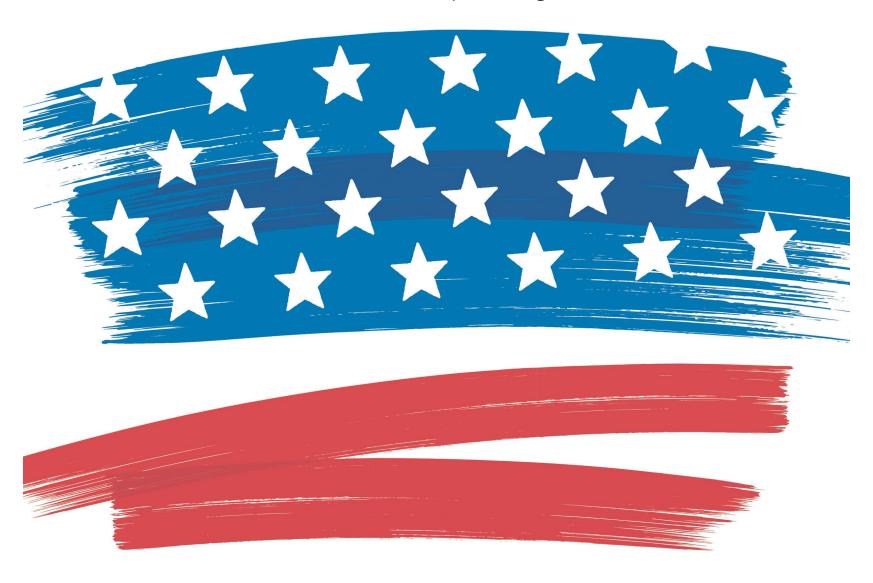
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# VOTERS GUIDE

## **TO THE 2022 PENNSYLVANIA PRIMARY**

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#### **PENNSYLVANIA**

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#### **GOVERNOR**

**Description of office:** 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 U.S. citizen and resident of the state for seven years preceding the election. S/he manages the financial affairs of the state and must annually present 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 commanderin-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.

**Salary:** \$213,026 **Term:** 4 years

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

#### **Democrat**

Vote for one

#### **JOSH SHAPIRO**

Montgomery County

**Website:** http://joshshapiro.org **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 Com-

monwealth forward.

Answer: 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///

#### Republican

Vote for one

#### **LOU BARLETTA**

No response

#### **JAKE CORMAN**

Centre County

**Website:** http://www.cormanforpa.com **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/// Answer: 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///

#### **JOE GALE**

No response

#### **CHARLIE GEROW**

**Cumberland County** 

**Website:** charlieforgovernor.com **Education:** JD Villanova Law School

Occupation: Businessman

**Qualifications:** Business owner, vice chair-

man of CPAC

**Response:** 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.

#### **MELISSA HART**

Allegheny County

**Website:** HartforPA.org

**Education:** J.D. University of Pittsburgh, B.A. Washington & Jefferson College

**Occupation:** Attorney and Consultant **Qualifications:** Attorney and former State Senator and Congresswoman with significant accomplishments and coalition building as a Republican from a Democratic district

Response: 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.

#### **DOUGLAS V. MASTRIANO**

Franklin County

Website: www.doug4gov.com

**Education:** PhD, History; Masters Strategic Intelligence; Masters Airpower Theory; Masters Military Operational Art; Masters Strategic Studies, Bachelor of Arts, History

Occupation: Senator

**Qualifications:** 1986-Commissioned in the US Army, 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment (2ACR) on the Iron Curtain, 2ACR Desert Storm in Iraq, Afghanistan (three deployments), Senior leader of NATO unit in Afghanistan comprised of 18/// **Response:** Infrastructure, Energy Production, Road / Transportation Improvements, School Choice, the Right to Life

#### **BILLMcSWAIN**

No response

#### **DAVE WHITE**

No response

#### **NCHEZAMA**

No response

#### LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

**Description of office:** 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 U.S. 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 Pennsylvania Emergency Management Council. The Pennsylvania 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.

Salary: \$178,940 Term: 4 years

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

#### **Democrat**

Vote for one

#### **AUSTIN DAVIS**

No response

#### **BRIANSIMS**

Philadelphia County **Website:** sims4pa.com

**Education:** J.D. in International and Comparative Law, Michigan State University College of Law; B.S., Bloomsburg

University of Pennsylvania

Occupation: Pennsylvania State House

Representative (D-182)

**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.///

Response: 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///

#### **RAY SOSA**

Montgomery County

**Website**: raysosaltgov2022.com **Education**: Leadership Certified Har

**Education**: Leadership Certified, Harvard University. BS in Business Administration. Insurance licensed in all 50 states (8 lines of authority)

Occupation: Consultant to Management 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///

Response: 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.///

#### Republican

Vote for one

#### **JOHN BROWN**

No response

#### **JEFF COLEMAN**

Cumberland County

Website: www.Colemanforpa.com Education: BS, Liberty University Occupation: Principal, Churchill Strategies Qualifications: Small business owner, former borough councilman, former two-term state representative

Response: 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.

