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CHESTER COUNTY POLITICAL CANDIDATES

GENERAL ELECTION 2018

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US Senator

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Description:

Candidates (choose 1):

Lou Barletta



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Education: Attended Bloomsburg State College (Bloomsburg University) where I majored in elementary education.

Qualifications: As a former small business owner, mayor of Hazleton, and member of Congress, I have a strong record of standing up and fighting for people in my community.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: My top three priorities are keeping Pennsylvania's families safe, protecting Pennsylvania jobs, and standing up for the men and women who serve our communities. More than anything, people want someone willing to fight for them, when no one else will. That's what I have always done, and that's why I'm running for the U.S. Senate.

Q: *If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?*

A: Congress has a constitutional duty to preserve the integrity of our democracy and ensure that our elections are both free and fair. As a member of the House Homeland Security Committee, I have worked with my

colleagues to make sure our voting systems are secure. I recently voted for increased funding for states to improve their election security, as well as increased funding to counter Russian cyber attacks. I also spoke out against the Pennsylvania Supreme Court's decision to throw out Pennsylvania's bipartisan, constitutionally-drawn congressional map in the middle of the election, creating chaos and confusion among voters.

Q: *What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?*

A: The Census is important to provide legislators with accurate information to make informed policy decisions that are in the best interest of our country. I continue to support efforts to fund the Census and ensure that it accurately reflects our nation's demographics.

Bob Casey, Jr.

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Education: Holy Cross B.A. 1982 Catholic University Law Degree 1988

Qualifications: Auditor-General of Pennsylvania 1997-2005 Treasurer of Pennsylvania 2005-2007 United States Senator 2007-Present

campaign website: BobCasey.com

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: The top three issues I am focused on are increasing access to affordable health care, protecting the programs Pennsylvanians depend on, and helping working families get ahead. That means stopping the Trump administration's sabotage of our health care system, defeating Republican attacks on Medicare, Medicaid, and Social Security, and fighting to raise wages, protect the rights of organized labor, and eliminate the obstacles holding working families back.

Q: *If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?*

A: The right to vote has been called our most precious right, and the "primary right by which all other rights are protected." I supported The Voting Rights Reconstruction Act of 2015, legislation which would restore the Voting Rights Act, and I oppose efforts to suppress voter turnout, and support measures to make voting easier for people. I oppose voter ID laws, and favor restoring voting rights to people after they have served their sentences. During the Kavanaugh confirmation fight, I have been working to make clear that I expect our next Supreme Court Justice to protect voting rights, and not dismantle the tools by which they are protected. No one should be stop eligible voters from casting their ballot. Earlier this year, I helped to secure \$13 million from the Election Assistance Commission to help secure Pennsylvania's election systems, and I am working in the Senate to appropriate more funds for election security.

Q: *What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?*

A: I will fight to ensure that the census is fully funded and I oppose Trump Administration efforts to undercount people in marginalized communities. It is vital that the census is accurate so that Americans are fairly represented in Congress.

Neal Taylor Gale



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Education: Drexel University - Architecture

Qualifications: For the past forty years I have worked in the energy conservation and efficiency fields, currently managing a comprehensive, low-income energy affordability program in conjunction with the six investor-owned utilities, in New Jersey.

campaign website: www.gale2018.com

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: 1. Remove Corporate, PAC, lobbyist and other special interests' money from the political process, to end the influence of those groups on specific legislation and the buying of political favors. 2. Generate the political will at the federal level of government to implement a transition from our existing fossil fuel economy to a 100% renewable energy economy, acknowledging the existential threat that climate change represents. 3. Reform our economic model to favor all of our citizens, not just the wealthiest 1%. This will include the re-regulation of the financial industries and the recognition that the economy should support a baseline standard of living, below which no one may be allowed to fall.

Q: *If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?*

A: I will fight for legislation to make voter registration as accessible as possible for all citizens, reversing unwarranted restrictions on voters. I would like to see election day become a national holiday and I would support federal funding to provide election day transportation for those citizens who would otherwise be unable to reach their polling place. I will support fair districting practices throughout the country, beginning with Pennsylvania. I will also champion the cause of providing resources to bring the latest voting technology into our polling places, replacing the existing, digital screen machines with those that incorporate paper

balloting. I will support legislation to demand intelligence resources be assigned to recognize and thwart any attempts to alter our electoral system, by any means, digital or otherwise.

Q: *What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?*

A: I will review the proposed process to be used for the 2020 census, and introduce legislation that will ensure an accurate, unbiased count throughout the country. This will require a large number of well-trained census workers, canvassing urban areas, and rural districts, where citizens are less available to be counted, or are not comfortable responding to census forms. The entire process will need to be overseen by a competent supervisory team, knowledgeable in the significance and importance of accurate census data, eager to maintain accurate counts and records. I will also include in the legislation, a spending request so that all necessary resources will be adequately funded.

Dale R Kerns Jr



Party: L

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Education: Widener University - Professional Studies, Project Management Sociology Master Electrician by trade

Qualifications: Founder and President of the Little Angels Foundation. Cabot Creamery Community Celebrity winner for volunteerism. Over 7 years in the non-profit sector in a volunteer capacity. Recently appointed to the James A Masterson Foundation advisory board.

campaign website: <https://dalekerns.com>

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: 1) We must address the opioid epidemic and end the War on Drugs. When I get to the US Senate, I will sponsor legislation that will fundamentally change how we view drug problems and move our system to one similar to Portugal or Switzerland, where drug addiction is treated as a medical issue. 2) Education is one of the most important issues our nation and Commonwealth face. As a father to two daughters, I am not pleased with the options (or lack thereof) that most parents have. I will vote to abolish the federal Department of

Education and return decisions to parents, students, and local communities. 3) Our immigration system is broken. It can take decades for individuals to immigrate to this country legally. We should welcome those who come to the United States to make a better life for their families. Our communities have been built on the hard work of immigrants. I will vote to abolish ICE and to reform our immigration system by making it easier for good people to legally immigrate.

Q: *If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?*

A: I would work in the Senate to ensure that those who wish to vote can do so without any unnecessary hurdles. This would include rigid enforcement of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments and support of early voting and same-day voter registration, as well as opposition to any new voter ID laws. States maintain the right to conduct their elections as they please, but they must also abide by the aforementioned constitutional requirements, which were designed to protect the sanctity of the voting booth.

