

Candidate Qualification / Position Statement
For *Coalition for a Better Memphis*

Name: Bill Morrison

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Candidate for: Re-election City Council District 1

Why do you believe you are qualified for this position?

I have lived in Memphis for almost 33 years and have been involved in the community for much of that time. My entire adult working life has been spent serving people through my extensive involvement with non profits, as a homeowner's association board member, and as a teacher. I have seen this city change over the years and can directly relate those changes to district 1 because I have lived in district 1 for the majority of my time in Memphis. I have spent the last three and a half years working to improve district 1 and have formed strong partnerships with community groups and individuals to help solve the issues not only for the district but for Memphis. I have a proven track record of serving my constituents and helping to improve the district and city we live in.

Name three specific things you would like to accomplish if elected:

- 1) Continue to work towards lowering the crime rate
- 2) Focus on code enforcement and assisting communities with those issues
- 3) Create more partnerships with the community to promote economic growth

Have you ever been delinquent on your property taxes? Yes _____ No

Have you declared bankruptcy? Yes _____ No

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes _____ No

If you answered "yes" on any of the above items, please list the year and provide details. -

List other elected positions you have run for and the outcome of the election:

2006 U. S House District 7 and lost to Rep. Marsha Blackburn

Current Employment

Company: Shelby County Schools

Length of Employment: Six years

Brief Job Description: I am a social studies teacher in the seventh grade at Highland Oaks Middle School.

Education

Please list all college/advanced degrees attained.

<u>College/University</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Graduation Year</u>
University of Memphis	Bachelors in Education	May, 2005
Southwest Community College	Transferred to U of M	May, 2004
Academy Health Science	U.S Army	May, 1990
Bolton High School	High School Diploma	May, 1989

Additional information relating to your educational background (optional):

Currently working on my MSE in educational administration and supervision

How long have you lived in Memphis? I have lived in Memphis for about 34 years and 32 of those years in District 1.

Where did you grow up? Born in Brinkley, Arkansas and moved to Memphis at age 6.

Marital status/children: Divorced with one child

Please identify up to five organizations that are actively supporting your candidacy and provide a contact (with phone number) for each.

I have a list of individual supporters and endorsements, but at this time no organization has announced their endorsement decisions.

Please list your association memberships and identify any leadership positions you have held in the past.

1. Tennessee Education Association
2. National Education Association
3. Shelby County Education Association
4. Knights of Columbus
5. National Association of Social Studies Teachers

Please list up to 10 current or past civic/community memberships.

1. Mission Hills Townhomes
2. Raleigh Community Council
3. Frayser Exchange Club
4. Southwind Middle PTSA
5. White Station Elementary Parent Association
6. Highland Oaks Middle PTSA

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Campaign Chair: Brian Stephens

Treasurer: Faye Morrison