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## **League of Women Voters of Michigan holds forum with Michigan Supreme Court candidates**

*Virtual event aims to inform voters*

LANSING, Mich. – The **League of Women Voters of Michigan** today hosted a candidate forum with Michigan Supreme Court candidates.

The League works to ensure every person has the desire, right and knowledge to participate in our democracy, and candidate forums are a way the League has worked to inform voters. During the virtual event today, three candidates for Michigan Supreme Court joined for questions from the League and members of the media.

“The League of Women Voters of Michigan is proud to host candidate forums to help inform voters about the candidates and issues that will appear on their ballots in the upcoming election,” said **Paula Bowman**, co-president of the League. “For more than 100 years, we’ve been a nonpartisan organization working on vital issues of concern to voters.”

Candidates Justice **Kyra Harris Bolden**, who was appointed to the Michigan Supreme Court in 2022; Judge **Patrick William O’Grady** of the Michigan 15th Circuit Court; and **Kimberly Ann Thomas**, law professor and Juvenile Justice Clinic leader at the University of Michigan Law School, joined the League for the event. Michigan Rep. **Andrew Fink**, the final candidate, was not available to attend the event. He was asked to provide a written statement to be read during the event but did not respond.

The Michigan Supreme Court is the state’s court of last resort, and its justices rule on important decisions that impact all voters.

“Our hope is that Michigan voters will use the information from this event to get informed about the candidates as they cast their ballots,” said **Denise Hartsough**, co-president of the League. “We encourage every eligible voter to visit [VOTE411.org](http://VOTE411.org) to find election information tailored to them and vote in the November election, whether early and in person, absentee or at the polls.”

A full recording of the candidate forum is [available online](#).

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The League of Women Voters of Michigan is the state League for the U.S. League of Women Voters, which is a nonpartisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues and influences public policy through education and advocacy. Learn more at [lwvmi.org](http://lwvmi.org).