Q: *What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?*

A: Like any other government agency, the census should be held to high standards and tight budget restraints. As a U.S. Senator, I will insist that all possible options are explored, and that only the best companies and individuals are selected to partake in the census. This would include a rigorous vetting and screening process. Competition and accountability will vastly improve the results which we receive.

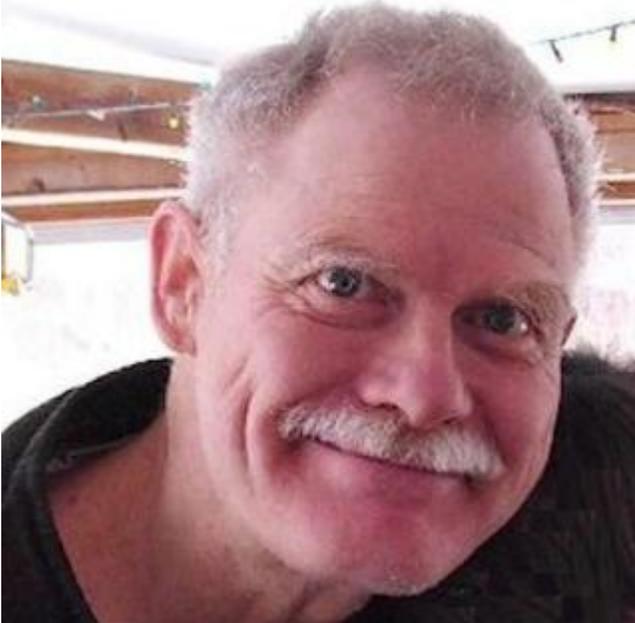
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Description:

The **Governor of Pennsylvania** is an elected constitutional officer, the head of the executive branch and the highest state office in Pennsylvania. The Governor is popularly elected every four years by a plurality and is limited to two consecutive terms.

Candidates (choose 1):

Paul Glover



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Education: Degrees in Marketing and in City Management

Qualifications: Taught Urban Studies at Temple University. Taught Ecological Economics at Philadelphia University. Founder of more than a dozen organizations for ecology and justice. Author of six books on community economic development.

campaign website: <http://www.paulglover.org/governor>

Questions:

Q: *What are your top 3 priorities in office?*

A: 1. Shift the State budget toward ecology and justice. Aggressively fund energy efficiencies and expand tax credits for solar/wind/ cogeneration, to reduce demand for fossil fuels and end fracking. Move money from prisons to jobs and schools, and from roadbuilding to transit. 2. Fully employ all Pennsylvanians to rebuild cities, suburbs and farms toward balance with nature, partly with regional credits and regional stock exchanges, as described in my book Green Jobs Philly. I will establish the Green Labor Administration (GLAD)

to employ 500,000 Pennsylvanians without raising taxes. The larger purpose is to begin the transition from the Middle Class to what i call the Mutual Class. 3. Permit formation of community-based medical cooperatives, to provide a genuinely nonprofit base for statewide universal health coverage that is affordable, democratic, and humane. This is how Canada's single payer system began.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Support independent drafting of legislative boundaries. Computer-generated drafts should inform the Commission. Meetings should be transparent, with public welcome.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: Favor returning to paper ballots, permitting no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day registration. The Green Party has long advocated Instant Runoff Voting, also known as Ranked Choice Voting, to end the "spoiler" argument against minor parties.

Ken V Krawchuk



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Education: B.S. Physics St. Joseph's University, Abington Citizens Police Academy

Qualifications: Business Owner, Student of the Pennsylvania Constitution, Distinguished Toastmaster, Inventor with 3 U.S. Patents, Author, Husband, Father, Grandfather, and a good sense of humor.

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Questions:

Q: *What are your top 3 priorities in office?*

A: The theme of the Krawchuk campaign is Death and Taxes. My goal is to reduce both dramatically. Under the two old parties, the cost of government has been rising on average at over 3 times the inflation rate for over 50 years. To end that trend, I promise to veto every tax increase, aggressively use the line item veto, eliminate property taxes and reduce the corporate tax. To reduce deaths, it's time to end the Opioid Crisis. Four out of five opioid deaths can be prevented by following Portugal's example and ending the insane War on Drugs. Addiction should be treated as a medical issue, not a criminal one. To help save lives, the right to keep and bear arms should be strongly supported because gun control kills. John Lott, a researcher at the University of Chicago, found that if a woman resists an attacker, she's twice as likely to be seriously injured. But if she resists with a handgun, she's half as likely to be seriously injured. In other words, handguns are a girl's best friend.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I strongly support reforming our redistricting process. Look at any map of political districts and you can plainly see that the legislature has failed horribly in its constitutionally-mandated task to create "election districts of compact and contiguous territory". An independent redistricting commission would certainly be a step in the right direction, but there is a better, broader solution, not only to redistricting, but also to midnight pay raises, unfair ballot access, illegal gun grabs, and more. That solution would be to re-establish the "Council of Censors" created by Benjamin Franklin. The Council was composed of two citizens from each city and county whose role was to "censure" the legislators by vetoing legislation that was not in keeping with the constitution, calling constitutional conventions, even ordering impeachments. The Council was eliminated a few short months after Franklin's death; it would honor Pennsylvania's most famous citizen if it were re-established.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: There are two ways to subvert an election: Stop honest citizens from voting, and stop worthy candidates from running. To make certain voting is honest, I strongly support voter-verifiable ballots. The way they work, when you vote you get two printouts of your vote. One copy is yours to keep as a record, and the other is signed by the voter and kept by the state as the official record and to be used for recounts. The chances for hacking an election vanish. To encourage worthy candidates to run, ballot access for independents and third parties should be made equal to that of the two old parties, as mandated by the Pennsylvania Constitution, not two and a half to thirty-three times higher. For example, this year I needed 5,000 signatures to get my name on the ballot for governor. The statewide candidates from the two old parties only needed 1,000 or 2,000. Is that equal? Is that fair?

