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2002 Candidates for Ohio Supreme Court Justice

Contributions Raised from January 1-September 30, 2002*

Tim Black/Open Seat	\$1,236,905
Maureen O'Connor/Open Seat	\$1,312,363
Janet Burnside/Challenger	\$937,100
Evelyn Lundberg Stratton/Incumbent	\$1,281,795
Total	\$4,768,163

^{*}Includes both monetary and in-kind contributions

The total generated from January 1-September 30, 2002 is more than the total contributions of \$3,118,280 to candidates for Ohio Supreme Court during 2000. In 1998, all the candidates for Ohio Supreme Court raised \$2,731,288 and in 1996 all the candidates for Ohio Supreme Court raised \$1,375,635. From January 1- September 30, 2002 candidates for Justice of the Ohio Supreme Court have more than tripled (3.5 times) the amount raised during all of 1996. Three of the candidates have raised more than the top fundraising candidate in the past three election cycles, Terrence O'Donnell. O'Donnell generated \$1,117,044 in 2000.

Total amounts generated by Ohio Supreme Court Candidates 1996-2000				
Candidate	ICO/ WL *	Election Year	Total \$ Raised	
Alice Resnick	I/W	2000	\$787,836	
Terrence O'Donnell	C/L	2000	\$1,117,044	
Deborah Cook	I/VV	2000	\$565,558	
Tim Black	C/L	2000	\$647,842	
Thomas Moyer	O/W	1998	\$871,248	
Gary Tyack	O/L	1998	\$281,417	
Paul Pfeifer	I/VV	1998	\$568,569	
Ron Suster	C/L	1998	\$271,094	
Francis Sweeney	I/W	1998	\$530,969	
Stephen Powell	C/L	1998	\$207,991	
Andy Douglas	I/VV	1996	\$441,542	
Peter Sikora	C/L	1996	\$34,605	
Evelyn Stratton	I/VV	1996	\$476,253	
Marianna Bettman	C/L	1996	\$423,235	
*ICO – I=Incumbent, C=Challenger, O=Open Seat				

WL-W=Won election, L=Lost election

It is important to note that judicial candidates who submit the monthly filings (July, August, and September) are only required to file contribution activity during that particular month. Candidate committees are not required to provide contribution information between the Post-Primary filing (June 7, 2002) and the beginning of the July monthly filing (July 1, 2002). A candidate may wait until the Pre-General filing to include contributions during this approximately three-week period. The Pre-General filing deadline is on October 24, 2002.

Contribution Totals Between June 7-July 1, 2002

Tim Black/Open Seat	\$18,030
Maureen O'Connor/Open Seat	\$1,081
Janet Burnside/Challenger	\$29,675
Evelyn Lundberg Stratton/Incumbent	\$98,447

^{*}Includes both monetary and in-kind contributions

There appears to be a gap in contribution information to the O'Connor campaign.

Top three economic sectors for each candidate*

Candidate	Top Sector	Second Sector	Third Sector
Tim Black	Lawyers & Lobbyists \$759,576	**Ideological \$192,778	Labor \$146,350

Maureen O'Connor	Finance, Real Estate, Insurance \$303,024	Health \$224,006	Lawyers & Lobbyists \$140,861
Janet Burnside	Lawyers & Lobbyists \$699,502	**Ideological \$93,351	Labor \$81,300
Evelyn Lundberg Stratton	Finance, Real Estate, Insurance \$291,265	Health \$270,097	Lawyers & Lobbyists \$239,433

^{*}These contributions include organizations, PACs and employee contributions.

Law firms represent a variety of interests. Of the top 50 law firms that contributed to Tim Black, 46 have partners that are members of the Ohio Academy of Trial Lawyers (92%). Of Janet Burnside's 50 top contributing law firms 45 have partners that are members of the Ohio Academy of Trial Lawyers (90%). Only 6 law firms with a partner who is also member of the Ohio Academy of Trial Lawyers appeared in Maureen O'Connor's top 50 contributions from law firms (12%). Of the top 50 contributing law firms to Justice Evelyn Lundberg Stratton, one has a member of the Ohio Academy of Trial Lawyers (2%).

^{**}Ideological includes party, candidate committees and single-issue groups.

