



Questions for Candidates for Court of Appeals Conservative Coalition of Harris County

This questionnaire will be posted onto the Conservative Coalition of Harris County website for public voter viewing.

Candidate Name	Position for which Candidate is Running
Steve Rogers	14 th Court of Appeals, Place 4

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

1. Please describe the qualifications and experience that make you the best candidate for the office for which you are running. What differentiates you from your opponent(s)?
Answer: I am the only candidate that is a current sitting Judge. I am the only candidate with experience defeating Democrat incumbents. I am the only candidate that has flipped a liberal county in a general election. And most importantly, I have proved that I will follow through with my promise to get the justice system back to work.

2. Please describe what you believe are the most significant issues in this race and why.
Answer: I'm tired of crime. Woke judges that are afraid to get canceled, that legislate from the bench, are contributing to the failure of the justice system. We are seeing increases in crime as a result of that failure. My judicial philosophy is simple, I follow the law and I enforce the law. I'm running for Justice to keep criminals off the streets, enforce our laws, protect Texans, and to get the justice system back to work!

3. Do you have judicial experience? To what extent have you practiced in the area of Civil/Family/Probate law?
Answer: I am the current Judge in the 268th District Court in Fort Bend County. I have been licensed to practice law more than 20 years. Although I was an Assistant District Attorney in Brazoria and have focused on cleaning up the criminal cases on my docket, most of my practice over 20 years involved civil/family/probate law.

4. List the state(s) in which you are or have been licensed to practice law, and the date(s) you received such licenses.
Answer: AZ – 2003, TX – 2010, IA - 2019

5. What carries the greatest influence in your rulings: civil case law, the Constitution, state statutes, or other?

Answer: “Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and unto God the things that are God’s” is something I take with me into the courtroom as part of my judicial philosophy. Not everything belongs to the government. That’s why I believe in following the law, and following the constitution. Woke politics doesn’t belong in the courtroom. If we simply had more Judges who followed the law and the constitution, we would have a much better, safer country with less crime. It’s time to end the practice of legislating from the bench!

6. What do you think are the most important aspects of the Court of Appeals that voters should be aware of? Are most appeals handled at this level?

Answer: The Court of Appeals is the last appeal by right for anyone unhappy with their District Court ruling. So yes, most appeals are handled at this level. The current Justice has a record of not following precedent. He and others like him on the 14th seem more comfortable using the law to reach their intended result rather than following the law and the Constitution.

BY RETURNING THIS QUESTIONNAIRE, THE CANDIDATE ASSUMES FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL ANSWERS TO THIS QUESTIONNAIRE. THE ANSWERS ON THE FOREGOING REFLECT THE CANDIDATE’S BEST EFFORTS TO ANSWER THIS QUESTIONNAIRE HONESTLY AND DIRECTLY.

PLEASE SAVE YOUR COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRE TO YOUR LOCAL MACHINE IN THE EVENT THAT THERE ARE ANY TECHNICAL PROBLEMS WHEN YOU ATTEMPT TO EMAIL IT BACK.

Once this questionnaire has been completed, please email it to:

alex@cchc-pac.org

* **Please note:** You **must** return your questionnaire from the email address to which it was sent. Questionnaires returned from any other email address will be considered fraudulent and will **not** be recorded and no answers will be published in the voter’s guide. CCHC-PAC deems a return from the proper email address as authentication of the correct respondent.