League of Women Voters Primary Election 2022 Voters Guide

VOTERS GUIDE—2022 GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION
TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2022

Listing candidates on the ballots of Abington, Cheltenham, Jenkintown, Lower Moreland, Rockledge, Springfield and Upper Dublin

Polls open 7 AM to 8 PM.
This guide may be taken into the voting booth.

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IN THIS ELECTION WE VOTE FOR:

Statewide:
United States Senator
Governor
Lieutenant Governor

Local:
U. S. House of Representatives (District 4)
PA Senate (Districts 4, 12)
PA House of Representatives
(Districts 151, 152, 153 and 154)

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The League has made every effort to reach candidates on the ballot in all races covering our communities. Some candidates may not have submitted their information and responses in time to meet our print deadline.

Please visit the League of Women Voters online guide, Vote411.org, to find more information on races and candidates elsewhere in Montgomery County, in Pennsylvania, and across the nation.

WHERE DO YOU VOTE? Polling places change from time to time. Please go to https://www.pavoterservices.pa.gov/Pages/PollingPlaceInfo.aspx to find your polling place, or call Montgomery County Voter Services at (610) 278-3280 for information on where you will vote.

OR: Vote by mail, no excuse required! The deadline to apply for a mail-in ballot for the Primary Election is Tuesday, May 10, 2022, by 5 PM (postmarks DO NOT apply). Or save your stamps: the fastest and easiest way to apply is online at https://vote.pa.gov. Don’t delay!
Alex supports providing tax credits to farmers who switch to regenerative farming. Provide more regulation and oversight on all mining to ensure protection of waterways. Currently $15 billion worth of mine reclamation yet to be completed in PA. Convert old coal mines to geothermal systems. Convert old coal power plants to battery storage facilities. Ensure all Pennsylvanians have access to clean drinking water. Stop pipeline construction near fresh water and all water ways, schools, homes and parks. Require Methane capping for gas and oil wells.

Q: How do you view the role of the US in responding to challenges facing the international community?
A: We need a Marshall Plan for the United States not endless wars. Over the last 50 years our foreign policy has cost us the opportunity to ensure the economic security of the American people. Stop supporting brutal dictatorships and focus on fighting poverty and promoting peace worldwide. Alex opposes all dictatorships and encourages and supports fair elections around the world. Alex supports the boycott of any country that utilizes child labor or benefits from child labor. The US must speak out in support of political prisoners around the world including the Uyghurs and Tibetans of China. Alex supports the boycott of products from any company, state or country that profits from human suffering.

CONOR LAMB, Allegheny County
Occupation: U.S. Representative, PA-17
Education: BA, University of Pennsylvania; JD, University of Pennsylvania Law School
Campaign Website: http://conorlamb.com
Facebook: http://Facebook.com/ConorLambPA
Twitter: http://Twitter.com/ConorLambPA

Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?

Q: What will you do in office to ensure all eligible voters have equal access to free and fair elections?
A: Alex supports and will protect the right of every eligible American citizen to vote by mail in ballot or in person voting. Voter suppression will not be tolerated in any form and will fight for the right to vote. Alex supports stiff penalties for those who try to suppress the vote. Voting is a part of democracy and should be protected.

Q: What measures, regulations, or acts, if any, would you support to mitigate climate change?
A: Stop the confiscation of Native American lands by mining companies. Support regenerative farming to prevent runoff that can harm PA waterways.

Q: What will you do in office to ensure all eligible voters have equal access to free and fair elections?
A: I will vote to eliminate the filibuster and to pass the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act and the Freedom to Vote Act, as I have in the House, so that we can prevent states from passing the kind of discriminatory voting restrictions that we’re seeing come out of Republican state legislatures across the country. I will also continue working to reform our campaign finance laws.

Q: What measures, regulations, or acts, if any, would you support to mitigate climate change?
A: The world emits 51 billion tons of greenhouse gases each year, and we need to get to zero by 2050 to avoid the worst effects of climate change. I support a comprehensive plan to accomplish that, and a flexible energy policy that invests in several different energy sources. I believe natural gas has a role to play as a bridge fuel as we continue to expand renewable energy sources and develop the technology we need to store renewable energy at grid scale. In the House, I helped increase research funds for solar and wind, as well as for modernizing the grid. I also passed a law to reinstate tough methane standards. And I support major investments in carbon and methane capture technology. You can read more about my plan at https://conorlamb.com

MALCOLM KENYATTA, Philadelphia County
Occupation: Representative in Pennsylvania General Assembly
Education: Bachelors - Temple University, Masters - Drexel University
Campaign Website: http://www.malcolmkenyatta.com
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/Mmkenyatta
Twitter: http://twitter.com/malcolmkenyatta

Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: I’m in this race to make sure the basic bargain is accessible to all folks, good jobs backed by a union, the ability to go to the doctor and to afford the prescription you may need and to go to a safe school and get an education.

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Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: The insurrection on January 6, where armed white supremacists tried to execute elected officials to forcibly overturn the certified results of a fair and free election, has already begun inspiring lawmkaers throughout the US to make it harder for marginalized communities to vote. 48 states, including Pennsylvania, have introduced or passed oppressive voting bills that restrict access to the ballot box. Increased voting by mail allowed a surge in democratic participation across communities and demographics in 2020, resulting in the highest have outlined an 8 point plan for protecting our democracy and moving forward legislation that matters here. https://malcolmforpa.medium.com/a-new-day-for-american-democracy-an-eight-point-plan-24bd7f32f324

Q: What measures, regulations, or acts, if any, would you support to mitigate climate change?
A: Our planet is rapidly approaching the point of no return as global temperatures continue to rise. The United States must lead the world in responding to the climate crisis on the scale, scope, and urgency this moment requires. But climate justice isn't limited to reducing our dependence on fossil fuels. That means we need a moratorium on new fracking and to end tax breaks to oil and gas giants, shifting our resources to fund a just transition and investments in green energy technology so Pennsylvania remains an energy leader. Climate justice means investment in green union jobs for workers leaving the fossil fuel industry, accountability for the communities poisoned by fossil fuel extraction, and innovation. Especially in states like PA where:

Q: How do you view the role of the US in responding to challenges facing the international community?
A: The US must continue to protect our NATO allies, Israel, and other major non-NATO allies across the world.

JOHN FETTERMAN, Allegheny County
Occupation: Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania
Campaign Website: http://johnfetterman.com/

A: I am very happy that President Biden is rebuilding the US's standing in the international community after former President Trump damaged it so much. As a world leader, America must first and foremost ensure proper diplomatic relations, protect its allies, and engage in vigorous diplomacy across the globe. In addition, where there is a need, and to the extent that we can, America must help. That includes accepting refugees fleeing war in their countries, or providing humanitarian aid, military aid, and other support to countries like Ukraine that are defending themselves from attacks on their sovereignty by brutal dictators like Putin.

