

Albany Democratic Club Endorsement Candidates Survey

Your name (as it will appear on the ballot) *

Mark Fickes

Preferred email address *

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Office sought including jurisdiction (for example "Albany City Council" or "Alameda County Superior Court Judge, Seat 2") *

Alameda County Superior Court Judge, Seat 2

Party registration *

- Democratic Party
- Republican Party
- Green Party
- Libertarian Party
- American Independent Party
- Peace and Freedom Party
- Not registered for a political party
- Other:

Your ballot designation as it will appear below your name on the ballot (usually occupation or current office) *

Civil Rights Attorney

List of your prominent endorsers, both organizations and individuals *

Organizations

- Alameda County Democratic Party
- California Democratic Party
- Alameda County Democratic Lawyers Club
- Green Party of Alameda County
- Bay Area Reporter
- Asian Pacific American Democratic Caucus of Alameda County
- Brownie Mary Democratic Club
- Tri-Valley Democratic Club
- Bay Area Lawyers for Individual Freedom (BALIF)
- SEIU Local 1021

Sheet Metal Workers' Local 104
Hayward Area Democratic Club
South Alameda County Young Democrats

Elected Officials

Nick Pilch, Mayor, Albany
Peggy McQuaid, Vice-Mayor, Albany
Rochelle Nason, Councilmember, Albany
Scott Wiener, State Senator (SD-11)
Buffy Wicks, State Assemblymember (AD-15)
Rob Bonta, State Assemblymember (AD-18)
Bill Quirk, State Assemblymember (AD-20)
Nate Miley, Alameda County Supervisor for District 4
Keith Carson, Alameda County Supervisor for District 5
L. Karen Monroe, Alameda County Superintendent of Schools
Jody London, President, Oakland Unified School District
Barbara Halliday, Mayor, Hayward
David Haubert, Mayor, Dublin
Lily Mei, Mayor, City of Fremont
Jim Oddie, City Councilmember, Alameda
Ben Bartlett, City Councilmember, Berkeley
Rigel Robinson, City Councilmember, Berkeley
Igor Tregub, Commissioner, Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board
Shawn Kumagai, City Councilmember, Dublin
Arun Goel, Vice-Mayor, Dublin
Teresa Keng, City Councilmember, Fremont
Raj Salwan, City Councilmember, Fremont
Sara Lamnin, City Councilmember, Hayward
Elisa Marquez, City Councilmember, Hayward
Dan Kalb, City Councilmember, Oakland
Victor Aguilar, Jr., City Councilmember, San Leandro
Benny Lee, City Councilmember, San Leandro
Corina Lopez, City Councilmember, San Leandro
Jeffrey Rosen, Santa Clara County District Attorney
George Perezvelez, Vice-Chair, Alameda County Democratic Central Committee, AD-15
Gabriel Quinto, City Councilmember, El Cerrito
Mark Williams, AC Transit Director, Ward 4
Kevin Dowling, Former City Councilmember, Hayward
Ken Rawdon, Member, Board of Trustees, Hayward Unified School District
Valerie Arkin, Pleasanton Unified School District Trustee
Mark Miller, Pleasanton Unified School District Trustee
Jamie Yee, Trustee, Pleasanton Unified School District
James Aguilar, Trustee, San Leandro Unified School District
Joel Fried, Former Delegate, AD-16, California Democratic Party

Rena Rickles, Former Councilmember, Emeryville; Past President, Alameda County Democratic Lawyers Club

Legal Professionals

Tara Flanagan, Alameda County Superior Court Judge

Victoria Kolakowski, Alameda County Superior Court Judge

Wynne Carvill, Alameda County Superior Court Judge (Retired)

Marian Gaston, San Diego County Superior Court Judge

Julianne Scott, Santa Clara County Superior Court Judge

Lilla Szelenyi, Alameda County Workers Compensation Judge

Monique Carter, Deputy Public Defender, San Diego

Cynthia Sevely, Santa Clara County Superior Court Judge

Cyndi Hendrickson Santa Clara County Superior Court Judge

Jonny Gogo, Santa Clara County Superior Court Judge

Julia Alloggiamento, Santa Clara County Superior Court Judge

Solomon Chang, San Diego Office of the Primary Public Defender

Asit Panwala, Assistant District Attorney, San Francisco; Past President South Asian Bar Association

Elizabeth Harrigan, Assistant Public Defender, Contra Costa County

Kimberly Almazan, Environmental and Art Law Attorney

Therese Cannata, Environmental and Land Use Attorney

Steve Tidrick, Past President, Alameda County Democratic Lawyers Club

Raymond Gerba, Attorney

Dustin Collier, Worker's Rights Attorney

Louis Goodman, Criminal Defense Attorney

Glen Robert Olson, Civil Litigator

Karl Olson, First Amendment Attorney

Thomas O'Toole, Business Transactions Attorney

Shel Schreiber, Attorney

Bryan Schwartz, Civil Rights and Employment Attorney

Dennis M. Sullivan, Attorney

Brief description of your campaign – include the names of any consultants or campaign managers you will use, funds you have raised to date, and how much to expect to have to raise to win. *

I am working with Doug Linney of The Next Generation. I have raised about \$134,000 and hope to raise another \$50,000 to win.

Brief description of your history of involvement with and support for the Democratic Party and its candidates and ballot measure positions – include Democratic clubs/organizations to which you belong or which you have supported financially *

I first got involved in politics working on the fight against the recall of Governor Davis. I worked on Kamala Harris's first campaign to be the District Attorney of San Francisco. I worked on an Oakland ballot measure many years ago with then Oakland City Councilmember Nancy Nadel to raise money for domestic violence education and prevention efforts. I also have provided financial support to many candidates over the years. Locally, I supported Tara Flanagan, Vicky Kolakowski, Judy Appel, Dan Kalb, Barbara Lee, Barbara Boxer, Dianne Feinstein, and Kamala Harris.

Presently, I am a dues paying supporter of the Albany Democratic Club, the City of Alameda Democratic Club, the MGO Democratic Club, the Wellstone Democratic Renewal Club, the Berkeley Democratic Club, the Castro Valley Democratic Club, the Tri-Valley Democratic Club, the Hawyard Democratic Club, the F.U.N Progressive Democratic Club, the Stonewall Democratic Clun, and the East Bay Young Democrats.

Albany prides itself on its waterfront, public schools, small town feel in a large metro area, local shopping and restaurant scene, and our city and its bodies are often debating how to make our policies and our modest city budget meet the diverse needs of our community and the needs of the region and beyond. Please provide a brief description of any impacts you have already had on the city of Albany and its residents and how, if elected, you see yourself balancing the needs of Albany with the needs of the greater region. *

I first got to know Albany when I was a student at U.C. Berkeley. My closest friends lived on Taylor Street for about 10 years. In fact, I lent them some of the money to buy that house when after they had rented it for a few years. I walk at the Albany Bulb from time to time. I do not believe I have had any direct impact on Albany other than to have helped my friends and to have patronized local businesses over the decades since I was a college student. If elected as a judge, my job is to fairly and impartially decide the cases before me. Thus, unless there is a legal dispute which would require me to balance competing needs with the needs of Albany, I would do so in accordance with established legal principles and precedent.

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