

Major candidates for

Minnesota Judges



Minnesota Family Institute 2008

Voter's Guide

All judicial races are statewide elections. Positions are taken from responses to the Minnesota Family Institute questionnaire or actual court decisions.

Y = Yes N = No

— = qualified answer or no response * = incumbent

	MINNESOTA COURT OF APPEALS						MINNESOTA SUPREME COURT			
	1 Edward Toussaint, Jr.* Unopposed	8 Thomas J. Kallowski* Unopposed	9 Roger M. Klaphake* Unopposed	10 Harriet Lansing* Unopposed	15 Kevin G. Ross* Unopposed	16 Dan Griffith Terri J. Stoneburner*	3 Paul H. Anderson* Tim Tingelstad	4 Deborah Hedlund Lorie Skjerven Gildea*		
1 Mandate Abortion Funding. Do you agree with the result in the <i>Doe v. Gomez</i> decision in which the Minnesota Supreme Court said that the Minnesota State Constitution contains a constitutional right to abortion that requires taxpayer funding of abortion?	—	—	—	—	—	N	Y	N	—	—
2 No Right to Assisted Suicide. Do you agree with the result in <i>Washington v. Glucksberg</i> and <i>Vacco v. Quill</i> in which the United States Supreme Court held that there is no constitutional right to assisted suicide under the U.S. Constitution?	—	—	—	—	—	Y	—	Y	—	—
3 No Right to Homosexual Adoption. Do you agree with the result in <i>Lofton v. Secretary of the Department of Children and Family Services</i> in which the U.S. 11th Circuit Court of Appeals said that practicing homosexuals have no constitutionally protected right to adopt children?	—	—	—	—	—	Y	—	Y	—	—
4 Ban on Posting of the Ten Commandments. Do you agree with the result in <i>Stone v. Graham</i> in which the U.S. Supreme Court said that posting a copy of the Ten Commandments in a public school classroom violated the U.S. Constitution?	—	—	—	—	—	N	—	N	—	—
5 Allow School Choice. Do you agree with the result in <i>Minnesota Federation of Teachers v. Mammenga</i> in which the Minnesota Court of Appeals said that providing public funding for high school students enrolled in colleges and universities, including private religious colleges, does not violate the Minnesota Constitution?	—	—	—	—	—	Y	—	Y	—	—
6 Refuse to Rent to Cohabiting Couples. Do you agree with the result in <i>State by Cooper v. French</i> in which the Minnesota Supreme Court said the Minnesota Constitution protected a landlord's right to refuse to rent to an unmarried, cohabiting couple when the cohabitation conflicted with the landlord's religious beliefs?	—	—	—	—	—	Y	—	Y	—	—
7 Reduce Private Property Rights. Do you agree with the result in <i>Housing and Redevelopment Authority v. Walser Auto Sales, Inc.</i> , in which the Minnesota Court of Appeals said that the Minnesota Constitution and state law allow units of government to take private property from a private person and then sell it to another private party for that party's private use?	—	—	—	—	—	N	—	N	—	—
8 Strike Down Sodomy Law. Do you agree with the result in <i>Doe v. Ventura</i> in which a Hennepin County District Court judge said that the Minnesota sodomy law violated the Minnesota Constitution?	—	—	—	—	—	N	—	N	—	—
9 Prohibit Voluntary School Prayer. Do you agree with the result in <i>Santa Fe Independent School District v. Doe</i> in which the U.S. Supreme Court said a school district's policy permitting student-led, student-initiated invocation prior to a public high school football game violated the U.S. Constitution?	—	—	—	—	—	N	—	N	—	—
10 No Right to Homosexual Marriage. Do you agree with the result in <i>Baker v. Nelson</i> in which the Minnesota Supreme Court said that same-sex marriage is not permitted by state law and the ban does not violate the U. S. Constitution?	—	—	—	—	—	Y	—	Y	—	—