

## Endorsement for Titus in Circuit Court race

There's been a bunch of letters and other campaign rhetoric lately regarding the upcoming election for Circuit Court Judge. However, let's face it — unless you're a local lawyer, cop or a client of the candidates, the average voter really has no idea who would make the best judge.

For this reason, I'd urge voters to approach their vote as they would if they were choosing a surgeon. Would you base your selection on a mailed brochure or a letter to the editor? I sure wouldn't. Instead, I'd consult with my doctor or other medical professional regarding a referral to a surgeon they recommend based upon their knowledge of that surgeon's skill.

The same should hold true for judge of the Circuit Court. Disregard all the campaign rhetoric. If you know an attorney or a cop, ask them who in their experience has the best skills for the job. If you don't know someone to ask and you've never been a client of the candidates, then I'd urge you to give consideration to the endorsements from the legal community.

Only Judge Richard Titus has been endorsed by the State and local Bar Associations, the state's attorney, the sheriff, the Fraternal Order of Police, probation agents and local private attorneys. He also received the highest rating from the Trial Courts Nominating Commission — twice. These are the people "in the trenches" on a daily basis and Titus has earned their trust.

As a 40-year resident of Carroll County (and a female Democrat to boot), I'm casting my vote Judge Richard Titus. He is a proven commodity who has won the respect of the legal community.

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