schools ,The Grosse Pointe Public School System, Hamtramck Public Schools City of Harper Woods Schools, School District of the City of Highland Park, Huron School District, School District of the City of Lincoln Park, Livonia Public Schools, Melvindale – Northern Allen Park Schools, Northville Public Schools, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Redford Union School District, River Rouge School District, Riverview Community School District, Romulus Community Schools, Southgate Community School District, South Redford School District, Taylor School District, Trenton Public Schools, Van Buren Public Schools, Wayne-Westland Community School District Westwood Community Schools, Woodhaven-Brownstown School District, Wyandotte City School District.

VOTE YES or NO

**Wayne County Commissioner - 8th District - 2-year term**

VOTE FOR 1

*(District 8 covers only the SE corner of Livonia: those living south of 5 Mile Road, east of Middlebelt)*

<p><b>CANDIDATES</b></p>	<p><i>Please provide biographical information and experience, and explain why you are running for this office</i></p>	<p><i>What are the priority issues facing this office and what actions would you take to address them if elected?</i></p>
<p><b>David Knezek (D)</b></p> <p><b>Address:</b> P.O. Box 867 Dearborn Heights, MI 48127  <b>Occupation/Current Profession:</b> Wayne County Commissioner  <b>Campaign Phone:</b> (313) 473-7158  <b>Campaign Email:</b> info@davidknezek.com  <b>Campaign Website:</b> http://www.davidknezek.com  <b>Education:</b> BA, UM-Dearborn, 2012; MBA, University of Michigan, expected 2022</p>	<p>Earlier this year, the members of the Wayne County Commission unanimously appointed me to fill a vacancy on the board. Prior to serving in this role, I served as a State Representative and State Senator as well as the Director of Legislative Affairs at the Michigan Department of Attorney General. I am proud to have served in the United States Marine Corps and twice deployed to Iraq. I am running for this office because I want to give back to the community that has supported and raised me since I was born. While I am proud of the many successes we have shared throughout the years, I want to continue fighting for issues that affect us all: creating good paying jobs, ensuring healthcare for all, developing a world-class system of education, improving the quality of our cultural and recreational opportunities, and repairing our roads and bridges.</p>	<p>Constituent relations and helping people navigate government are always my top priority. I am also prioritizing senior services, infrastructure, parks and the environment, and veteran affairs his campaign. I support additional funding for Meals on Wheels, cracking down on elder abuse, and ensuring seniors have access to the healthcare, recreational opportunities, and support systems they deserve. Investing in our infrastructure will strengthen our community for families and businesses. We need to protect and clean up our Wayne County parks and fight even harder to solve systemic flooding problems and I believe every man and woman who serves our nation deserves to thrive in the community they fought to protect. It's tough to boil this down in just 900 characters but at the end of the day it's about rolling up your sleeves and fighting every day to put results over rhetoric.</p>
<p><b>Marc Joseph Sosnowski (UST)</b></p> <p><b>Address:</b> 8488 Kinloch St. Dearborn Heights, MI 48127  <b>Occupation/Current Profession:</b> Expert in Mortgage Protection. Also substitute teacher in South Redford and Garden City schools.  <b>Campaign Phone:</b> (313) 319-8676  <b>Campaign Email:</b> marc.sosnowski@gmail.com  <b>Campaign Website:</b> http://MarkdownMarc.com  <b>Education:</b> MBA, Cornerstone University, summa cum laude; BA, U of M-Dearborn, Environmental Studies; Diploma, Catholic Central HS.</p>	<p>At 64 years old now, I have more than 30 years of sales experience in the Insurance Business, Environmental Remediation, and Property Management. Outside of work, I have 40 years of experience in the field of Bio-Ethics as a Board Member of Lifespan in Livonia, and I am also a 40-year member of Msgr. Hunt Knights of Columbus in Dearborn Heights where I've been Chancellor for six years. I joined the US Taxpayers Party of Michigan in 2008 when I came up with my plan to solve the mortgage crisis, The Option To Recover, in my Masters Degree program, and the Party nominated me to run for State Rep to promote my plan. I've been nominated again, as the USTPM continues to challenge the status quo to make the government follow the Constitution, and Just Say No to career politicians, and that is why I am running for Wayne County Commissioner.</p>	<p>We see that the Wayne County Commissioners have no hesitation in offering parcels of Hines Park and Warren Valley Golf Course for sale for questionable prices without competitive bidding. Could it be that proper business practices are overlooked when career politicians become too comfortable in their lofty positions? My position on the Commission will always be to preserve our resources such as Hines Park, notably historic in connection with the Underground Railroad. In the area of Law &amp; Order, I will support to the greatest degree the efforts of the Wayne County Sheriff to confront the tragedy of human trafficking. I support the 1st Amendment Right of Assembly and the 2nd Amendment Right to Bear Arms, yet I will always move to provide our Sheriff and Deputies the safety and equipment their work requires.</p>

