



WRITE IN **WILLA CONCANNON**

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For 12th District Court of Appeals Judge
CONSERVATIVE

Our excellent Republican nominee for the Twelfth District Court of Appeals, Judge Matthew Byrne, withdrew from the race on September 16, 2026 after being confirmed to the federal bench. Now the only path to elect a candidate to the seat is through a write-in ballot. Republicans should unite behind Willa Concannon, a highly qualified, conservative write-in candidate.

CONSERVATIVE

- A **Constitutional Conservative** with demonstrated fidelity to principles of Textualism and Originalism.
- Served as Parliamentarian and Member of the **Butler County Republican Central Committee**.
- **Endorsed** by Republican Butler County Prosecutor Mike Gmoser.
- **Devoted mother** to two successful teenage boys.
- **Married for 20 years** to former federal prosecutor, current president of Hamilton-based family manufacturing firm and supplier to the U.S. Navy, and volunteer firefighter and EMT.

AN EXPERIENCED LITIGATOR

- **Argues death penalty and complex constitutional cases** before the **Ohio Supreme Court** and **Twelfth District Court of Appeals**.
- **Breadth and depth of experience** as both an **appellate and trial prosecutor** as well as in commercial litigation at a top corporate law firm.

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15-Year Veteran Prosecutor and Chief of Appeals for the Butler County Prosecutor's Office

- **Prosecuted over 120 felony criminal and civil appeals** on behalf of the State before the Twelfth District Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court of Ohio.
- **Exceptional academic credentials:** Cornell Law School, graduated *cum laude* in 2002; Editor, *Cornell Law Review*.
- Bar admissions: **Ohio Bar** (achieved 100th percentile score on bar exam) and **United States Supreme Court**.
- Prior to the Butler County Prosecutor's Office, served as a **trial and appellate prosecutor** at the Manhattan District Attorney's Office.



Case Highlights

- **Supreme Court of Ohio**, August 4, 2026: Lead counsel, argued capital quadruple homicide appeal after filing extensive briefing on complex constitutional challenges. *State v. Singh*, 2024-1043. Also served as capital trial co-counsel in successful trial conviction, *State v. Singh*, CR2019-07-1095.
- **Supreme Court of Ohio**, May 2026: Briefed, argued and won appeal in *State v. Fraley*, 2026-Ohio-1964, one of the most heinous child pornography cases prosecuted in Butler County. Supreme Court affirmed the dismissal of Fraley's petition, allowing his 31-year prison term to stand.
- **Supreme Court of Ohio**, December 2022: Briefed and argued appeal in *State v. Grevious*, 2022-Ohio-4361, in conviction of Hamilton aggravated gang murder. Supreme Court affirmed the constitutionality of limited review of life-without-parole sentences.
- **Twelfth District Court of Appeals**, May 2022: Won unanimous reversal of trial court order suppressing fentanyl in State's appeal. Court of Appeals agreed with State's argument that canine sniff and warrantless search were constitutional. *State v. Owensby*, 2022-Ohio-1702.
- **Trial Court**, April 2026: Post-conviction petition win against capital defendant who executed a Hamilton cab driver in 1990. *State v. Williams*, CR1990-08-0665. Will argue the case to the Twelfth District Court of Appeals in Fall 2026.



Arguing to affirm capital murder conviction before the Ohio Supreme Court on August 4, 2026.