

MICHAEL STINZIANO



Franklin County Auditor Michael Stinziano took office on March 11, 2019. He is a pragmatic and innovative leader who works in a bipartisan manner to get results for his constituents.

The youngest of four children, Michael grew up understanding the importance of independent thinking and fairness, and the value of serving others. Michael was born at Mount Carmel West in Franklinton and grew up in the University community. He received a bachelor's degree in leadership studies from the University of Richmond. Later, while working for the Woodrow Wilson International Center, a Smithsonian Institution think tank in Washington, D.C., Michael earned a master's degree in public administration from George Washington University. After returning to Columbus, Michael graduated from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law and became an attorney.

In 2008, as Director of the Franklin County Board of Elections, Michael led a bipartisan staff of Democrats and Republicans who conducted a historic, controversy-free Presidential election in one of the largest election jurisdictions in the country

From 2011 to 2016, Michael proudly represented the residents and businesses of Columbus in the Ohio General Assembly.

He was a proven leader in creating jobs to grow Ohio's economy and championed legislation that fostered small business growth to create, retain, and sustain good paying jobs in Central Ohio.

From 2016 through 2019 Stinziano served as a member of Columbus City Council, where he was elected President Pro Tem in 2018. Michael served as Chair of Council's Neighborhoods Committee, Technology Committee, and Public Utilities Committee.

In addition, he chaired Age Friendly Columbus, the award-winning citywide initiative that ensures that individuals of all ages and abilities can remain in their neighborhoods and live a high quality of life independently.

Michael has served on numerous boards, including the Greater Columbus Arts Council, the Ohio House of Representatives Task Force on Alzheimer's and Dementia, and the National League of Cities Information Technology and Communications Committee.

He is an Adjunct Law Professor at Capital University Law School where he teaches courses on Legislation.

Michael and his wife Caroline, a certified public accountant, are the proud and busy parents of 6-year-old Cooper and 4-year-old Riley. They live in the University Community with their two rescue pugs, Wrigley and Fenway, and belong to St. Agatha Parish in Upper Arlington.