



# NC SUPREME COURT

**ELECTION DAY:**  
November 8, 2022

**EARLY VOTING:**  
October 20 – November 5

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## VOTER GUIDE

### CANDIDATES FOR NC SUPREME COURT – SEAT 3

#### **RICHARD DIETZ – REPUBLICAN**

Judge Dietz was appointed to the Court of Appeals in 2014 by Governor Pat McCrory, and won election to the court in 2016. He is now the third-most senior judge on the court. Before joining the Court of Appeals, Judge Dietz was a partner at a private practice. He also served as a law clerk for two federal judges.

**EDUCATION:**

Shippensburg University, B.S.B.A.  
Wake Forest University School of Law, J.D.  
Duke University School of Law, LL.M.

**KEY ENDORSEMENTS:**

Conservative Coalition of North Carolina, Durham County Republican Party, Education First Alliance NC, Mecklenburg County Republican Party, North Carolina House Freedom Caucus, North Carolina Values Coalition



#### **LUCY INMAN – DEMOCRAT**

Inman's first job after law school was working as a law clerk at the North Carolina Supreme Court. Inman went on to practice civil litigation for 18 years, first in Los Angeles and then back home in Raleigh. In 2010, Inman was appointed by Gov. Beverly Perdue to serve as a special Superior Court Judge. Inman was elected to the Court of Appeals in 2014.

**EDUCATION:**

North Carolina State University, B.A.  
University of North Carolina School of Law, Chapel Hill, J.D.

**KEY ENDORSEMENTS:**

Equality NC, North Carolina Advocates for Justice, Durham Committee on the Affairs of Black People, Durham People's Alliance, National Association of Social Workers, North Carolina Chapter, Sierra Club



### CANDIDATES FOR NC SUPREME COURT – SEAT 5

#### **TREY ALLEN – REPUBLICAN**

Allen began his legal career as a Judge Advocate General (JAG) in the United States Marine Corps and then clerked for Chief Justice Paul Newby. In 2013 he joined the faculty at UNC Chapel Hill School of Government, where he served until Chief Justice Newby appointed him General Counsel for the NC Administrative Office of the Courts in January 2021.

**EDUCATION:**

UNC Pembroke, B.A.  
University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill, J.D.

**KEY ENDORSEMENTS:**

Congressman Dan Bishop, Congresswoman Virginia Foxx, Durham County Republican Party, Grass Roots North Carolina Political Victory Fund (GRNC-PVF), Mecklenburg County Republican Party, North Carolina House Freedom Caucus, North Carolina Values Coalition



#### **SAM J. ERVIN IV – DEMOCRAT**

Ervin was elected as an associate justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court in November 2014. Prior to joining the Supreme Court, Ervin served on the Court of Appeals from 2009 to 2015 and was a member of the North Carolina Utilities Commission from 1999 to 2009.

**EDUCATION:**

Davidson College, B.A.  
Harvard Law School, J.D.

**KEY ENDORSEMENTS:**

Equality NC PAC, Peoples Alliance PAC, NC Advocates for Justice, AFL-CIO, NC Associations of Defense Attorneys, Planned Parenthood, NC Association of Social Workers, Sierra Club

