

VOTER GUIDE – AUGUST PRIMARY ELECTION COUNTY COMMISSIONER – DISTRICT 1

Tuesday, August 7, 2018
POLLS ARE OPEN 7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OAKLAND AREA

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You may VOTE in ONLY ONE PARTY'S PRIMARY - either Republican or Democratic – for ALL partisan offices on ballot.
Note: Candidates are ordered within each office by party with Republicans preceding Democrats.

2 Candidates for COUNTY COMMISSIONER for ONE 2-year term 1 Republican and 1 Democrat are running for this office in District 1

CANDIDATES for COUNTY COMMISSION	Question 1 (150 Words or less): Provide biographical information and explain why you are running for County Commissioner and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.	Question 2 (150 Words or less): What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the County Commission should address and what actions would you, as a commissioner, take regarding each of them?
<p>ONE 2-year term <i>Vote for no more than ONE</i></p> <p><i>Republican</i> MICHAEL J. GINGELL 583 Shady Oaks St. Lake Orion, MI 48362</p>	<p>I have spent the majority of my life in Oakland County. My family are some of the original pioneers and built a town in Orion Township called Gingellville. I was raised with a sense of community, a responsibility to help your neighbor and commitment to lead efforts that improved the lives of others. I have been a County Commissioner for the past 12 years and am currently serving as the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners (Longest serving Chairman in Oakland County history). I have a good understanding of the governmental system and the individuals within the system. I know how to get things done in an bipartisan manner. I also have 25 years of private sector experience including running mature business globally, restructuring business globally and initiating and running start-ups. I have a MBA from Wayne State University, Bachelors in Business Administration from Oakland University and attended Oakland Christian high school.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Balanced Budget: Ensuring financial responsibility and viability. Making sure we do not spend more than what we have. I will not vote for a budget that is not balanced and responsible. 2. Investment in People and Assets: The County needs to continue to invest in its people to ensure they have the wages and benefits to have a quality life. In addition, we need to invest in our assets to to ensure they remain viable for the next decade and that they have the appropriate level of security and safety mechanisms in place. I will initiate and support these activities. 3. Viable Workforce: Unemployment in Oakland County is low and in order to the economy to continue to grow, we need to ensure we have a consistent supply of labor. We need to work with the schools, colleges and business community to invest in programs that provide the needed resources. I will initiate and support these activities.
<p><i>Democrat</i> MICHELLE BRYANT 4912 W. Stonegate Cir. Lake Orion, MI 48359</p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR INCLUSION</p>	

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