

# ON THE BALLOT - NOVEMBER 4, 2008

## County Attorney

### Tom Reid

The County Attorney is the chief law enforcement official for the County and is responsible for managing and supervising the attorneys and staff who prosecute virtually all felony prosecutions in the jurisdiction. Over the past 10 years, I have served the criminal justice system as the Deputy Rockingham County Attorney. I have a proven record of successfully prosecuting the most complicated cases in this state. I have successfully built and maintained the critical partnerships with the law enforcement agencies that work so hard to investigate crimes. I have earned their confidence and trust. And I hope to earn yours.

It is essential that the County Attorney have experience in jury trials, prosecution of felonies, and the supervision of other attorneys. Our current staff of assistant county attorneys deserve an experienced leader.

My approach is simple, predictable, and fair. Non-violent, first time offenders should be given an opportunity for treatment and rehabilitation. Repeat offenders shall see escalating penalties. I recommend appropriately significant penalties for violent offenders, sexual offenders, and offenders against children.

We know that substance abuse is at the root of many minor offenses. As a community we must do more to provide appropriate treatment programs for those in need. As County Attorney, I will advocate for victims and promote programs that assist victims of crime. Years ago, I helped to establish the first child advocacy center in New Hampshire. That model has been replicated around the state. I will work to bring these services to Merrimack County.

I would appreciate your support November 4.

### Katherine Rogers

My highest priority as County Attorney will be holding criminals accountable for their crimes.

I've served for ten years as Merrimack County Commissioner and worked to establish alternative programs to rehabilitate criminals and control taxpayer costs.



Programs include: Criminal Diversion, Pre-trial Services and the Visitation Program.

I will continue to seek alternatives to simply placing a criminal in jail at a cost to taxpayers of \$65 a day plus the cost of all medical care. But if a criminal continues to ignore the law and reoffend, they need to go to jail!

I'll initiate Project HOPE (Helping Out People Early) with four major goals:

- Reduce juvenile crime by getting youth off the streets and back into school with an anti-truancy program
- Establish a specially-assigned Attorney for Family Court Prosecutions.
- Enhance District Court Prosecution Assistance.
- Informational Neighborhood Crime summits.

I understand hard work and diligence. I returned to school at age 42. I worked, served as a City Councilor, County Commissioner, and commuted to Suffolk Law School in Boston at night to earn my law degree.

After graduation I started work for the Allenstown Police Department as its prosecutor. For six years I have prosecuted criminals and worked with juveniles for Allenstown.

I understand how to manage a budget and know every dollar spent is accountable to the taxpayers, and I understand Merrimack County as I have lived and worked here for 53 years.

For more information visit KatherineRogersForMerrimackCounty.com.

## County Treasurer

### Roy Maxfield

I am Roy Maxfield and I'm running for Merrimack County Treasurer. I was employed by Verizon Communications for 42 years, working in several managerial positions and retired in 1996. I served in the state legislature for 10 years after retirement and was vice chairman on the Science, Technology, and Energy Committee. As a state representative, I was a member of the Merrimack County delegation and worked with the current commissioners as chairman of our new county jail oversight committee. I also reviewed and voted on annual county budgets for 10 years.

My wife Eileen and I have three daughters, and we have made our home in Loudon for 46 years. I have served on various boards in Loudon and was chairman on the Zoning Board for 17 years.

Our county tax rate requires full-time participation and monitoring by all county officials. I have the time and interest to contribute to our county government. I would ask the voters to look at qualifications regardless of political party for this important position.



### Jim Monahan

For several years, I represented the New Hampshire Association of Counties before the New Hampshire Legislature, where I gained an interest in county government as well as some expertise in Medicaid policy.

I intend to focus on four key issues. These include:

- Preparing for a changing demographic in which the county population will not only grow, but will also see an increase in the proportion of older citizens in need of long-term care services
- Working to reduce the dependency on property taxes to fund county government, including seeking an agreement with the state government to share tobacco settlement dollars
- Building strong working relationships with cities and towns, especially in the areas of economic development
- Advancing energy efficiency as a financial tool to lower county and municipal operating budgets

I am a resident of Concord, where I serve as an alternate member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment. I have also lived in Bradford and served on the ZBA there.

I am Vice President of The Dupont Group and White Birch Communications Group, a governmental affairs and public relations company located in Concord. I live with my wife Donna Brown and daughter Molly.

## Register of Deeds

### Kathi Guay

The Registry of Deeds maintains the land records of Merrimack County dating from 1823 to present. The Register is a constitutional officer who is responsible for the public recordation and safekeeping of legal documents pertaining to real estate.

These records are used to establish proof of ownership of property. Without accurate and efficient access to records, ownership could be in question and the ability to borrow, sell, or purchase property would be difficult or impossible and may require court intervention.



I started my career with the Registry in 1975, working and learning all aspects of the job prior to running for election in 1984. I have served the citizens of Merrimack County as Register since 1985.

I instituted a number of changes:

- Replaced a very antiquated recording system with cutting edge technology
- Established a Web site for land records research
- Established electronic recording of documents

All of these improvements have increased efficiencies, saved tax dollars by eliminating the need for additional building space and personnel, and returned revenues to the County general fund.

I served as President of the National Association of County Recorders, Election Officials, and Clerks in 2007 and 2008; as President of New Hampshire Register of Deeds Association from 1992 to 2002; and serve as co-chair of the Business Process and Procedures committee section of the Property Records Industry Association.

I have received National Certification in Land Records Administration and Records management and participate in ongoing continuing education yearly.

I ask for your vote and continued support on November 4.



### Jane Bradstreet

I moved to New Hampshire with my husband in 1976. We raised three children here. In 1993, I returned to college and graduated from the Whittemore School of Business and Economics at the University of New Hampshire. I took my new business degree and joined it with my life long experience with community service and went to work for the Concord Chapter of the American Red Cross.

In 1999 when the register's position became open, I was appointed to serve as register and have subsequently been elected four times.

I take pride in the both the expertise I have acquired during my nine years as register and the changes I have made to create a Court that serves the public better. With my staff and myself we have 62 years of probate experience at your disposal. We are here to help you with all your probate court needs.

Looking to the future, I will continue to work on getting our court documents posted on the Internet and have e-filing of court petitions. These modernizations need to happen for good service to the public and efficient operation of the courts.

I thank you for your support in the past, and I hope you will continue to support me. Please vote for Jane Bradstreet in November.