Scott R Wagner



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Questions:

Q: *What are your top 3 priorities in office?*

A: Overhauling governmental impositions is a top priority. On day one, I will employ zero-based budgeting, introducing a transparent budget process that will make sense for taxpayers and investing in what works to end wasteful and ineffective spending. With over 153,000 regulations and a regulatory authority out of control, meaningful regulation reform must be implemented, such as my current proposal to count, cap, and reduce. Second, I have been all over Pennsylvania and I have heard my mission loud and clear, I will eliminate property taxes as Governor. Many of our children are receiving an outstanding education, but the reality is that too many students are graduating from high school without the necessary skills to be successful in college or the workforce. We must retool and redesign our education system to ensure today's students are adequately prepared to be tomorrow's adults. Without a major overhaul, we will continue to do a great disservice to our children and their educators.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

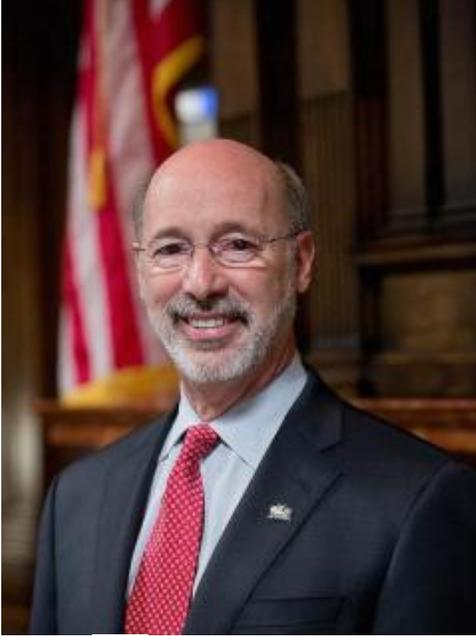
A: The Pennsylvania Supreme Court's decision to overstep its bounds and override the legislature by drawing its own maps did a great disservice to the citizens of Pennsylvania. In light of this travesty, I would support an independent citizens redistricting commission to ensure that Pennsylvanians will have access to fair and equal elections when it comes time to work on maps after the 2020 census.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: Pennsylvania is among only 13 states that do not use paper ballots or have paper backup systems for electronic voting machines. I support the decision of the Department of State to require counties to replace their voting machines with systems that have paper trails. Pennsylvania has received \$13.5 million in federal funding and the state is also required to provide a 5% match to this money. Thus, Pennsylvania has \$14.15

million to help counties fund the purchase of these new voting machines. It is critical that state government make sure that counties have adequate funds available to ensure that they can meet their responsibility as it relates to voting systems.

Tom Wolf



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Education: Dartmouth College (BA), the University of London (MA), and M.I.T. (PhD)

Qualifications: Business Owner, Secretary of Governor, Governor

Questions:

Q: *What are your top 3 priorities in office?*

A: Investing in our Kids and Schools: I have made clear my strong commitment to education in Pennsylvania by fully restoring education funding cuts made in the previous administration, providing unprecedented support to high-quality pre-k programs, and ensuring students are college and career ready by expanding opportunities for career and technical education. Grow Jobs and Support Workers: I have eliminated burdensome taxes on businesses like the Capital Stock and Franchise Tax and I am working to grow the economy by moving forward on large projects. I have and will continue to invest in manufacturing, apprenticeships, and workforce development initiatives. Protect Our Seniors and Access to Health Care: I took immediate action to provide health insurance to more than 720,000 Pennsylvanians by expanding Medicaid, and under my administration the commonwealth's uninsured rate is the lowest it has ever been. I have also increased opportunities for seniors to age in their homes.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I have long supported a independent citizen's redistricting commission. We must eliminate partisan politics from the legislative redistricting process by enacting legislation to end gerrymandering by establishing an independent, bi-partisan commission to create future electoral maps. I also stood up to the House State Government Committee Republican majority's last-minute move to gut and replace House Bill 722, which was intended to create an independent redistricting commission, with a redistricting process that is more politically

driven. To rebuild trust in Harrisburg, we must have fair and accessible elections for all citizens from our rural communities to our big cities.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: Yes, I have long advocated for voting modernization. Upon coming into office, I launched online voter registration and now more than a million Pennsylvanians have used it. I also launched a voter information texting initiative and a program to get high school seniors to register to vote. I also directed the Pennsylvania Department of State to require new voting machines to have a voter- absentee ballots, campaign finance reform, and gerrymandering reform.verifiable paper ballot or paper record of votes cast. I recently launched a 21st century voting reform plan that includes same day voter registration, automatic voter registration, modernization of

Lieutenant Governor

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Description:

Candidates (choose 1):

Jeff Bartos

Party: Rep

Biographical Info:

Municipality: LOWER MERION TOWNSHIP

County: MONTGOMERY

Questions:

Q: *What are your top 3 priorities in office?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: - no response -

Jocolyn Bowser-Bostick



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Education: B.A. degree in biology from Temple University

Qualifications: I will excel as a Lt. Gov. because my scientific background and life experiences have prepared me to be a critical thinker, a leader and adept at conducting comprehensive research and reading and intelligently analyzing large amounts of data.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top 3 priorities in office?*

A: 1. Reduce the future environmental damage and human suffering from climate change and the current ruination of people's health, safety and property values by banning gas and oil fracking and the building of pipelines that carry gas or natural gas liquids. We must improve energy efficiency, use less energy, and eliminate dirty energy systems of which fossil fuels are the biggest component by becoming 100% reliant by 2050 on clean & renewable energy sources. By adopting laws such as HB2132/SB1140 that reinforce the goal of becoming solely reliant on 100% clean energy we will improve our health, save lives, and create thousands of green jobs. 2. End poverty that forces people to live in unhealthy homes, be homeless, and fear that they or their family members will have to go hungry or do without vital medical/mental health services. 3. Protect the economic, social & political rights of women, racial minorities, believers of any faith & those of any gender identity or sexual orientation.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Yes. Citizens not holding political office should decide because voting is supposed to help maintain a just and orderly society and they should help decide how things should work politically because the quality of their lives will be improved or destroyed based on how these districts are organized.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: There must be online & same-day registration, early voting and an election day as a holiday. The Electoral College should be eliminated but as long as we have it legislation must be passed that forces the votes of these delegates in PA to reflect the popular vote in PA. Our elections throughout PA should be decided by

STAR voting and proportional representation. New voting machines must be used throughout PA that have verifiable paper ballots and are not connected to the internet.

John Fetterman



Party: Dem

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County: ALLEGHENY

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Education: Albright College 1991 Harvard University Masters in Public Policy 1999

Qualifications: Mayor of Braddock for 13 yrs - drastically reduced food and clothing insecurity - eliminated heat insecurity this year - successfully implemented community policing model Founder of Braddock Redux Director for Out-Of-School Youth Progra

Questions:

Q: *What are your top 3 priorities in office?*

A: I will be a progressive backstop for the Governor, advocate for economic justice and our forgotten communities in Pennsylvania, and utilize and transform the office of the Lt Governor to its fullest potential.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Congressional and legislative districts should be drawn to ensure that candidates and elected officials are held accountable by voters. Boundaries should protect the interests of all voters and protect voting rights, and should not show preference to one political affiliation. We recently had a huge win with redistricting in Pennsylvania. I would certainly support formalized citizen input for a more fair and unbiased redistricting process.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I support any reform that gets more people to turn out to vote, and makes voting easier. In addition to the above measures I think we should make Election Day a holiday and get more working people to the polls.

