



# LAHR PAC 2020 General Election

## ***Vote a straight Democratic ticket***

### ***Tuesday Nov 3, 2020***

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*For 39 years LAHR PAC has worked to educate political candidates and voters. For 39 years LAHR PAC has assigned a rating to every candidate on the ballot regardless of party and urged voters to consider that rating when casting their vote. During those 39 years there were some candidates in both major parties and most other parties that supported the LGBTQ community. But this year is different.*

*One of the major parties has been taken over by an administration that is openly hostile to the LGBTQ community. Since taking office the Trump Republican party has expressed opposition to the Equality Act, appointed anti-LGBTQ judges, files Supreme Court briefs supporting discrimination against LGBTQ people, banned transgendered service members, rolled back Obama non-discrimination protections and taken many other actions against the LGBTQ community.*

*(For the full list of the Trump Republican party attacks on LGBTQ people, visit <https://www.hrc.org/trump>.)*

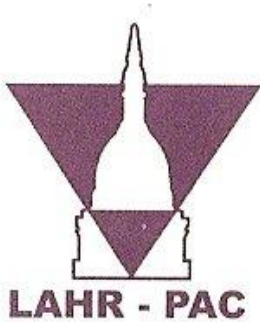
*The usual norms of politics are no longer being followed by the Trump Republican party. Many people of integrity have left that party. Those that still run for office under the Republican banner enable and support the current administration, either explicitly or implicitly. We can no longer advise the community to consider voting for a candidate running under that party even if he or she personally supports LGBTQ rights.*

***This year we urge all supporters of the LGBTQ community to vote a straight Democratic ticket.***

*While there are 3<sup>rd</sup> party candidates who support our community and who are not explicitly or implicitly supporting the Trump Republican party, it is clear that in our 2-party system and in today's closely divided country, voting for them only enables the Trump Republican party.*

*There are races that are not affected by a straight party vote. The Supreme Court of Michigan is partisan but Michigan law does not call for the ballot to show the candidates party. Other races are truly non-partisan. For those races we have continued our tradition of rating every candidate on the ballot.*

*Our advice, **vote a straight Democratic ticket** and vote in the races below using the rating we have given and your own information.*



# LAHR PAC RATINGS NON-PARTISAN RACES

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The Lansing Association for Human Rights Political Action Committee (LAHR-PAC) is an independent political organization registered with the Secretary of State. It is separate and distinct from LAHR. LAHR PAC mailed questionnaires to candidates in contested non-partisan Judicial races and school board races to get their opinion on issues important to the LGBT community. It rated them based on the responses. An \* means the candidate did not return a questionnaire and the rating is based upon voting record, public statements or other information. If a candidate did not return a survey this year but was rated in a previous year, the old rating and the year are shown.

Votes for these races are not made when casting a straight party vote. If you vote straight party, you have to cast separate votes in these races. There are a number of other Judicial races on the ballot but they are uncontested.

These ratings are current as of 9/18/20. Updated ratings are available at [www.lahronline.org](http://www.lahronline.org) or LAHR PAC on Facebook.

### MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT (Vote for 2)

**Bridget McCormack (Dem) – Very Positive**

**Elizabeth Welch (Dem) – Positive**

Katherine Mary Nepton (Lib) – Positive 2018

Susan L. Hubbard (Green) – Ignored Questionnaire

Kerry Lee Morgan (Lib) – Ignored Questionnaire

Mary Kelly (Rep) – Ignored Questionnaire

Brock Swartzle (Rep) – Ignored Questionnaire

*Note: Ballot will not show Supreme Court candidate's party*

### LANSING COMMUNITY COLLEGE (Vote for 2)

**Kimberly Kaye Azima – Positive**

**Gregory Sinicropi – Positive**

Andrew Patrick Abood – Very Positive 2014

Howard Spence – Positive 2016

LaShunda Thomas – Ignored Questionnaire

### INGHAM COUNTY CIRCUIT JUDGE 30<sup>th</sup>

**Carol Koenig – Very Positive**

**Colline Cheltenham – Positive**

**Steve Kwasnik – Positive**

**Morgan Elizabeth Cole – Positive**

Landis Lain – Ignored Questionnaire

Kathryn M. Russell – Ignored Questionnaire

Brandon Waddell – Ignored Questionnaire

### EATON COUNTY DISTRICT JUDGE 56-A

Ben Cwayna – Ignored Questionnaire

Kelly Morton – Ignored Questionnaire

### SCHOOL DISTRICTS

#### East Lansing School Board (Vote for 3)

**Monica M. Fink – Positive**

**Matthew J. Heos – Positive**

**Gregory Hess – Positive**

**Elizabeth Guerrero Lyons – Positive**

**Nichole Martin – Positive**

**Debbie Walton – Positive**

Joshua R. Barber – Ignored Questionnaire

Dorian Prier – Ignored Questionnaire

#### Haslett School Board (Vote for 2)

**Greg Bird – Positive**

Tracy Collins – Ignored Questionnaire

Camara Lewis – Ignored Questionnaire

Joshua Morey – Ignored Questionnaire

#### Holt School Board (Vote for 3)

**Amy Dalton – Positive**

Jennifer Robel – Very Positive 2018

Francisca G. Garcia – Ignored Questionnaire

Mark Perry – Ignored Questionnaire

#### Lansing School Board (Vote for 3)

Guillermo Lopez – Positive 2017

Robin M. Moore – Very Positive 2016

Nino Rodríguez – Positive 2018

#### Okemos School Board (Vote for 4)

Katie Cavanaugh – Ignored Questionnaire

Joe Freidhoff – Ignored Questionnaire

Thomas Gorman – Ignored Questionnaire

Melanie Lynn – Ignored Questionnaire

Andy Phelps – Ignored Questionnaire

Jayne Taylor – Ignored Questionnaire