REPUBLICAN

KATHY BARNETTE, Montgomery County
Occupation: MOM | Veteran | Author | Political Commentator
Education: College Graduate
Qualifications: Kathy Barnette is a veteran, former adjunct professor of corporate finance, sought-after conference speaker, & conservative political commentator. Kathy served her country proudly for 10 years in the Army reserves.
Campaign Website: http://www.barnetteforSenate.com
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/BarnetteforSenate/
Twitter: http://twitter.com/kathy4truth?lang=en

Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: Among my top issues are tackling income inequality and economic injustices; raising wages and benefits for working families; reforming the criminal justice system; codifying Roe v. Wade into federal law; passing anti-discrimination protections for the LGBTQ+ community; protecting and expanding the right to vote; and protecting and expanding the union way of life.

Q: What will you do in office to ensure all eligible voters have equal access to free and fair elections?
A: I would strongly support legislation in Congress, such as the John Lewis Voting Rights Act, the For the People Act, and the Freedom to Vote Act, which aim to expand voting rights. It is important that we make it easier for people to vote, eliminate dark money in politics, and knock down restrictions that marginalize voters, mostly voters of color. I would proudly eliminate the filibuster to do it. In the aftermath of the 2020 elections, I was removed from the floor of the PA state Senate after resisting Republican efforts to refuse to seat Senator Jim Brewster after he fairly won his election. We must enshrine the right to vote into federal law to stop Republicans from undermining it, and as Senator I will do everything to make that happen.

Q: What measures, regulations, or acts, if any, would you support to mitigate climate change?
A: Climate change is an existential threat, and we need to transition to clean energy as quickly as possible. I have never taken a dime from the fossil fuel industry, and I never will. It's a totally false choice that we have to choose between jobs and a clean environment. We can have both, that's why I am always going to fight for creating thousands upon thousands of good-paying green union jobs as we transition, all while increasing our energy independence. My plan for the transition to clean energy starts with immediate investments into research and development and innovation; expanding renewable energy sources; and ensuring clean transportation infrastructure; and investing in environmental justice measures.

Q: How do you view the role of the US in responding to challenges facing the international community?
A: The role of the US in responding to challenges facing the international community must be one of leadership. We must lead the world in addressing climate change, with a focus on transitioning to clean energy as quickly as possible. This involves not only reducing our dependence on fossil fuels but also investing in green energy technologies and creating new jobs in the green sector. We must also address economic inequalities and work towards a more just and equitable society both at home and abroad. Additionally, we must continue to support our NATO allies, including in times of crisis, and work closely with our partners to address global challenges such as pandemics, terrorism, and refugee crises. Lastly, we must work to protect our democracy and promote human rights around the world.
their vote counts. I will work to enforce the obvious fact that IDs matter and must be shown before a person is allowed to vote. I will work to remove dead people from the voter rolls. I will work to remove those people who no longer live in the state. I will work to reverse Act 77. I will work to make it illegal for third-party entities to spend massive amounts of money to assist states with their elections (i.e., Zuckerberg’s entities spending money to install drop boxes in certain areas)

Q: What measures, regulations, or acts, if any, would you support to mitigate climate change?
A: I will work to make America energy independent again. No one is going to produce energy as clean and as safe as America.

Q: How do you view the role of the US in responding to challenges facing the international community?
A: America is the face of freedom. When we “lead from behind” we create a vacuum and as we are all watching unfold today, despotic regimes will move rapidly to fill that void. Today, the Biden Administration’s foreign affair’s strategy looks like a game of wack-a-mole. There’s no discernable end game. There’s no deliberate strategy and as a result the world is now a more dangerous place. If your concern is the health of the climate then the Biden Administration’s lack of a credible foreign affairs strategy is enemy #1. America’s #1 challenge today is the need to re-prioritize what is important to America first. Our nation must be made strong again.

MEHMET OZ, Montgomery County
No response received.

GEORGE BOCHETTO, Philadelphia County
No response received.

JEFF BARTOS, Montgomery County
No response received.

DAVE MCCORMICK, Allegheny County
No response received.

SEAN GALE, Montgomery County
No response received.

CARLA SANDS, Cumberland County
No response received.

• GOVERNOR •

JOB DESCRIPTION: The Governor is the chief executive officer of the Commonwealth, executing the laws of the state through Executive Agencies. A Governor must be at least 30 years old and have been a US citizen and resident of the state for seven years preceding the election. S/he manages the financial affairs of the state and must annually pre-sent a balanced budget to the General Assembly. The Governor has extensive appointive powers, may recommend legislation, and signs or vetoes bills passed by both houses of the General Assembly (subject to 2/3 override). S/he is Commander-in-Chief of the state National Guard, except when they are called into the actual service of the United States. The Governor can grant reprieves, pardons, and paroles. The holder of this office may only be reelected once.

Term: 4 years—Salary: $213,026—Vote for one

DEMOCRATIC

JOSH SHAPIRO, Montgomery County
Occupation: Attorney General of Pennsylvania
Education: University of Rochester, BA; Georgetown University Law Center, JD
Qualifications: Whether as a State Rep., the leader of PA’s third-largest county, or Attorney General, I’ve brought people together to get things done. As Governor, I’ll continue to tackle the challenges facing Pennsylvanians and will move our Commonwealth forward.

Campaign Website: http://joshshapiro.org
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/JoshShapiroPA
Twitter: http://twitter.com/joshshapiropa

Questions:
Q: What is your position on these measures?
A: As Governor, I will work to ensure voters have access to the ballot box and that every legal vote is counted in every election. That’s why I released a ten-step plan to defend democracy, ensure access to the ballot, and improve our elections by appointing a pro-democracy Secretary of State, allowing counties to pre-canvass and cure ballots, establishing automatic voter registration and early in-person voting, and vetoing any attempt to restrict mail-in voting in Pennsylvania.

Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: As Governor, my top priorities are creating opportunity for Pennsylvania children by improving our education system, building a stronger economy by creating jobs, cutting taxes and lowering costs, and making our communities safer all across the Commonwealth. In order to move Pennsylvania forward and build a better future for our children, we must work together to achieve these key priorities.

Throughout my career – and every day as Attorney General – I work hard to bring people together, solve problems, and get things done for Pennsylvania. As Governor, I will continue to do just that so that we can solve our biggest problems – because that’s how we will deliver results for people across our Commonwealth and move Pennsylvania forward.

Q: What changes, if any, would you support making to Pennsylvania’s voting laws?
A: Defending democracy is the foundation for making progress in Pennsylvania. I believe that if we want to grow our economy, improve our schools, and make our communities safer, then we need a stable democracy where all Pennsylvanians’ voices can be heard. As Governor, I will continue my work to ensure voters have access to the ballot box and that every legal vote is counted in every election. That’s why I released a ten-step plan to...
ghanistan (three deployments), Senior leader of NATO unit in Afghanistan comprised of 18 nations, Award winning author, Professor of Army War College (Carlisle)

Campaign Website: http://doug4gov.com
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/Fight4pa

Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: Infrastructure, Energy Production, Road / Transportation Improvements, School Choice, the Right to Life

Q: What changes, if any, would you support making to Pennsylvania’s voting laws?
A: Voter ID, Poll Watcher Protection, Increased Penalties for violating voting law, Repeal Act 77

Q: Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?
A: Uphold the constitutional protections delineated in our state and federal constitutions

NCHE ZAMA, Northampton County
No response received.