#### **TEDDY DANIELS**

No response

#### **CARRIELEWIS DELROSSO**

Allegheny County

Website: Carrieforpa.com

**Education:** University of Pittsburgh **Occupation:** Member of State House of

Representatives

**Qualifications**: Oakmont Council Member 2018–2020; State House Member 2021 **Response**: Lower CNIT- Push for PA to more attractive state to manufacture and produce; Provide a better return on investment with k-12 education; Fully fund law enforcement; Fully fund infrastructure; Secure Elections; Promote Ag Growth

#### **RUSS DIAMOND**

No response

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#### **CHRIS FRYE**

Lawrence County

Website: www.CitizensForChrisFrye.com 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 Occupation: Mayor (New Castle, PA)

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///

**Response:** 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///

#### **JAMES EARLJONES**

Montgomery County

Website: www.jonesforltgovernorpa.com **Education:** BS/MBA

Occupation: Petroleum Consultant Qualifications: Military Retired/Business-

Response: 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.///

#### **RICK SACCONE**

No response

#### **CLARICE SCHILLINGER**

No response

#### **U.S. SENATOR**

Description of office: The U.S. Constitution prescribes that the Senate be composed of 100 members (two senators from each state). One third of the total membership of the Senate is elected every two years. Senators must be at least 30 years of age, a citizen of the United States for at least nine years and be a resident of the state from which s/he is chosen at the time of the election. Senators write and vote in favor of or against final bills and serve on various policy committees. The Senate has several exclusive powers not granted to the House, including advice/ consent on presidential nominations and treaties and conducting the trial of federal officials impeached by the House.

**Salary:** \$174,000

Term: 6 years

Candidates were asked: What issue(s) would you prioritize, and how would you

work with others in government to get legislation passed and signed into law?

#### Democrat

Vote for one

#### **JOHN FETTERMAN**

Allegheny County

Website: johnfetterman.com Education: Albright College, B.S. 1991 University of Connecticut., M.B.A. 1993 Harvard University Kennedy School, M.P.P.

Occupation: Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania

Qualifications: Risk-Management Insurance Underwriter, Chubb & Son 1993-1994 Member, AmeriCorps 1995-1997 Program Coordinator, Braddock Out-Of-School Youth 2001-2007 Founder & President, Braddock Redux 2003-2017 Mayor of the Borough of Braddock, 2006-2019 Lieutenant///

Response: 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.

#### **MALCOLM KENYATTA**

Philadelphia County

Website: http://www.malcolmkenyatta.com Occupation: Representative in Pennsylvania General Assembly

Education: Bachelors - Temple University,

Masters - Drexel University

Answer: 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.

#### **ALEX KHALIL**

Montgomery County

Website: www.alexkhalilforussenate.com Education: BS Electrical Engineering Technology from Temple, MS Information and Library Science from Drexel, JD, from Temple Law School

Occupation: IT Quality Specialist Qualifications: I am a Jenkintown Boro council member elected twice, activist, attorney, single mom of a dyslexic child and a daughter of immigrants, educator and small business owner

**Response:** Lower prescription drugs, bring back manufacturing to the US, economic and environmental renewal. Focus on clean water, air and healthy soil. Combat climate change. Stand for Human Rights. Healthcare as a human right

#### **CONOR LAMB**

Allegheny County

Website: conorlamb.com

Education: BA, University of Pennsylvania; JD, University of Pennsylvania Law School Occupation: U.S. Representative, PA-17 Qualifications: U.S. Marine 2009-2013; Asst. U.S. Attorney 2013-2017; U.S. Representative, 2018-current

**Response:** My first priority is to do my part to help protect our democracy. That starts, I believe, with eliminating the filibuster so that we can pass the John Lewis

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#### **EDITORS**

Michelle Graupner - Lehigh County Julia Swan — Northampton County

#### **ELECTION INFORMATION**

Contact your county board of elections or go to www.VotesPA.com. The League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania Citizen Information Center also provides election information. Call 717-234-1576 with any questions or go to www.Vote411.org.

