



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

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Candidate Name	Position for which Candidate is Running
Zach Gibson	First Court of Appeals, Place 3

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 have been an appellate prosecutor with the Harris County District Attorney’s Office since 2018. I have been lead counsel for the State on over 100 cases—far more than any of my opponents in the Republican primary, and it is not even close. Reading records and doing legal research and writing is what I do all day every day now. I will be able to hit the ground running on day 1!

2. Please describe what you believe are the most significant issues in this race and why.
Answer: Law and order! I have been a prosecutor for a decade. In today’s Republican primaries, everyone is a “law-and-order” Republican. Their consultants ensure that. However, I am the real deal. I have walked the walk—not just talked the talk.

3. Do you have judicial experience? To what extent have you practiced in the area of Civil/Family/Probate law? List the state(s) in which you are or have been licensed to practice law, and the date(s) you received such licenses.
Answer: I am currently an appellate prosecutor. I have set important precedent under the Fourth Amendment, the Sixth Amendment’s Confrontation Clause, and (in a statewide precedent) the importance of considering community safety in *all* bail determinations.

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

Answer: The Constitution always come first for me. The wisdom and beauty of its words have remained true since they were written. After that are statutes and then the Common Law. If I am elected, I will be sworn in on a Bible and take an oath to “preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State...” I will do my best to keep this oath.

5. How will technology advancements (such as AI, digital Court Hearings, etc.) impact the court system over the next few years? What issues should the public be aware of?

Answer: AI’s impact is yet to be seen. However, that which remains consistent is as—and probably more—important than anything that changed. For our system to provide justice to everyone, we must have a judiciary that is committed to the Constitution and laws as written. If elected, I will do so.

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