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**Q9**

**Respondent skipped this question**

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

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**Q10**

Why are you seeking this office?

As a community member and business owner, I felt strongly that New Mexico was heading, quickly, in the wrong direction. With crime escalating, business being stifled by bureaucrats in Santa Fe, and our school system failing, I did not know how our community could thrive. This left me with two options: move or help to change the state. My wife and I love NM and there is no place we would rather live, which is why I chose to run.

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**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.

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**Q12**

**No**

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

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**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.

Yes (please explain):

OWI – Michigan (12/05/2007) I was guilty and assumed complete responsibility during my pretrial/trial. I am lucky that no one was hurt by my actions, and I have learned a great deal from my mistake. A mistake I will never forget and one that I will not repeat. DWI – New Mexico (11-24-2010) I was arrested and charged with DWI; however, I did not blow above the legal limit and was not drunk. It should be noted that I was not driving a car. I was on a scooter (50cc), moving it from campus, directly across the street, into my friend's garage so that it would not be stolen. The charges were ultimately dismissed.

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**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?

**Other,**

Please explain your answer:

I believe that government spending should be minimal and that if a proper surplus of tax revenue necessary for continued operations in emergencies exists, any further surplus should be given back to the people, and tax rates should be re-evaluated.

**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?

**Distribution based on economic activity and tax income production by county**

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Briefly explain your answer :

Legislator funds should not exist. However, if they do distribution should be distributed as indicated above because it may incentivize legislators.

**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)**

Economic growth is absolutely dependent on a complete overhaul of our tax code.

**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**

**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:

I also believe that it is vital we work to put a comprehensive drug and mental health program in place that works in concert with our judicial system.

**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**

**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**

**Yes**

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?

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**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)

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Briefly explain your answer:

This is not an area of expertise, but I fall to my default position that more government regulation is always the wrong answer.

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**Q23**

**Oppose**

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

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**Q24**

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

**Oppose,**

Comments:

Unfortunately, most individuals making regulations such as these have never run a business and do not understand (or don't care) the consequences such mandates have on a business. Their pathological altruism ends up hurting mom-and-pop establishments.

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**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.

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

**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)

**1 (Critical)**

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**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)**

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**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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**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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**Q30**

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**

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