

North Carolina Free Enterprise Foundation  
2010 Questionnaire  
Candidates for North Carolina Appellate Courts

Please complete and return  
by June 11 Deadline

**SECTION I. Candidate Personal Profile Information**

Name: Dean R. Poirier Party (optional): Democrat Republican Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Office Sought (circle): N.C. Supreme Court N.C. Court of Appeals, seat: Geer  
Address: 115 East James Street City: Mount Olive State: NC Zip: 28365  
County of Residence: Wayne Length of Residence in County: 13 years  
Home Phone: 919-658-0784 Work Phone: 910-251-7077 Mobile Phone: 919-208-9411  
Email: poirier + justice @ gmail.com Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gender: Male Race/Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_ Religion: Christian  
Place of Birth (city/state): Beverly / MA Date of Birth: 11/5/57  
Marital Status (circle): Married Single Divorced Separated Number of Children: 4  
Occupation: Appeals Referee / Adjunct Law Professor Employer: N.C. Employment Security Comm. Mount Olive College, Kaplan University, Liberty University  
Military Service: Navy High School: Abington High  
Colleges/Universities Attended: Bridgewater State College, Fairleigh Dickinson Univ., UNC Chapel Hill School of Law  
Law Degree Received From: UNC Chapel Hill School of Law  
Previous Elected/Appointed Offices: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**SECTION II. Candidate Campaign Information**

Name of Campaign Committee: Campaign to Elect Dean R. Poirier to the N.C. Court of Appeals  
Campaign Email: poirier + justice @ gmail.com Campaign Website: poirier + justice.com  
Campaign Phone: 919-208-9411 Campaign Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Campaign Address: 115 East James St. City: Mount Olive State: NC Zip: 28365  
Campaign Treasurer: Mary Ann Robitaille Campaign Treasurer Phone: 919-731-7203  
Political Consultants: \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you plan to participate in North Carolina public financing program?

Yes    No    Undecided

*I did, but I did not receive adequate funds and I am still accepting contributions.*

Considering your personal and professional associations, how likely are you to receive support from each of the following groups?

	Very Likely	Likely	Unknown	Unlikely	Very Unlikely
A. North Carolina Advocates for Justice (formerly the Academy of Trial Lawyers)	1	2	3	4	⑤
B. Medical Groups (ex. Doctors, Hospital Administrators)	1	2	3	④	5
C. Banking & Finance Industry	1	2	③	4	5
D. Utility/Telecommunications Companies	1	2	③	4	5
E. Real Estate & Construction Industry	1	2	③	4	5
F. Labor Unions	1	2	3	4	⑤
G. Retail/Wholesale Businesses	1	2	③	4	5
H. State Employees Association of N.C. (SEANC)	1	2	③	4	5
I. Insurance Industry	1	2	③	4	5
J. N.C. Association of Educators (NCAE)	1	2	3	4	⑤
K. Business Professionals (ex. Architects, Accountants, Engineers)	1	2	③	4	5
L. Transportation Industry	1	2	③	4	5
M. Agri-business Interests	1	2	③	4	5
N. Legislative Leadership Committees	1	2	③	4	5

Are there other groups not listed that you would expect to receive a campaign contribution or endorsement from? (Ex. Lillian's List, Anti-Tax Groups)

Anti-Forced Annexation Groups, Christian organizations,  
Pro-life organizations

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**SECTION III. CANDIDATE QUESTIONS & STATEMENTS**

**Instructions:** Please respond to the following questions and statements by circling the response that best represents your position or opinion. You are invited to provide additional comments or explanations for your answers on a separate page. Please be sure to identify which question you are commenting on by noting the appropriate question number with your additional comments.

1. Of the justices currently serving on the United States Supreme Court, whose judicial philosophy most closely reflects your own? (Circle one response)  
Alito Breyer Ginsburg Kennedy Roberts Scalia Sotomayor Stevens Thomas
2. Do you believe the words and meaning of the Constitution should be interpreted in the context of our present culture or as closely to the intent of the original authors as possible?  
Present Culture Original Authors Undecided
3. Do you believe judges in North Carolina should be appointed by the Governor instead of elected by the people?  
Yes No Undecided
4. Have you owned or managed a business? (If so, please describe below.)  
Yes No  

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5. For every \$100.00 of sales, about how much profit do you believe the average North Carolina business nets? (Circle one response)  
Under \$1 \$1-5 \$5-10 \$10-25 \$25-50 Over \$50
6. Do you believe the current level of taxes paid by North Carolina businesses is too high, too low, or about right? (Circle one response)  
Too high Too low About right

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**SECTION IV. OPEN-ENDED QUESTION**

Please describe your judicial philosophy.

I believe in judicial restraint, not judicial activism.

I believe in judicial humility, not judicial arrogance.

I believe in deciding cases based on the facts and the law of each case, carefully and narrowly.

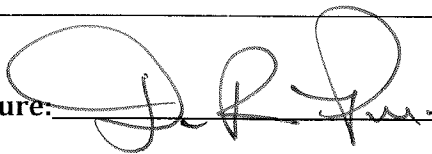
I believe in interpreting the law according to a common sense, plain meaning approach.

I believe that a judge should always remember that his decisions affect the lives of real people and are not mere academic exercises.

I believe a judge should demonstrate sincere compassion and respect for all parties that appear before him.

I believe that a judge should exercise courage and integrity and not be influenced by the possible political consequences of their decisions.

Candidate Signature:  
(signature required)



Date: 5/20/10

Please return completed questionnaire: by mail: NCFEF, P.O. Box 12406, Raleigh, NC 27605  
by fax: (919) 896-8349  
by email: info@ncfef.org