

November 6, 2012 General Election

Judicial Candidates Seeking Retention:

Hon. Tom M. Lytton, Appellate Court: Yes for Retention

Justice Lytton was elected to the appellate court in 1992 and is completing his second term. Justice Lytton is regarded as an insightful, respectful, and fair judge. He is known for his preparation and well written opinions. Prior to becoming an appellate judge, he was a partner in a law firm for 19 years where he also served as an Assistant Attorney General for 11 years. Before private practice, he spent five years working in the areas of poverty law and legal aid.

The Illinois State Bar Association recommends “yes” for Justice Lytton’s retention.

Hon. Daniel L. Schmidt, Appellate Court: Yes for Retention

Justice Schmidt was elected to the appellate court in 2002 and is completing his first term. He is currently the presiding justice for the Third District Appellate Court. Justice Schmidt is known as a practical, impartial, and intelligent judge. He is known for his concise written decisions and following the law in reviewing cases before the appellate court. Prior to becoming an appellate judge, he had an accomplished 19-year career as a trial attorney defending civil lawsuits. Before attending law school, he spent nine years as a police officer with the Peoria City Police, as well as the Peoria County Sheriff’s department. **The Illinois State Bar Association recommends “yes” for Justice Schmidt’s retention.**

Candidates must receive 65% “yes” response to the question regarding Meets Requirements Of Office in order to be Recommended.

The poll of lawyers is conducted by the Illinois State Bar Association.

Opinions expressed are of those lawyers who chose to respond and not of the Illinois State Bar Association.

Judicial Candidates Seeking to Fill Vacancies:

	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
Ninth Judicial Circuit - Vacancy Ballots mailed – 145 Ballots returned – 85									
Rodney G. Clark	R	86.00	94.00	89.58	87.76	88.00	87.76	100.00	89.80
James Standard	NR	57.14	84.29	70.59	92.88	47.14	82.88	87.14	75.71

Judicial Candidates Seeking Retention:

	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
Third District Retention, Appellate Ballots mailed – 1872 Ballots returned – 602									
Tom M. Lytton	R	90.46	95.02	90.87	90.04	95.00	95.82	97.07	95.42
Daniel L. Schmidt	R	85.28	92.45	82.26	89.77	85.66	96.96	98.10	87.55

	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
Ninth Judicial Circuit - Retention Ballots mailed – 142 Ballots returned – 77									
Edward R. Danner	R	80.00	88.33	78.33	93.33	76.67	90.00	96.67	83.33
William “Bill” Davis	R	67.80	88.33	71.67	67.80	83.33	83.33	85.00	83.33
Scott Shipplett	R	78.05	90.24	80.49	80.00	82.50	92.68	97.56	85.37

