



Ohio Governor & Lt. Governor: Mike DeWine & Jon Husted

The DeWine and Husted ticket represents a proven leadership team for our state and overwhelmingly earned OSCPA's endorsement. Current Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine has broad experience, a positive track record of tackling tough issues and a deep understanding of what it takes for Ohio to succeed over the next four years. Current Secretary of State Jon Husted's strong history of leadership, proven track record of driving economic development – including championing OSCPA-backed tort reform and tax reform efforts as House Speaker - are equally impressive.

Both have partnered with OSCPA for years to achieve numerous workable, commonsense solutions impacting CPAs and the broader business community. OSCPA is confident they will drive positive outcomes over the next four years to operate government efficiently and effectively, keep taxes low, and attract, retain and grow employers and the skilled workforce needed for Ohio's economy to thrive.

Attorney General: Dave Yost



OSCPA leaders believe Dave Yost is the right choice to serve as Ohio's next Attorney General. His unique skillset includes not only service as a prosecuting attorney and private-practice lawyer, but also in running a very large public-sector operation as State Auditor for the past eight years. We know he will continue to provide thoughtful,

commonsense leadership by working to protect Ohio businesses from unfair policies, defending consumers against scams and promoting best practices for collaboration and efficiency.

OSCPA has worked closely with Yost and saw firsthand how committed he is to protecting the public interest – regardless of party politics. He reached out to CPAs across the state numerous times to better understand the issues impacting our profession and the businesses we serve so he could make the best decisions for Ohio. He was particularly helpful in efforts to achieve and implement municipal income tax reforms. Yost clearly knows when to use a hammer and when to use a velvet glove; we're confident he will take that same thoughtful, commonsense approach as Attorney General.

Auditor of State: Keith Faber



Keith Faber's track record speaks for itself: he is a watchdog for Ohio taxpayer dollars and has a strong and long history of advocating for efficient, cost-effective and transparent government operations – a philosophy that will serve Ohioans well when he is Ohio's next State Auditor and that

easily won him OSCPA's endorsement. Faber, a former Ohio Senate president, who earned a 100% voting record on OSCPA issues during his 18 years in the Ohio General Assembly, recognizes the importance of job creation and economic development and worked hard to help Ohio succeed.

He brings extensive leadership experience to the table, along with a deep understanding of state and local government operations – all critical components for the job of leading attest services for thousands of Ohio government entities and helping local government function as effectively and efficiently as possible.



Ohio Supreme Court: Mary DeGenaro & Craig Baldwin

Current Associate Justice Mary DeGenaro brings more than 17 years of appellate experience to the bench and has proven through a breadth of past rulings that she is committed to interpreting laws fairly and with consideration of the needs for predictability and clarity when issuing opinions. A steady hand is critical as the Ohio Supreme Court decides on important issues that directly affect Ohio's economy and the businesses that operate here. Before her Ohio Supreme Court appointment in January 2018, DeGenaro served on the Seventh District Court of Appeals and spent nearly 15 years in private

practice. She is running for her first full six-year term.

With 26 years of legal experience, Judge Craig Baldwin has demonstrated a commitment to impartiality and a recognition for clear, consistent decisions, priorities important to OSCPA. Baldwin clearly understands that the Court's decisions can have a significant impact not only on named parties but on thousands of Ohio businesses and those they employ. Before his 2013 appointment to the Fifth District Court of Appeals and subsequent elections to the position, Baldwin served on the Licking County Court of Common Pleas, and spent decades in private practice, representing small business owners, among others.

OSCPA unanimously agreed that Ohio CPAs would be well served by electing DeGenaro and Baldwin to the two Ohio Supreme Court races being considered in November.

U.S. Senate

The CPA profession has the benefit of having two very qualified and accomplished candidates running against each other this year. Both have excellent working relationships with OSCPA and have been strong partners on our slate of legislative and regulatory priorities; both work in a bipartisan approach to get things done; both have been endorsed by OSCPA numerous times; and both have provided invaluable support on different issues. For those reasons, both candidates earned OSCPA's endorsement for this race.

U.S. Senate: Jim Renacci, CPA



As a CPA, Congressman Jim Renacci has a strong understanding of the challenges accounting professionals and businesses face and has worked tirelessly to improve the business and tax climate during his eight years in Washington.

