

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

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Name: Mark H. Luttrell, Jr.

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Candidate for: Shelby County Mayor

Why do you believe you are qualified for this position? \_\_\_\_\_

I am the only candidate with executive branch leadership/mayoral experience. I have strong relationships with key stakeholders. I have a thorough understanding of the complex and interconnected issues that challenge our community. I have a hardworking and dedicated staff already in place who know their jobs well and are familiar with the functions and responsibilities of the Mayor’s Office.

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

1. Stabilize public education by collaborating among the various districts and ensuring that public education is adequately funded.
2. Improve public health by increasing access to resources and information and growing collaboration among healthcare providers.
3. Focus on economic development by recruiting businesses and ensuring that we have the workforce to sustain them.

Have you ever been delinquent on your property taxes? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  X

Have you declared bankruptcy? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  X

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  X

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

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

Shelby County Sheriff: 2002 & 2006

Shelby County Mayor: 2010

### **Current Employment**

Company: Shelby County Government

Length of Employment: 3.5 years

Brief Job Description: The Mayor is the head of the executive branch of county government. He/she is responsible for providing basic services like public health, public education, and public safety. The Mayor is responsible for developing a balanced budget, working with community stakeholders to improve the County, while creating a vision for the future.

### **Education**

Please list all college/advanced degrees attained.

<u>College/University</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Graduation Year</u>
<u>Union University</u>	<u>Bachelor of Arts</u>	<u>1969</u>
<u>University of Memphis</u>	<u>Master of Public Administration</u>	<u>1975</u>

Additional information relating to your educational background (optional):

Leadership Memphis Graduate 2001

Federal Executive Institute 2009

How long have you lived in Memphis? 23 years

Where did you grow up? Bells, Tennessee

If you grew up in Memphis, what schools did you attend: Bartlett High School

Marital status/children: Married with 3 children

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

I have not reached out to organizations for official endorsements at this time. I will happily provide this information at a later date

2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

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

1. National Association of Counties, Board of Directors
2. National Association of Counties, Large Urban County Caucuses Vice Chair
3. National Association of Counties, Public Safety and Healthy Counties Committee Member
4. Tennessee County Services Association Executive Committee Member
5. Tennessee Association of County Mayors Member
6. American Correctional Association Member
7. County Executives of America Member
8. County Technical Advisory Services Member
9. \_\_\_\_\_
10. \_\_\_\_\_

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

1. Memphis Symphony Orchestra Board Member
2. Memphis-Shelby Crime Commission Board Members
3. University of Memphis Arts and Sciences Advisory Council Board Member
4. Urban Land Institute Board Member
5. Union University Alumni Advisory Council Member
6. Kiwanis Club Germantown Member
7. People 1<sup>st</sup> Board Member
8. University of Tennessee College of Medicine Advisory Board Member
9. Second Baptist Church Member
10. Memphis Second Chance and Operation: Safe Community Board Member

Other Contact Information:

Campaign Chair: Cary Vaughn

Treasurer: Mike Uiberall

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

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