

# The BOYK BULLETIN

## Lindsay Navarre, Democrat for Judge, Best Pick This Election

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oppose Lindsay in court. Not only is Lindsay held in the highest regard by her peers in the legal field, she's been endorsed by 28 local labor unions, including Toledo Police and Fire, which is evidence that law enforcement and safety personnel find her commitment to public service make her the best candidate for the position.

Having worked in the legal field for nearly ten years, I've had the pleasure of meeting and getting to know many judges in various courts. There is a striking similarity between many of those individuals who I consider to be great judges. All of them exude compassion, intelligence, and a hard-work ethic while simultaneously being approachable to people from all walks of life. That is why I, along with Boyk Law, am endorsing Democrat Lindsay Navarre for Lucas County Court of Common Pleas Judge.

Working as a prosecutor for over a decade, Lindsay Navarre has shown her colleagues a never-ending spirit to fight for justice and for

victims of violent crimes. Her track record proves that her commitment to keep our streets and neighborhoods safe has been her passion since she began her legal career. Lindsay was the first prosecutor in Lucas County to achieve a conviction under the Ohio "gang charge", which lengthened the defendant's sentence by two to eight years and she also achieved a 40-year sentence against a defendant who brutally raped a developmentally delayed teen-aged girl.

In a recent poll conducted by the Toledo Bar Association, Lindsay received the recommendation of over 90% of the local lawyers surveyed, including a number of high profile criminal defense attorneys who routinely

With a candidate like Lindsay Navarre, what you see is what you get, which is exactly how a judicial candidate should be described. She's honest, forthcoming, and transparent. Her professional work speaks for itself and renders



Lindsay Navarre and Leah Michael

her the only qualified candidate for this seat. Vote Lindsay Navarre, Democrat for Lucas County Common Pleas Judge on November 8, 2016.

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# Join Boyk Law In Supporting Our Judges This Election

Judicial races are some of the most important each election cycle, but due to the strict campaign rules on judicial candidates and the highly-publicized, more glamorous campaigns that are occurring at the same time, they are often forgotten. Boyk Law takes local judicial races very seriously, as the candidates that are elected shape the landscape of our legal work for years to come. That is why we've decided to share with readers our picks for the judicial races which could appear on your ballot on November 8th.



*Judge Gary Cook*

## Judge Gary Cook - 6th District Appellate Court

- 25 years trial experience
- 11 years as Lucas County Common Pleas judge
- Prior to being elected judge, he served for 11 years as a prosecutor

Judge Cook has three children with his wife, Judge Stacy Cook. He enjoys coaching soccer and even previously served as a volunteer firefighter.

"I'm supporting Judge Gary Cook for 6th District Court of Appeals for a number of reasons. First, he's been a Toledoan his whole life: he has a good understanding of this community. Second, Judge Cook is experienced: he began as a felony prosecutor, has been a Common Pleas Court Judge for more than 10 years. To put it another way, he's paid his dues and is deserving of a spot on the appeals court. Third, he is balanced and has a good temperament, which are necessary qualities for a good judge." – *Attorney Michael A. Bruno*



*Attorney Matt Reger*

## Matt Reger - Wood County Court of Common Pleas Judge

- 23 years experience as an attorney
- 20 years Bowling Green Municipal Prosecutor
- 2006 Bowling Green Male Citizen of the Year
- Founder of Community Christian Legal Services, Inc., serving over 500 people by providing legal access to the needy

"Matt is smart, even-tempered and has a great work ethic. Overall, he's a class act lawyer and individual." – *Attorney Charles E. Boyk*



*Judge Cynthia Rice*

## Judge Cynthia Rice - Supreme Court of Ohio & Presiding Judge of 11th District Court of Appeals



*Judge John P. O'Donnell*

## Judge John P. O'Donnell - Supreme Court of Ohio & Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas judge

"Judges Rice and O'Donnell will offer balance to our conservative Supreme Court panel. We need judges like them who will interpret the law to support working families and consumers." – *Attorney Leah O. Michael*

## CASES OF INTEREST: NOVEMBER 2016

### Intensive Care Stay & Multiple Broken Bones After Car Accident Leave Man In Need Of Legal Help

A near-fatal car accident resulted after a driver ran a stop sign, leaving our client hospitalized in intensive care for over two weeks. He suffered a fractured tailbone, a traumatic brain injury, and 11 broken ribs, causing the need for a lung specialist and surgery. He is still treating with an orthopedic surgeon and faces months of recovery.

### Rollover Accident Leaves Man With A Traumatic Brain Injury & Lingering Issues

Our client was pinned in the car he was riding in after it flipped three times. He was lifeflighted to the hospital to treat a traumatic brain injury and concussion that has left him with memory problems and migraines for which he is seeing a neurologist. Since he is still having serious pain in his neck, shoulder, and back two months after the accident, he is seeking treatment with an orthopedic physician.

### Client Unable To Work For At Least Six Months After Car Accident Leaves Him With A Broken Hip

A week in the hospital after a serious accident was required after the other driver ran a stop sign, fracturing our client's hip and leaving him unable to bear any weight on his leg. As a driver by trade, he is forced to face at least six months off of work as he recovers from his surgery and teaches himself to walk again.



