2018 North Carolina Voter Guide
Questionnaire for State Candidates

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Candidate Questionnaire

Please indicate your position on the following issues by marking “Yes,” “No,” or “Undecided.” You may provide additional comments and explanations for your responses on a separate sheet of paper. (Failure to answer a question will result in a listing of “No Response” in the 2018 Voter Guide.)

1. Should lower income parents who choose to educate their children in a non-public school be eligible to receive a state-funded scholarship grant to assist with the cost of tuition and fees?
   - Yes [ ] No [x] Undecided [ ]

2. Should a person’s religious beliefs influence the decisions they make while serving in public office?
   - Yes [x] No [ ] Undecided [ ]

3. Should the advertising budget for the North Carolina lottery be increased in an effort to increase lottery ticket sales?
   - Yes [ ] No [x] Undecided [ ]

4. Should North Carolina legalize sports betting?
   - Yes [x] No [ ] Undecided [ ]

5. Should the State offer tax breaks and other financial benefits as an incentive for businesses to locate in North Carolina?
   - Yes [x] No [ ] Undecided [ ]

6. Should state nondiscrimination laws include “sexual orientation” and “gender identity” as protected classifications?
   - Yes [x] No [ ] Undecided [ ]

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7. Should North Carolina continue to provide abstinence until marriage sexuality education in public schools?
   X Yes  ___ No  ___ Undecided

8. Should organizations that provide abortions be allowed to receive state funds?
   ___ Yes  X No  ___ Undecided

9. Should North Carolina law allow a medical professional to assist another person in ending their life?
   ___ Yes  X No  ___ Undecided

10. Should human embryos be used for research purposes?
    ___ Yes  X No  ___ Undecided

11. Should access to public multiple occupancy bathrooms, showers and changing facilities be based on an individual's biological sex as designated on their birth certificate?
    X Yes  ___ No  ___ Undecided

12. Should churches and other qualified religious organizations continue to receive tax-exempt status?
    X Yes  ___ No  ___ Undecided

13. Should the number of terms a state legislator may serve in the North Carolina General Assembly be limited?
    ___ Yes  X No  ___ Undecided

14. Should North Carolina legalize the use of marijuana for medical purposes?
    X Yes  ___ No  ___ Undecided

15. Should the N.C. Constitution be amended to prohibit governmental entities from using eminent domain powers to take private property for economic development purposes?
    X Yes  ___ No  ___ Undecided

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Please return completed questionnaire to the
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Explanations to answers

6. I think that all Americans, regardless of sexual orientation should have their inalienable rights, those recognized by the US constitution for all Americans, upheld and defended. HOWEVER, we must know what discrimination IS and what it is NOT.

It is NOT discrimination for a baker to refuse to create a specific form of art if it violates his/her personal beliefs, nor is it discrimination for a religious official to refuse to perform a same-sex wedding if it violates his/her religious beliefs. Some of these “Nondiscrimination” laws (like the bathroom law in Charlotte) confuse what discrimination is and is not, and could violate the rights of individuals, businesses and religious institutions.

I believe that people should use the bathroom/locker rooms, etc in accordance to the gender on their birth certificate. We also should not encourage transgenderism in K-12 schools and we must keep boys out of the girls locker rooms and restrooms and vice versa.

I must also add that I do not believe it is okay to physically attack someone who is homosexual or transgender. I think it should be considered a hate crime for anyone who physically assaults someone for their sexual orientation. I also believe we must do more to make sure that we protect against bullying of homosexuals (and really anyone) in schools as this is often linked to suicides that occur amongst school aged children.

13. I understand the arguments about term limits, some of which are valid.

However, I oppose term limits for state house members because I believe the benefits outweigh the cost.

The framers of the constitution didn’t include term limits, and I believe they may have done that on purpose. If a district wants to keep sending the same person to congress (or in this case the state legislature) for the next 30 years then they should be able too. With term limits, you could potentially kill or weaken a good law that wouldn’t get passed before the person had to legally leave office. In addition, a person on the last two years of their term would be a “lame duck” and could do virtually anything they wanted as they wouldn’t have to answer to the people of their district. You also could lose the seniority factor, which I think is important. It’s a good thing to have leaders with experience to chair committees and fill speaker and whip positions, etc.

Overall, I think the focus should be on keeping corruption out of politics and tightening laws on special interest groups and corruption. If politicians went to Washington or Raleigh or wherever and actually did their jobs and did them well, we wouldn’t be having this discussion and we wouldn’t be chanting “drain the swamp”.