Renacci's background and experience as the owner of over 60 businesses uniquely qualify him to know how the government can impact small business owners. His efforts, especially in his role on the House Ways and Means Committee, have been invaluable as he fought to improve the federal tax system and IRS operations. Renacci was instrumental in crafting tax reform provisions in 2017. Renacci also has been a tireless advocate for efficient, transparent and cost-effective government operations and highlighting our nation's debt problems. OSCPA is pleased to endorse him for a first term in the U.S. Senate.

Secretary of State: Frank LaRose



Current State Senator Frank LaRose has an excellent OSCPA voting record and clearly understands the needs of our business community; critical factors as Ohio's Secretary of State is charged with helping new businesses get started in our state. He has been a good partner to OSCPA as we

have worked to drive the state of business in Ohio.

Equally important is Senator LaRose's expertise on elections law. He is the go-to senator on issues impacting Ohio elections and that knowledge will serve Ohio well as our state's next chief elections officer. Further, his track record of working in a bipartisan manner will be an asset as Ohio addresses redistricting. OSCPA is confident LaRose – a Special Forces veteran - will do an excellent job as Ohio's next Secretary of State.

OSCPA is proud to endorse the candidates presented in this guide. Endorsements are provided as a guide for members of OSCPA, and the cornerstones of the endorsement program are fairness, integrity and objectivity.

OSCPA's endorsement program was instituted in 1994 to help inform CPAs about candidates who listen to and support the concerns of the accounting profession and business community. Conversely, the process also heightens awareness among candidates about our key issues. In some races, the choice to endorse is extremely difficult because many excellent, well-qualified office-seekers are running.

Various local screening committees, the statewide screening committee and the Executive Board examined each candidate's:

- Voting record (when applicable) on key issues facing the profession

U.S. Senate: Sherrod Brown



During Senator Sherrod Brown's nearly 25 years in the U.S. House and U.S. Senate, he has consistently been accessible to hear our concerns and has had a strong record of championing our issues. The ranking minority member on the Senate Banking Committee where many of the CPA profession's bills are

considered, Brown has provided invaluable leadership on key issues, including being lead sponsor of the Mobile Workforce State Income Tax Simplification Act, and working to stave off extremely harmful regulatory changes, sometimes taking on his own party's leadership for the betterment of our profession. His continued efforts on our behalf earned Brown OSCPA's endorsement for U.S. Senate for a third term.

State Treasurer: Robert Sprague



Sprague – now a state representative in Ohio's 83rd District – has an extensive financial background and public- and private-sector expertise that position him perfectly to serve in the important fiduciary role of Ohio's State Treasurer.

As a business consultant for a Big 4 accounting firm, Sprague helped clients across the globe find efficiencies and improve their internal processes. As a municipal treasurer and auditor, he learned firsthand about local government operations and how to improve government credit ratings and lower debt service costs. And as a state legislator, Sprague worked closely with OSCPA to drive important government efficiencies that saved taxpayer dollars and increased transparency. OSCPA is confident Sprague will do a great job of ensuring Ohio's investment operations are sound, transparent and deliver positive results for Ohioans.

- Previous interaction with OSCPA and its members
- District make up and candidate viability
- Experience
- Background
- Responses to questions posed by OSCPA

In addition, personal interviews are conducted with certain candidates.

Endorsements are not made based on candidates' party affiliation, and views on social or other non-OSCPA issues are not considered. This guide is meant to be one source in addition to other factors you will consider when deciding which candidates have earned your vote.

For more information, contact the Ohio Society's government relations department at government@ohiocpa.com or **614.764.2727**.

2018 Endorsement Screening Committee

The Ohio Society of CPAs thanks all members of the 2018 Endorsement Screening Committees for their hard work and dedication to this important process. For more information on the endorsement process, contact The Ohio Society's government relations department at government@ohiocpa.com or 614.764.2727.

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Ohio House of Representatives

