



Questions for Justice of the Peace Judicial Courts Candidates Conservative Coalition of Harris County

Our questionnaire is for candidates to indicate their reasons and opinions concerning issues surrounding their races. This questionnaire will be posted onto the Conservative Coalition of Harris County website for public voter viewing.

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| Candidate Name | Position for which Candidate is Running |
| James Lombardino | HC Justice of the Peace Precinct 5, Place 1 |

Please give your answer to each of the following questions and please include your rationale with each answer. Please be concise and clear.

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| 1. | Please describe the qualifications and experience that make you the best candidate in your political race. What differentiates you from your opponent(s)? |
| | Answer: Former HC Assistant District Attorney, Former HC 308th District Court Judge, Active Republican participating in both County and State Conventions. Currently sitting by Assignment from the Texas Supreme Court. The primary difference is judicial experience and Republican background. |

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| 2. | Please describe what you believe are the most significant issues in this race and why. |
| | Answer: The chaos and backlog of pending cases in JP 5-1. As an example, if a landlord has a squatter or a tenant that refuses to pay rent, the landlord's only remedy is an eviction lawsuit in the JP court. The problem is that the current judge does not make these cases a priority and regularly continues cases without good cause. These cases should be placed on fast-track as many of the landlords are retirees who depend on the rental payments to pay their living expenses. |

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| 3. | Please list the undergraduate colleges or universities, law schools and any other graduate schools that you attended, the years you attended, the degrees you received and the years of any and all graduations. |
| | Answer: I attended the University of Houston and received my undergraduate BBA degree in Economics. I received my law degree from the South Texas College of Law. |

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| 4. | Should JPs need to have law degrees? Why or why not? |
| | Answer: I think it is important in urban areas as they generally have larger dockets with more complex issues. In rural areas, I do not think it is as important because the judge is generally familiar with the community and its residents. |

5. What will carry the greatest influence in your rulings: criminal and/or civil case law, the Constitution, state statutes, or other?

Answer: The Texas Constitution and Texas Statutes.

6. Please describe the changes you will make to improve the efficiency of your court (the ideal workload balance for your court in hours-per-week allocated to court sessions, case review in the office, training, collaboration, etc.).

Answer: I will give non-corporate eviction cases a priority and will not continue them without a showing of good cause. I plan to assign a county mediator to cases in order to timely resolve the backlog of pending cases.

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Vote Judge James
Lombardino for ...

Harris County
Justice of the Peace,
Precinct 5, Position 1

Let's **GO** With **LOMBARDINO!**

- ✓ Texas Supreme Court-Appointed Senior Visiting Judge
- ✓ Texas Insurance Commission Arbitrator and Mediator
- ✓ Former District Court Judge
- ✓ Former Harris County Assistant District Attorney
- ✓ Former Annunciation Greek Orthodox School Board Member

“Growing up in San Antonio, my parents instilled in me two valuable lessons, ones that I have carried with me through everything.

“From my father, I learned that every conversation starts with listening, and from my mother, the compassion to accept people as they are.”

- Judge James Lombardino

Learn more about Judge James Lombardino at 1stCourt.com



