

Appointing judges is a responsibility that I take very seriously. It is my primary belief that our judges be top notch to keep our courts fair and equitable for our citizens.

Campaign contributions have no influence on my judicial appointments, or any other appointment. I am fortunate to have contributions from people from every walk of life and they are very balanced.

For every judicial appointment that even has the opportunity to be open, I get double-digit inquiries. Many are self-referrals. For each judicial appointment, I get numerous letters of recommendation from other attorneys, from family members, from church friends, and from legislators.

As a graduate of Ole Miss law school and as an active practicing attorney for many years, I know many attorneys who would be qualified to serve in the judiciary. Carter Bise was a fellow classmate at Ole Miss with me. I didn't need other attorneys to tell me that he would be a good judge.

Judge Carlson is a person I have known and worked with for many years. He's exactly the type of person one would want as a Supreme Court judge.