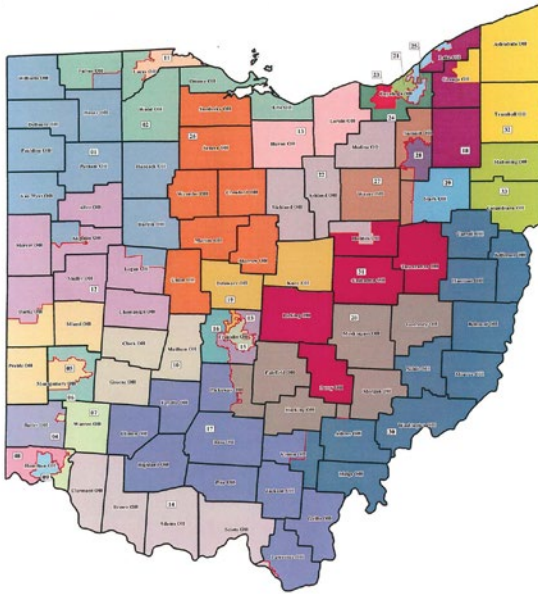


District	Endorsed Candidate	City
OH 01	Scott Wiggam (R)	Wooster
OH 02	Mark Romanchuk (R)	Ontario
OH 03	Theresa Gavarone (R)	Bowling Green
OH 04	Bob Cupp (R)	Lima
OH 05	Tim Ginter (R)	Salem
OH 06	Jim Trakas (R)	Brecksville
OH 07	Tom Patton (R)	Strongsville
OH 08	Kent Smith (D)	Euclid
OH 09	Neutral	
OH 10	Neutral	
OH 11	Neutral	
OH 12	Neutral	
OH 13	Neutral	
OH 14	Bride Rose Sweeney (D)	Cleveland
OH 15	Neutral	
OH 16	David Greenspan (R)	Westlake
OH 17	John Rush (R)	Columbus
OH 18	Kristin Boggs (D)	Columbus
OH 19	Tim Barhorst (R)	Westerville
OH 20	Richard Brown (D)	Canal Winchester
OH 21	Stu Harris (R)	Dublin
OH 22	David Leland (D)	Columbus
OH 23	Laura Lanese (R)	Grove City
OH 24	Erik Yassenoff (R)	Upper Arlington

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OH 25	Neutral	
OH 26	Neutral	
OH 27	Tom Brinkman Jr. (R)	Mt. Lookout
OH 28	Jonathan Dever (R)	Madeira
OH 29	Louis Blessing III (R)	Colerain Township
OH 30	Bill Seitz (R)	Cincinnati
OH 31	Neutral	
OH 32	Catherine Ingram (D)	Cincinnati
OH 33	Neutral	
OH 34	Emilia Sykes (D)	Akron
OH 35	Tavia Galonski (D)	Akron
OH 36	Anthony DeVitis (R)	Green
OH 37	Mike Razor (R)	Stow
OH 38	Bill Roemer, CPA (R)	Richfield
OH 39	Fred Strahorn (D)	Dayton
OH 40	Phil Plummer (R)	Dayton
OH 41	Jim Butler (R)	Oakwood
OH 42	Niraj Antani (R)	Miamisburg
OH 43	Dan Foley (D)	Dayton
OH 44	Neutral	
OH 45	Neutral	
OH 46	Michael Sheehy (D)	Oregon
OH 47	Derek Merrin (R)	Monclova Township

