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What are your past political activities (Offices held, candidate, volunteer, etc)

Started the first Republican Ward meetings for 19, when I realized that it was totally inactive, no meetings or any effort to help candidates.

Fair West Neighborhood Assoc. board member

Voter Registration Agent

Setting up for Republican events - that is how I became aware there was no Republican running in District 19

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Why are you seeking this office?

I was a voting delegate for the primary. At the pre-primary I found that there was NO ACTIVE ward in District 19, so I picked up the book and started holding meetings. (There is a Chair and Vice Chair for the District, but they are inactive and did not want to participate). We need a greater diversity of ideas in our government. We need a strong conservative voice for our district that was run so long by Stapleton.

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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

Have you ever been involved in a personal or business bankruptcy proceeding? If yes, please explain.

Yes (please explain):

in 1978 we purchased a business without doing the proper due diligence. Trusting the person selling the business, we gave our savings as the down payment and then when he offered an "unsecured" loan for the remainder, we signed! How young, uninformed and trusting we were! We soon realized we had purchased a business with equipment that was not repairable and tried to get out of the purchase. The owner sued to take our home and possessions. A lawyer told us the only way to keep our home was to declare bankruptcy. So I checked with my banker - George Sime, at Albuquerque National Bank - as that was the only other debt we had and I did not want to hurt that relationship. George agreed we should declare and that he would be at the hearing with papers for us to reaffirm our loan. It worked and we kept a good relationship with our bank.

Q13

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.

No

Q14

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

Please explain your answer:

Our state revenue fluctuates, we need reserves to keep things going in the down times. We need FEWER government programs.

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 :

Every area of the state can use those funds. Equal distribution can help the poorer areas improve with locally generated projects. A good example is the new library just opened in District 19!

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)

We must restructure to be competitive with surrounding states to attract both business and families to our state.

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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:

We must move away from the GRT. My direct knowledge of the "double Taxation" was from construction where we paid tax on materials purchased to build something then paid gross receipts on what was built and sold.... The GRT has kept many businesses that looked at Albuquerque from moving here. This tax issue is very complex. We will have to replace lost revenue, but we must make it a more fair tax structure if we are to attract and keep businesses here in New Mexico. The idea that health care professionals also pay this creates a very unfair tax. I remember in the early 1970's the jockeys at the State Fair went on strike if the Governor did not exempt them from paying GRT, and they won! My husband was a cocky riding at that time. I don't know if they were the only profession exempt, or if others were able to follow suit.

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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:

Yes, all businesses look at those things before moving into the state and we have a very bad reputation nation wide because of our crime.

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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

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Please explain your position:

We must repeal this amendment. And then we need to prosecute the drug use and petty crime, vagrancy. If we don't enforce the laws, criminals are emboldened. Which means we have to take the handcuffs off the police and put them on the criminals!

Q20

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

I oppose government mandates on general business operations because these decisions should be left to business owners on how they run their business.

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:

Yes. What a rich state we could be if we maximized these industries. What great jobs we would have for New Mexicans!

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)

Briefly explain your answer:

5 (Unimportant)

We do a better job of protecting the environment than all the other countries we import oil, gas and minerals from. We have some very strict laws in place and need to recognize that when we buy from countries that don't, and then ship things in, we are truly harming the world environment, and our state and national economy.

Q23

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

Oppose,

Please explain your answer:

I have to actually study what we are doing with this money - before I could vote on anything. I know we have to actually AUDIT all our state and city spending - I was shocked to learn that these huge expenditures are not regularly audited - we had audits on our very small business - just a good business practice. We let Stapleton embezzle millions - because we do not regularly audit! How many more millions are regularly embezzled because we are not doing regular audits on all state contracts!

Q24

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

Oppose,

Comments:

There was a time, I think we could have trusted most employees would not abuse these benefits. Large businesses have human resource departments that can track and make sure that employees actually need the time off. Small businesses are struggling just to stay open and hire help. They don't need more government burden!

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

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Please explain your answer:

After working at a large engineering firm with benefits and great salary, I went to work for a cabinet shop. They could not afford to pay what I needed, so I asked to come to work on a "commission only" bases. That way I knew there would be the money to pay me, and I could earn much more than they were paying other design/sales staff. After six weeks of my sales, everyone was told they had 3 months salary and then would go on commission. The others left when the salary stopped! I enjoyed working there for 18 years, and continued on that same basis for 10 more years with another firm.

Q26

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)

Explain your reasoning:

1 (Critical)

We need to offer trade education starting in Jr High and take it through apprenticeship programs. Everyone, boys and girls need to be exposed to mechanical, electrical and woodworking etc.... they need to understand that they can build and fix things and take care of themselves and property. We desperately need men and women in the trades where there are many good paying jobs that actually give the satisfaction of seeing things built! I retired at 72 only because I could not longer find enough people to build my projects in a timely manner.

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)

Please explain your answer:

1 (critical)

We have been "taken" too many times!

Q28

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

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Please explain your answer:
We should NEVER have been a sanctuary state or city!
Illegal immigration is ILLEGAL, and should not be allowed or encouraged!

Q29

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?

Support

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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?

I do firmly believe that we have to support our police, restore the qualified immunity and pay them better so that we can fill the many openings and actually have the manpower to enforce the laws on the books.

Allowing criminals free reign is destroying our state.
