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Nancy Waters

Democratic candidate for Muskegon County Clerk

Experience counts! Compare experience and qualifications.

State legislative: 15 years' Administrative Assistant to State Representative William Ryan. Opponent: No experience.

County legislative: 4 years' County Commissioner, dealing regularly with all departments including the courts, prosecutor, sheriff and county clerk's office. Opponent: No experience.

County Executive: County Clerk, four years. Many improvements, including: 1. County board minutes available the same night online. 2. Online service for Circuit Court and Probate Court records. 3. Full service Saturdays. 4. Entrepreneur workshops. 5. Award from Republican Secretary of State for transparency, accountability and campaign finance online. 6. Monitors showing daily court schedules. 7. Electronic filing of death certificates. Opponent: No experience.

Business owner/CEO/ President: 25 years requiring me to set budgets, make innovative changes to reduce costs in order to make a profit, and dealing with agencies and governments at all levels. Opponent: No experience.

Business Owner awards: Received the two highest awards from the Michigan Association of Broadcasters; elected into the Hall of Fame and Lifetime Achievement Award. Opponent: No experience.

Community Awards: Proven my commitment to the community, resulting in numerous awards. Opponent: None.

Attorney Michael Flynn says, "Nancy's experience and success in business, public offices, community organizations and legislative background provides her with the most unique combination of qualifications for county clerk in Muskegon County History! Nancy will continue to provide better service for you... Experienced leadership for our county!"

DJ Hilson

Democratic candidate for Muskegon County Prosecutor

DJ Hilson graduated in 1994 with majors in psychology and economics from Marquette University. In May of 1999, DJ Hilson graduated with honors from Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Lansing. He was hired for his dream job and began working for the Muskegon County Prosecutor's Office on August 1, 1999. DJ Hilson is married and has three children.

DJ Hilson is the only candidate for Muskegon County Prosecutor who is currently employed at the Muskegon County Prosecutor's Office. DJ Hilson has handled hundreds of cases in the district and circuit courts of Muskegon County and has been a partner with law enforcement in many serious investigations and cases. DJ Hilson has tried over 60 felony jury trials, with a 100 percent conviction rate in cases involving murder, rape, armed robbery, and child molestation.

DJ Hilson is an active member of the Greater Muskegon Jaycees, the Muskegon Rotary Club, the Fraternal Order of Police and Knights of Columbus. DJ is the current vice president of the Muskegon County Bar Association. DJ Hilson is the only candidate with the proven experience, integrity, and good judgment demanded of the office of the prosecutor. Learn more at www.hilsonforprosecutor.org.

DJ stands for Doing Justice for Muskegon County.

Mary Kotecki

Democratic candidate for Sullivan Township Trustee

As a lifelong and second-generation resident of Sullivan Township, Mary Kotecki is seeking the office of trustee. Mary is currently a member of the township park committee. She regularly attends monthly township board meetings and is already well-informed on many of the issues the township faces. This involvement has given her a great appreciation of the responsibility of local government.

As a trustee, Mary promises to be informed, active, and fully prepared for board meetings. In this economy, it is important to be a conservative steward of the township's funds and resources. She believes that to do this a trustee must research all aspects of an issue before voting on it, while keeping in mind what is best for the community.

Sullivan Township's Master Plan (the consensus of the residents' opinions on the future of their township) is to keep Sullivan rural and residential. Living in this community her entire life has given Mary a great appreciation of a community that values its families and homes. Mary believes that all decisions made by the board must reflect that of the community's wishes and that of its master plan.

Roy J. Portenga

(Candidate for Muskegon Community College Board of Trustees)

I attended Muskegon Community College (MCC) from '71 to '73 and received my Bachelor's Degree from the University of Michigan. I taught for 2 ½ years in Michigan prisons and received my Juris Doctor (law) Degree from Valparaiso University. I've been practicing law in the Muskegon Community ever since.

While I attended MCC primarily for financial reasons, there's no question that my best college experience was there. Teachers concentrated on teaching -- not research -- and they cared. So, long ago I decided to "give back" to MCC. I was a board member of the MCC Alumni Association for six years and the MCC Foundation for three years. I am now in my 14th year as a member of the MCC Board of Trustees.

During these years, MCC upgraded its technology, improved its library and admissions facilities, helped start (with the ISD) the Muskegon Tech Center, and overall maintained quality education at affordable tuition -- all done at a time when our percentage of state funding decreased.

MCC was a "life changer" for me; I'm determined to keep it that way for the citizens of Muskegon County. While I am running unopposed, I respectfully request your vote.

Mark F. Fairchild

Democratic candidate for Register of Deeds

Mark Fairchild is "Our Muskegon County Register of Deeds," serving since 1999. Fairchild has been recognized by attorneys, real estate professionals, title companies and publications with stories titled, "Register Cleans Up Dirty Deeds." All are excited about the change and progress Fairchild has been able to achieve to progressively transform the Register of Deeds Office through tough challenges to make it the proud operation it is today. Fairchild has since been inducted in the Who's Who Historical Society of Public Service.

Fairchild previously served us as a county commissioner for 13 years, and professionally as a branch manager for a national mortgage lender. Fairchild is married to Shelley and they have a son, Charlie.

Mark has a BA degree in telecommunications from Michigan State University and an AA degree from Muskegon Community College. Fairchild is a local member of the West Michigan Lakeshore Association of Realtors, the Property Records Industry Association, American Record Managers Association, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Muskegon County Building Authority, the Muskegon old Newsies Board of Directors, the International Association of Clerks, Recorders, Officials and Treasurers.

Please visit Fairchild at www.co.muskegon.mi.us/deeds.

Brian Werschem

(Candidate for Fruitport Township Supervisor, incumbent)

Citizens of Fruitport, I am Brian Werschem and your supervisor for the past four years. It has been a pleasure serving you. I am a fiscal conservative with a record of leadership and financial responsibility. I have seven years' leadership experience prior to being elected in Fruitport. Since being elected, I lead Fruitport forward in becoming a stable and thriving community. My leadership was proven during the devastating storms that ripped through our community in 2009. I promised to end the frivolous lawsuits that were plaguing our township and followed through. From 2006 through 2009 fiscal years the township was drained of \$933,841. I have run a balanced budget every year since taking office and ended the need to borrow money to pay bills. I have increased services while reducing operational costs by \$500,000 (27.7%). I increased police and fire protection while reducing the cost of those services. I have eliminated over \$3 million of debt at no cost to the taxpayers. I was the right choice four years ago against my opponent. I am the right choice again. I ask for your vote to continue the success for another four years. Win with Werschem.

