

Aram Ohanian Announces Candidacy for Perrysburg Municipal Court Judge

Wood County Assistant Prosecutor and Perrysburg resident Aram Ohanian, is announcing his candidacy for Perrysburg Municipal Court Judge. The general election will be on November 5th, 2013.

A 1994 graduate of the University of Toledo College of Law, Ohanian has been with the Prosecutor's office since 2003 after serving in the Fostoria Prosecutor's Office, and time in private practice. Prior to 2001, he was a Public Defender for Wood County, assigned to the Perrysburg Municipal Court. As a Wood County Prosecutor, Ohanian represents the People of the State of Ohio in all preliminary hearings in the Perrysburg and Bowling Green Municipal Courts, as well as a full case load in the Wood County Court of Common Pleas in Bowling Green, including grand jury and trial work.

Married to Sherina Ohanian and the father of three children, Ohanian is involved in many community and school related organizations, including Cub Scouts as a den leader, and youth soccer and basketball coach for his sons' teams. The Ohanian family routinely volunteers in local organizations such as the Frank Elementary Parents Club, PEPA, the Family and Civic Engagement Team for Perrysburg schools, and the Going the Extra Mile for Perrysburg Kids event held this last summer. Ohanian also served two terms on the Perrysburg Board of Zoning Appeals, his second term as Chairman.

"I have practiced and tried cases in many courts, and am uniquely qualified to understand how a court should be run. As prosecutor, I work closely with local law enforcement, and am often the first person they call when an issue arises during an investigation. My unique experience allows me to bring the perspective of both the prosecuting and defense attorney to the bench, having run many jury trials on both sides. When a person appears in front of a Judge, it can be an intimidating event. The public deserves a Judge who will uphold the law, protecting the constitution and citizens of the State of Ohio, while treating those that appear in court with utmost respect and appropriate compassion. Whether a victim of a crime, or a defendant charged with an offense, the person appearing in court needs to be confident that the Judge presiding over their case has ample experience to address the issues presented."

The Perrysburg Municipal Court has been presided over since 1990 by Judge S. Dwight Osterud, who has announced in December he will not be seeking re-election in the fall.