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were made to encourage candidates to participate. The candidates listed are those whose names appear on the ballot as of March 10. The candidates are listed according to their party. Nothing in this guide should be construed as an endorsement or nonendorsement of any candidate, party or initiative by the League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania-Citizen Education Fund.

#### **ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN VOTING**

Registered voters who are ill, disabled, may be absent from the municipality or choose to vote via mail-in ballot on Election Day may vote by absentee ballot or mail-in ballot. Completed applications for absentee and mail-in ballots must be received by 5 p.m. May 10. Completed absentee and mail-in ballots must be received back to the board of elections by 8 p.m. May 17. If an emergency arises (unexpected illness or business trip) after the May 10 deadline, call your county board of elections for information on emergency absentee voting. In order to obtain an emergency absentee application you may need to provide proof of emergency. Any disabled voter having questions regarding the accessibility of a polling place should

consult the county board of election.

#### **WRITE-IN VOTING**

Information for write-in voting will be available at the polling place.

#### **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 county board of elections. The problem could be resolved by phone if your name appears on the county records. If it does not and you want to try to resolve the problem, then you can go in person to the county board of elections, where a judge from the Court of Common Pleas will be on duty to resolve election problems. Alternatively, 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 questions or need to report any problems, call 1-866-OURVOTE for assistance in English or Spanish or 1-888-APIVOTE for assistance in Asian languages.

#### **IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW VOTERS**

If you are a new voter or if you are voting at a polling place for the first time, you must bring your voter ID card or photo ID such as a driver's license, student ID or some other form of federal or state government-issued ID. Some forms of nonphoto ID are also acceptable, such as a firearm permit, current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck or government check. If you do not have an acceptable ID, then you must be allowed to vote by provisional ballot. If you are not a new voter and are not voting at the polling place for the first time, you are NOT required to bring or provide identification.

#### **ONLINE VOTERS GUIDE**

The Vote411Online Voters Guide is available at www.vote411.org. Links to this guide as well as links to Vote 411 and other useful information for voters can be found on the League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania homepage: www. palwv.org. Information about the Lehigh Valley candidates may be found at www. lwvlehighcounty.org in the Voters Guide pages.

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Voting Rights Advancement Act and the Freedom to Vote Act. I will also work to pass the many other important bills that we've passed in the House — including to raise the minimum wage, protect the right to choose, cut prescription drug prices, prevent gun violence and Build Back Better, among others.

Republican Vote for one

#### **KATHY BARNETTE**

Montgomery County

Website: www.barnetteforsenate.com

Education: College Graduate

Occupation: MOM, Veteran, Author, Political Commentator

**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. **Response**: I will work to make America energy independent again. As your

U.S. Senator in Pennsylvania, I sponsor or co-sponsor legislation that reverses the hostile environment in the energy sector that Biden and Democrats have created and reinstate drilling for natural gas and oil on federal lands. I will work to grow our economy by creating an environment where our companies do not have to flee our nation to escape onerous taxes and regulations. I will///

#### **JEFF BARTOS**

No response

#### **GEORGE BOCHETTO**

No response

#### **SEAN GALE**

No response

#### **DAVE McCORMICK**

No response

#### **MEHMETOZ**

No response

#### **CARLASANDS**

No response

#### **CONGRESS**

## U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Description of office: The U.S. Constitution requires that the House of Representatives be composed of representatives from each state, elected in proportion to population. There are 435 members of the House of Representatives, with 17 representatives allotted to Pennsylvania after the 2020 census. A U.S. representative must be at least 25 years old, have been a citizen of the United States for the past seven years, and be a resident of the state they seek to represent at the time of the election (though not necessarily the same district). The House of Representatives is responsible for introducing and voting on bills, resolutions and amendments, and for approving the budget. Representatives also serve on various policy committees. The House may send articles of impeachment of elected officials to the Senate and elects the president if there is a tie in the Electoral College.

# 7TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

**Salary:** \$174,000 **Term:** 2 years

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

#### **Democrat**

Vote for one

#### **SUSAN WILD**

Lehigh County

**Website:** wildforcongress.com **Education:** American University (BA),

George Washington University (JD)
Occupation: Member of Congress
Response: Whether it is prescription
drugs, health insurance, gas, or the cost
of child care, I have been laser focused
on lowering costs for Americans. That's
why I am a leading voice in Congress
fighting to lower prescription drug costs,
to address supply chain issues and make
more products in America, and why I have
fought to make insurance more affordable

#### Republican

Vote for one

#### **KEVIN DELLICKER**

for the whole family.

