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## Endorsement for Titus for Circuit Court judge

I would like to endorse Richard Titus in the upcoming primary election. Why should my voice matter? It has been my privilege to watch Judge Titus at work in a manner different than most. I have been the coach of the Liberty High School Mock Trial team for the past three years. The brightest and best of Carroll County students have participated in this competition which would not be possible without the judges of the court volunteering their time to adjudicate the trials.

Judge Titus has given of his time and talent for the teens with no compensation. It is not required that he participate in the Mock Trial program but he has stepped up and helped our students experience the court system in a unique and challenging way. He is always firm yet fair. He guides the students and helps them to better understand the legal system. The cases are complex in the Mock Trial competition and Judge Titus is always prepared and ready to rule for the students. He also takes the time to explain the intricacies of the law to help our students improve their performance. I always know that my team is in good hands when they are in Judge Titus' court.

So this is not "real" court. But it tells me a lot about Judge Titus' character. He doesn't have to participate in the Mock Trial competition but he does. He is knowledgeable, fair, and wise. He is patient and thoughtful. He is truly good at what he does.

Judge Titus is exactly what we need in Carroll County. We live in complex times. We need someone on the bench with his experience and knowledge. We need someone who is prepared and impartial. That is why I urge everyone to join me in voting for Judge Richard Titus for the circuit court of Carroll County.

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