Kathleen S. Smith

Party: L

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Questions:

Q: *What are your top 3 priorities in office?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: - no response -

U.S. House of Representatives, District 6

Description:

The U.S. Constitution requires that the House of Representative be composed of elected Representatives (also called Congressmen or Congresswomen) from each State. There are 435 members of the House of Representatives. The number of Representatives from each state is proportioned according to its population, with 18 Representatives from Pennsylvania. A US Representative must (1) be at least twenty-five years old, (2) have been a citizen of the United States for the past seven years, and (3) be (at the time of the election) an inhabitant of the state they represent. A Representative's term of office is 2 years.

The House of Representatives is responsible for creating the budget and initiating bills to collect taxes and other money, although all bills must pass the Senate and be signed by the President. The House is also responsible for impeaching federal officials (the Senate then tries the case) and electing the President if there is a tie in the Electoral College.

Candidates (choose 1):

Chrissy Houlahan



Party: Dem

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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/HoulahanForPA>

Education: B.S. Industrial Engineering from Stanford, M.S. in Technology & Public Policy from MIT

Qualifications: Air Force veteran, former business executive, teacher and non-profit director, mother, longtime resident of Southeastern Pennsylvania, and a first-time candidate for Congress running in Pennsylvania's 6th Congressional District

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: If elected I will work to increase access to quality, affordable healthcare; create good jobs with good benefits; and work to fund great schools for our kids. These are all items that have been lacking in prioritization and execution under this Administration and this Congress.

Q: *If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?*

A: We must make voting more accessible to eligible Americans. We cannot discriminate or disenfranchise certain voters based on their race, age, or socioeconomic class, and to that extent I oppose identification laws that masquerade to suppress voters. We can protect electoral integrity without disenfranchising eligible Americans from voting. Among the several avenues open to expand voting rights are reducing the cost and easing the complexity of obtaining home state identification (especially for non-drivers), simplifying the voter registration process, extending early voting and expanding the period when polls are open, and increasing the number of polling places. We must also take steps to protect the integrity of our elections, including getting big money out of our campaigns, restoring advertising transparency so American voters know who is trying to influence elections, and taking immediate steps to secure our election systems that are fundamental to American democracy.

Q: *What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?*

A: Our Census is the best and most important tool we have for knowing who we are as a community and as a nation. I support full funding for the Census so we can get an accurate picture of where America is fulfilling

our promises of Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness, and just as importantly, where we are not. At its heart, our Census is a scientific achievement. I do not support efforts to politicize this process or compromise the quality and reliability of the information we get from it.

Greg Mccauley

Party: Rep

Biographical Info:

Municipality: PENNSBURY

County: CHESTER

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: - no response -

Q: *If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?*

A: - no response -

Q: *What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?*

A: - no response -

26th Senatorial District

Description:

The Pennsylvania Senate is the upper house of our bicameral (two house legislature). There are 50 members who sit for four year terms. Senators must be at least 25 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service. Members of the Pennsylvania Senate are, along with the House of Representatives, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

Candidates (choose 1):

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Qualifications: Swarthmore Borough Planning Commission, 2006 - 2012 Mayor, Borough of Swarthmore, 2014 -

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: My top three priorities in office are better and fairer education funding, environmental protection, and fair balanced budget.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Yes, I support reforming our redistricting process and implementing an independent citizen's redistricting commission. There is no place for the cynical gerrymandering we have experienced in Pennsylvania. We should have fair and ethical system for drawing districts at the state and federal level and the best way to accomplish this is to have an independent commission.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I would support many different voting reforms including vote by mail, automatic or same day registration, early voting, and additional funding to ensure secure and fair elections.

Thomas J McGarrigle, Sr.



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Education: Vo-Tech

Qualifications: Started own auto repair business which is still in business and employing people in our community Former member of the Delaware County Council.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: Education – We need to fully fund education. I have proposed an extraction tax on Marcellus Shale with all revenues dedicated to fund our K-12 schools. I want to remove bureaucracy that gets in the way of classroom instruction. I introduced legislation to address the onerous Keystone Exams and provide alternative pathways to graduation. Economy – I will support building, construction, and other blue collar jobs by ensuring that burdensome state and federal regulations do not get in the way of job creation. We need to hold the line on tax increases that hurt families, seniors, small business and job creation. Opioids – I am active in Delaware County's Heroin Taskforce and the stories I hear are heartbreaking. We need to remove the stigma of addiction so people are not afraid to get the help they need, while also ensuring that we have adequate services by professional organizations who can truly help individuals overcome the challenges they face on the road to recovery.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I believe we need to reform the process for redistricting, but I do not believe there is any certain way to completely remove political influence from the process. For example, the recent Congressional redistricting was established by a split party line vote by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court with the lines drawn in a way that favored the Democratic Party. While reforms are needed, the individuals on this redistricting commission will be appointed by someone, which means they can likely be influenced by the individual or governmental body that appointed them. That in turn would mean that they are not truly independent. So while I support

reforms, I believe we need to be very careful about establishing the proper safeguards so that the Commonwealth does not merely create the same issues and problems under a new entity.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I support no-fault absentee voting, which allows individuals to vote using an absentee ballot without having to provide an explanation about being out of the country on travel on Election Day. I also co-sponsored Senate Bill 762 which directs our state Auditor General to conduct a comprehensive audit of the State Uniform Registry of Electors (S.U.R.E.) system to determine the accuracy of voter records, evaluate the security protocols in place, and recommend changes to ensure the database's security in the future.

