



# 2022 North Carolina Voter Guide Questionnaire for State Judicial Candidates

## Candidate Information

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## Candidate Questionnaire

Please indicate your responses below to the following questions. You may provide additional comments and explanations for your responses on a separate sheet of paper.  
(Failure to answer a question will result in a listing of "No Response" in the 2022 Voter Guide.)

1. Which Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court best reflects your judicial philosophy?

Alito  Barrett  Breyer  Gorsuch  Kagan  Kavanaugh  Roberts  Sotomayor  Thomas

2. Rate your judicial philosophy toward the Constitution on a scale of 1-10 with a "living document" approach being a 1 and an "originalism" approach being a 10.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  10  
Living Document Approach Originalism Approach

3. Please list the organizations with which you have been involved over the past five years through membership, religious affiliation, pro-bono legal work, or volunteer service.

Wake County Bar Association (Bench & Bar Committee)

Tenth Judicial District Bar Association (Bench & Bar Committee)

Corral Riding Academy (corralriding.org)

Shepherd's Church

Alliance Defending Freedom

Christian Legal Society

Federalist Society

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4. In the space below, or on a separate sheet of paper, please describe your overall judicial philosophy.

*Please see additional pages.*

5. In the space below, or on a separate sheet of paper, please describe the role faith plays in your daily life.

*Please see additional pages.*

Candidate Signature

*Jimmie Tate Flood*  
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Date

*7/14/2022*  
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**Please return completed questionnaire to the  
NC Family Policy Council by Friday, July 15, 2022**

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By Email to: [vote@ncfamily.org](mailto:vote@ncfamily.org)

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#### 4. Overall Judicial Philosophy

In drafting hundreds of judicial opinions for appellate jurists, my approach has not wavered: I am a textualist. Adherence to textualism means that I believe the law says what it says and means what it says—and does not mean what it does not say. I interpret constitutions and statutes in the same way, by the ordinary meaning of each text. For the United States Constitution and the North Carolina Constitution, I strive to interpret each document based on its original language. That is, I try to discern what the original, ordinary *meaning* of the text was, based on how the words the drafters used would have been used and understood by a reasonable person at the time.

When analyzing cases, I am rigorous in discerning fine, technical distinctions. I adhere to *stare decisis*—the doctrine of honoring precedent. While *stare decisis* does not prevent precedent from being overturned, the doctrine means that precedent should be rarely overturned, and only when justices deem precedent to be significantly flawed and causing harm.

I respect Madisonian principles of the separation of powers and believe the role of a judge is to decide cases based on the facts and the law. I oppose judicial activism whereby a black-robed, quasi-legislator would use the law to advance a political agenda. And I believe that each case, for the people involved, is the most important case. To each person, I offer the dignity and respect they deserve.

My judicial philosophy furthers predictability and stability in the law. It likewise aligns with the North Carolina Judicial Branch Mission and Goals whereby judges are to “protect and preserve the rights and liberties of all the people as guaranteed by the Constitutions and laws of the United States and North Carolina[.]”

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5. Role Faith Plays in My Daily Life

As a Christian, I believe God supplies the foundation for my faith: "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9) Because of my faith, I strive to commit in both mind and action to God's will in my daily life.

I seek to exhibit attitudes, actions, and abilities that reflect what I think and believe. Through my attitude, I try to be gracious, gentle, and patient. In humble prayer, I want to be refined and reoriented to God's will. Through my actions, I seek to demonstrate love for others, not only toward those who share my faith, but to all. Whether interacting with family, friends, or professional associates, whether making decisions big or small, I want to exhibit personal values to which I am committed: Integrity, Honor, and Fairness. Through my abilities, I am called to serve others. I view my home, workplace, social environments, service organizations, and houses of worship all as places in which I can demonstrate my faith through service to others

My sincere desire is for my faith foundation to undergird all that I do, and more importantly, who I am.

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