**Redford Township Clerk 4-year term**

**VOTE FOR 2**

<p><b>CANDIDATES</b></p>	<p><i>Please provide biographical information and experience, and explain why you are running for this office.</i></p>	<p><i>What are the priority issues facing this office and what actions would you take to address them if elected?</i></p>
<p><b>Garth J. Christie (D)</b></p> <p><b>Address:</b> 15470 Delaware Redford, MI 48239 <b>Occupation/Current Profession:</b> Township Clerk <b>Campaign Phone:</b> (313) 268-4068 <b>Education:</b> Thurston High School, UofM BA, WSU JD</p>	<p>Life long resident of Redford Township, Retired Captain USMCR, Twenty years as Township Clerk Restore respect for the rule of law on the Township Board</p>	<p>Stop misspending tax dollars, Listen to the people</p>
<p><b>Evelyn Pridemore (Grn)</b></p> <p><b>Address:</b> 15649 Lexington Redford, MI 48239 <b>Occupation/Current Profession:</b> Retail Manager <b>Campaign Phone:</b> (313) 333-7090 <b>Campaign Email:</b> eve-lynpriemore@yahoo.com</p>	<p>I am running for Redford Township Clerk because after 20 years Redford needs a change. We need to bring kindness, customer service, honesty and integrity to the clerks office. I currently serve on the Redford Union School Board and have for 9 years. In my time on the board we have crawled our way out of a 5 million dollar deficit by making the hard decisions. I have 30 plus years of customer service background including HR.</p>	<p>Customer Service - the current clerk and staff have zero customer service skills, our residents are treated with disrespect on a regular basis. I plan to implement customer service training and standards, when you encounter our staff members you should be treated as with kindness and respect. Training/Knowledge - there is a lack of basic training and knowledge in the office. I will require all staff members including myself to attend training from the state on election filing rules, deadlines, voter education and processes..</p>

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- Check your voter registration
- Find your polling place

