

ELECT ARNOLD F. CIACCIO JUDGE OF THE SURROGATE COURT



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In the recent Bar Association poll, Ciaccio was the only non-sitting judge to be found and rated "superior" for both Supreme Court and Surrogate Court.

Ciaccio, who has been a civil court litigation specialist for most of his professional life, is known to be popular and respected among his peers. A graduate of the University of Rochester and the Harvard Law School, he has practiced in all courts of the State continuously since 1954. Candidate Ciaccio has a long list of community and professional credentials. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Bar Association and a member of its Judiciary Committee and Grievance and Complaint Committee. He has long been active at St. Salome's Parish serving as its Trustee and Auditor as well as School Board representative. He and his wife Vicky, have been active members of McQuaid Parents Club, BASH, and Seton.

Ciaccio and his wife, Vicky reside at 250 Hoffman Road and have six children including Dr. A. James Ciaccio, a practicing physician in Auburn, Mary Ann Ciaccio Griffin, working for the New York State Assembly Insurance Program Committee, Dr. Andrea Ciaccio Bracikowski, medical resident University of Virginia, Christopher Ciaccio, Albany Law School, Elizabeth Ciaccio, St. John Fisher College and Margaret Ciaccio, University of Vermont.

Surrogate's Court, while not receiving the publicity received by both County Court and Supreme Court, is nevertheless of vital importance to the entire community. For in dealing with the affairs of decedents, that is people who die within the confines of Monroe County and whose affairs need to be settled in an orderly fashion, it indeed touches everyone sooner or later.

It is the Surrogate's Court that handles the probate and acceptance of the Will document that sets up the executorship and establishes the distribution of the decedent's property. In the case of no Will, Surrogate Court oversees the work of the duly appointed "Administrator" of an estate. Obviously it deals in a very emotional and sensitive area at a time when grief and sorrow are present. Surrogate Court has jurisdiction also in the areas of adoption and guardianship.

An important commitment was recently made by candidate Ciaccio to the former Surrogate, Michael A. Telesca in connection with proceedings involving the adult mentally retarded. Judge Telesca had inaugurated a process whereby lawyers' fees were donated in proceedings brought by families of mentally retarded individuals who upon reaching age eighteen require formal guardianships. Ciaccio has committed to continue that procedure.

"In the office of Surrogate Court, there is no room for politics. The issues are people's lives, their emotions, their sensitivities. It is an office for judgement."

— Arnold F. Ciaccio —

It is this kind of understanding that has earned Arnold F. Ciaccio a "Superior" rating from the Monroe County Bar Association.

ENDORSED BY THE TIMES-UNION

Arnold Ciaccio has the experience and respect

The county's Surrogate Court judge administers estates and wills and oversees adoptions. He or she also selects guardians and awards sometimes hefty legal fees, a power with potential for political abuse.

Therefore, a Surrogate judge must be respected by other attorneys, especially for impartiality and integrity. Broad interests in life, knowledge of law, and the sensitivity to handle the aggrieved and the lonely are other necessary attributes.

Arnold F. Ciaccio (D-I) seems to be such a candidate. He has twice won the bar's "superior" rating. He has tried civil cases in Surrogate and Supreme courts since 1954. He's been counsel to the speaker of the state Assembly, the Metropolitan Transit Authority, the Farmers Home Administration, Community Savings Bank and Irondequoit. He's brought up six children and has been active in community and political life.

A vote for Ciaccio would be a vote for a superb candidate, not just a vote against Lawrence J. Goldstein (R-C), who has been disowned by both parties and found "unqualified" by the bar.

ENDORSED BY THE Democrat and Chronicle

Ciaccio ought to be elected in his own right, not merely by default. Responsible as it is for estates and wills and for the overseeing of adoptions, the Surrogate Court occupies a sensitive and influential position. Its judge need to have the confidence of other attorneys

and be a person of broad gauge and good character. Ciaccio, rated "superior" by the Bar, has the credentials that are needed.

Elect
**Arnold F.
CIACCIO**
Surrogate Court Judge