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Ann Arbor Attorney Announces Candidacy for Circuit Judge

Ann Arbor, Mich. - Local attorney James A. (Jim) Fink today announced his candidacy for Washtenaw County Circuit Judge.

“I am running for Circuit Judge because I have the ability, the experience and the desire to serve the people of Washtenaw County,” Fink said in making the announcement.

Fink, who practices law in Ann Arbor, attended the Detroit College of Law while working as a deputy for the Washtenaw County Sheriff’s Department. During his 20-year career in the Sheriff’s Department, Fink rose through the ranks, retiring as the Police Services Commander, a position in which he was responsible for more than 150 employees and a budget of over \$10 million.

On the importance of judges, Fink said “judges affect peoples’ lives every day. A good judge ensures that everyone’s rights are protected and that all receive equal justice under the law. Judges, like all public servants, serve the community. I am running for this position because I am exceptionally qualified. It would be an honor to serve the people of Washtenaw County as a Circuit Court Judge.” Fink also cites his father, the late Robert V. Fink, and his brother, Karl V. Fink, both Washtenaw County judges, as reasons for his candidacy: “I’m proud to be part of the tradition of public service and advocacy in our family.”

In addition to his career in law enforcement, Fink’s public service includes sitting on the Dawn Farm Board of Trustees, the Michigan Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Board, the Hope Clinic “One Hope” capital campaign committee and providing free legal services to local non-profit organizations.

A lifelong resident of Washtenaw County, Fink and his wife, Beth, live in Ypsilanti, where they have raised their six children and enjoy visiting with their grandchildren.

The Honorary Co-Chairs of Fink’s Campaign are Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner Janis Bobrin and Menlo Innovations President Rich Sheridan.

Commenting on Fink’s candidacy, Bobrin said “I have known and worked with Jim for over twenty years - in County government, in his capacity as an attorney working for local government, and together on the Dawn Farm Board. His intelligence, integrity, and dedication to the citizens of Washtenaw County are attributes that will make him an outstanding judge.”

Sheridan also commented. "I am thrilled and honored to be part of Jim Fink's committee. I have known Jim most of my time here in Ann Arbor. His character, integrity, and experience will make a wonderful judge. His commitment to our community is tangible and profound."