**Website:** www.dellickerforcongress.com **Occupation:** Business Owner **Education:** B.A. History, Penn State; B.S. Environmental Resource Management, Penn State; Master of Public Administration, Syracuse; Master of Military Operational Arts and Sciences, Air University; Master of Divinity, Liberty University **Qualifications:** 26 Year Military Veteran; 17 Year Business Owner; Former Gubernatorial Advisor

Response: We need to Keep America Free. That means supporting strong families, good jobs, and safe communities. The government has gotten too heavy-handed in its dealings with individuals, businesses, and institutions. Washington's reflexive response is to create new rules, new controls, and more intrusions into people's lives. I will work to stop and reverse that trend by restoring limited government within the framework of the U.S. Constitution. We must get spending under control, reign in the///

#### LISA SCHELLER

No response

#### **STATE SENATE**

#### STATE SENATOR

**Description of office:** The General Assembly is the legislative branch of government in Pennsylvania. It is composed of two houses: the Senate is the upper house, and the House of Representatives is the lower house. A majority vote in both houses is necessary to pass a law. The Senate consists of 50 members, representing one district each, with an equal number of constituents. Senators must be at least 25 years old, have been a citizen and a resident of the state for four years and a resident of their district one year before their election, and shall reside in their district during their terms of service. The Senate develops budget packages, makes taxation decisions, allocates spending and passes laws (including redistricting in collaboration with the House of Representatives). In addition, the Senate tries officials impeached by the House and authorizes executive appointments. Senators serve on various policy committees that may propose legislation. There are no term limits to this office.

Term: 4 years

**Salary:** \$95,432

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

#### **14TH DISTRICT**

Lehigh and Northampton counties

**Lehigh County:** Allentown Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 19 and the townships of Hanover, Salisbury, South Whitehall Districts 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7 and Whitehall and the boroughs of Catasauqua, Coplay, Emmaus and Fountain Hill.

**Northampton County:** the townships of Allen, Bushkill, East Allen, Hanover, Lehigh and Moore and the boroughs of Bath, Chapman, North Catasauqua, Northampton and Walnutport.

#### Democrat

Vote for one

#### **NICK MILLER**

Lehigh County

**Website:** nickmillerforpa.com **Education:** Penn State University - Bachelor of Science in Finance; University of Pennsylvania - Masters in Public Administration and Law

**Occupation:** Vice President of the Allentown School Board

Qualifications: I have extensive experience working in the Allentown public school district, the ability to work well with community leaders, and a proven record of/// Response: I am placing fair education funding, women's rights and access to abortion, as well as environmental conservation at the forefront of my campaign. I previously served as the Vice President on the Allentown School Board, so I have a first-hand account of how underfunding impacts our local schools districts and burdens local taxpayers. If elected, I will be sure to work with community leaders and the public to ensure that the///

#### **TARAZRINSKI**

**Website:** www.vote4zrinski.org **Education:** Moravian Theological Seminary, MATS '05; MAPC '07; Drew University, B.A. '93

**Occupation:** Northampton County Commissioner, Adjunct Professor, Solar Energy Consultant

**Qualifications:** As an elected official for 5 years, I have been an active member of County Council, participating as Chair of the Energy, Environment and Land Use

Committee for the past///

Response: Environment, Education and the Economy. Bipartisan support and stakeholder buy-in are most important in getting legislation passed. I would use my experience as an environmental organizer to leverage both to create policies that benefit the working class and contribute to sound environmental policy that prioritizes people over profits. Education is a key issue because I am an educator and I see the disparity of outcomes from public K-12 education. We need to implement the fair///

#### **YAMELISA TAVERAS**

Lehigh County

Website: www.VoteYamelisa.com Education: Dual Bachelors degree from DeSales University, Masters Degree from Villanova University, PA Board Certified Advanced Drug and Alcohol Counselor

Occupation: Program Director
Qualifications: Community Leader,
Advocate, and Humanitarian
Response: Investment in the local

economy, access to mental health and substance use treatment, funding for education and the digital divide, medicare

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#### Senate

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accessibility, the housing crisis, and the environment.

#### Republican

Vote for one

#### **CINDY MILLER**

Northampton County

Township Supervisor.

Education: MBA Wilkes University, BS Shippensburg University, Paralegal Certification Pennsylvania State University Occupation: Commercial Realtor Qualifications: Background in business, healthcare, and government, I am currently and for the last 10 years a Lehigh

**Response:** Economic Liberty Election Integrity Empower Parents Safe Communities. Serving as a Township Supervisor in Lehigh Township, I work to resolve the problem/issue using common sense and what is within the realm of law. I will stay focused on the issue to determine the resolution that best meets the needs of the 14th District and Pennsylvanians.

