

URGENT PRESS RELEASE

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Subject: Did sitting Judge, Suzanne Geddis, Break the Law to win the Primary election?
Is this yet another Judge in Livingston County currently under investigation?

As one of the few local reporters left in Livingston County, I thought you would like to know what is going on. I don't think we need another Judge that cannot follow the law and adds to the circus like atmosphere that residents of Livingston County have had to live under for the past 18 months. I know you are busy, so here is the rundown.

- Suzanne Geddis announces her candidacy to run for a higher court, 44th Circuit Court
- Noticed that her campaign literature, website, signs, and social media contained the word "Judge" making it appear she was an incumbent.
- Check of State Website FAQ, Mertsplus.com, revealed this violated State Statute MCL 168.944, which is a Misdemeanor and is punishable as provided in section 934. You cannot appear to be an incumbent when you are NOT. The law protects the electorate from being fooled.
- Around July 23rd the Geddis campaign started putting stickers on some, not all, of their signs adding the word "District" in front of the word Judge. (a clear admission of wrong doing, in my book).
- September 14, 2018, I sent the attached packet, along with a copy of standing case law on a sitting District Court Judge running for a Circuit Court seat, 'Treasurer of the Committee to elect Gerald D. Lostracco vs. Fox', to Prosecuting Attorney, William Vaillencourt, asking him to investigate and charge Suzanne Geddis with multiple violations of Michigan Election Law, Public Act 116 of 1954, 168.944 False designation of incumbency; misdemeanor. It was ruled that this WAS misleading to the electorate and clearly violated MCL 168.944, MSA 6.1944 and Professional and Judicial Ethics Opinion No. 74 (March 1941).
- September 17, 2018 William Vaillencourt called me to say he had had the same complaint about a month ago and decided to turn that over to the Special Prosecutor, Carol Siemon, from Ingham County. He declined to investigate my complaint, see my attached letter to him for complete details.

The fact that the residents of Livingston County cannot trust the legal community to police their own, because they won't, I have decided to turn this request over to the State Attorney General, which I am doing this date.

In light of the fact that our community is going through the Teresa Brennan "Hot Mess", it is not surprising that Judge Geddis can sit on the bench, commit crimes in order to win elections, and acts like she will get away with it. I think the residents of Livingston County deserve better,, especially if her new tagline is "the respected judge in Livingston County." I have watched these

campaigns for judges like a hawk. I don't think integrity from those that are asked to judge others is too much to ask. No one is above the law, not even a judge! I am tired of people looking the other way in the face of wrong doing. Our laws should be taken seriously, and adhered to by everyone equally. If Judge Geddis is no better than Judge Brennan, then why promote her? You shouldn't have to cheat the community to win.