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## **Justice of the Ohio Supreme Court Candidate**

**Patrick Dewine**

*Republican*

*Incumbent*

### ***How do you see the role of amicus curiae parties or briefs in Ohio Supreme Court litigation?***

Amicus Curiae allow the Court to see how a case impacts others beyond the parties to a case. While both sides present extensive written briefings to the Court, amicus briefs are often able to highlight issues from a different point of view and can be helpful.

### ***Can you explain your judicial philosophy in plain English?***

Our role is to interpret and apply the law based on the Constitution regardless of our own political views. We should apply the law as it is written, and never legislate from the bench. When judges stick to the text of the law they ensure that everyone knows what the rules are, thereby creating certainty and allowing the economy to prosper. Furthermore, applying the law as it is written ensures that everyone is treated equally under the law.