

**JUDICIAL CANDIDATES RATING COALITION**  
**REQUEST FOR BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION**  
**FROM JUDICIAL CANDIDATES**

This form seeks information about you that will be posted on the Judge4Yourself.com website with its ratings. Please complete and return this form and a black and white photograph of yourself before your scheduled interview. Each Candidate is responsible to provide accurate information, to review the information when posted and to advise the JCRC promptly of any correction required to that candidate's posted information.

Name: Joan Synenberg

Current City of Residence: Bratenahl Date and Place of Birth: Lansing, MI. 8/18/57

Undergraduate School and Degree (Year of Graduation): Cleveland State University, 1983

Law School (Year of Graduation): Cleveland State College of Law , 1988

Other Graduate School, if any, and Degree (Year of Graduation): \_\_\_\_\_

Year Admitted to Practice in Ohio: 1989 Number of Years Engaged in Practice of Law in Ohio 16  
(excluding Judicial Service)

Other Court(s) to Which You Are Admitted & Year(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Years Engaged in Practice of Law in any State (excluding Judicial Service): 35

Briefly describe your areas of practice: \_\_\_\_\_

In my 16 years of practice before assuming the bench, I concentrated on criminal defense work.

Summarize your experience, if any, before the court to which you seek election: I had an active trial practice and was the attorney of record in over 1,400 cases.

Service as judge in state or federal court of record (identify position, court and years of service): \_\_\_\_\_  
Cleveland Municipal Court, 2005-2007; Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court, 2007-present.

Current Position and Employer (number of years in this position): \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge, Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court, 19 years

Previous Employment and Dates: Cleveland Municipal Court, 2005-2007; Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court, 2007-present.  
Private practice 1989 - 2005.

List no more than five of your significant community or charitable activities:

I established and preside over the Pro Bono Collaborative, which strives to bridge the justice gap for indigent clients; AIDS Task Force, Board ; Northeast Ohio Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Board; Fugitive Safe Surrender.