DAVE WHITE, Delaware County
No response received.

MELISSA HART, Allegheny County
Occupation: Attorney and Consultant facebook HartforPA, twitter @HartofPgh
Education: J.D. University of Pittsburgh, B.A. Washington & Jefferson College
Qualifications: Attorney and former State Senator and Congresswoman with significant accomplishments and coalition building as a Republican from a Democratic district

Campaign Website: http://HartforPA.org
Facebook, HartforPA and Melissa Hart Twitter, @HartofPgh

Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: Cut bureaucracy, end regulatory overreach, and work with the legislature to effect change--cut out excessive use of executive orders and constitutional amendments. Have respect for the process developed by the Founders.

Q: What changes, if any, would you support making to Pennsylvania’s voting laws?
A: Repeal Act 77 and clarify that our voting system be compliant with the PA constitution allowing for voting on election day in person and also by absentee ballot for voters who qualify, to be received by mail or delivery by the voter by election day at the board of elections with an absentee ballot that a voter must apply for in advance, voter ID must be instituted. No delivery other than by the voter or by the post office should be permitted, that is no "drop boxes" or other places that are not secure.

Q: Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?
A: Enforce regulations that are designed to allow development and industry with an eye to long term impact on air water and the environment. We must balance our responsibilities to maintain our beautiful state with the people's needs for a robust economic environment. If we do this, we will see more advances in clean energy production and environmentally sensitive development because Pennsylvanians will be able to create and develop new technologies with resources from a robust economic environment.

Q: There are several pieces of gun legislation being considered on comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training. What is your position on these measures?
A: I support the 2nd amendment and a citizen's rights to own firearms. Communities and organizations offer safety courses for young and old all over the commonwealth. I am supportive of these and have participated in them. PA currently has laws requiring background checks.

BILL MCSWAIN, Chester County
No response received.

CHARLIE GEROW, Cumberland County
Occupation: Businessman
Education: JD Villanova Law School
Qualifications: Business owner, vice chairman of CPAC

Campaign Website: http://charlieforgovernor.com
Facebook: http://facebook.com/CharlieforGovernor
Twitter: http://twitter.com/CharlieforGovPA

Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: My priorities will be a thriving economy, a great education system and election integrity. I will do as I have always done, building coalitions and finding common ground to find winning solutions to the challenges we face.

Q: What changes, if any, would you support making to Pennsylvania’s voting laws?
A: I would sign a law to repeal Act 77. I will appoint a Secretary of the Commonwealth who is both experienced in conducting elections and fully committed to the rule of law.

Q: Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?
A: The constitutional guarantees of Article 1, Section 27 are vital to the future of Pennsylvania. As governor, I will appoint cabinet and agency officials committed to the protection of our environ-
ment and good stewards of our natural resources.

Q: There are several pieces of gun legislation being considered on comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training. What is your position on these measures?
A: I am deeply committed to the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding Pennsylvanians gun owners as well as Article 1 Section 21 of the Pennsylvania constitution.

JOE GALE, Montgomery County
No response received.

JAKE CORMAN, Centre County
Occupation: President Pro Tempore, Pennsylvania State Senate
Education: Jake received an Associates Degree from the Pennsylvania College of Technology and then a Bachelor of Arts from the Pennsylvania State University.
Qualifications: Dedicating his life to public service, Jake built a reputation as a champion for personal freedoms, education, creating jobs, public safety and as a strong fiscal watchdog for Pennsylvania taxpayers, defeating all of Tom Wolf's tax increases.
Campaign Website: http://www.cormanforpa.com
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/CormanForPA
Twitter: http://twitter.com/CormanForPA

Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: Election reform, education, jobs and public safety. I have a track record of working with members of my own party and Democrats to forge compromise. As Americans, we must be committed to a government that seeks compromise, while also fighting for what we believe to be right. I’ve been able to help Pennsylvania make historic investments in the education of our children, while defeating tax increases that would hurt working families. We negotiated my pension reform bill with a Democrat governor but defeated tax increase proposals. We can’t be ruled by partisanship and talking points; we have to be willing to roll up our sleeves and get things done. When I’m governor, I’ll get to work immediately with our legislature and put people first.
Q: What changes, if any, would you support making to Pennsylvania’s voting laws?
A: If we don’t have faith in our elections, we have nothing. That’s why I launched our review of the 2020 election in a transparent fashion. Gov. Tom Wolf ignored Act 77 by giving illegal, last-second directions to county voting offices on mail-in ballots. This behavior led two counties in one senatorial district to tabulate votes differently and change the outcome of an election. Our Supreme Court, outside of their judicial mandate, added unsecured ballot drop boxes. As governor, I will support reform legislation that eliminates drop boxes, institutes photo ID requirements, and ends what has been a disastrous, no-excuse mail-in-ballot program.
Q: Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?
A: I have a strong track record of supporting our environment and natural resources, namely Pennsylvania’s landmark Growing Greener program. In June 2002, we doubled the funding to over a half billion dollars. In doing so, we’ve cleaned up abandoned mines; funded local parks and trails; expanded farmland preservation and protected some of Pennsylvania’s most beautiful open spaces. I believe we have a responsibility to be guardians of our natural resources.
Q: There are several pieces of gun legislation being considered on comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training. What is your position on these measures?
A: Further gun control measures concentrate more power in the hands of government. If we go down the path of giving government more authority to decide who can and cannot possess a firearm, that’s a slippery slope that could seriously erode our Second Amendment rights. We all want safer streets and safer communities. Our prosecutors must be committed to prosecuting criminals who commit crimes with guns, not let them walk free like we’re seeing in Philadelphia with District Attorney Larry Krasner and his soft-on-crime mentality.

● LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ●

JOB DESCRIPTION: The Lieutenant Governor will be elected jointly with the Governor in the General Election although candidates are nominated separately in the Primary. A Lieutenant Governor must be at least 30 years old and have been a US citizen and resident of the state for seven years preceding the election. S/he is President of the Senate, presiding over the Senate but having no vote unless the Senate is equally divided. S/he is Chair of the Board of Pardons and the PA Emergency Management Council. The PA Constitution provides that in case of the death, conviction or impeachment, failure to qualify, resignation, or other disability of the Governor, the powers, duties, and compensation of the office shall be transferred to the Lieutenant Governor for the remainder of the term or until the disability is removed. There are no term limits to this office.

Term: 4 years—Salary: $178,940—Vote for one

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AUSTIN DAVIS, Allegheny County
No response received.