Law Firm Contributions to all Candidates*

Law Firms	Black	O'Connor	Burnside	Stratton
Baker & Hostetler	\$350	\$7,250	\$2,900	\$7,525
Jones Day Reavis & Pogue	\$1,000	\$11,950	\$50	\$18,000
Kegler Brown Hill & Ritter	\$1,000	\$1,600	\$1,000	\$3,400
Shumaker Loop & Kendrick	\$750	\$125	\$500	\$4,150
Squire Sanders & Dempsey	\$50	\$5,250	\$150	\$3,200
Taft Stettinius & Hollister	\$1,050	\$3,600	\$550	\$8,090

^{*}Totals include employees and PACs.

Contributions from Counsel on Both Sides of the School Funding Debate*

Candidate	Law Firm	Organization Representing	Totals
Tim Black	Bricker & Eckler	Ohio Coalition for Equity & Adequacy in School Funding	\$2,650
Tim Black	Chester Hoffman Wilcox & Saxbe	Governor Taft	\$600
Maureen O'Connor	Bricker & Eckler	Ohio Coalition for Equity & Adequacy in School Funding	\$5,750

Maureen O'Connor	Chester Hoffman Wilcox & Saxbe	Governor Taft	\$4,500
Evelyn Lundberg Stratton	Bricker & Eckler	Ohio Coalition for Equity & Adequacy in School Funding	\$5,850
Evelyn Lundberg Stratton	Chester Hoffman Wilcox & Saxbe	Governor Taft	\$6,600

^{*}Contributions include PACs and employees

Contributions from physicians and insurance companies*

Candidate	Physician Total	Insurance Total
Tim Black	\$7,625	\$200
Maureen O'Connor	\$196,909	\$180,004
Janet Burnside	\$100	\$575
Evelyn Stratton	\$239,022	\$177,874

^{*}Contributions include PACs and employees

Top Organizational Contributors to Candidates for Ohio

Supreme Court Justice by Region

Organizational contributors include employees and PACs

Akron Metropolitan Area

Organization	Economic Sector	Amount	City
Scanlon & Gearinger Co., LPA	Attorneys	\$60,400	Akron
FirstEnergy	Electric Utility	\$16,577	Akron
Westfield Companies	Banking & Insurance	\$13,900	Doylestown
Perantinides & Nolan	Attorneys	\$12,125	Cuyahoga Falls
Zavarello & Davis Co., LPA	Attorneys	\$12,000	Akron

Cincinnati Metropolitan Area

Organization			City
	Economic	Amount	
	Sector		
Cincinnati Insurance Companies	Insurance	\$62,680	Hamilton
American Financial Corporation	Finance	\$22,250	Cincinnati

Procter & Gamble	Manufacturing	\$15,375	Cincinnati
Cintas	Manufacturing	\$15,000	Cincinnati
Ohio Casualty Insurance Compan	y Insurance	\$14,445	Hamilton

Cleveland Metropolitan Area

Organization	Economic Sector	Amount	City
Nurenburg Plevin Heller & McCarthy Co., LPA	Attorneys	\$46,200	Cleveland Heights
Spangenberg Shibley & Liber, LPA	Attorneys	\$44,250	Mentor
Friedman Domiano & Smith Co., LPA	Attorneys	\$28,600	Cleveland
Miraldi & Barrett Co., LPA	Attorneys	\$27,000	Avon
Lowe Eklund Wakefield & Mulvihill, LPA	Attorneys	\$26,400	Cleveland

Columbus Metropolitan Area

Organization	Economic Sector	Amount	City
Clark Perdue Roberts & Scott Co, LPA	Attorneys	\$48,400	Dublin
Lamkin Van Eman Trimble Beals & Rourke, LPA	Attorneys	\$29,050	Columbus
Boich Companies	Coal Mining	\$22,000	Columbus
Nationwide Insurance	Insurance	\$20,400	Columbus

Dayton Metropolitan Area

Organization	Economic Sector	Amount	City
Dyer Garofalo Mann & Schultz, LPA	Attorneys	\$24,050	Dayton
Plumbers & Pipefitters	Union	\$5,000	Dayton
Daniel C. Brower Insurance Agency	Insurance	\$4,825	Dayton
Thorson & Switala, LLP	Attorneys	\$4,000	Dayton
Freund Freeze & Arnold	Attorneys	\$3,950	Beavercreek

