

24th District**William D. Brinker**

Democrat, unopposed.

Dennis L. Murphy

Republican, incumbent, unopposed.

25th District**G. William Caddell**

Republican, of Walled Lake, unopposed.

26th District**Sara J. Tucker**

Democrat, unopposed.

Joseph R. Montante

Republican, incumbent, unopposed.

27th District**Joann Blythe****Echlin**

Democrat, unopposed.

John J. McDonald

Republican, incumbent, unopposed.

NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL**Circuit Court District Courts**

Circuit Court is a court of general jurisdiction, trying both criminal and major civil cases. The 6th Circuit comprises all of Oakland County. Term is six years.

Three candidates are seeking one seat on the Aug. 5 ballot. The top two will face each other in November. Vote for one.

Candidates were asked to answer in 50 words or less: "What problems do you see facing the Circuit Court and how would you resolve them?"

District courts have exclusive jurisdiction over civil cases up to \$3,000 and minor criminal cases. Term is six years. In Oakland County, a district court may cover one to a dozen communities.

Each candidate was asked to answer in 50 words or less: "What problems do you see facing the District Court and how would you resolve them?"

plan to make the time and adopt as my primary objective the application of personal attention to first-time offenders.

Timothy R. Kozub

Age 34, of Walled Lake. Municipal attorney, District Court prosecutor, city of Pontiac, 1973-present. Education: BA, University of Detroit, 1968; JD, Detroit College of Law, 1973. Qualifications: Judicial assistant, Recorder's Court, 1973; legal opinions and Appellate Court practice; probation agent, State of Michigan, 1971-1973; teacher, 1969-1971.

The court has 37,000 active cases; 5,000 pending at year end. The court must reduce the backlog to ensure people's rights under the law. As a city prosecutor I have dealt effectively with and helped resolve enormous caseloads. I will provide experience and ability to reduce wasteful delays in court.

Robert Moir

Age 40, of Union Lake. Attorney. Education: Wayne State University; Detroit College of Law. Qualifications: State Bar Assembly; chairman, Trial Court's committee; member, committee on Competency of Lawyers-Judges and Oakland Bar's Judicial Liaison committee; branch chairman, YMCA; officer, Jaycees, Optimists; member, Chamber of Commerce action committee.

This Court has experienced a 60 percent caseload increase this year with triple and double the volume per judge of neighboring 51st and 48th Courts respectively. I offer my trial experience and intensive State Bar background in court administration to a bench I would be proud to join.

Michael W. Reeds

Age 31, of Walled Lake. Attorney, trial experience, both civil and criminal, including real estate, workmen's compensation, personal injury, divorce, and probate. Education: BA, Wayne State University, JD, Cooley Law School. Qualifications: Community college instructor in para-legal courses; experienced accountant and systems analyst.

52nd District Court must continue to resolve cases within a reasonable period of time. With yearly increase in cases, an efficient scheduling system must be established which will provide all parties an opportunity to be heard, while preventing delays, which can cause hardship to witnesses and parties alike.

52nd District, 3rd Division

City of Rochester; townships of Addison, Avon, Oakland, Orion, Oxford and Pontiac.

Three candidates seek two nominations for November election. Vote for one.

Roger S. Canzano

Age 42, of Rochester. Civil engineer, 1958-1965; attorney. Education: University of Detroit, 1961, BS; University of Detroit, 1965, LLB, JD. Qualifications: Teacher, two years; engineer—Detroit, Michigan, Wayne County; Ford, General Motors—design construction; civil engineer; general practice of law.

Increase in criminal and civil matters. Solution is to provide effective clerking system; promote mediation; discourage frivolous matters; set time limits on civil matters; be prompt, dispose of matters not ready. Lack of respect for court, police, and attorneys. Reinforce police authority, obligations. Support successful parties. Use of contempt power.

James P. Sheehy

Age 37, of Lake Orion. Attorney at law, private practice, Rochester; civil counsel and prosecutor, Charter Township of Pontiac. Education: University of Detroit, BS; University of Detroit Law School, JD.

Case backlog is a continuous problem burdening the courts. In performing the duties of judge, I promise to maintain the highest standards. I further promise that I will work a full day to help reduce any court backlogs and to administer properly the court's duties.

Mildred A. Vlach

Incumbent, of Rochester. District Judge. Education: BA, Wayne State University; LLB, JD, Wayne State University Law School; additional professional studies. Qualifications: Assistant prosecutor, county supervisor, mediator in Circuit Court, arbitrator, State Bar, grievance committee, trial attorney over 20 years (civil, immigration, and criminal).

Thousand of cases, both civilly and criminally, are initiated annually. This in turn creates problems such as: lack of space, personnel and court time. To resolve same, I would employ constant vigilance and application of available new systems of docket management, jury utilization and better usage of court time.

52nd District, 1st Division

Cities of Novi, South Lyon, Walled Lake and Wixom. Townships of Commerce, Highland, Lyon, Milford, Novi, Rose and White Lake.

Four candidates seek one new judgeship; top two face runoff in November. Vote for one.

Harold M. Bulgarelli

Age 48, of Walled Lake. Attorney. Education: University of Detroit, 1957 PH.B.; Wayne State University Law School, 1969, JD. Qualifications: General practice, 19 years; attorney, city of Wixom, township of Milford, Walled Lake schools, Multi-Lakes Conservation Club; mediator, Oakland County Circuit Court; active, community affairs.

Crowded docket, lack of space. I am known in the community to be honest, industrious and not afraid to work long hours and will carry these traits to the bench. I would attempt to secure more needed space which makes for faster and more efficient work production.

Thomas J. Connelly

Age 40, of Milford. Attorney. Education: AB, University of Detroit; JD, University of Detroit Law School. Qualifications: Prosecutor during the past six years for Wolverine Lake, Wixom, Milford township, Camp Dearborn, Kensington Park and the village of Milford.

The major problem of our court is the overwhelming case load and the consequent lack of time the judges have been able to apply to the cases they handle. I

Robert C. Anderson

Age 55, of Pontiac. 51st District judge. Education: Pontiac High—president senior class, 1943; Washington University, 1943-44; Army Air Corps, Michigan State University, 1946-48; Detroit College of Law, 1952. Qualifications: 20 years law practice, past president, Oakland County Bar and District Judges Association.

Major problem is the proliferation of law suits resulting in crowded docket. Solution is difficult and will not be achieved until all of us within and without the legal system educate ourselves in how to live and resolve many of our problems prior to and instead of going to court.

Michael S. Freud

Age 31, of Keego Harbor. Attorney. Education: Oak Park High, 1966; Michigan State University, BS, 1971; Thomas M. Cooley Law School, JD, 1976. Qualifications: Michigan Attorney General, prosecuting attorneys' appellate service, 1974; Michigan Liquor Control Commission, 1975; county prosecutor's offices—Oakland, 1975, Ingham, 1975-76.

I believe that the major problem facing the court at present is that of the case backlog. I would avail myself of mediation and other pretrial procedures in order to expedite litigation so that litigants would not have to wait an unnecessary time in order for their cases to proceed.

James F. McCarthy

Material not available from candidate at time of printing.