

# Oregon State Bar Judicial Voters Guide 2018

1) Full name:

**D. Charles Bailey**

2) Web site (if applicable):

[www.Reelectjudgebailey.com](http://www.Reelectjudgebailey.com)

3) List college and law school attended, including dates of attendance, degrees.

**University of Oregon, School of Law 1996**

**University of Oregon. Political Science & Sociology Majors. 1992**

4) List employment since graduation from law school, including years employed, your position and the nature of the practice or activity.

**Legislative Aide, Representative Tom Brian 1997 Session**

**Law Clerk for Multnomah County Presiding Judge James R. Ellis 1998**

**Washington County District Attorneys Office 1998-2006**

**Washington County Circuit Court Judge 2006-present**

5) List state and federal bars, courts and administrative bodies to which you are presently admitted and the date of admission. If desired, list previous admissions.

**Oregon State Bar 1997**

6) If desired, list publications and/or articles you have authored.

**N/A**

7) List community, teaching (Continuing Legal Education or otherwise) or civic activities.

**Washington County Presiding Judge Update, MBA 2016 & 2017**

**Adjunct Professor, Business Law, Pacific University 2017 & 2018**

**Litigating Auto Accident Cases, OLI 2013**

**West Region Construction Defect & Insurance Coverage Conference 2011**

8) Prior to your becoming a judge, what was the general character of your legal practice? Where appropriate indicate any legal areas in which you concentrated.

**Criminal Law**

9) List your judicial experience, including as a pro tem, and/or service on an administrative tribunal, or justice, municipal, tax, circuit, or appellate court.

**Circuit Court Judge since 2006**

10) Describe the general character of your judicial work over the past five years. Indicate the nature of the cases over which you preside, any specialty courts or court programs, and any legal areas in which you concentrate.

**For the last three years my work has been as the Presiding Judge.**

11) Describe any judicial experience in appellate courts not included above.

**None**

12) Describe any experience serving as an arbitrator or mediator.

**None. I do perform settlement conferences.**

13) List any bar association memberships. Where appropriate, list officer positions, committee assignments or other notable work.

**Oregon State Bar, Washington County Bar Association, American Judges Association**

14) Describe any bar association or judicial department committees, task forces, or special projects in which you have been involved.

**Oregon Council on Court Procedures**

**Court Reengineering Work Groups**

**Business Processes**

**Timely Dispositions**

**Ad Hoc Budget Committee**

**Local Public Safety Coordinating Council, Washington County**

**Justice Reinvestment Workgroup, Washington County**

**Veteran's Court workgroup, Washington County**

15) Have you ever been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a violation of any federal, state, county or municipal law, regulation or ordinance? If so, please give details. Do not include parking offenses or traffic violations for which a fine of less than \$500 was imposed.

**No**

16) Have you ever been the subject of a formal disciplinary proceeding as an attorney or judge? If so, please give the particulars and the result. *Include formal proceedings only.*

**No**

17) What attracted you to a judicial career?

**Presiding Judge James R. Ellis and many members of Washington County bench while I worked in the District Attorneys office.**

18) Briefly describe your philosophy of the judicial role, the qualities that are most important for the role, and the greatest challenges to the role.

**Formalist and Personal Accountability. When interpreting laws my philosophy is legislatures make the laws and judges interpret. When it comes to criminal law, Personal Accountability is the key. If defendants hold themselves accountable the outcome is much more likely to be positive. Judicial resources and time constraints.**

19) Briefly describe a case, or a legal issue on which you worked, of which you are particularly proud, or which is reflective of your legal ability, work ethic, judicial philosophy, or temperament.

**Court reengineering. With the help of my judicial colleagues, five years ago Washington County took a hard look at the judicial processes and decided we could do better. In making changes we have become a better court in all types of cases and have been able to shift resources from the criminal case load to both family and civil case loads. In so doing we have gone from a county in which civil litigants were unable to get a trial or had to endure multiple resets before a trial to a court which rarely resets civil cases due to lack of judges. I am also very proud of the work I have done over the last three years to add judicial resources to Washington County. With the help of Chief Justice Balmer, and local legislatures, Washington County will be adding its first new judge in over 15 years.**

20) Briefly describe an issue, related to Oregon's justice system, that is of particular interest or concern to you, or that you have interest in working toward improving.

**Mental Health and the courts. For a variety of reasons, the courts have become the governmental entity responsible for too many mentally ill people. I have and intend to continue to work with many of our community partners to defer mentally ill people before they become entangled in a system not designed for the mentally ill.**

21) Briefly describe a legal figure (personal, fictional or historical), whom you admire and why.

**John Adams & James R. Ellis. John Adams, a young and newer attorney, knew citizens in Boston would be very upset with anyone who represented the British Soldiers accused of shooting Boston citizens during the Boston Riots. Despite that knowledge, his belief that everyone deserves representation trumped whatever consequences might come. James Ellis taught me it is okay to disagree and not like certain laws, nonetheless, it is not up to a judge to do anything other than follow them.**

22) State any other information that you regard as pertinent to your candidacy.

**I feel very privileged to have been able to serve the Washington County Community the last two plus decades. I look forward to continuing my service to a community I love.**