

Justice Timmons-Goodson running statewide to keep her N.C. Supreme Court seat

Court's only African American on statewide ballot Nov. 7th

Justice Patricia Timmons-Goodson is on the statewide ballot November 7 to keep her seat on the N.C. Supreme Court.

She is currently the only African American on the state's highest court, and is the only African American running for statewide judicial office this year.

Appointed to the Supreme Court in January by Governor Mike Easley, Timmons-Goodson will serve a full eight-year term if elected in November.

"I respectfully and prayerfully ask for your vote to keep me on the Supreme Court of North Carolina," said Justice Timmons-Goodson. "and I thank you for

your consideration and your support."

Timmons-Goodson brings more than 21 years of judicial experience to the Supreme Court, more than any other candidate for Associate Justice. She started her long career as a prosecutor and a legal aid lawyer in Cumberland County.

She was appointed by Governor Jim Hunt to the District Court bench in 1984. She was elected to that position three times - in 1986, 1990 and 1994.

She served on the District Court bench for twelve and one-half years before going to the state Court of Appeals, where she served for eight and one-

half years. She was the first African-American woman to be popularly elected to the state appellate court.

The Supreme Court Justice has been married for 21 years to Dr. Ernest

Goodson, a Fayetteville orthodontist. They are the proud parents of two teenage sons. The Goodsons are active members of First Baptist Church, Moore Street, in Fayetteville.



N.C. Supreme Court Justice Patricia Timmons-Goodson

Last three African Americans To run for Court lost

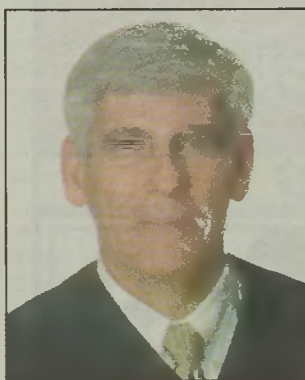
The last three African Americans who ran for election to the state Supreme Court lost their statewide elections.

It is important that this does not happen to Justice Patricia Timmons-Goodson in 2006!

Justice Timmons-Goodson is the fourth African American to actually serve on the Supreme Court, but only former Chief Justice Henry Frye of Greensboro was ever elected by voters in a statewide election to the position. Justice Frye was defeated in his bid in 2000 to keep his seat as Chief Justice. Justices Jim Wynn and G. K. Butterfield were appointed to the Supreme Court, but were unsuccessful in their elections.

Justice Timmons-Goodson is the only member of the Supreme Court who is African American. If elected in November, she would be the first African-American woman ever elected to the state's highest court!

JUDGE GEORGE BEDSWORTH SAYS INTEGRITY IS KEY FOR JUDICIAL CANDIDATES



Judge George Bedsworth

Forsyth County since 2004, when he was appointed by Governor Mike Easley. He says that integrity and impartiality are traits which he prides himself on as a

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Negative campaigning may just be "politics as usual" for some candidates, but for District Court Judge George A. Bedsworth, a campaign with integrity is the only kind of campaign he'll run.

Judge Bedsworth has served as the 9th

District Court Judge in



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"I have touched lives and many people have

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Anita Dean

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Voting a straight ticket Won't be a vote for Timmons-Goodson

Voters need to be aware that in order to vote for Justice Patricia Timmons-Goodson to keep her seat on the Supreme Court, they must vote on the separate judges' ballot!

Voting a straight part ticket will not cast your vote for Timmons-Goodson.

"You must vote on the nonpartisan judicial ballot, and that will be separate from the regular ballot for Congress, state legislative and local races," explained Timmons-Goodson.

The judicial ballot also will not show party affiliations. Timmons-Goodson and the other Democrats who are running for statewide judicial offices will not be identified as being Democrats because the election is nonpartisan. Timmons-Goodson's opponent is a registered Republican.

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