

Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati, Inc.

JUDICIAL CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE 2012

A candidate's position on life issues is important to pro-life voters. Whether sponsoring legislation, setting policy, or making public statements, the candidates we elect are crucial for promoting the sanctity of life. Please identify your positions on the following issues.

Candidate Name: Stephen W. Powell

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Position and District Sought: Judge, 12th District Court of Appeals

Have you previously held any public office? Please specify: Yes-3 terms 12th District Judge, 1 term Butler County Probate Judge, 1 term Bula County Ct. Judge, 3 terms West Chester Twp Trustee

1. Which former U.S. president's political philosophy best matches your own?

- Gerald Ford
- Jimmy Carter
- Bill Clinton
- George H.W. Bush
- Ronald Reagan
- George W. Bush
- Barack H. Obama
- Other (please specify)

2. Which U.S. Supreme Court Justice's legal philosophy best matches your own?

- Roberts
- Stevens
- Scalia
- Kennedy
- Thomas
- Ginsburg
- Breyer
- Alito
- Sotomayor
- Other (please specify)

3. Rate your judicial philosophy regarding the U.S. Constitution on a scale of 1-10 with "living/evolving document" being 1 and "strict constructionist" being a 10:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

4. In *Roe v. Wade*, 410 U.S. 113 (1973), the U.S. Supreme Court recognized a "right to privacy" under the Constitution that includes abortion. The Constitution does not include this right.

- Agree
- Disagree
- Undecided

Comments:

Life begins at conception, as I stated in my high school government class in 1972. I was dismissed by my teacher as having a religious opinion. I responded that Science would vindicate me since no human had yet given birth to a cow, contrary to the saying. DNA is formed at conception.

5. Judges should refrain from "legislating from the bench." The translation of public policy into law and the creation, extension, modification or limitation of citizens' rights (and governmental authority) are properly within the province of the legislative, not judicial, branch of government.

- Agree
- Disagree
- Undecided

Comments:

6. An unborn child is biologically human at every stage of his or her biological development, beginning at fertilization.

- Agree
- Disagree
- Undecided

Comments: *DNA is formed at conception, see 4 above*

7. The law should be applied to pro-life demonstrators in the same manner as is applied to environmental, anti-war and labor demonstrators.

- Agree
- Disagree
- Undecided

Comments:

8. There is no provision in the current Ohio Constitution intended to require the use of public funds for abortion.

- Agree
- Disagree
- Undecided

Comments:

9. List all organizations to which you have contributed time or money in the past four years.

*University of Dayton, School of Law, Heidelberg College/University, West Chester/
Liberty Community Foundation, St. Ann Church (Catholic), John Boehner, Rob Portman*