RAY SOSA, Montgomery County
Occupation: Consultant to Management
Education: Leadership Certified, Harvard University. BS in Business Administration. Insurance licensed in all 50 states (8 lines of authority)
Qualifications: Ray has been appointed by three different US Governors to lead districts in coordinating Emergency Management Response. Ray was the Chairman of the Governor’s Human Rights Advocacy Committee for 10 years, fighting for hospitals, juvenile justice centers, foster care, equality, and nursing homes.
Campaign Website: http://raysosaltgov2022.com
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/raysosaltgov2022
Twitter: http://www.twitter.com/raysosaltgov201

Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: Criminal Justice Reform, have a fairer bond regulation that does not impact our minority, and indigent population, and meritory commutations of sentences with a path to rehabilitation. Revamping our emergency response system and infrastructure to withstand a natural disaster due to climate change. I have 15 years of experience reaching across the isle to get legislation signed into law. As the future president of PA senate, I would be the peacekeeper of the senate. Keeping in mind that the PA Lt. Governor is the Lt. Governor for everyone, there are plenty of opportunities to create good will if I allow everyone regardless of political party to share their points and voice their opinions. That’s how you get things done!
Q: What changes, if any, would you support making to Pennsylvania’s voting laws?
A: There is a growing trend in PA where electoral maps are being challenged and redrawn to benefit only one party. There is also a trend to restrict the manner in which you choose to cast your vote. I would oppose any law that seeks to limit voting rights or represents an attempt at voter suppression. Our focus must be in facilitation and extending our voting options to defend our constitutional right to cast our vote. This is regardless of the party you belong to.
Q: Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?
A: I believe that our incumbents have not paid any attention to our air and water quality for the last 10 years, at least. The water quality in most of our major cities is deplorable and as a result the air quality is disastrous as well. It has come to a point that most water resources are unusable and represent a threat to the health of the population. I would support legislation that aggressively imposes fines for polluters in the state. I would also support funding for programs that actively reverse the damage. I consider this well within the duties of the Lt. Governor as the chair for the Emergency Management Commission for the state. Our water and air quality is an emergency and it should be treated as such.

Q: There are several pieces of gun legislation being considered on comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training. What is your position on these measures?

A: I believe that while we all have the right to bear arms, it should be contingent on a background check to assess criminal or violent behavior history. I am a firm believer in keeping military style weapons away from the general population, banning "Ghost Guns" and any attachments that could be used to make a regular weapon automatic. Firearms safety courses should be mandatory and we should eliminate the "Gun Show Loop". As a society we must balance the rights of our community with the safety of our people.

BRIAN SIMS, Philadelphia County
Occupation: Pennsylvania State House Representative (D-182)
Education: J.D. in International and Comparative Law, Michigan State University College of Law; B.S., Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania
Qualifications: I've served as a PA Rep. for a decade. I worked as a disability and civil rights attorney and served as staff counsel at the Philadelphia Bar Association. I also served as the president of the board of directors of Equality Pennsylvania and as the chairman of Gay and Lesbian Lawyers of Philadelphia.
Campaign Website: http://sims4pa.com/
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/brian.k.sims
Twitter: http://twitter.com/BrianSimsPA
www.instagram.com/briansimspa/
Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?

A: The Lt. Governor serves as the President of the Pennsylvania Senate and chairs the Board of Pardons. Pennsylvania needs a progressive President of the Senate who knows how to operate in, under, and around Republican rules to stop the onslaught of bigoted and discriminatory legislation from advancing and promote the passage of equity-focused legislation. I will be the first civil rights attorney to chair the Board of Pardons and will work towards decarceration. Our state has unjustly imprisoned far too many individuals, and while the deeply racist and classist roots of our criminal justice system make reforming it impossible, the Board of Pardons is one of the few places where we can bring justice to those who are falsely imprisoned.

Q: What is your position on these measures?

A: I've spent a decade fighting for legislation to ensure access to the ballot for all. I'm a member of the State Government committee—the committee that passes laws regarding elections—and I've sponsored legislation to create early voting, expand vote by mail, and make registration easier. I'm the prime sponsor of a package of bills that aim to make voting more accessible for returning citizens. As Lt. Governor I'll stand against voter suppression laws that come through the Senate and will use the statewide platform to push for early voting, automatic voter registration, election day as a public holiday, and the re-enfranchisement of returning citizens. I'll do everything in my power to protect and expand voting rights for all Pennsylvanians.

Q: Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?

A: I am the only candidate in the race for Lt. Governor that is against fracking. Pennsylvanians deserve clean air and water, and the continuation of fracking in our Commonwealth is in direct opposition to that goal. I am the proud sponsor of HB 100 which aims to transition Pennsylvania to one hundred percent renewable energy by 2050. Our state needs to invest in renewable energy sources and green infrastructure in order to complete the transition away from fossil fuel dependence. As Lt. Governor, I will work with Democratic leaders in the Senate and the Governor to eliminate fracking in the Commonwealth and pass necessary legislation like HB100 that will transition Pennsylvania to one hundred percent renewable energy sources.

Q: There are several pieces of gun legislation being considered on comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training. What is your position on these measures?

A: With a gun violence epidemic affecting families across Pennsylvania, we desperately need comprehensive background checks and safety training. I support the enforcement of red flag laws, lost-gun reporting laws, eliminating straw purchases, and comprehensive background checks to decrease the likelihood that guns fall into the wrong hands. I am the prime sponsor of HB393 which would only allow licensed firearms dealers to sell ammunition and businesses to use existing licenses to sell both firearms and ammunition. Nearby states have passed such laws, and there is no reason Pennsylvania cannot do the same. As Lt. Governor, I will work with members of our legislature to curb gun violence so that our Commonwealth is a safer place for all.

REPUBLICAN

CLARICE SCHILLINGER, Montgomery County
No response received.

JAMES EARL JONES, Montgomery County
Occupation: Petroleum Consultant
Education: BS/MBA
Qualifications: Military Retired/Businessman
Campaign Website: http://www.jonesfortgovernorpa.com
Facebook: http://https://www.facebook.com/groups/18758356211346
Twitter: http://https://twitter.com/JonesforAmerica
Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?

A: I would prioritize legislation and laws to focus on the economy, environment, education and energy programs. Economy: use various measures to control and regulate both private and public sectors. Environment: support legislation to protect jobs and industry while reducing threats to the environment and increasing public health. Education: allow for school choice in providing for the maintenance and support of a thorough and efficient system of public education. Energy: support governmental actions affecting the production, distribution, and consumption of energy in a business manner. As President of the Senate, I would advocate meeting with both the Senate leaders and the
House of Representative leaders of both parties on a monthly basis.

