

ELECTION 2010: Russ McCabe

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SUSSEX COUNTY — **Name:** C. Russell (Russ) McCabe

Age: 54

Political affiliation: Democratic Party

Occupation: Retired (2009) - State Archivist/Director – Delaware Public Archives

Prior political experience: Sussex County Recorder of Deeds (1987-91)

Family: Wife Michele and two sons – Josiah and Coulter

Education: Graduate (1974) – Sussex Central High School/ Graduate (1978) – Radford University (Virginia) – B.A History and Geography; Member – Pi Gamma Mu (National Social Science Honor Society) and Phi Alpha Theta (National History Honor Society)

Q: Why did you decide to run and what are the issues you feel are important?

A: After the announcement of Representative Carey's retirement, I received many calls from friends and neighbors – Democrats and Republicans alike, encouraging me to seek the seat. I believe that the challenges facing us today are considerable and will require plenty of hard work and tough decisions to move us forward. Our actions today will guide the future.

A growing economy should be our first priority. We must work with business leaders to protect our present workforce and encourage growth. Creating new jobs is critical. We must do all that we can to decrease the burden of taxes. Our citizens expect their tax dollars to be spent on programs and services that are truly essential. A thorough and open study of state agency functions and spending practices should be undertaken with input from the public. The result should be a plan for cutting the size and cost of government that includes benchmarks requiring action and accountability.

Sussex County is a special place, and it is going to take lots of hard work to keep it that way. We must promote prosperity, see that infrastructure keeps pace with development, and preserve our open spaces. We must protect the lives and properties of our citizens and the safety and well-being of our children. We must put aside political differences and work together to address the critical issues which we face. I believe that my energy and enthusiasm, knowledge, experience, and commitment to service, will be valuable assets to the residents of the 36th District.

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