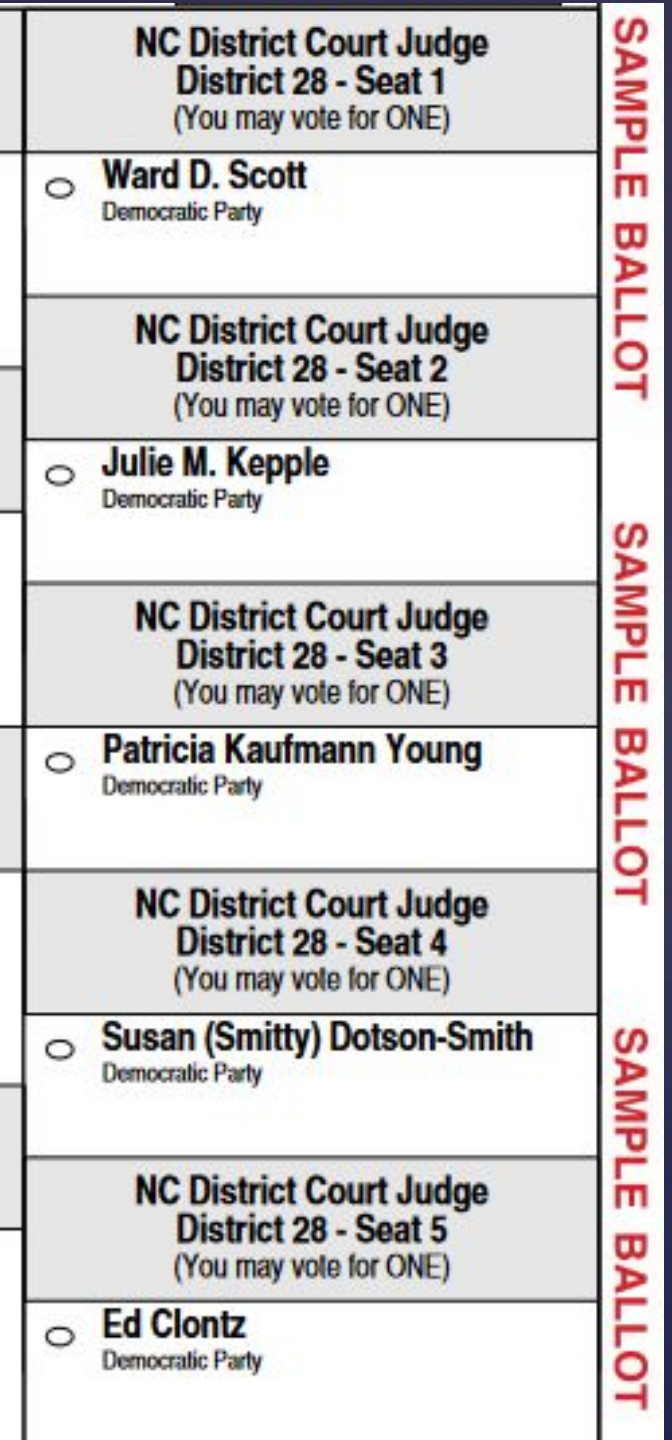
Congratulations!

Mayor-elect
Esther Manheimer

Councilwomen-elect
Maggie Ullman-Berthiaume
Antanette Mosley
Sheneika Smith

The Asheville Mayoral Primary featured Incumbent Mayor Manheimer and 4 challengers.

The Asheville City Council Primary included 2 incumbents and 9 challengers for 3 Council seats.



Ward Scott- Appointed 2011
Elected unopposed
2014, 2018, 2022

Julie Kepple- Elected unopposed
2010, 2014, 2018, 2022

Patricia Young- Won vs opponent 2002
Unopposed 2006
Won vs opponent 2010
Unopposed 2014,
2018, 2022

Susan Dotson-Smith Appointed 2012
Elected unopposed
2014, 2018, 2022

Ed Clontz- Appointed 2011
Won vs opponent 2014
Elected unopposed
2018, 2022

Together, the 7 Judges on the 28th Bench have been in 26 elections, but only 3 races have offered a choice.



If no judges abort their term, they will have served 116 years on the bench collectively.