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<p><b>Chandra W. Baker</b></p> <p><b>Occupation/current position:</b> Lead Attorney with the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office. I head the Wayne Arson Reduction Unit.</p> <p><b>Campaign website:</b>  <a href="http://bakerforblindjustice.com">http://bakerforblindjustice.com</a></p> <p><b>Campaign email :</b>  <a href="mailto:chandrabakerforjudge@gmail.com">chandrabakerforjudge@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>Education:</b> Wayne State University Law School - JD University of Michigan - BA</p>	<p>I am a Lead Attorney with the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office. I head the Wayne Arson Reduction Unit which prosecutes arson for-profit crimes involving real property (insurance fraud) and arson where someone has been killed or injured. I was awarded Prosecutor of the Year 2017-2018 by the International Association of Arson Investigators for my work combating arson in Wayne County. I have been a prosecutor for over 12 years. I have litigated felonies of all kinds including capital cases such as homicide and armed robberies. Previous to joining the WCPS, I was an associate with Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C. a civil defense firm. At MCPS, I practiced Labor and Employment Discrimination Law. I am running for this office because I am qualified, knowledgeable and compassionate. I want to make a difference in the lives of both victims and defendants.</p>	<p>One of the top issues facing the criminal court is mental health. Although Wayne County has a mental health court, the facilities who take defendants with mental health issues will not take defendants who are facing arson charges because of the liability. Many arsonists have mental health problems, consequently, the court is left with trying to balance the safety of the public with the defendant's health. Therefore, many arson defendants end up in jail or prison. As Judge, I would like to work with organizations to expand mental health court to include arson defendants. I want to make sure indigent defendants have the resources that they need to defend their cases. Finally, there needs to be experience judges on the bench who are experienced trial attorneys. I have been a trial attorney for nearly 20 years.</p>
<p><b>Nicholas John Hathaway</b></p> <p><b>Occupation/current position:</b> Wayne County Circuit Court Referee</p> <p><b>Campaign website:</b>  <a href="http://hathawayforjudge.com">http://hathawayforjudge.com</a></p> <p><b>Campaign email :</b>  <a href="mailto:hathawayforjudge@gmail.com">hathawayforjudge@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>Campaign phone:</b> 248-631-7925</p> <p><b>Education:</b> Wayne State University B.S. 2002 University of Detroit Law School J.D. 2005</p>	<p>Nicholas Hathaway is a Referee in Wayne County Circuit Court's Family Division where he handles an extremely busy docket dealing with cases of serious child abuse and neglect and also criminal matters involving juveniles. In his more than 10 years as a jurist Nicholas has presided over hundreds of trials in Wayne County Circuit Court and is faced on a daily basis with making important decisions that impact the lives of Wayne County's citizens. He has seen the impact that court decisions have on the lives of the parties and he takes that responsibility extremely serious. Nicholas also served as an assistant prosecuting attorney in Wayne County for 5 years where he handled a wide range of felony and misdemeanor criminal matters including jury trials. Nicholas is running for Wayne County Circuit Court judge in order to continue to serve the people of Wayne County in a greater capacity.</p>	<p>The first issue for judges will be finding an effective way to handle their docket while maintaining the safety of all parties and the public considering the pandemic. Nicholas has been trained on conducting remote hearings and has been handling all matters on his docket in a remote and safe fashion. The next issue facing judges will be to make sure that all appropriate safeguards are being put into place for incarcerated parties and also ensuring that alternatives to incarceration are investigated. Nicholas will work hard to balance the safety of the public with the rights of the accused and will make efforts to utilize alternatives to incarceration like personal bonds and tethers, when appropriate. The third priority issue facing judges will be coming up with a plan to address the backlog of cases created by the pandemic. Nicholas has a history of efficient docket management.</p>