Q: What changes, if any, would you support making to Pennsylvania’s voting laws?
A: To me, voting is a sacred American right. In the Pennsylvania Constitution, Article 7 is clear on how voting in the Commonwealth is conducted. After the 2020 election, I see the need to push for more restrictive voting laws (such as voter identification) designed to protect against accusations that future elections will not be stolen with fraud and against security failures. Also, due to issues created with Act 77, I would support an RFP (Request for Proposal) to address specific gaps or complaints discovered in the current electronic machines to increase voter integrity. I will work to protect our right to vote and protect our election systems from partisan or foreign interference, and help build trust in our democracy.

Q: Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?
A: One of the pillars of my campaign is protection of the Commonwealth’s environment and our natural resources. I would urge the Governor to remove the job killing REGGI (Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative) and any other obstructive legislation. Regulations protecting our natural resources must be (1) compliant with all applicable statutes relevant to the protection of the public’s natural resources (2) demonstrate a reasonable effort to reduce the environmental incursion to a minimum (3) more beneficial in reducing environmental harm than the costs incurred implementing the regulations. I would push for improving technology and educating the DEP (Department of Environmental Protection) on the best measures to safeguard our natural resources.

Q: There are several pieces of gun legislation being considered on comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training. What is your position on these measures?
A: The language is clear in Article I, Section 21 of the Pennsylvania State Constitution, stating: “The right of the citizens to bear arms in defense of themselves and the State shall not be questioned”. Additionally, the US Constitution, 2nd Amendment states those rights “shall not be infringed”. My position on red flag laws is they are unconstitutional. I am in favor of gun merchants and local law enforcement background checks and individual requested firearm safety training programs.

RICK SACCONE, Allegheny County
No response received.

JOHN BROWN, Northampton County
No response received.

CHRIS FRYE, Lawrence County
Occupation: Mayor (New Castle, PA)
Education: Bachelors from Gannon University in Social Work and Masters from University of Pittsburgh in Social Work with a concentration in Community Organizing and Social Administration
Qualifications: Current mayor (New Castle), responsible for day-to-day management of employees; chief executive, proposes & manages $26M budget; 15 years of executive/management experience; serves on executive and legislative committees Municipal League; workforce development & juvenile probation experience.
Campaign Website: http://www.CitizensForChrisFrye.com
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/mayorchrisfrye
: Instagram: mayorfrye4lt
Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: As lieutenant governor, my role would be to primarily work to advance the governor’s agenda. However, it is my desire to work as a conduit between the governor’s office and the more than 2,500 municipalities. I know, first hand, as mayor of a Pennsylvania municipality, that Harrisburg often disregards us. They never ask what we need. They pass unfunded mandates and leave us to fend for ourselves. I will support and push an agenda that take into consideration the effects legislation has on local communities. As mayor, I have an agenda, but that agenda is based in large part on input from the community. I take a bottoms up approach. Listen to the voters & community so they can help shape the agenda and have a stake & say in their community.

Q: What changes, if any, would you support making to Pennsylvania’s voting laws?
A: I support limiting mail in ballots. I support requiring ID to vote. I support auditing to be sure that we have integrity in our elections.

Q: Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?
A: I believe in legislation that protects our environment; however, we must allow the private sector to tap into our natural resources, specifically our energy resources, to bring in new revenue sources and lower the tax burden on our taxpayers. I am not opposed to limited government oversight to insure that our environment is not destroyed, however, I do not believe a large government bureaucracy that regulates an industry into the ground is what we need.

Q: There are several pieces of gun legislation being considered on comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training. What is your position on these measures?
A: I support the second amendment and am myself a conceal carry permit holder. I believe that the government has no right to interfere with our right to bear arms. I am not opposed to limited laws that are truly intended to prevent guns from falling into the wrong hands. However, I would fight against legislation that makes it hard for good, law abiding citizens to purchase fire arms. We cannot allow the minority (criminals) to dictate our laws.

JEFF COLEMAN, Cumberland County
Occupation: Principal, Churchill Strategies
Education: BS, Liberty University
Qualifications: Small business owner, former borough councilman, former two-term state representative
Campaign Website: http://www.Colemanforpa.com
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/ColemanforPA
Twitter: http://twitter.com/colemanforpa
Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: The centerpiece of my campaign has been the urgent need to restore civil discourse in our public dialogue. While the lieutenant governor’s role in policy is limited to the priorities of the governor, I believe there is a need to expand the participation of parents in the education of their children, offer a renewed vision for struggling small towns, and create a path to work, community, and good citizenship for ex-offenders.

Q: What changes, if any, would you support making to Pennsylvania’s voting laws?
A: Maintaining—and in too many cases, restoring—public confidence in our electoral process is a challenge that can be addressed in a level-headed, bipartisan way free of rancor over past or looming elections. I am confident that with the right leadership Pennsylvania can do this without sacrificing our centuries-old tradition of welcoming the vote of every citizen.

Q: Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?
A: As a son of rural Pennsylvania I am deeply aware of the beauty of our environment and the harm that has been done in the past exploiting natural resources. It is a core mission of government to properly balance the obligation to protect the environment with the need to ensure that farmers are not harmed and the economic life of small communities is not destroyed.
Q: There are several pieces of gun legislation being considered on comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training. What is your position on these measures?
A: I support the provisions of the federal and state constitutions outlining the rights and responsibilities of gun ownership, which I do not believe to be inconsistent with maintaining public safety. While the lieutenant governor has no vote on these or other policy issues—outside of breaking a tie on pro-cedural votes—I am a strong advocate for promoting the safe, responsible use of firearms.

RUSS DIAMOND, Lebanon County
No response received.

CARRIE LEWIS DELROSSO, Allegheny County
 Occupation: Member of State House of Representatives
 Education: University of Pittsburgh
 Qualifications: Oakmont Council Member 2018-2020; State House Member 2021
 Campaign Website: http://www.CarrieForPA.com
 Facebook: http://facebook.com/carrieforpa
 Twitter: http://twitter.com/carrieforpa

Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: As someone who had the chance to run for Congress after our State Supreme Court ruled that the PA GOP had unconstitutionally gerrymandered our districts, I am a firm believer that voters should choose their representatives—not the other way around. Now, with the 2022 Congressional maps, Pennsylvania has new, compact districts. In Congress, I have supported legislation to expand voting rights, lessen the influence of money in politics, and establish more stringent ethics standards for lawmakers. Additionally, as an impeachment manager, I defended our Constitution and the sanctity of the 2020 Presidential Election. I will stand against any and all efforts to overturn the will of voters—because doing so is an assault on our democracy.

Q: What measures, regulations, or acts, if any, would you support to mitigate climate change?
A: Article I, Section 27 of the PA Constitution guarantees residents the right to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. While I'm no longer a state representative, I remain committed to preserving these rights for generations to come. Climate change is a crisis that requires immediate attention, and we must rapidly transition our economy to clean, renewable energy sources to get to net-zero greenhouse emissions by 2050. I've been pleased to cosponsor various legislation to mitigate climate change. This includes the THRIVE Act—the largest single investment in communities to transition to clean energy, build green infrastructure, and invest in impacted communities—all while increasing well paying, union jobs.