44th Senatorial District

Description:

The Pennsylvania Senate is the upper house of our bicameral (two house legislature). There are 50 members who sit for four year terms. Senators must be at least 25 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service. Members of the Pennsylvania Senate are, along with the House of Representatives, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

Candidates (choose 1):

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Education: BS from Penn State University, University Park, PA MS from AT Still University, Mesa, AZ

Qualifications: Adjunct professor in the Department of Kinesiology at a local university, Democratic Committee Person, co-founder and chair of Mid-Montco Indivisible, local activist

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: One of my top priorities is quality and affordable healthcare for all Pennsylvanians through a fair system. Adequate healthcare is a right, not a privilege. I will support legislation that ensures every Pennsylvanian has access to affordable and quality healthcare services. Another top priority of mine is investing in Pennsylvania's future by supporting the rejuvenation of our public school system. Giving educators what is necessary to succeed should be our standard, without overtaxing hardworking citizens of the Commonwealth. I will also work tirelessly to bring balance to Harrisburg to improve efficiency in our state legislature. By breaking up the supermajority and the influence of special interest groups that stall progress, we can guarantee that our family-based values will be reflected through legislation that makes an impact and is effective.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I believe that an impartial and independent citizen's redistricting commission is what Pennsylvania requires for state congressional and legislative lines to be drawn fairly and impartially. Instead of our state legislators catering to their political ambitions, we must demand that our districts be comprised of fair representation and competitiveness so that our citizens are eager to vote and to be heard.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: Secure and fair elections are essential for a functioning democracy, and we are responsible for ensuring that our methods are legitimate. I will support legislation honoring the integrity of our democratic process, while improving and modernizing it. Options that protect ballots and prevent interference will have my full support.

John Rafferty

Party: Rep

Biographical Info:

Municipality: LOWER PROVIDENCE

County: MONTGOMERY

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: - no response -

13th Legislative District

Description:

The Pennsylvania House of Representatives is the lower house of our bicameral (two house) legislature. There are 203 members who sit for two year terms in single member districts. Representatives must be 21 years

old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service.. Members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives are, along with the Senate, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

Candidates (choose 1):

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County: CHESTER

Education: BS, Smeal College of Business, The Pennsylvania State University

Qualifications: 10+ Years Financial Professional with JPMorgan Chase Lifetime Resident of Southern Chester County

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: Property Tax Relief—I have been a relentless voice on property tax reform. Rising school taxes are directly related to decisions made in the 1990's by shortsighted legislators to underfund the teachers' pensions system. I will continue to advocate 401(k) style retirement plans for all new state workers, and properly funding the pension systems to keep the promises made to current workers and retirees. Government Reform— Law-abiding citizens are tired of endless scandal in government. I will continue lead by example, declining a defined-benefit state pension, per-diem payments, a state car, and other "perks" past legislators granted themselves. Addressing Local Infrastructure—I have been a leader on efforts to fix the intersection at Old Baltimore Pike & 796 in Jennersville, and a driving force in the revitalization of downtown Oxford with the construction of a parking facility. Working with federal, state, & local officials, over \$5 million has been committed to these projects.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I support moving to a citizen's commission for legislative redistricting. I recently hosted a series of eight town hall meetings where I addressed the issues surrounding gerrymandering in detail. Many have said that it is a conflict of interest for legislators to draw legislative districts, and I agree. In a similar vein, I have introduced legislation that would put all decisions regarding legislator's compensation in the hands of a citizen's commission. Everyday citizens are increasingly skeptical of government in general and legislators in particular. Instituting these reforms would go a long way to restoring public confidence in the legislative process.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: The right to vote is a paramount and cherished freedom that we must never take for granted. Chester County is one of only a handful of counties in Pennsylvania that uses paper ballots and scantron-style voting machines. I strongly believe all counties in Pennsylvania should move away from purely digital voting machines and utilize a system that includes a paper ballot. In addition to having the actual ballots available in the event of a recount, old-fashioned paper ballots are not susceptible to hacking like internet-connected or digital voting platforms.

Dominic J Pirocchi

Party: L

Biographical Info:

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: - no response -

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: - no response -

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: - no response -

Sue Walker



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County: CHESTER

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Education: Public school education K-12. The College of New Jersey BA English/Communications

Qualifications: 20 year Franklin township resident. Educator, non-profit leader, volunteer in community. Well versed in local and state issues. Committed to putting people before politics and being accountable to constituents of the 13th district.

Questions:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: 1. Pass a balanced budget on time. As the Representative for PA 13 I will be accountable with managing our tax dollars, controlling expenses, and restoring our state's credit rating. I support a fair natural gas severance tax. Proceeds from this tax must be invested in education and infrastructure. 2. Foster sustainable development. District 13 has a rich agricultural history and we treasure our farms, fields, wooded areas and natural water sources. I will protect and preserve our natural resources. Additionally, our infrastructure must be developed and managed in a way to promote our local economy in the 21st century. I pledge to invest in our future and support responsible measures to enhance our roads, bridges, utilities, digital networks and

renewable energy sources. 3. Education. Public schools, technical institutions and colleges need resources to excel. Funding from the state must be increased instead of continuing to raise property taxes.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I support an independent citizen's redistricting commission in order to reform our congressional and legislative districts. Creating an opportunity for public hearings and written submissions will lend to the transparent process that is currently lacking. This process should increase the trust of voters and yield greater participation in our fairly held elections.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: Pennsylvania's voting systems desperately need to be modernized. We are one of 13 states that doesn't allow early voting or offer no-excuse absentee voting. States that have implemented these methods (along with same day voter registration) have demonstrated an increase in voter turnout. Funding should be increased for efficiency and security of the voting process to ensure our elections are accurate and accessible.

26th Legislative District

Description:

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Education: 1977- St. Pius X High School 1987- Graduate IBEW Apprentice Program 2018- Emerge PA

Qualifications: Elected to IBEW Local 380 Executive Board Served on the Chester County AFL-CIO

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: My first and foremost priority is to be the Representative of working class families. As a union Electrician, we have played a pivotal role in securing legislation that protects workers and their rights. We need to invest in our communities and Commonwealth to create employment opportunities that offer realistic wages and benefits. As a Representative, I will support legislation that raises the minimum wage. If Legislatures can receive an increase in pay based on inflation, than the minimum wage must also be increased. We need to rebuild a strong and stable future for the next generation. Millions of dollars are spent by special interest groups to help elect sympathetic candidates and influence the political process. Wage stagnation, weak income growth, and wealth disparities are affected by policy decisions that have eroded the bargaining power of low and middle wage workers. As a member of the working middle class I will be that lobbyist. Let's get back to basic fundamentals.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I would love to see Legislative district lines drawn that do not represent a partisan advantage. I believe we need to have primaries that are open to ALL voters. There should be no restrictions on a voters choice. I am facing this with my own family and friends. Although they are registered Republicans, they support me, but unfortunately cannot vote for me in the primary. Along with redrawing fair maps, we must also look at our antiquated system for the voters. If elected, my priority is to put my constituents priorities above political party. When our Legislature cannot work together, they put Pennsylvania at a huge disadvantage. I do feel that the voters are now seeing the importance of their voice in the political process.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: Pennsylvanians deserve a 21st century voter registration system. Much of the many problems voters face can be traced to outdated technology and of thinking. I am in favor of Automatic Registration. Utilizing DMV's and other government agencies is a logical step giving potential registered voters the option to register or decline their right to cast their vote. On January 24, 2017, in a Democratic Partisan vote, introduced House Bill- HB 193, in favor of Automatic Registration. The bill was referred to State Government Committee, where it sits.

