

Public Forum

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Russ McCabe for all the right reasons

Russ McCabe's roots are deep in the heart Sussex County's 36th District. He is running for state representative from the 36th, which includes southern Milford, Elendale, Milton and Slaughter Neck, and almost reaches Lewes. Russ would be an outstanding, common-sense Sussex representative for all the right reasons.

- *Knowledge.* Russ is former Director of the Delaware Public Archives. He has worked many years immersed in the histo-

ry of Delaware. That history includes Delaware's people, land, government, business and economics. As a scholar and one of the most knowledgeable individuals about Delaware's past, Russ will be exceptionally equipped to guide the future. He knows what works and what does not. His experience with state government also explains why he has suggested some significant cost-cutting, efficient solutions for our state government. Russ was also Sussex County Recorder of Deeds from 1987 until 1991.

- *Passion.* If you know Russ, you can skip this paragraph because you know about his passion for Delaware. You can spend hours talking to Russ about the towns and people of Sussex County. His eyes twinkle as anecdote leads to anecdote, and he is always entertaining. More importantly, his passion translates to a compassion for the land, people and traditions of Delaware, which would suit a legislator well. As his tireless door-knocking on the campaign trail has demonstrated, this passion also translates to a sound work ethic that will serve the constituents of the 36th well.

- *Independence.* When Russ speaks on creating jobs, protecting our environment or improving educational opportunities, you may not hear the party line. Whether you agree or disagree with his approach, Russ is inherently and refreshingly independent. That said, as a Democrat, I am proud that we have a fiscally conservative, common-sense candidate running in the 36th. Having retired as the Director of the Public Archives, Russ is free to work as a legislator who is beholden to nothing other than his positive vision for Delaware.

Russ should be a Delaware legislator for all the right reasons.

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