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Ohio Business Community Supports Deters, Hawkins and Shanahan for Ohio Supreme Court

COLUMBUS – Four of Ohio’s largest business organizations gathered today at the Ohio Chamber of Commerce to announce their endorsement of Justice Joseph Deters, Judge Dan Hawkins and Judge Megan Shanahan for election to the Ohio Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court plays a crucial role in shaping the legal and regulatory environment in which businesses operate, and a predictable and consistent Supreme Court is necessary for Ohio to remain economically competitive. NFIB Ohio, the Ohio Business Roundtable, the Ohio Chamber of Commerce and the Ohio Farm Bureau are confident that the three candidates endorsed today will protect Ohio from judicial activism and work to preserve a stable legal environment.

In this pivotal election year, it is critical that the business community comes together to support candidates that will ensure Ohio’s economic success. Justice Deters, Judge Hawkins and Judge Shanahan will uphold these values and serve with integrity and reliability.

Quote from NFIB Ohio State Director Chris Ferruso:

“The Ohio Supreme Court is often the last line of defense for small businesses regarding government overreach and unfair regulations. Small business owners need a predictable, stable Supreme Court that will not legislate from the bench. We proudly endorse Judge Meghan Shanahan, Judge Dan Hawkins, and Justice Joe Deters to the Ohio Supreme Court because they have the experience needed to be fair, impartial, and disciplined Justices.”

Quote from Ohio Business Roundtable President and CEO Pat Tiberi:

“Justice Deters, Judge Hawkins, and Judge Shanahan will foster both a stable and predictable legal environment, which is essential for Ohio's business community to thrive. As Ohio continues to experience unprecedented economic growth, a reliable Supreme

Court will be crucial in maintaining our state's competitiveness, making Ohio the ideal place to live, work, and thrive.”

Quote from Ohio Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Steve Stivers:

“The Ohio Chamber of Commerce works tirelessly to make Ohio the best state in which to live and do business. In order to attract people and businesses to Ohio, we need a business climate that is conducive to economic growth. Justice Deters, Judge Hawkins and Judge Shanahan have each proven their commitment to judicial stability and fairness, and we believe that their election ensures the best path forward for Ohio’s residents and business owners.”

Quote from Ohio Farm Bureau President Bill Patterson:

“The advocacy playing field used to be at the Statehouse, but that has shifted in recent years and now the work of Ohio Farm Bureau on behalf of our members needs to be focused at the courthouse as well. With so many of our battles happening in the court system, these endorsements are not something we take lightly. We have heard from all three candidates about how they view Ohio’s constitution, and we feel their approach gives farmers the most certainty within the Ohio Supreme Court.”

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