

County Justice of the Peace Candidates Questionnaire – 2022

Washington County (Brenham), Texas

The Washington County Chamber is asking the following questions to local candidates for election. Please return your responses to the following questions by February 4, 2022 to news@brenhamtexas.com. (Let us know if you'd like to receive this blank questionnaire by email, so that you can fill it in on-screen.) All candidate responses will be publicized to the membership of the Washington County Chamber and on www.BrenhamTexas.com. (Any candidate that chooses not to respond will have that indicated next to his/her name on the website.) Your document will be viewed by local citizens and media outlets. Your response document will be published as you provide it. Please double-check that it is free of typos, place your name and position you're seeking on top, and include the corresponding question above each response in the order below (for ease of reading by citizens.)

Daniel McCarthy for Justice of the Peace Pct.3

1. Why have you decided to run for election at this time?

I believe I have a call to service. It would be my honor to answer the call once again. Raising a family in this political climate with crime on the rise around us, has not been easy. I have made a promise to my daughter that her dad answered the call to preserve our safety and security for our future generations. The time is now for young leadership and drive in the Justice of the Peace office for Washington County's future.

2. What are your qualifications for being Justice of the Peace?

I am uniquely qualified for this position, because I hold our founding documents as a guiding light. Serving nine years in the United States Marine Corp, with multiple deployments overseas in various leadership roles. Then returning to Texas to complete a degree in legal studies, propelled me into qualifying roles in the Washington County Attorney's office. From there I have held roles in the oil and gas industry as a Chief Inspector overseeing multi-million-dollar gas line enhancements. With this I will be able to be truly fair in understanding separation of power and be truly objective without prejudice or affliction to any legal entity.

3. If you are elected, what do you consider to be the top priorities to work on over the next four years?

Promoting a safe and secure environment for Washington County's future. I will investigate bringing in new technology to streamline any legal action or documents. This will allow me to be available to our community full time. Being in an elected role, it will be a priority for me to be a full-time judge and answering the call with drive, focus, and stamina others can not match.

4. What could you do as an elected official to help small businesses in the community?

Safety and security. This pertains to family values, as well as our small businesses. Promoting and enforcing the safety of our community will allow our small businesses to prosper and grow in a secure environment.

5. How important do you feel the relationship is between Washington County government officials and City of Brenham officials, City of Burton officials and the unincorporated communities? How could these relationships be improved?

What we have seen in the past couple of years have shown us how important communication is for all government agencies. It will be my focus to bring in new technologies that will allow fast, reliable communication between the office, surrounding government officials and the community. We need to elect leaders who are not beholden to one agency but work for the people. With good communication these relationships can be built and improved

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