

Candidate for Washington County Court Clerk

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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)

Member of the Court Clerks Association, currently hold position of first deputy, I have 6 years experience, all in the court clerks office and assist the current court clerk with bookkeeping and monthly reports. I began as fines and costs administrator and have worked at the following positions; felony, misdemeanor, civil and am now a minute clerk. As cost administrator and fines and costs docket was implemented and developed in 2005. We have increased our collections 35 percent since implementation in the years 2006-2009. I have experience in managing large payrolls and bookkeeping having worked 10 years in administration with

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

1) Our budget is one of the most important issues. With the State cuts and the current budget constraints, we have no room for excessive expenditures. That is why we must be aggressive in collection and pursuing monies owed for fines and costs to the court system. 2) Cross-training is paramount in the court clerks office. With our limited staff we are at 80 to 85 percent cross-trained. I would like to have everyone cross-trained within six to eight months. 3) Paper work must be filed correctly and in a timely manner. 4) Prompt and effective customer service as it relates to our Judge's, District Attorney's office and the attorneys we serve. We must serve the public in anyway possible, from filing paperwork, to researching old records. 5) We are blessed here in the court clerks office to have a staff that works well together and is willing and able to help each other. That is why we have cross-trained, so that if the need arises for any reason the job gets done. As a leader, you are only as good as the employees you have working for you and we have a fine group of employees.