Q7	
Email address	
Q8	
Phone number	
Q9	
What are your past political activities (Offices held, candidate, volunteer, etc)	
Candidate 2020 NM Senate 36	
Member RPNM Advisory Rules Committee County Chair - Dona Ana	
Executive Director - RPNM	
School Governance Board Vice President - Alma D'arte Charter High School	
Q10	
Why are you seeking this office?	
Provide conservative representation for our community.	
Q11	No
Have you or your business, if you are a business owner, ever been the subject of any state or federal tax liens? If yes, please explain.	
Q12	No
Have you ever been involved in a personal or business bankruptcy proceeding? If yes, please explain.	

Have you ever been arrested, charged, or convicted of a misdemeanor or felony crime in New Mexico or any other state? If yes, please explain.

Yes (please explain): Traffic Tickets

State Budget: New Mexico's state budget provides for the state's recurring expenses as well as one-time, non-recurring expenditures, such as road construction, infrastructure, expansion, ... etc. What do you think is most important for New Mexico to do when there is surplus revenue?

Surplus tax revenue should be used to build reserve funds

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Please explain your answer:

Our current taxation vs. services received situation is a nightmare. We are heavily taxed and public services are minimal and fraught with scandal.

Q15

Legislator funds: Legislators are usually provided funds for specific projects within their districts. How do you think these funds should be distributed to legislators?

Equally distributed to each legislator,

Briefly explain your answer:

Currently, the counties in the SE corner of the state receive the majority of capital outlay. Dona Ana County is the second largest county and does not receive the funding needed to properly support public service to the community.

Q16

State Tax Code: On a scale of one (critical) to five (unimportant), how important is it that New Mexico completely restructure its tax code?

(no label)

Comment:

1 (Critical)

NMGRS and Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes are not developed well and tend to either overfund or underfund on a somewhat arbitrary means. I support a sales / use tax with minimal deductions.

Q17

State Tax Code: Are you in favor of the current Gross Receipts Tax (GRT) system for NM or moving to a sales tax?

Sales Tax,

Explain your answer:

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Q18

Crime: Do you believe that the crime rate and the court's sentencing of criminals in New Mexico negatively impacts our ability to attract new businesses and industries to our state?

Yes,

Please explain your answer:

This is definitely tied directly to a reluctance to come to NM for established companies.

Q19

Crime: What are your thoughts on the 2016 Constitutional Amendment, Denial of Bail for Certain Felonies, and its impact on the state?

It has been detrimental to the state by putting dangerous criminals back on the streets

Please explain your position:

All we have to do is refer to the police blotter and this amendment is a direct hit to our safety.

Government Mandates: What is your position on general government mandates on business operations?

Other (please specify):

There are a few industries (medical) where licensing and credentialing are important, but in general, we as business owners in NM are grossly overregulated.

Q21

Energy: NM's oil and gas producers were largely responsible for the dramatic increase in state tax revenue. Do you support effective land and resource management that allows these extractive industries to maximize production and budgetary support for NM?

Yes,

Please briefly explain your answer:
This also provides us energy independence.

Q22

Regulation: On a scale of one (critical) to five (unimportant), how important is it that environmental regulations be increased/expanded from current levels to protect New Mexico's land, air, and water?

(no label)

5 (Unimportant)

Briefly explain your answer:

We currently have regulations that protect our environment.

Q23

Land Grant Permanent Fund: Do you support or oppose increased distributions (above the current 5%) from the Land Grant Permanent Fund?

Oppose

Q24

Employment Laws: What is your position on government mandated employee benefits like sick leave, PTO,... etc?

Oppose,

Comments:

This does not encourage the workforce to strengthen their skills to move into positions that come with stronger benefit packages.

Q25

Employment Laws: In recent years, legislation is proposed each session concerning the state's minimum wage. Please state how you feel wages should be determined and explain your answer.

Wages should be determined by allowing the free market or supply/demand to determine an appropriate amount

Please explain your answer:

There was a time in the early 1900's where minimum wage was a good thing. The corporate world was abusing the workforce and it was needed. This is a different time and the minimum wage also precludes the workforce from strengthening their skills to move into positions that come with heavier compensation packages. If anything, a sliding scale based on position skill level should be explored.

Workforce Development: On a scale of 1 (critical) to 5 (unimportant), how important do you feel is it that New Mexico's higher learning institutions offer technical and trade related degrees and certifications?

(no label) 1 (Critical)

Explain your reasoning:

It is imperative that all students are able to find a program that fits their post high school education goals. Not all students are prepared to embark on a 4 year degree journey.

Q27

Economic Incentives: On a scale of one (critical) to five (unimportant), how important is it that state incentives for businesses, such as LEDA, JTIP and tax abatement include mandatory achievement requirements for use of the money as well as enforceable claw back parameters, if those requirements are not met?

(no label) 1 (critical)

Please explain your answer:

I do not agree with subsidies as the distribution of funds falls into the hands of a few persons. This places the entire subsidy operation in a position to be rife with scandal.

What is your opinion of sanctuary status for the state of New Mexico?

Sanctuary status violates federal and state law and should not be an option for New Mexico

Q29

Q28

Currently the governor can extend emergency declarations/orders 30 indefinitely. Do you support or oppose new legislation requiring legislative approval of any executive 'emergency' declaration beyond 60 days?

Other (please specify):

Yes, but I believe the time limit should be 30 days. (2 weeks to stop the spread???)

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Is there anything else you would like to share about your candidacy or your desire to serve the people of your district?

Respondent skipped this question