Tim Hennessey

Party: Rep

Biographical Info:

Municipality: NORTH COVENTRY

County: CHESTER

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: - no response -

74th Legislative District

Description:

The Pennsylvania House of Representatives is the lower house of our bicameral (two house) legislature. There are 203 members who sit for two year terms in single member districts. Representatives must be 21 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service.. Members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives are, along with the Senate, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

Candidates (choose 1):

Amber Little-Turner



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Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: Providing the funding and reforms needed to ensure student success and safety. Combatting the drug epidemic that is affecting families across our state and nation. Helping to strengthen our economy so there are more good-paying, family-sustaining jobs for workers.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: We need greater citizen participation in our redistricting process. That's why I support efforts to reform our current process so voters have a voice in the process.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: While it is vital for our democracy to safeguard our elections from fraud, I support expanded options and access to voting. Online registration was an excellent step in the right direction, and I think no-excuse Absentee Ballot voting should be allowed. I would also support additional state funding for upgraded voting technology.

Dan K Williams



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Education: • Biblical Theological Seminary Hatfield, PA DMin (Dr. of Ministry) • Geneva Col., Beaver Falls, BS

Qualifications: • Senior Pastor for over 28 years of The New Life in Christ Fellowship • First African American to serve on the Board of Trustees at the Biblical Theological Seminary • Community Leader working with the disadvantaged and local initiatives

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: - Holding the Line on Property Taxes While Providing Quality Education for All - Promoting More Jobs & Infrastructure Improvements to Facilitate Economic Growth that Benefits All Citizens of the 74th District - Fighting for Responsible Gun Laws that Eliminate the Gun Show Loophole, Provide for More Efficient Background Checks, and Raise the Purchase Age to 21 years old

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Yes. Independent citizens should be part of the redistricting process to ensure fair and equal elections. Recent redistricting and successful court challenges here in Pennsylvania show that redistricting by elected officials leads to gerrymandering that is not fair to voters. An independent citizen's redistricting commission should be transparent, impartial and accountable - leading to fairer districts and better representation of constituents at all levels of government.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I strongly support all voting modernization reforms. Currently, I feel the most important is funding for voting technology upgrades. A verifiable paper trail should be a required component of the voting process in all Pennsylvania counties! We should step into the 21st century and move to early voting, and provide a secure system for online voting. Same day voter registration could be difficult to implement and nearly impossible to get passed, but I do support initiatives to allow for voter registration (and registration changes) up until 12 hours before polls open for both primary and general elections. All of these reforms should be easy to implement and keep secure since there are other states that have modernized voting processes, and we can follow their lead while learning from their mistakes and issues.

155th Legislative District

Description:

The Pennsylvania House of Representatives is the lower house of our bicameral (two house) legislature. There are 203 members who sit for two year terms in single member districts. Representatives must be 21 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service.. Members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives are, along with the Senate, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

Candidates (choose 1):

Becky Corbin

Party: Rep

Biographical Info:

Municipality: EAST BRANDYWINE TOWNSHIP

County: CHESTER

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: - no response -

Danielle Friel Otten



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County: CHESTER

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Education: Kinesiology, West Chester University

Qualifications: Marketer - 20 years of experience in hospitality industry; Co-Founder/Organizer/Advocate – Uwchlan Safety Coalition; Co-Founder/Organizer/Advocate – Del-Chesco United for Pipeline Safety; Uwchlan Township Parks & Recreation Board

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: I will fight for families' and the public's interest vs. the special interest of big money lobbyists, specifically the Oil & Gas industry, and the NRA. I will work hard for equitable, thorough and efficient funding for public education. I will serve as an advocate and champion for hardworking people, children and senior citizens who are being squeezed by the rising cost of property taxes, healthcare, childcare and the effort to eliminate the power of organizations that promote equality and protect our rights in the workplace.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Yes. I believe that voters should choose their elected officials. Elected officials should not be able to choose their voters. I believe that a citizen's commission would promote equality, improve representation, and build an electorate that is more engaged and trusting in the process of government.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I would support any measure that makes voting more accessible and equitable to all people. I am in favor of making the absentee voting process easier, allowing for early voting, same-day registration and making it a priority to utilize the latest technologies available to make elections more accessible, efficient, secure and fair.

156th Legislative District

Description:

The Pennsylvania House of Representatives is the lower house of our bicameral (two house) legislature. There are 203 members who sit for two year terms in single member districts. Representatives must be 21 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service.. Members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives are, along with the Senate, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

Candidates (choose 1):

Carolyn Comitta



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County: Chester

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Education: Master of Science in Education: Widener University Bachelor of Science: West Chester State College

Qualifications: I was a West Chester borough council member for 4 years before being elected Mayor. I served in that capacity until 2017. I was elected as State Representative of the 156th Legislative District in 2016 and I love working for my constituents.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: My top three priorities in office are: 1. Protecting women's reproductive rights 2. Adequately and fairly funding education Pre-K thru college 3. Protecting environmental health and resources as well as citizens rights to clean air and clean water (as per PA Constitution: Article 1. Section 27)

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Yes, I am an avid supporter/advocate for Fair Districts PA. Gerrymandering disenfranchises and silences voter's voices. Gerrymandering contributes significantly to the selection of candidates who represent the fringe views of their constituents and not the majority. I fully support redistricting reform that removes elected officials from the process and institutes an independent citizens' commission to draw the maps. During my tenure as mayor of West Chester, the PA Reapportionment Commission proposed dividing our Borough in half, putting half of our County Seat in a predominantly Delaware County House District! This gerrymandering would have disenfranchised half of the voters in our Borough, including a large portion of our minority voters and students. Together with two other residents, I testified and fought against this egregious gerrymandering. We prevailed in our appeal to the PA Supreme Court. I will continue to fight so that every vote counts. LWV: Your Vote is Your Voice!

