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ONTARIO GOP DELEGATES BACK STATE SUPREME COURT CANDIDATES AT SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CONVENTION

ROCHESTER - Ontario County delegates joined with delegates from seven counties to nominate two State Supreme Court Justice candidates at the Republican 7th Judicial District Convention Thursday, August 9, 2024 at the Rochester Police Locust Club, Rochester, New York.

Judge Stacey Romeo and attorney Ed White were unanimously nominated to seek the two State Supreme Court Justice seats available in the November election.

The convention is held annually to nominate candidates for State Supreme Court. Delegates attended from the eight counties in the 7th Judicial District, including Ontario, Cayuga, Livingston, Monroe, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne and Yates.

Trisha Turner, OCRC Republican Chair, was elected to the position of permanent chair of the convention and Mike Hillier, Livingston County Chair, was elected permanent secretary.

The other Ontario County delegates and alternates attending included Ellis Oster, Jeff Trickey, Annie Chwiecko, Jared Simpson, Paul D'Amico, Roslyn Grammar, and Matthew Eldridge for the 131 Assembly District. Those attending for the 133 Assembly District were Christopher Catt, Bonnie Ross, Steve Barnhoorn, and Kevin Saunders.

Judge Romeo is a skilled and respected jurist with decades of experience working in courtrooms across our region. Since 2017, she has served as Monroe County Family Court Judge after winning election to the position in November 2016. She has served as Monroe County Youth Part Judge since 2018 and as an Acting Supreme Court Justice since 2019, where she has routinely handled the types of cases she would hear if elected to State Supreme Court this year.

In 2021, she was elevated to serve as Supervising Judge of Family Court across the Seventh Judicial District. She has presided over cases in nearly every county within the Seventh Judicial District during her tenure on the bench.

Ed White, a Seneca County resident, started his legal career as a probation officer. As a former Town Justice, he has handled thousands of cases giving him a unique understanding of the crime epidemic in our communities, and the significant challenges law enforcement face in managing these serious issues.

Mr. White has 28 years of experience in the New York State Supreme Court, serving as an Attorney/Principal Law Clerk analyzing the various cases and issues before several Supreme Court Justices. Over his decades with the court, he has advised, counseled and assisted both veteran and new Supreme Court Judges, and has been a "go to" attorney assisting and mentoring other attorneys/law clerks in resolving some of the most complex issues faced by the court.

PHOTO CAPTION: Left: Judge Stacey Romeo, Ontario County Republican Committee Chair, Trisha Turner, and Attorney Ed White



Group Photo of GOP Delegates and Alternates: Left to right: Ellis Oster, Chris Catt, Steve Barnhoorn, Matt Eldridge, Bonnie Ross, OCRC Chair and Chair of the Convention, Trisha Turner, Annie Chwiecko, Jeff Trickey, Paul D'Amico, Roslyn Grammar, Kevin Saunders, and Canandaigua Town Supervisor, Jared Simpson.