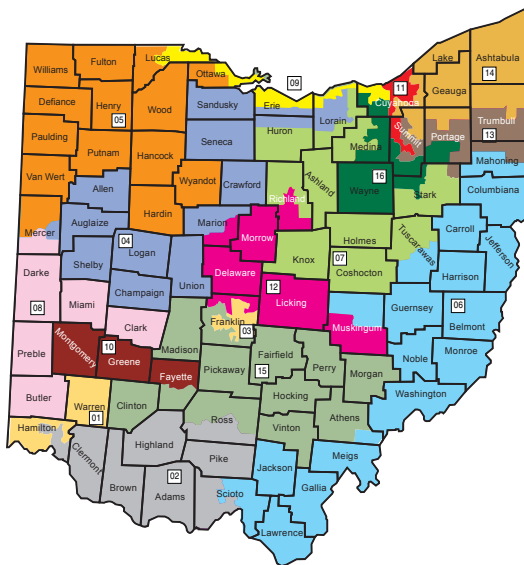
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OH 48	Scott Oelslager (R)	North Canton
OH 49	Neutral	
OH 50	Reggie Stoltzfus (R)	Minerva
OH 51	Sara Carruthers (R)	Hamilton
OH 52	George Lang (R)	West Chester
OH 53	Candice Keller (R)	Middletown
OH 54	Paul Zeltwanger (R)	Mason
OH 55	Gayle Manning (R)	North Ridgeville
OH 56	Neutral	
OH 57	Dick Stein (R)	Norwalk
OH 58	Neutral	
OH 59	Eric Ungaro (D)	Poland Township
OH 60	John Rogers (D)	Mentor-on-the-Lake
OH 61	Jamie Callender (R)	Concord Township
OH 62	Scott Lipps (R)	Franklin
OH 63	Glenn Holmes (D)	McDonald
OH 64	Michael O'Brien (D)	Warren
OH 65	John Becker (R)	Union Township
OH 66	Doug Green (R)	Mt. Orab
OH 67	Kris Jordan (R)	Ostrander
OH 68	Rick Carfagna (R)	Genoa Township
OH 69	Steve Hambley (R)	Brunswick
OH 70	Neutral	
OH 71	Scott Ryan (R)	Newark
OH 72	Larry Householder (R)	Glenford
OH 73	Rick Perales (R)	Beavercreek
OH 74	Neutral	
OH 75	Randi Clites (D)	Ravenna
OH 76	Sarah LaTourette (R)	Chagrin Falls
OH 77	Tim Schaffer (R)	Lancaster
OH 78	Ron Hood (R)	Ashville
OH 79	Kyle Koehler (R)	Springfield
OH 80	Jena Powell (R)	Laura
OH 81	James Hoops (R)	Napoleon
OH 82	Craig Riedel (R)	Defiance
OH 83	Jon Cross (R)	Kenton
OH 84	Susan Manchester (R)	Waynesfield
OH 85	Nino Vitale (R)	Urbana
OH 86	Tracy Richardson (R)	Marysville
OH 87	Riordan McClain (R)	Upper Sandusky
OH 88	Bill Reineke (R)	Tiffin
OH 89	Steven Arndt (R)	Port Clinton
OH 90	Neutral	
OH 91	Shane Wilkin (R)	Hillsboro
OH 92	Gary Scherer, CPA (R)	Circleville
OH 93	Ryan Smith (R)	Bidwell
OH 94	Jay Edwards (R)	Athens
OH 95	Neutral	
OH 96	Jack Cera (D)	Bellaire
OH 97	Brian Hill (R)	Zanesville
OH 98	Brett Hillyer (R)	Uhrichsville
OH 99	John Patterson (D)	Jefferson

Ohio Senate



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OH 01	Robert McColley (R)	Napoleon
OH 03	Anne Gonzales (R)	Westerville
OH 05	Stephen Huffman (R)	Tipp City
OH 07	Steve Wilson (R)	Maineville
OH 09	Neutral	
OH 11	Neutral	
OH 13	Nathan Manning (R)	North Ridgeville
OH 15	Neutral	
OH 17	Bob Peterson (R)	Washington Court House
OH 19	Andy Brenner (R)	Powell
OH 21	Neutral	
OH 23	Nickie Antonio (D)	Lakewood
OH 25	Neutral	
OH 27	Kristina Roegner (R)	Hudson
OH 29	Kirk Schuring (R)	Canton
OH 31	Jay Hottinger (R)	Newark
OH 33	John Boccieri (D)	Poland

Congress



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OH 01	Steve Chabot (R)	Cincinnati
OH 02	Brad Wenstrup (R)	Cincinnati
OH 03	Joyce Beatty (D)	Blacklick
OH 04	Jim Jordan (R)	Urbana
OH 05	Bob Latta (R)	Bowling Green
OH 06	Bill Johnson (R)	Marietta
OH 07	Bob Gibbs (R)	Lakeville
OH 08	Warren Davidson (R)	Troy
OH 09	Neutral	
OH 10	Michael Turner (R)	Dayton
OH 11	Neutral	
OH 12	Troy Balderson (R)	Zanesville
OH 13	Tim Ryan (D)	Howland
OH 14	David Joyce (R)	Bainbridge Township
OH 15	Steve Stivers (R)	Columbus
OH 16	Anthony Gonzalez (R)	Westlake

How to use this guide

To use the district maps, simply identify the district number that coincides with the area where you live and match it to the candidate listed. Members may also search for their legislative district at www.legislature.state.oh.us. Additional information on The Ohio Society of CPAs' endorsed candidates is available at ohiocpa.com/advocacy. For help identifying your district, or if you have questions about the Society's endorsement process, contact The Ohio Society of CPA's government relations department at government@ohiocpa.com or 614.764.2727.

Voter Information

For more information on the 2018 general election go to www.ohiocpa.com

Oct. 9: Deadline for voter registration

Oct. 10: Absentee voting begins

Nov. 3: Applications for absentee ballots must be received by boards of elections by noon

Nov. 6: Election Day

