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**Q1**

Candidate full name as it will appear on ballot:

Christian Scott Ehmling

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**Q2**

Political Party Affiliation:

Libertarian

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**Q3**

District #:

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**Q4**

How long have you lived in the district you seek to represent?

3 years

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**Q5**

Email address:

christianehmling@gmail.com

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**Q6**

Phone number:

5755788178

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**Q7**

**No**

Have you, or a business you have been associated with, ever been the subject of a tax lien or a bankruptcy proceeding?

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**Q8**

**No**

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

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**Q9**

What will be your #1 priority and what is your plan of action to address it, if elected?

My biggest priority as state representative will be election reform. I plan to tackle gerrymandering in the state legislature by proposing an amendment to the New Mexico Constitution that would make each county in our state function as a State Legislative District with 1 Senator and 2 Representatives each, ensuring fair, equal, and local representation for all New Mexicans.

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**Q10**

**Returned to taxpayers.**

Recently, New Mexico has enjoyed record budget surpluses in the \$3.5 billion range. What do you feel is the best use of surplus funds? (Please select and explain your top priority for surplus funds.)

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**Q11**

**Oppose (Please explain.),**

Do you support or oppose the use of the Gross Receipts Tax system currently in effect?

Other or comments::

The Gross Receipts Tax is part of the reason businesses have left our state. Less business means more unemployment, and considering our state's poverty level, high unemployment is unacceptable. I am support of the total repeal and abolishment of the Gross Receipts Tax, and replacing it with nothing.

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**Q12**

**Support (Please explain.),**

Do you support or oppose the current bail system our courts are using?

Other or comments::

I don't agree with the cash bail system. It creates an unfair criminal justice system that favors people with higher incomes. Our justice system is meant to be fair and impartial, that was the intention of the Founding Father's. New Mexico's abolishment of the cash bail system is strengthening the concept of the fair and impartial justice system and therefore strengthening our state.

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**Q13**

Crime has reached an all-time high in New Mexico. What do you think the state legislature could do to address crime?

Other or comments::

A good economy is the biggest deterrent to crime. We must cut regulatory red tape, lower or abolish different taxes, and make it easier to start a business in our state, as well as attract businesses from different industries to our state in order to diversify our economy.

**Q14**

New Mexico has passed laws that govern employer-employee relations such as increased minimum wage and paid time off among others. There have also been discussions about Paid Family Medical Leave Act (PFMLA), a living wage, and shortened work weeks. If elected, what position will you take on additional regulation of businesses on issues like those mentioned?

**I will not support additional government regulations on employer-employee relations.**

**Q15**

New Mexico's state tax revenue is largely funded by oil and gas producers who operate under some of the most stringent environmental regulations in the country. Do you support or oppose continued oil and gas production in NM?

**Support.**

**Q16**

Do you feel that environmental regulations need to be increased or expanded from their current levels regarding New Mexico's land, air, and water?

Other or comments::

Conservation is an issue near and dear to my heart. Ever since the days of the Manhattan Project, all the way to modern incidents such as the Animas River disaster and the 2022 wildfires, we can see that the Federal Government has had no care in the world about conserving the resources, environment, and wildlife of New Mexico. Our state must prioritize gaining ownership of federally owned lands so that we can better manage our own environment. Bureaucrats in Washington have no clue how to conserve New Mexico because they are not New Mexicans.

**Q17**

What is your position on mandatory requirements for state-funded incentives that include pay-back measures if the requirements are not met?

**Support.**

**Q18**

Do you support or oppose changing the constitution and/or laws to require legislative approval for any emergency declaration/order lasting more than 60 days?

**Support.**

**Q19**

**I support abiding to the state Constitution as written.**

What is your position on abiding by the state constitution?

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**Q20**

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

My candidacy is focused on electoral reform, the abolition of the New Mexico Personal Income Tax, fighting the current illiteracy crisis, and fighting against federal overreach in New Mexico. With 10 years of experience working in elections and activism, my career as a substitute teacher, and my service to the county as Vice Chair of the Eddy County Libertarian Party as well as candidacy for Chair of the national Libertarian Party in 2022 have prepared me to serve my community and follow only their direction, not the direction of the Santa Fe Establishment, Political parties, lobbyists, and worst of all, the Feds.

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