

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

The CBM will post your completed statement on our website, www.bettermemphis.org, exactly as it is submitted. It is important that your information be complete – please use extra space if needed and feel free to attach a resume or any supplemental information. Is questionnaire is also located on the website www.bettermemphis.org under the tab “Candidate Ratings Guide.” Please email the statement to peggy@bettermemphis.org or Fax 901-752-0743 by March 4, 2014.

Name: Steve Basar _____

Website: votestevebasar.com _____

Candidate for: County Commission District 13 _____

Why do you believe you are qualified for this position? _____

I have been serving as a County Commissioner for the past 18 months (elected in August 2012). I have the leadership experience, integrity, and common sense required to be an effective County Commissioner. I have over 20 years of experience working for Fortune 500 companies and am a detail oriented professional. _____

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

The following link details my priorities for 2014:

<http://www.commercialappeal.com/news/2014/jan/01/guest-column-basar/> _____

The three priorities are education, workforce development, and completion of the Wolf River Greenway. _____

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:
County Commission District 1 position 3 – won primary and general election 2012 ___

Current Employment

Company: Merck _____

Length of Employment: 16 years _____

Brief Job Description: Responsible for the supply planning function of the over the counter (OTC) business supporting sales over \$800 million. Key brands include Claritin, Afrin, Miralax, and Oxytrol. Manage inventory and am responsible for meeting customer service objectives. _____

Education

Please list all college/advanced degrees attained.

| <u>College/University</u> | <u>Degree</u> | <u>Graduation Year</u> |
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| University of Illinois at Chicago | M.B.A. 1989 concentrations in Finance, Accounting, and International Business | _____ |

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| Eastern Michigan University | B.B.A. 1986 concentration in Marketing also majored in Public Law and Government | _____ |
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Additional information relating to your educational background (optional): _____

How long have you lived in Memphis? 16 years _____

Where did you grow up? Detroit, Michigan _____

If you grew up in Memphis, what schools did you attend: _____

Marital status/children: Divorced – three children _____

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

1. East Shelby Republican Club (Arnold Weiner 682-1547) _____
2. Mid Town Republican Club (Geoff Diaz 571-221-7451) _____
3. Sierra Club (2012 election – they have not yet endorsed anyone for 2014) – Scott Banbury 619-8567 _____
4. Lunch Hour Republican Club (George Chism 326-7116) _____
5. Wolf River Conservancy (Keith Cole 481-8465) _____

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

1. Board Member: Downtown Memphis Commission _____
2. Board Member: Convention and Visitor Bureau _____
3. Board Member: Shelby Farms Park Conservancy _____
4. Kiwanis Club (member) _____
5. Temple Israel Brotherhood (past Treasurer) _____
6. Sierra Club (member) _____
7. Livable Memphis (member) _____
8. Boy Scouts of America (member, Assistant Scoutmaster) _____
9. APICS (Programs director) _____
10. Downtown Rotary Club (member) _____

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

1. Temple Israel _____
2. Memphis Greenline _____
3. Memphis Rotary Club _____
4. Memphis Kiwanis Club _____
5. Shelby Farms Park Conservancy _____
6. Livable Memphis _____
7. Memphis Prep Program _____
8. Sierra Club _____

9. Team Max _____

10. Wolf River Conservancy _____

Other Contact Information:

Campaign Chair: Danny Presley _____

Treasurer: William Watkins III _____

Any other information you would like to share with the voters:

Visit my website, read my editorials in the Commercial Appeal, the Daily News, and the
Flyer.

Vote for me on election day! _____