# TPS Proud kicks off with WTOL News Coverage of Female Boxer at Scott High School



*Jaylin is interviewed by WTOL reporter Allie Hausfeld while Assistant Principal Sherry Reed looks on*

## Student of the Month – Jaylin Buckley

Recent news of Toledo Public Schools latest Ohio report card is not letting one Toledo Public School get in the way of lifting each other up and moving ahead.

WTOL Channel 11 was on hand when Boyk Law awarded September's Student and Teacher of the Month winners and also recognized the Scott High School students for creating 40 videos on why they appreciate their teachers.

Scott teacher Todd Dewhurst nominated Jaylin Buckley for her extraordinary work in and out of the boxing ring. She went home with a \$150 Visa gift card and the TPS Proud Student of the Month award.

"The most notable thing about Jaylin is her exemplary character and discipline," Mr. Dewhurst said. "She moved to Toledo to pursue a career in boxing and her integrity is evident in everything she touches."

Jaylin is a decorated boxer and competed as a USA Boxing Junior Olympian in the few short years that she has been in the ring, and plans to train for the 2020 Olympics.



*Jaylin in the boxing ring*



*Jeremiah Hunter and Margaret Logwood*

## Teacher of the Month – Margaret Logwood

Student Jeremiah Hunter received a \$50 Visa gift card for making his uplifting video about Mrs. Margaret Logwood, who he nominated for TPS Proud Teacher of the Month.

Jeremiah appreciated all that Mrs. Logwood does to inspire young black men and black women and for that, she also received a plaque and a \$150 Visa gift card.

"She [Mrs. Logwood] helps us become better people," Jeremiah said. "She's taught us the life lessons of how to inspire and how to achieve. She understands you as an individual and she's taught me to always smile and always be positive in life and make sure you're always doing what you need to do."

The TPS Proud Student and Teacher of the Month contest is a joint effort between Toledo Public Schools and Charles E. Boyk Law Offices, LLC. Each month, one teacher and one student from one of TPS's high schools will be awarded with a \$150 Visa gift card. Stay tuned for winners from next month's school, Waite High School.

## RECIPE:



*Joanne "Gaga" Kurt in 1983*

# Gaga's Thanksgiving Tomato Pudding

*Grandma Joanne Kurt, also known as "Gaga", was known for opening her door to anyone who needed a hot meal at the holidays, especially college kids who couldn't go home for Thanksgiving, when she always served her famed Tomato Pudding. Sweet and savory, this dish has the same consistency as bread pudding and pairs perfectly with turkey and mashed potatoes.*

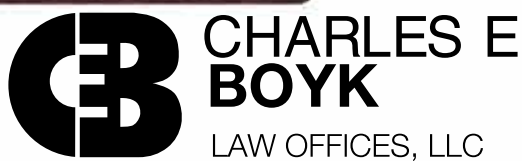
## INGREDIENTS

- 15 oz can tomato puree
- 2 cups light brown sugar
- 2 teaspoons cornstarch
- 3 cups (9 slices) cubed bread – we love to use Kings Hawaiian rolls!
- 2 sticks butter, melted

## DIRECTIONS

1. Pre-heat oven to 325°F
2. Put bread in greased casserole dish.
3. In a medium bowl, mix together melted butter, tomato puree, brown sugar, corn starch, and dash of salt.
4. Pour all of this over the bread and bake uncovered for 45 min.





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## November's Raving Fan of the Month

"I am forever grateful to the attorney who recommended Wes Merillat to me. He exceeded expectations in every way throughout a protracted lawsuit. Generous with his sound advice, Mr. Merillat kept me informed and advised at all times. He was ethical, professional, and demonstrated his deep knowledge of the law, as well as his strong capacity to resolve conflicts under difficult circumstances. The Boyk Staff was also a great asset." – *Maureen Houppert*



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## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT: TIFFANY RATLIFF



*Tiffany Ratliff with her husband Justin and son, Brody*

### What do you do for the firm?

I am the Intake Specialist, which means that I talk to potential clients when they are calling in. I provide support to the client and assess the information that is given to me, then I pass it on to the attorneys to determine if it is a case they could help with. I also help with promoting excellent customer satisfaction.

### What do you like to do in your spare time?

What is spare time? Haha

### Tell us about your family

I have been happily married to my husband,

Justin, for 10 years this month!! We have a handsome, smart, sensitive, six-year-old named Brody, and a crazy cat name Leo. We are laid back, love having fun together, and hanging out with our friends. We also love the Detroit Lions and Star Wars (we had a Star Wars themed wedding and my son's middle name is Anakin).

### Favorite ice cream?

Butter Pecan in a sugar cone

### Favorite food?

Too many to chose from...I love food!

### What book are you reading right now?

I'm not, but I wish I was reading "The Girl on the Train"

### Favorite Pixar movie?

Wall-E or Finding Nemo

### What's the farthest you've been from home?

Las Vegas, Nevada

### What is your favorite hobby?

Studying how people "tick" and helping people understand other people. The world would be a better place if everyone showed a little compassion and understanding towards people and things they don't understand.