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Judge Peter G. Crummey Endorsed for New York Supreme Court

Colonie Town Justice, Judge Peter G. Crummey, has been unanimously endorsed by Republican chairs for New York State Supreme Court Justice from the seven counties that comprise the 3rd Judicial District. The district encompasses Albany, Rensselaer, Ulster, Columbia, Schoharie, Sullivan, and Greene counties.

The chairmen and chairwoman in the 3rd JD cited Judge Crummey's experience and effectiveness in one of the busiest municipal courts in upstate New York.

Ulster County Chairman Roger Rascoe states "Judge Crummey is a dedicated and hard-working individual who has a distinguished career in the justice system. He has served over 17 years in the Town of Colonie Justice Court which handles over 24,000 cases annually and is one of the busiest courts in our State. He will be an asset to the New York State Supreme Court."

Judge Crummey, who presides as the Senior Justice in the Town of Colonie has also served as President of the Albany County Bar Association, as a member of the New York State Bar Association's Committee on Procedures for Judicial Discipline, as a member of the House of Delegates for the State Bar and on their Special Committee for Youth Courts.

He has been a solid vote-getter in Colonie and during his last four campaigns for Town Justice, was unopposed. He was previously elected three times as a county legislator in Albany County.

Christine Benedict, Albany County Republican Chairwoman, states "Judge Crummey has a well-admired and illustrious career working on behalf of Colonie residents. He served as a prosecutor in the Colonie and Menands Traffic courts and as an attorney for the Town. He works in the community addressing school and citizens' groups regarding the court system and was presented the Partner in Education Award by the

New York State Teachers Association's Capital Region Social Studies Council. As the Senior Judge of the Colonie Court he presides over criminal cases, civil proceedings, as well as vehicle and traffic cases."

Those endorsing Justice Crummey also include Republican Chairmen Rensselaer John Rustin from Rensselaer County, Greg Fingar from Columbia County, Lewis Wilson from Schoharie County, Richard Coombe from Sullivan County and Brent Bogardus from Greene County.

In 2014, Republicans scored a major victory electing Lisa Fisher to State Supreme Court in the 3rd JD. In 2015, despite an enrollment advantage for Democrats, the Republican candidate was narrowly defeated.

"We will be working hard during the coming months to support our candidate and as chairmen, we have an effective working partnership that will support a candidate we are proud and pleased to endorse. We are ready to get to work now to support Judge Crummey and get him elected in November," said Sullivan County Chair Richard Coombe.

"The judges in the 3rd JD are predominantly Democratic. This election is an opportunity to elect a qualified Republican like Judge Crummey and restore some balance to an important part of our court system," said Columbia County Chair Greg Fingar.