Toledo Metropolitan Area

Organization			City
	Economic Sector	Amount	
Williams Jilek Lafferty Gallagher & Scott, LPA	Attorneys	\$31,000	Toledo
Connelly Jackson & Collier, LLP	Attorneys	\$19,200	Toledo
Arthur O'Neil Mertz & Bates	Attorneys	\$11,000	Defiance
Gallon & Takacs Co, LPA	Attorneys	\$10,500	Toledo
Intl. Association of Bridge Structural Ornamental Iron Workers	Union	\$8,000	Toledo

Youngstown Metropolitan Area

Organization	Economic	Amount	City
	Sector	Amount	
Service Employees International Union	Union	\$11,000	Youngstown
Compco Industries	Manufacturing	\$6,000	Youngstown
Thomas Fok & Assoiciates	Engineers	\$4,400	Youngstown
Edward J. DeBartolo Co.	Sports & Gambling	\$3,000	Canfield
Clair M. Carlin, LLC	Attorney	\$2,000	Poland

Top 50 Organizational Contributors to Candidates

for Ohio Supreme Court Justice*

Organizational Contributors	Amount
Cincinnati Insurance Companies	\$67,880
2. Scanlon & Gearinger Co., LPA	\$60,400
3. Murray & Murray Co., LPA	\$50,000
4. Clark Perdue Roberts & Scott Co., LPA	\$48,400
5. Nurenberg Plevin Heller & McCarthy Co., LPA	\$46,200
6. Spangenberg Shibley & Liber	\$44,250
7. Friedman Domiano & Smith Co., LPA	\$37,400
8. Allen Schulman & Associates	\$33,700
9. Okey Law Firm	\$33,000
10. Jones Day Reavis & Pogue	\$31,000
Williams Jilek Lafferty Gallagher & Scott	\$31,000
11. Lowe Eklund Wakefield & Mulvihill	\$30,800
12. Lamkin Van Eman Trimble Beals & Rourke	\$29,050
13. FirstEnergy	\$27,977
14. Miraldi & Barrett Co., LPA	\$27,000
15. Weisman Goldberg & Weisman	\$26,000
16. Dyer Garofalo Mann & Schultz	\$24,050
17. Jeffries Kube Forrest & Monteleone Co., LPA	\$22,350
18. American Financial Corporation	\$22,250
19. Boich Companies	\$22,000
20. Becker & Mishkind	\$21,700
21. Service Employees International Union	\$21,650
22. Nationwide Insurance	\$20,700
23. Leeseberg & Valentine	\$19,600

24. Cincinnati Financial Corporation	\$19,340
25. Connelly Jackson & Collier LLP	\$19,200
26. Baker & Hostetler	\$18,025
27. Vorys Sater Seymour & Pease	\$17,950
28. Lancione & Lancione	\$17,600
29. Fifth Third Bank	\$16,250
30. Motorists Mutual Insurance	\$16,225
31. Timken Co.	\$16,025
32. Porter Wright Morris & Arthur	\$16,000
33. Charles Kampinski Co., LPA	\$15,400
34. Procter & Gamble	\$15,375
35. Linton & Hirshman	\$15,250
Ulmer & Berne	\$15,250
36. Cintas	\$15,200
37. Ohio Casualty Insurance Company	\$14,795
38. Bricker & Eckler	\$14,250
39. Calfee Halter & Griswold	\$14,200
Kelley & Ferraro LLP	\$14,200
40. Plumbers & Pipefitters	\$14,100
41. Palmer Volkema & Thomas	\$14,000
42. Westfield Companies	\$13,900
43. Frost Brown & Todd	\$13,875
44. Communications Worker of America	\$13,750
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers	\$13,750
45. Taft Stettinius & Hollister	\$13,290
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46. George E. Loucas Co., LPA	\$13,000
47. AK Steel	\$12,550
48. Thompson Hine & Flory	\$12,150
49. Perantinides & Nolan	\$12,125
50. Ashland Oil Inc.	\$12,100

*Organizational contributions include PACs and employees

Tim Black

Candidate for Justice of Ohio Supreme Court

Open Seat

Total Raised January 1- September 30, 2002--\$1,236,905

Contributions from Democratic Party Committees-- \$192,448

Individual Contributions Equal to or Less than \$200—2.81%

Individual Contributions More than \$200-39.26%

Political Party and Candidate Committees—15.63%

PAC Contributions—14.33% Other-27.97%

Top Organizational Contributors to Tim Black *	
1. Ohio Democratic Party	\$185,148
2. Scanlon & Gearinger Co., LPA	\$28,500