Q: How do you view the role of the US in responding to challenges facing the international commu-
A: As a global leader in democracy, the United States has a responsibility to exemplify moral leadership in our policies and decision-making – both at home and abroad. Thus, whenever possible, we must strive to provide security and humanitarian aid to those in dangerous, precarious situations. Yet the US must not tackle international issues alone. We are stronger and more secure globally when nations work together; we must continue to lead through partnerships with – and rely more heavily on – our allies in NATO, the EU, and the UN to deal with global strife. Further, we must work with world leaders to offer asylum assistance to refugees and those fleeing tense situations. The US will continue to lead through collaboration and compassion.

REPUBLICAN
CHRISTIAN NASCIMENTO, Montgomery County
Occupation: Executive
Education: Graduated from Plymouth-Whitemarsh High School; went on to get degrees from Widener University (BS) and Villanova University (MBA).
Qualifications: Corporate executive, focused on technology and innovation serving small businesses; former school board president; Adjunct Professor of business; University Trustee, and board member of for and non-profits.
Campaign Website: http://www.cn4pa.com
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/CN4PA
Twitter: http://twitter.com/CN4PA4

Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: The Major issues we see in this country right now are mainly stemming from a lack of "Freedom of speech". Censorship of those we don't agree with, election issues and fraud that take your main freedom to express your opinion through voting, to parental authority when it comes to the mental and physical growth and education of our children. It is an all attack on the foundation of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. With these foundational beliefs and freedoms, working together with all legislators will be simple. Base all legislation on truth and Liberty, and let the American people pursue their own happiness. Guaranteed happiness from any government is just a gateway to tyrannical rule by that same granter.

Q: What will you do in office to ensure all eligible voters have equal access to free and fair elections?
A: There isn't a problem with eligible voters having access to free and fair elections. The "free and Fair" portion of the election is in question when those who are not eligible to vote, do. When that crime happens, it extinguished a lawfully cast vote. There should be ID to vote so that all of those who want a free and fair election can truly have one. To say that it is not "fair" to require someone to identify themselves before casting a vote in a free land where voting is the most important thing we do as citizens, is lunacy. To say that it is anything other than the right thing to do, is truly disenfranchising people because they don't feel their vote matters or counts. The true definition of disenfranchisement.

Q: What measures, regulations, or acts, if any, would you support to mitigate climate change?
A: Currently, regulations of businesses in this country limit the opportunity of a start up to be able to create a competitive business in most Manufacturing industries. This then leads some to close or leave this country for others that are not as caring of the environmental impact. I believe that if we found ways for these businesses, through incentives and a capitalistic approach of customer loyalty, to make decisions based off of sustainability on their own, as opposed to regulating them to closure, we would have more companies staying and coming back to the US and they would be cleaner in doing so. It would also improve our economy, employment, and GDP. Climate change is relative to which scientist/expert you speak to.

Q: How do you view the role of the US in responding to challenges facing the international community?
A: I believe that where the freedoms and liberties of this Country go regarding her citizens, the rest of the world follows suit. The more our country turns toward tyrannical control and rule, the more the world slips to this status because we are not there as a beacon in the darkness. The world is see-
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To Pennsylvania

Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: Gun violence prevention, raising the minimum wage and fairly funding public education.

Q: What changes, if any, would you support making to Pennsylvania’s voting laws?
A: Voting rights continue to be of critical concern in the Commonwealth. I voted for Act 77 granted all Pennsylvania voters the ability to vote by mail, allowed our county governments to implement the use of drop boxes and allowed voters to begin voting up to 50 days before election day so that they could cast their ballot at a time and in a location convenient to them. These reforms were approved almost unanimously by our legislature and signed into law by our Governor and the defense of these reforms is critical to maintaining free and fair elections in Pennsylvania.

Q: Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?
A: I support responsible gun ownership in the Commonwealth of PA including comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training.

No candidate.

District 12

The 12th Senate District includes all of Lower Moreland and Upper Dublin Townships.

MARIA COLLETT

Education: BA English Literature, JD, BSN
Occupation: State Senator
Qualifications: I started my career as a Deputy Attorney General in NJ before becoming a Registered Nurse and working at the bedside for 10 years. I have been representing the 12th District of Pennsylvania as the State Senator since my first election in 2018.

Campaign Website: http://www.mariaforpasenate.com
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/MariaforPA/
Twitter: http://twitter.com/mariaforpa

Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: Government must operate efficiently and with transparency on issues of post-pandemic economic recovery, access to affordable, quality healthcare, and appropriate funding of public schools. As minority chair of the Senate Aging & Youth Committee I challenged the Governor and DOH for transparency around distribution of PPE and vaccines during covid and worked with the administration to ensure that federal relief dollars were allocated based on need and covid impact. I successfully advocated for $20m dollars in student loan relief for nurses using federal Covid relief dollars. As your State Senator, I will continue to be at the table when the economic security of our communities, personal health of its residents, and schools are being impacted.

Q: What changes, if any, would you support making to Pennsylvania’s voting laws?
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Q: Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?
A: As your Senator since 2019, I have defended this right and will continue to serve as a trustee for our natural resources. One of the biggest concerns is cleaning up from the devastating impact the spread of PFAS from firefighting foams used on local military bases in Warminster & Horsham has had on soil and groundwater. That’s why - before even being sworn into office - I introduced bills to help hold polluters accountable and help make our communities’ drinking and groundwater safe. The legislation would set a maximum contaminant level (MCL) for the most common of these chemicals to require that water suppliers clean the drinking water to levels that are safe and protect us without putting financial burden to the ratepayer.

Q: There are several pieces of gun legislation being considered on comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training. What is your position on these measures?
A: I support common sense gun safety legislation can be enacted and be complementary to individual rights. As your State Senator, I introduced legislation to protect local governments from penalties that seek to restrict possession of firearms on government property through local ordinance in places like administration buildings and parks. Our local elected officials know our communities best and we must give them the tools to provide their residents with safe places to work, live, play, and thrive.

ART HAYWOOD

Education: Morehouse College, London School of Economics, Michigan Law School
Occupation: lawyer
Qualifications: Advocate
Campaign Website: http://haywoodstatesenate.com

Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: Protect mail in voting

Q: Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?
A: Create renewable energy incentives for energy companies

Q: There are several pieces of gun legislation being considered on comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training. What is your position on these measures?
A: I support restrictions to access to guns including requiring a permit to purchase a firearm

REPUBLICAN

District 4

The 4th Senate District includes all of Abington, Cheltenham and Springfield Townships, as well as the Boroughs of Jenkintown and Rockledge.

DEMOCRATIC

ART HAYWOOD

Education: Morehouse College, London School of Economics, Michigan Law School
Occupation: lawyer
Qualifications: Advocate
Campaign Website: http://haywoodstatesenate.com

Questions:
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REPUBLICAN

ROB DAVIES

Education: B.A. in International Relations, Saint Joseph's University
Occupation: Futures Trader
Qualifications: Over 30 years business experience in finance and economics. Over 20 years of involvement with local government.