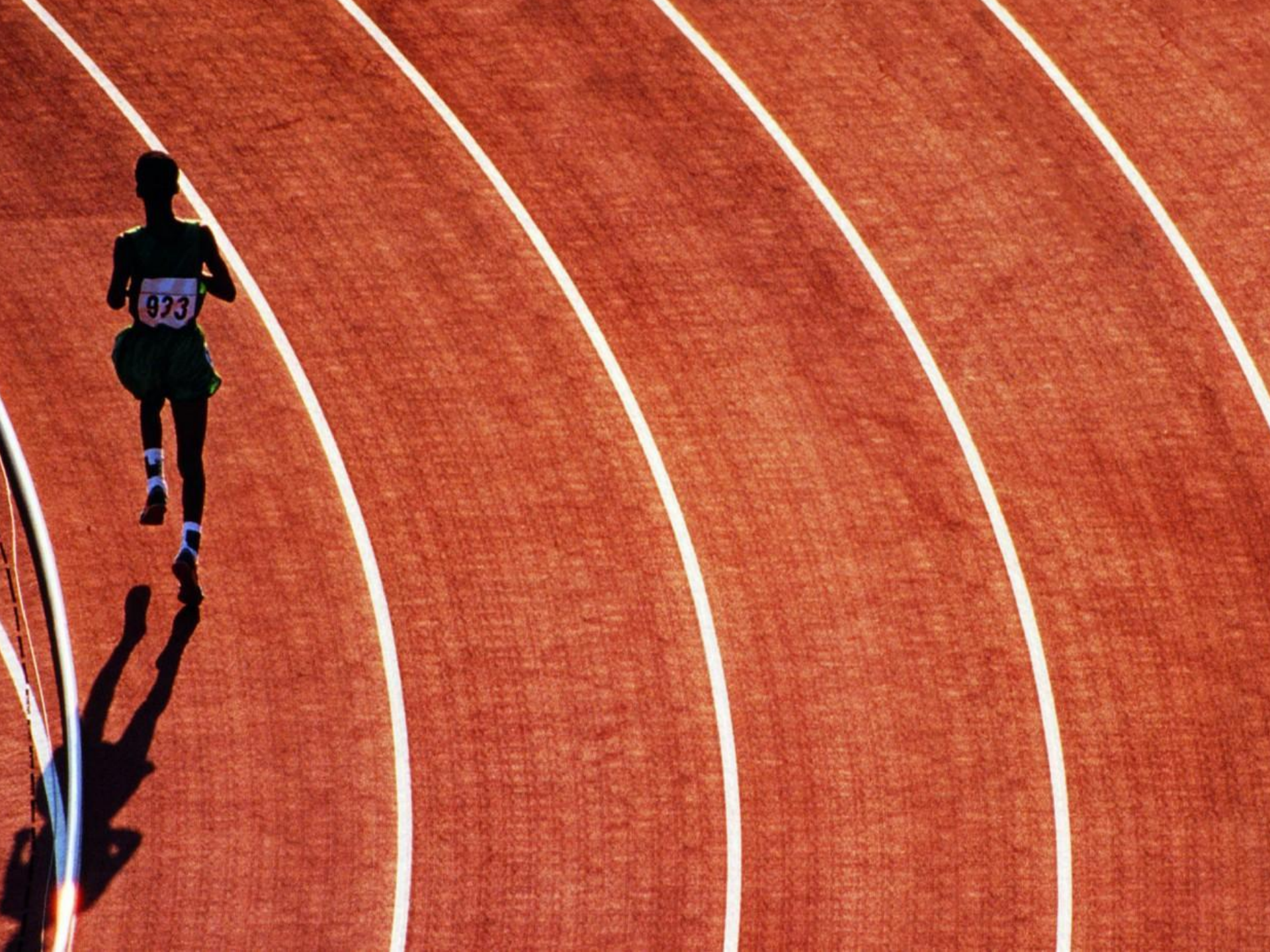
Only 12 of those years have been by way of a legitimate choice for the voters.

This equals 89.7% voter disenfranchisement.

The 2022 North Carolina General Election had 34 races for Superior Court Judges.

Only 7 races had 2 candidates.

79.5% of these races offered 0% choice to the voters.


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The 2022 North Carolina General Election had 37 races for District Attorneys.

Only 3 races had 2 candidates.

91.5% of these races offered 0% choice to the voters.


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The 2022 North Carolina General Election had 129 races for District Court Judges.

Only 7 races had 2 candidates.

94.6% of these races offered 0% choice to the voters.

As I reviewed the election results of these judicial agencies, I couldn't help but wonder…



…How can this possibly be considered Democracy functioning well?

While operating fully within the letter of the law these agencies completely circumvent the spirit of the law and the soul of Democracy.

Zero percent choice is 100% disenfranchisement.

To tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth is to call this a failed system. It's broken, and needs to be fixed.



North Carolina Judicial Election System