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The Oregon Supreme Court has systematically subverted the people's constitutionally-reserved initiative power. Such subversion must stop.

Without written decisions from the courts, we cannot know how the law is being applied. On appeals of decisions from below, Oregon appellate courts must neither affirm without opinion nor deny review without explanation. Oregon's Bill of Rights, section 10.

The separation of government powers required by Article III, section 1, of the Oregon Constitution has been systematically ignored. The legislature and the people decide what the law is. The executive executes the law. Courts apply the law to the facts to decide particular cases. Too often, the judicial power has been misused to create law. This must cease!

Justice delayed is justice denied. Every case should be decided and explained in writing within 60 days of oral argument.

I shall take, subscribe, and transmit my oath of office to the Secretary of State before I begin my service. My oath will be the oath specified in the Oregon Constitution and none other.

I'm a Christian. I'm a husband. I'm the father of two children. My faith, religion, and family are extremely important to me.

Because there shall be no religious test for any Oregon office, don't vote for me (or against me) because I am Christian. Vote for me because I will give the plain meaning of the law's words full force and effect. So help me God.

(This information furnished by James E. Leuenberger.)