3. Nurenberg Plevin Heller & McCarthy Co., LPA	\$25,200
3. Murray & Murray Co., LPA	\$25,000
4. Clark Perdue Roberts & Scott Co., LPA	\$23,700
5. Spangenberg Shibley & Liber, LPA	\$20,900
6. Friedman Domiano & Smith Co., LPA	\$18,700
7. Okey Law Firm, LPA	\$16,500
8. Williams Jilek Lafferty Gallagher & Scott, LPA	\$15,500
9. Miraldi & Barrett Co., LPA	\$15,000
10. Allen Schulman & Associates, LPA	\$14,300
Lowe Eklund Wakefield & Mulvihill, LPA	\$14,300
11. Dyer Garofalo Mann & Schultz, LPA	\$13,050
12. Lamkin Van Eman Trimble Beals & Rourke, LPA	\$12,700
13. Weisman Goldberg & Weisman, LPA	\$12,100
14. Jeffries Kube Forrest & Monteleone Co., LPA	\$11,250
15. Service Employees International Union	\$11,000
16. Plumbers & Pipefitters	\$10,500
17. Leeseberg & Valentine, LPA	\$9,900
Jeffrey L Maloon Co., LPA	\$9,900
18. Connelly Jackson & Collier LLP	\$9,600
19. Helmer Martins & Morgan Co., LPA	\$9,400
20. Becker & Mishkind LPA	\$9,150

* Contributions include contributions from PACs, employees and other contributions by organization. Totals include both monetary and in-kind contributions.

Maureen O'Connor

Candidate for Justice of Ohio Supreme Court

Open Seat

Total Raised January 1- September 30, 2002--\$1,312,363

Contributions from Republican Party Committees--\$89,291

Individual Contributions Equal to or Less Than \$200—10.48%

Individual Contributions More Than \$200—52.25%

Political Party and Candidate Committees—6.90%
PAC Contributions-23.36%

Other-7.02%

Top Organizational Contributors to Maureen O'Connor*	
1. Ohio Republican Party	\$41,341

2. Cincinnati Insurance Companies	\$34,265
3. American Financial Corporation	\$16,500
4. Hamilton County Republican Party	\$15,000
5. Jones Day Reavis & Pogue	\$11,950
6. Boich Companies	\$11,000
7. Cincinnati Financial Corporation	\$9,795
8. FirstEnergy	\$9,400
9. Nationwide Insurance	\$9,350
10. Cintas	\$8,700
11. Fifth Third Bank	\$8,550
12. Motorists Mutual Insurance	\$8,475
13. Timken Company	\$8,075
14. Ohio Casualty Insurance Company	\$7,950
15. Baker & Hostetler	\$7,250
16. Westfield Companies	\$6,950
17. Dominion Homes	\$6,600
18. Frank Gates Co.	\$6,525
19. Calfee Halter & Griswold	\$6,450
20. AK Steel	\$6,250
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Janet Burnside

Candidate for Justice of Ohio Supreme Court Challenger

Total Raised January 1-September 30, 2002--\$937,100

Contributions from Democratic Party Committees--\$93,276

Individual Contributions Equal to or Less Than \$200—3.72%

Individual Contributions More Than \$200—40.92%

Political Party and Candidate Committees—10.03%

PAC Contributions—12.12% Other—33.20%

Top Organizational Contributors to Janet I	Burnside*
1. Ohio Democratic Party State Candidate Fund	\$45,000

2. Ohio Democratic Party	\$43,651
3. Scanlon & Gearinger Co., LPA	\$31,900
4. Murray & Murray Co., LPA	\$25,000
5. Clark, Perdue, Roberts & Scott Co., LPA	\$24,700
6. Spangenberg, Shibley & Liber, LPA	\$23,350
7. Nurenberg Plevin Heller & McCarthy Co., LPA	\$21,000
8. Allen Schulman & Associates	\$19,400
9. Friedman Domiano & Smith Co., LPA	\$18,700
10. Okey Law Firm, LPA	\$16,500
Lowe Eklund Wakefield & Mulvihill	\$16,500
11. Lamkin Van Eman Trimble Beals & Rourke	\$16,350
12. Williams Jilek Lafferty Gallagher & Scott, LPA	\$15,500
13. Weisman Goldberg & Weisman, LPA	\$13,900
14. Becker & Mishkind, LPA	\$12,550
15. Miraldi & Barrett Co., LPA	\$12,000
16. Linton & Hirshman, LPA	\$11,750
17. Jeffries Kube Forrest & Monteleone Co., LPA	\$11,100
18. Dyer Garofalo Mann & Schultz	\$11,000
19. Service Employees International Union	\$10,650
20. Lancione & Lancione	\$9,900