Campaign Website: http://rob4pasenate12.com/
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/
They are meant to. They seize guns, but leave all manner of dangerous instruments in the hands of their target, who is then left without any help that might actually prevent violence. I was taught gun safety when I was 6 years old and I have spent my life since studying, practicing, and teaching it. It would be wise to approach gun safety the same way we teach about other potentially dangerous activities.
District 152

District 152 includes Lower Moreland Township and part of Abington Township.

DEMOCRATIC

NANCY GUENST

Occupation: State Representative HD152
Education: Studied at Montgomery County Community College. Graduate of Defense Language Institute, Monterey CA.
Qualifications: Current incumbent of HD152. Previous offices - Mayor of Hatboro 2017-2020, Two term Councilwoman
Campaign Website: http://Nancy4pahouse.com
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/nancy4PaHouse
Twitter: http://twitter.com/@nancy4pahouse

Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: Whenever something becomes an issue it needs to be prioritized. On any given day "in session", the General Assembly is tackling a multitude of Bills. My district's priorities are protecting working class families, environmental concerns, adequate funding for infrastructure projects, concerns over voter suppression and equality and diversity issues. There are a number of issues we all agree with and a number of issues that we do not. On both sides of the aisle we all look for ways to get a crossover. It happens, but is fairly rare. It is easier to work through our differences at the Committee level, where proposed bills are voted on prior to reaching the floor. We've made a lot of headway this year, but we can always do better.

Q: What changes, if any, would you support making to Pennsylvania's voting laws?
A: I believe Act 77 of 2019 (PA Election Code) was well written and passed through the House and Senate in a unanimous vote. Since President Trump's loss in 2020 the House has been fighting over the validity of that Act. I don't believe it should be amended in any way.

Q: Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?
A: As Vice-Chair to the Climate Caucus I take all of our environmental concerns very seriously. All of my votes concerning these issues are extremely important to me and to our district. We have received numerous grants as well for our townships and boroughs to combat stream and stream bank mitigation efforts and flooding issues. I will continue to fight for environment concerns on all levels.

Q: There are several pieces of gun legislation being considered on comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training. What is your position on these measures?
A: First let me say, as an avid hunter and fishing enthusiast, I'm not trying to take anyone's guns away. That being said, we need common sense gun laws in place to keep our kids from shooting each other. I believe we should make it mandatory that a gun lock should accompany any gun sale. Also, that every purchaser continues to need a background check and that every person who wants to open carry needs to have a permit to do so. Yes, my opposition in the House is trying to pass legislation that allows for no permit carry and for the age of ownership for a gun to be reduced from 21 to 18 yrs old. It's Bills like these that take up delicate time, only to be voted through on partisan levels and gets vetoed when it hits the Governor's desk.

REPUBLICAN

JOHN WEINRICH

Occupation: REMAX ACTION REALTOR
Education: St. David's School, Willow Grove Cold Spring Elementary, Upper Moreland Upper Moreland Middle School La Salle College High School Villanova University, BA Villanova University, Master's Work Study Abroad University of Madrid, Spain, Honors Penn State, Real Estate Program ASA, Certif
Qualifications: In my 28+ year career (1994 - present) as a self-employed, professional RE/MAX realtor, I have learned to negotiate and manage hundreds of home purchases and selling transactions for my fellow citizens. In a 10 year period, I personally sold more Upper Moreland residential homes than any other realtor
Campaign Website: http://www.votejohnweinrich.com

Questions:
Q: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?
A: I support absolute elimination of school tax on residential real estate with no reduction of school funding - accomplished by spreading school funding across all PA residents, not just homeowners (this is already implemented in many other states); reducing gun violence; eliminating the 2,400+ redundant offices of tax collectors for the entire state; providing treatment options, not jail, for those suffering from addiction -- all are issues that I am passionate about. I believe in increasing PA’s minimum wage; there has been no increase in the past 11 years! Other initiatives would be to abolish the state store liquor and create free enterprise for lower prices and greater flexibility/hours, as well as no cost community college--term limits

Q: What is your position on these measures?
A: The integrity of our democracy is at stake. Safeguards must be instituted to confirm that the system is protected from any domestic or international corrupted threat. Providing an ID must be mandatory! Mail in ballots must be scrutinized more thoroughly to detect fraud. Act 77 is currently in the courts and the constitutionality will be decided by the next election. Like other states, citizens should be able to vote in person several days leading up to election day. If we had several voting days in person, we could drop the "no excuse" mail-in option. These are important aspects that need to be discussed with the community. I look forward to examining all our options and hearing from the constituents.

Q: Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?
A: We absolutely need to be responsible stewards of our environment. The single use of plastic items must be removed from the market place. As an avid fisherman, I have seen firsthand in the ocean and rivers all the trash in the food chain. These items are destroying our ecosystems and strong measures need to be enacted to protect our food sources. The installation of more and more car charging stations is essential to supplying the demand from clean operating electric vehicles. Like other states, slow moving electric vehicles should be permitted to travel on any highway with 25 mph or less and the Pa. registration fees should be zero. Any citizen using these environmentally clean cars should have high yearly fees waived by the Commonwealth.

Q: There are several pieces of gun legislation being considered on comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training. What is your position on these measures?
A: I have always been an advocate of the 2nd Amendment. This provision is in both the Federal & Pennsylvania constitutions. Our citizens have a right to defend themselves in their homes and while they are out and about. We are very fortunate to live in a state that has the "Castle "and "Stand Your Ground "doctrines in our legal system. Background checks administered by the county Sheriff's dept., when obtaining a permit to carry must never be weakened. We need to aggressively enforce and prosecute violators of our gun laws, however, forcing judges to issue mandatory sentences is a not prudent path to follow. Judges need to rule on their cases with their expertise, experience and discretion.
**District 153**

District 153 includes the Borough of Rockledge, part of Abington Township, and part of Upper Dublin Township.

**DEMOCRATIC**

**BEN SANCHEZ**, Abington

**Occupation:** Attorney/Legislator  
**Education:** Juris Doctor, Temple University, 2004; Bachelor of Science in Accountancy, Villanova University, 1997; Abington Senior High School 1993

**Qualifications:** Attorney, Accountant, Incumbent (2 Terms)  
**Campaign Website:** http://bensanchez.org

**Questions:**

**Q:** What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?

**A:** My top legislative priorities will be public health and safety (ensuring accessible and affordable healthcare for all), addressing economic recovery, in light of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) crisis; strengthening and supporting public education; demanding action for gun safety, and protecting our rights when it comes to equality and our precious environment; and, of course, all under the overarching considerations of social justice. I am always a consensus builder.

