

Candidate for Washington County District Attorney

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Question #1: List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

B.A.,Tulsa University; Law Degree, University of Oklahoma. Member, Washington Co. Bar, Oklahoma Bar; licensed before U. S. Federal Court and the United States Supreme Court. Past President Washington Co. Bar, and Richard Kane YMCA; Trustee, Elder, First Presbyterian; teacher, Police Reserves and Reserve Deputies; graduate, Leadership Bartlesville; Bartlesville Noon Rotary Club; District Attorneys' Council. I have the experience of prosecuting cases over 16 years including numerous jury and non-jury trials and sending murderers, rapists, child molesters, robbers and drug dealers to prison, all with the help and cooperation of numerous local and state law enforcement agencies.

Question #2: What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

ANSWER #2

To continue to take on tough cases, holding people from all walks of life responsible for their actions and treating every person equally. To continue to offer a chance to those who accept responsibility for their actions, who take steps to correct their ways, who make an effort to repay victims and sincerely want to change. To continue to offer Drug Court to those who have abused drugs. To continue to offer a Deferred Prosecution Program to those who have committed acts which can be diverted from crowded court dockets. To continue the D.A. Supervision Program which insures nearly 600 people fulfill their community service, counseling, restitution and rehabilitation. To continue to train assistants, some of whom have gone to become Judges and Federal prosecutors. To continue to run an office of 16 people on a \$1 million budget with only half the funds from the taxpayers and the other half from innovative programs. To continue to work hard to solve problems in this community, a place where I have lived for over 50 years, where my wife Vicki and I have been married for over 35 years, and where I have practiced law for nearly 33 years.