CANDIDATES	<i>Please provide biographical information and experience, and explain why you are running for this office.</i>	<i>What are the priority issues facing this office and what actions would you take to address them if elected?</i>
<p><b>Shakira Lynn Hawkins</b></p> <p><b>Occupation/current position:</b> Criminal Defense and Family Law Attorney</p> <p><b>Campaign website:</b> <a href="http://Hawkinsforjudge2020.com">http://Hawkinsforjudge2020.com</a></p> <p><b>Campaign email :</b> <a href="mailto:Hawkinsforjudge2020@gmail.com">Hawkinsforjudge2020@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>Campaign phone:</b> (313) 221-0945</p> <p><b>Education:</b> B.A. Univerisry of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan J.D. Univerisry of Detroit-Mercy School of Law, Detroit, Michigan</p>	<p>I was born and raised in Detroit, Michigan. My mother was a Detroit Police Officer before becoming a nurse and my father was a skilled trades worker at Chrysler for over 35 years. I knew at very early age that I wanted to help others. I am committed to public service and social justice. I am an experienced attorney and have practiced law for over 15 years. I have been practicing criminal defense for over 10 years primarily helping those who cannot afford to hire an attorney. I am passionate about the law and protecting people's rights I am running for 3rd Circuit Court Judge to help fix our broken system of justice and to be a catalyst for positive change within the system. If elected, I will ensure respect, fairness and justice for all who come before me.</p>	<p>Three priority issues would be to address mass incarceration, cash bail elimination, and racial disparity. A majority of those incarcerated have not been convicted. They simply cannot afford to post bond, and must wait in jail until their cases are resolved. This leads to hasty pleas, or the loss of jobs or housing and essentially criminalizes poverty. It also leads to mass incarceration when there are alternatives to jail that exist. Some people, need help, not jail. As a society, we should strive to help people maximize their potential. This doesn't mean that no one should ever be imprisoned. It means we explore other options such as restorative justice for those deserving of another chance. Lastly, justice should be blind but all too often people are unfairly judged based on skin color. The bench should reflect the cultural diversity of the community. I will be fair to all</p>
<p><b>Mary Beth Kelly</b></p> <p><b>Occupation/current position:</b> Arbitrator at JAMS-Detroit Visiting Judge at Wayne County Circuit Court</p> <p><b>Campaign website:</b> <a href="http://marybethkellyforjudge.com">http://marybethkellyforjudge.com</a></p> <p><b>Campaign email :</b> <a href="mailto:info@marybethkellyforjudge.com">info@marybethkellyforjudge.com</a></p> <p><b>Campaign phone:</b> see website</p> <p><b>Education:</b> Notre Dame Law School, JD, 1987 University of Michigan at Dearborn, BA,1984</p>	<p>I am running for Circuit Court Judge because I love the work and believe I am uniquely qualified to fill this opening. I served in the Wayne County Circuit Court 1999-2010, including serving as Chief Judge of that Court for three consecutive terms. I was elected to the Michigan Supreme Court in 2010, and served five years on that bench, before returning to private practice. In addition to my arbitration practice at JAMS, a national ADR firm, I have served as a full time Visiting Judge in the Wayne County Circuit Court at the request of the Chief Judges and upon appointment by the Supreme Court. Serving the public directly by resolving disputes in a respectful and efficient manner is the work I believe I am most qualified and best at performing for the public. Before I joined the judiciary in 1999, I worked as an associate then partner at Dickinson Wright in Detroit.</p>	<p>1. Access to justice for pro se litigants. Many federal and state resources are available to assist pro se litigants. The Court needs to do a better job of compiling these resources and posting them on the Court's website so citizens have access to the help they need to navigate the legal system without the necessity of a lawyer. 2. Increased Use of Treatment Courts. Evidence has overwhelmingly validated the positive results of treatment courts. These courts should be expanded when mental illness or substance abuse drives a non-violent offense. These courts are particularly appropriate for juveniles who need to get their lives on a positive track. 3. Earlier resolution of disputes through mediation or alternative dispute resolution. Most litigation is too costly for the average citizen and takes too long. This is particularly true of family matters, I support earlier mediation.</p>



**Redford Union School Board 4-year term**

**VOTE FOR 2**

<b>CANDIDATES</b>	<i>Please provide biographical information and experience, and explain why you are running for this office.</i>	<i>What are the priority issues facing this office and what actions would you take to address them if elected?</i>
<b>Harry J. Kick</b>	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION
<b>Jeff Osowski</b>	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION
<b>Jennifer Robinson</b>	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION

**South Redford School Board**

**4-year term**

**VOTE FOR 2**

<b>CANDIDATES</b>	<i>Please provide biographical information and experience, and explain why you are running for this office</i>	<i>What are the priority issues facing this office and what actions would you take to address them if elected?</i>
<b>Tom Dowdy</b>	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION
<b>Shirley Williams-Tolliver</b>	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION
<b>Daniel Winston, Jr.</b>	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION

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