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Evelyn Lundberg Stratton

Candidate for Justice of Ohio Supreme Court

Incumbent

Total Raised January 1-September 30, 2002--\$1,281,795

Contributions from Republican Party Committees \$49,510

Individual Contributions Equal to or Less Than \$200—12.73%

Individual Contributions More Than \$200-52.00%

Political Party and Candidate Committees-4.04%

PAC Contributions-26.83%

Other-4.39%

Top Organizational Contributors to Evelyn Lundberg Stratton*		
1. Cincinnati Insurance Companies	\$33,6	
2. FirstEnergy	\$18,5	
3. Jones Day Reavis & Pogue, LPA	\$18,0	
4. Hamilton County Republican Judicial Campaign	\$17,5	
5. Nationwide Insurance	\$11,3	
6. Boich Companies	\$11,0	
7. Cincinnati Financial Corporation	\$9,5	
8. Borror Corporation	\$8,8	
9. Taft Stettinius & Hollister	\$8,0	
10. Timken Company	\$7,9	
11. Ernst & Young	\$7,8	
12. Calfee Halter & Griswold, LPA	\$7,7	
Motorists Mutual Insurance	\$7,7	
13. Porter Wright Morris & Arthur	\$7,6	
14. Baker & Hostetler	\$7,5	
15. Fifth Third Bank	\$7,4	
16. Procter & Gamble	\$7,2	
17. Frost Brown & Todd	\$7,1	
18. Westfield Companies	\$6,9	
19. Ohio Casualty Insurance Company	\$6,8	
20. Chester Hoffman Wilcox & Saxbe	\$6,6	

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Recommendations

Establish an 18-member Commission on Judicial Selection and Qualifications. Chief Justice Thomas Moyer is urging the Ohio General Assembly to establish a commission to review judicial selection and reform options. This commission could explore a variety of reforms including public financing.

Improve disclosure requirements so that contribution information is required between the Post-Primary filing and the monthly filings. Disclosure needs to be timely during election years. Currently, candidate committees are not required to provide contribution information between the Post-Primary filing (June 7, 2002) and the beginning of the July monthly filing (July 1, 2002). Some candidates wait until the Pre-General to provide this information.

Improve disclosure requirements so that expenditure information is required at monthly filings. The candidates for justice of Ohio Supreme Court do not have to file their expenditures for monthly filings. The expenditures could be filed with the Pre-General filing. In other words, the balances on the summer campaign reports could be completely inaccurate, because they do not have to reflect the outgoing expenses.

Methodology

The Citizens Policy Center analyzed contributions from January 1 through September 30, 2002 to candidates for Ohio Supreme Court Justice. Totals include contributions from political action committees (PACs), labor unions, organizations and individuals.

The database is based on the filings of judicial candidates for Ohio Supreme Court, available in computerized form from the Ohio Secretary of State. These filings were submitted electronically by the candidate committees to the Secretary of State and are available on-line at www.state.oh.us/sos/.

To identify the employers of contributors, the Citizens Policy Center obtained the following databases:

- Databases of architects, doctors, dentists, funeral directors and certified public accountants registered to do business in Ohio from the Ohio Division of Administrative services,
 - A database from the Ohio Supreme Court of attorneys in Ohio,
 - A list of lobbyists in Ohio from the Joint Legislative Ethics Committee,
 - The InfoUSA PowerFinder, a national phone directory on CD,
 - The 1999-2000 Run for the Money database in which the Center had prepared an analysis of 1999-2000 contributors,
 - A list of contributors to Political Action Committees in Ohio

For each candidate the total amount in this database includes the following:

- Contributions received
- Contributions received at a social or fundraising event
 - In-kind contributions received
- Contributions the candidate gave to his or her own campaign

The profiles do not include Statement of Other Income, which include interest, refunds, returns, and other non-contribution income. They may not reflect contributions received between June 7 and July 1, 2002.

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