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I fully support increasing access to the ballot through all reforms outlined above. Every accommodation should be made so that it is easy for every voter to be heard, to cast their ballot and every vote to be counted. Roadblocks to voting should be removed and replaced with voter-friendly options. Regarding the preregistration of 16 and 17 year olds, I believe it would be beneficial to provide civics instruction in schools relative to voter registration, rights and responsibilities for 16 year olds. I recommend "Civics and You; Your Key to PA Local Government", an excellent free online book about civics for high school students to use in Civics courses. Civics and You is a project of the PA Municipal League with funding from PA DCED. I believe 16 and 17 year olds should be able to register to vote early when applying for their driver's license. Regarding same day registration, I fully support this option be available for the General Election as well automatic voter registration.

Nicholas J Deminski



Party: Rep

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County: CHESTER

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Education: Henderson High School, West Chester, PA Villanova University, Villanova, PA

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: 1. Provide the funding and resources needed to keep our schools excellent and safe. 2. Work for fiscally responsible state spending including zero-sum budgeting, further pension reform, and low taxes. 3. Combat the opioid epidemic that is gripping our nation through increased funding and expanded support programs.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: It is imperative that our voters have a voice in redistricting. Our current system has flaws and a truly independent citizens commission is needed to fix the system. Our democracy and republic must ensure free and fair elections and that starts with the drawing of legislative districts.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I support expanded access to voting. No-excuse absentee balloting and same-day registration would increase voter participation in our elections. No citizens who meets the requirements to vote should ever be turned away from participating in an election. It is their right and, they should be free to exercise it.

157th Legislative District

Description:

The Pennsylvania House of Representatives is the lower house of our bicameral (two house) legislature. There are 203 members who sit for two year terms in single member districts. Representatives must be 21 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service.. Members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives are, along with the Senate, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

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Qualifications: Representing the people of our community as an independent voice in Harrisburg since 2010. Former Tredyffrin Township Supervisor for 7 years. I am a concerned parent, attorney and community volunteer who cares about our community's future.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: 1. Education: Ensuring we have adequate funding to deliver safe, quality public schools for every child, as well as support educational innovation to best prepare students for their adult lives. 2. Economic: Fiscal discipline in state operations/budgeting to protect taxpayers and control spending and debt while still focusing

on priorities. Pro-growth policies that drive economic and job growth that provides our families with economic security and opportunity. 3. Quality-of-Life: Addressing the variety of issues a diverse district like the 157th faces – from concerns over gun violence, to combating the opioid epidemic, to supporting environmental initiatives (especially open space preservation), to housing, infrastructure, and more.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I do support these reforms, and am a co-sponsor of the legislation to create an independent redistricting commission to help remove politics from this process. I made this decision after it became clear that too many in Harrisburg were unable or unwilling to come together, build consensus, and stop the political posturing over this issue.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I do agree with recent changes allowing voter registration on-line; I support early voting; I would vote to allow 17 year olds who will be 18 by Election Day to pre-register to vote; and, I would support absentee ballot changes that make it easier for people to vote by mail. However, nothing is more important to our democratic process than ensuring the sanctity of the ballot. That is why we must be careful as we implement changes to our election system. Too often, what seem like good ideas for reform unwittingly result in increased fraud or reduced ballot security. I know that, if we proceed carefully and responsibly - and put aside partisanship - we can provide greater voter access while ensuring a secure voting system.

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Education: Lafayette College (BA) The American University (MA)

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: Education Gun Control Environment

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Yes. Gerrymandering is a bipartisan issue that has hurt democracy and disproportionately targeted minorities. Political laziness and expediency has prevented the issue of gerrymandering from being solved. When a political party has the power to draw the lines that decide their own fate there is no longer a true democracy. These borders are tactically drawn in order to make state house races less competitive. In order to make as many districts safe or easy for a party to win, legislatures often pack as many voters from the opposing party into as few districts as possible. This limits the opposing party's power throughout the government. In the end, this can lead to a one-party dominated legislature that does not reflect the will of the people.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I would support all this legislation and more, like voting by mail. Voting should be as easy and accessible as possible. It's important that all citizens are able to have their voices heard in government.

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Education: M.Sc. in Public Policy - University College London B.A. in Political Science - American University

Qualifications: I am proud of my record over the past two years. Last year, I helped pass a budget that made record high investments in education without increasing sales or income taxes. I've fought for environmental protections, while fighting for economic growth.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: 1. Preventing tax increases on seniors and working families. 2. Protecting our children in schools, and giving schools adequate funding to teach them well. 3. Reforming Pennsylvania's antiquated redistricting system.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Not only do I support redistricting reform, but I am the prime Republican sponsor of HB 722, which I introduced jointly with Rep. Steve Samuelson (D-Northampton) in April of 2017. Our bill gained more co-sponsors than any other House bill introduced this session. We continue to fight for free and fair elections through an independent, citizen-led redistricting commission, and we won't stop until it becomes law in Pennsylvania.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I support early voting, and any voting reform that protects the integrity of every vote. Every vote matters!

Christina Sappey



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Qualifications: Business background, non-profit board member, community volunteer and long time legislative aide in PA House and Senate.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: Working to end the dysfunction in Harrisburg by collaborating with other committed bi-partisan problem solvers willing to tackle challenging issues. Moving Pennsylvania's economy toward growth in order to spur statewide family sustaining job creation. Fighting to protect and preserve our state's natural resources and environment.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Yes. Our current process and the gerrymandering of districts has exacerbated partisan politics and contributed to the creation of a government that protects itself instead of serving the interests and **A:** I currently support no-excuse absentee voting and early voting. priorities of the voters.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

160th Legislative District

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Candidates (choose 1):

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Education: Juris Doctorate; Hofstra University BA; University of Pennsylvania

Qualifications: -20+ years as a lawyer and advocate successfully fighting for working families - Environmental champion and Trustee, The Nature Conservancy -Experienced executive, educator and Chair of Board at Progressive school -Strong supporter of fair districts

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: I believe in properly funded schools - it is our duty to educate the leaders of tomorrow. I believe in being a responsible steward of the environment - we need to focus on preservation for future generations. And I believe in fair districts - politicians shouldn't choose their voters; voters should choose their representatives.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I do. While I applaud the Pennsylvania Supreme Court's decision--which removed 1,139 miles of unnecessary divisions between and within communities of Pennsylvania voters, divisions that Republican lawmakers put in place primarily to give themselves a political advantage over their Democratic opponents"--

redrawing the 2011 congressional map is a temporary solution. Redistricting will happen again after the 2020 Census, and if it follows the same process as last time, the 2021 map is likely to be gerrymandered, too—regardless of which party is in power.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I would support any legislation that reduces the barriers to voting, while maintaining the intent (i.e. giving every citizen the right to vote) and integrity (safe and secure) of our voting laws, including, but not limited to: no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades.