**Q:** What changes, if any, would you support making to Pennsylvania’s voting laws?

**A:** Broadly, I would support any measures to “enfranchise” people and oppose any measures to “disenfranchise” potential voters. I am strongly in favor of pre-canvassing and the elimination of secrecy envelopes creating a defect. I am also in favor of allowing counties to cure or disregard minor technical defects and to require minimum numbers of “drop boxes” based on population and distance.

**Q:** Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?

**A:** I am a staunch defender of the environment. I have a track record of water quality improvement securing $3.5 million in funding for PFAS remediation at the North Hills well for clean drinking water and have also secured and enabled millions more to help storm water management. I also supported joining the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) to reduce carbon emissions in Pennsylvania.  

**Q:** There are several pieces of gun legislation being considered on comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training. What is your position on these measures?

**A:** I am a co-sponsor (firmly support) all of these measures and have several of my own measures pending - such as lost and stolen reporting, waiting periods and banning multi-burst trigger activators.

**REPUBLICAN**

**LARRY ULRICH**, Abington

No response received.

**District 154**

District 154 includes Cheltenham and Springfield Townships and the Borough of Jenkintown.

**DEMOCRATIC**

**NAPOLEON NELSON**, Cheltenham Twp.

**Occupation:** State Representative  
**Qualifications:** 2007-2020 Committee person for the Cheltenham Democratic Committee. 2nd Vice Chair 2009 Committee person of the Year. 2011 elected to Cheltenham School Board, chaired Finance and Personnel committees & served as president. 2018 appointed to Board of Trustees for Montgomery County Community College.

**Campaign Website:** http://napoleonfor154.com/

**Facebook:** http://www.facebook.com/NapoleonFor154

**Twitter:** http://twitter.com/NapoleonFor154

**Questions:**

**Q:** What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?

**A:** Our campaign theme this year which I believe represents everyday people, is “Our Future is Together”. For the past few years, politics has divided us. But as we turn the page, our future doesn't have to belong to the politicians, the mega-wealthy, or the talking heads. Our future is for the PhD’s, the high school drop-outs, small business owners, faith leaders, the currently incarcerated, the Veteran for Foreign Wars, and each of us in between. Our future is what we, ALL OF US, make it. We need to put forth legislation that works for all-- not just the people writing them. We need to strengthen voting rights, and reproductive health justice, and further emphasize the need for a stronger educational system.

**Q:** What changes, if any, would you support making to Pennsylvania’s voting laws?

**A:** We need to make voting more accessible-- not harder. Access to the ballot box and our exercising of the critical civic duty of voting should never be ignored or taken for granted. I support early voting, automatic registration, and the mailing of voting reminders. I also support the restoration of voting rights (not privileges) for incarcerated citizens convicted of non-voting-related crimes.

**Q:** Article 1, Section 27 of the PA constitution guarantees the rights to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the environment. What actions would you take to protect these rights?

**A:** Clean air, water, and the preservation of our environment should never be an afterthought. We need to invest in minority communities throughout the commonwealth of Pennsylvania to study the environmental degradation and health impacts certain measures have on them. I will continue to advocate for putting the “environmental pillar” within the African American agenda. As a state, we also need to move away from fossil fuel energy and move toward clean energy instead. Will it be hard to do? Yes, but it can and should be done for the betterment of our environment!

**Q:** There are several pieces of gun legislation being considered on comprehensive background checks, red flag laws, and firearm safety training. What is your position on these measures?

**A:** My district borders one of the most negatively impacted cities in the entire country when it comes to gun violence. The reason for that-- is because of the inadequate measures being taken by our State Government in trying to prevent such violence. If someone is suspected of being dangerous to themselves or others, they should not have a firearm. If someone isn't safely trained on how to handle and carry a firearm, they shouldn't have one. If someone fails a background check, they shouldn't be able to go buy a "ghost gun". As a matter of fact, if someone wants a firearm, they should pass a background check in general-- period. These are all measures that we label as "common sense"-- we need to start acting like it as lawmakers.

**REPUBLICAN**

**ANGELINA BANKS**, Springfield

No response received.

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The candidates listed are those whose names appear on the official ballot. They are listed according to their ballot order.

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The League of Women Voters online voters guide is available at www.vote411.org. This site also has useful links to online voter registration and other election information. The League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania homepage can be found at www.palwv.org.

ONLINE REGISTRATION AND BALLOT APPLICATIONS
If you have a Pennsylvania driver’s license or PennDOT-issued ID card, you can register to vote online in PA. Go to vote.pa.gov to register, check your registration status, update your registration, or apply for a mail-in or absentee ballot.

ABSENTEE OR MAIL-IN VOTING
Registered voters who are ill or disabled or who will be absent from the municipality on Election Day may vote by absentee ballot.

NEW: With the passage of Act 77 of 2019, any Pennsylvania voter may apply for a mail-in ballot that requires no excuse.

Apply for your ballot online at vote.pa.gov, or mail in an application. Completed applications for civilian absentee ballots or mail-in ballots must be received by the County Board of Elections by 5 PM, Tues., May 10, 2022 (postmarks do NOT apply). Completed absentee or mail-in ballots must be received at the Board of Elections by 8 PM on Election Day, May 17, 2022 (postmarks do NOT apply).

In emergency situations (such as an unexpected illness or disability and last-minute absence) following the deadline at 5 PM on May 10, you can request an Emergency Absentee Ballot. The deadline to submit your Emergency Absentee Ballot Application to the County Office of Voter Services is 8 PM on Election Day.

Any disabled voter having questions regarding the accessibility of a polling place should contact the county Board of Elections.

FOR ELECTION INFORMATION
Contact Montgomery County Voter Services by phone at (610) 278-3280, www.montcopa.org/voterservices, or visit vote.pa.gov.

NEW PROCEDURES AT THE POLLS
Montgomery County now uses paper ballots that the voter marks by pen, which then go through an optical scanner. You may bring your own black pen. Be prepared for delays at the polls, as many voters may not yet be familiar with the new procedures.

Visit www.montcopa.org/voterservices to download a spreadsheet of polling places.

ELECTION DAY PROBLEMS
If your right to vote is challenged at the polls on Election Day and the problem cannot be resolved at the polling place, the Judge of Elections at the polling place should telephone the Montgomery County Board of Elections at (610) 278-3275. The problem could be resolved by phone if your name appears on the County records. Or you can ask for and vote by provisional ballot. If it is later determined that you were eligible to vote, your ballot will be counted. You will be given instructions on how to determine if your vote was counted.

If you have any questions at the polls or need to report any problems, call 1-866-OUR-VOTE.

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW VOTERS
If you are a new voter or if you are voting at a polling place for the first time, then you must bring your voter ID card or a photo ID such as a driver’s license, student ID or some other form of Federal or State government-issued ID. Some forms of non-photo ID are also acceptable such as a firearm permit, current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or government check. If you do not have any acceptable ID, then you must be allowed to vote by provisional ballot.
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