



Dear Stark County Voter,

This fall you will be voting for our next Stark County Family Court Judge, and I would like to take this opportunity to explain why I deserve your vote.

I have been an attorney for 20 years, and the vast majority of that time has been dedicated to family law. I am presently the Chief Magistrate of the Stark County Family Court. Since my appointment to the bench in 2014, I have decided over 12,000 cases. I am also responsible for assisting the Judges in the administrative operations of the entire court. My opponent this November has never practiced in Family Court and lacks the administrative understanding of the court.

Who would you rather vote for, a candidate like myself, who has a <u>thorough</u> understanding of family law, or a candidate like my opponent, with <u>zero</u> family law experience? It is critically important to Stark County citizens that the next Family Court Judge is not doing on-the-job training trying to figure out handle, for example, such things as: the division of property in divorces where parties can own businesses, homes, retirement accounts, and other marital assets and debts, or deciding the best interests of children during custody/visitation or abuse, neglect, and dependency cases where a decision can have long-term effects. Lack of experience causes time delays in cases and leaves parties with uncertainty. You deserve a Judge with thorough knowledge and years of experience.

Aside from my professional qualifications, I am also a family man with real life experience. I am a father. I have also had a marriage end. I know what it's like to be in Family Court, both on the bench and as a party seeking the help of the court. Having remarried, and helping to raise my stepchildren, I understand the challenges families face. My life experience has provided me with empathy when considering the issues that come before me and the proper temperament when making decisions on those issues.

Having worked in private practice, as a public defender, as an attorney for a government agency, and on the bench in Family Court, I am the only candidate running for Judge of the Family Court with the experience, knowledge, and qualifications to take office fully prepared from day one.

If you would like to learn more about me, please consider following my social media accounts (Facebook and Instagram @kreitzer for Family Court Judge) or visiting my website (<u>www.kreitzerforfamilycourtjudge.com</u> or <u>www.kreitzerforjudge.com</u>).

I enjoy speaking with voters and welcome conversation about why I am the best choice to be our next Stark County Family Court Judge. Vote Matt Kreitzer for Family Court Judge.

Chief Magistrate Matt Kreitzer