Stephen Barrar



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Education: Interboro H.S 1972 U.S. Navy Radio Communication school

Qualifications: US Navy veteran, also owned and operated 2 small businesses for 22 years. elected and served 5 years as a township commissioner in Upper Chichester Twp.

Questions:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: 1...Property tax reform that fairly fund public education and reduces the reliance on property taxes. 2...improve PA's economy with a fair tax system for corporations and small businesses that encourages new business growth and allows our state to stop the corporate welfare give aways that takes place between states and counties. The cost of these border battle to attract with our state trying to out bid other state is costing us billions and we don't always get the economic benefit we are promised. 3...our curent system of volunteers first responders is in critical condition, we need to better finance our fire & ambulance companies and create

incentives to recruit and retain first responder. 20 yrs ago Pa had over 200,000 volunteer fire fighters now its less then 50,000 and every month fire and ambulance companies close there doors.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: yes I do support reforming our redistricting process but I believe a system requires the legislature and a independent citizen commission to work together to draft legislative and congressional district but with the legislature voting for approval of new maps. When I was first approached to support legislation to change our current system to redistrict our legislative districts I was undecided I knew we needed to make changes to our system especially since there were serious challenges being heard by our state supreme court. After interested constituents contacted me and many conversation with supporter from the Fair district community I began doing research into what other state did to create a fair redistricting system. I found at least one state who used a independent commission to draw the new districts and then the new maps would need approval from the legislature with no amendments and no changes.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I would support no-excuse absentee voting as a form of early voting as long as it had a strong voter ID requirement to deter voter fraud.

167th Legislative District

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Candidates (choose 1):

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Qualifications: I studied tax law in law school and have a varied work background in non-profit administration, legal services, education and child welfare. I have been active in my community, with my children's schools and as a political volunteer.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: 1. Education at all levels. Pennsylvania needs to fairly fund public education. College education costs need to be contained so that college graduates can enter the workforce without burdensome levels of debt.

Vocational training is an important alternative to college and should be supported. 2. Affordable healthcare coverage for everyone including mental health, reproductive health and prescription drugs. 3. A level playing field for women in the workforce that provides pay equity, affordable childcare, family leave and protections from sexual harassment and discrimination.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I support an independent citizen's redistricting commission. The extreme gerrymandering of Pennsylvania causes voters to mistrust the political system. Engagement at this level will restore trust.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I have been involved in local politics and have seen first hand the low voter turnout. Pennsylvania lacks the processes necessary to increase voter engagement. I am in favor of no-excuse absentee voting and same day voter registration. Voting machines should have a paper back up and adequate security.

Duane Milne

Party: Rep

Biographical Info:

Municipality: WILLISTOWN

County: CHESTER

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: - no response -

U.S. House of Representatives, District 5

Description:

The U.S. Constitution requires that the House of Representative be composed of elected Representatives (also called Congressmen or Congresswomen) from each State. There are 435 members of the House of Representatives. The number of Representatives from each state is proportioned according to its population, with 18 Representatives from Pennsylvania. A US Representative must (1) be at least twenty-five years old, (2) have been a citizen of the United States for the past seven years, and (3) be (at the time of the election) an inhabitant of the state they represent. A Representative's term of office is 2 years.

The House of Representatives is responsible for creating the budget and initiating bills to collect taxes and other money, although all bills must pass the Senate and be signed by the President. The House is also responsible for impeaching federal officials (the Senate then tries the case) and electing the President if there is a tie in the Electoral College.

Candidates (choose 1):

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Education: J.D. from Villanova University School of Law; B.A. from Bryn Mawr College.

Qualifications: Served as a Senior Deputy Attorney General in PA Office of Attorney General; Served as Assistant District Attorney in the Delaware County DA's Office, where she headed the Human Trafficking Unit in the Special Victims and Domestic Violence Division.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: I want to continue the nation's current economic growth by holding the line on taxes and focusing on maintaining and creating both tech and manufacturing jobs in the region. I'm particularly concerned about the impacts that federal regulations could have on our local jobs in the manufacturing and energy sectors. As the daughter of immigrants, I will work to address the issue of illegal immigration and securing our borders in some fashion so we can focus on legal immigration. I will use my experience as a prosecutor in the Delaware County District Attorney's Office to address the issues of human trafficking, sex crimes, the opioid crisis, mental health, and campus sexual assault.

Q: *If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?*

A: Regardless of whether or not individuals or foreign nations were ultimately successful in attempting to hack our electoral systems, I find it both offensive and frightening to even think that it could happen. I believe the recommendation put forward by Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf earlier this year makes sense – when a county or state purchases new voting machines, they should all leave a paper trail as a security measure to prevent against hacking. I also think legislation passed by the State Senate to require an audit of our electoral registration system by the state Auditor General makes sense.

Q: *What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?*

A: I am particularly sensitive to the issue of minority populations being accurately accounted for in the 2020 census. I am aware that some experts are concerned that the underfunding of the census may exacerbate the

undercounting of some populations, including Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, which currently account for 6.8 percent of our nation's U.S. population. If elected to Congress I will work to ensure we are properly funding the census program and will also work to engage the philanthropic community to assist with performing additional outreach and engagement of groups that are traditionally undercounted.

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Education: Colgate Penn Law

Qualifications: 35 years as an education advocate, pro bono counsel

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: My first priority is stopping the Trump agenda and its attack on our American values. My focus will be on gender equity, public education and voting rights.

Q: *If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?*

A: I want to expand the voting rights act. We need to reauthorize the portions of the voting rights act that were gutted by the Shelby decision. I believe in a reflective democracy, and in order for us to achieve that, there shouldn't be barriers to access the ballot.

Q: *What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids undercounting?*

A: I will push for full funding of the Census. We must have a full accounting. I will oppose the addition of questions deliberately designed to suppress the accurate accounting of all individuals residing in the United States such as those proposed by the Trump Administration.