



## **News Release**

### Judicial Candidates Forum October 15, 2014

Justice Initiatives, Inc. and the Mecklenburg County Bar are proud to announce that they will be co-sponsoring a judicial candidate's forum for those individuals vying for a seat on the Superior and District Court Bench in Mecklenburg County. Special guests will include candidates for Clerk of Superior Court. The forum will take place on Wednesday, October 15, 2014, from 5:30 PM to 6:45 PM for Superior Court Candidates and 7:15 PM to 8:30 PM for District Court Candidates at the Charlotte School of Law. Attendees will have an opportunity to mingle with the candidates from 6:45 PM to 7:15 PM.

This special community event will offer the public an opportunity to meet the candidates and hear each of them articulate why he or she is the best suited individual to fill a specific judicial seat in the 26<sup>th</sup> Judicial District (Mecklenburg County). The moderator and questioner for the event is Taylor Batten with the Charlotte Observer. Members of the audience will have an opportunity to ask questions of the twelve candidates. Candidates will NOT be able to respond to any questions regarding how they might rule in either pending or future cases.

**The event is open to the public, but seating is limited. To reserve a seat, please register at: <http://www.justiceinitiatives.org/regsys/index.php>.** Please also note that attendees will NOT be allowed to bring cameras and/or other video/audio recording devices into the event.

#### About Justice Initiatives, Inc.

Justice Initiatives, Inc. was formed in 2004 by a group of legal, business and community leaders in North Carolina who understand the rule of law is the bedrock of our civilized society. They appreciate that the Judicial Branch is our governmental institution charged with upholding the rule of law and that a healthy judicial system is essential to a strong, prosperous and vibrant community. The Board of Directors believes that Mecklenburg County deserves nothing less than a world-class court system and are committed to tirelessly advocating on its behalf. To learn more about Justice Initiatives, visit our webpage at [www.justiceinitiatives.org](http://www.justiceinitiatives.org).

#### About the Mecklenburg County Bar

The mission of the Mecklenburg County Bar is to serve the public and the Bar members in improving and preserving the administration of justice, and to assist the North Carolina State Bar as described by statutory requirements.

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