#### **OMY J. MALDONADO**

Northampton County

Website: www.omyforsenate.com

**Education: MBA** 

Occupation: Management Consultant Qualifications: Pennsylvania Resident, Military Veteran & a candidate who has shared life experiences with the people of the 14th district

Response: 1. Reviewing and cleaning up the voter rolls and passing mail-in ballot reform. I would work to communicate with others that these two items doesn't favor anyone and caused a huge integrity issue every election. 2. Making Pennsylvania competitive by reducing the corporate tax. Every citizen and district is successful when companies want to make Pennsylvania their home. 3. School Choice - the true miracle and success of America is education. A person's success should///

#### **DEAN N. BROWNING**

Lehigh County

Website: browningforsenate.com Education: M.S. in Industrial Management and a B.S. with honors in Chemistry

Occupation: CFO — Retired

Qualifications: Over 40 years of private sector business experience combined with legislative experience as a Lehigh County Commissioner.

Response: 1. Empowering parents on education by giving them a choice of where their kids go to school and by increasing online transparency so they can see what curriculum is being taught to their kids. 2. Working for energy independence by taking advantage of the natural resources under our feet and make Pennsylvania the world's leading producer of low cost energy to bring back good-paying manufacturing jobs. 3. Demanding election integrity and eliminate fraud by mandating photo ID from every voter and end the use of drop boxes which facilitate ballot harvesting.

#### **16TH DISTRICT**

Lehigh County: Allentown Wards 13 and 18 and the townships of Heidelberg, Lower Macungie, Lower Milford, Lowhill, Lynn, North Whitehall, South Whitehall Districts 3, 6 and 8, Upper Macungie, Upper Milford, Upper Saucon, Washington and Weisenberg and the boroughs of Alburtis, Coopersburg, Macungie and Slatington. Part of Bucks County consisting of the townships of Bedminster, Bridgeton, Durham, East Rockhill, Haycock, Hilltown, Milford, Nockamixon, Richland, Springfield, Tinicum and West Rockhill and the boroughs of Dublin, Perkasie, Quakertown, Richlandtown, Riegelsville, Sellersville, Silverdale, Telford (Bucks County portion) and Trumbauersville.

#### **Democrat**

Vote for one

#### **MARK PINSLEY**

Lehigh County

Website: www.votemarkpinsley.com

#### **Education: MBA**

Occupation: Lehigh County Controller Qualifications: Mark Pinsley is the Controller of Lehigh County, and grew up in Montgomery County, PA. He went to Northeastern University for his undergraduate degree and Kelley School of Business for his MBA. He has been Senior Manager at large multinational companies and currently owns a small///

Response: My top priority is making sure democracy survives and this comes down to voting. We are losing our ability to trust elections. This trust must be restored, and elections need to be thought of as legitimate and fair. In order to accomplish this, we need to speak to Democrats, Republicans, Independents, etc. I believe we need to make it Easy to Vote and Hard to Cheat. Other top priorities: Protect our Water, Air, and Land, Reduce///

#### Republican

Vote for one

#### **PAT BROWNE**

No response

#### **JARRETT COLEMAN**

Lehigh County

Website: www.JarrettColeman.com

Education: MBA, B.S. Occupation: Airline Pilot

Response: Election Integrity, term limits, pension removal, tax relief, transparency in public school curriculum to parents, protection of Second Amendment rights.

#### **18TH DISTRICT**

Part of Lehigh County consisting of Bethlehem and part of Northampton County consisting of Bethlehem and Easton and the townships of Bethlehem, Forks, Lower Mount Bethel, Lower Nazareth, Lower Saucon, Palmer, Plainfield, Upper Mount Bethel, Upper Nazareth, Washington and Williams and the boroughs of Bangor, East Bangor, Freemansburg, Glendon, Hellertown, Nazareth, Pen Argyl, Portland, Roseto, Stockertown, Tatamy, West Easton, Wilson and Wind Gap.

#### **Democrat**

Vote for one

#### **LISA BOSCOLA**

Northampton County Website: lisaboscola.com

Education: Freedom HS, Villanova - BS &

MA in Political Science

Occupation: Senator in the PA General

Assembly, 18th District

**Qualifications:** Current State Senator since 1999 & State Representative 135th

District 1994-1998

Response: My priority remains eliminating or reducing significantly property taxes for homeowners and replacing it with broader based taxes that are fairer. This is an issue I have worked across the aisle on already to make progress and will only get done in a bipartisan manner. School districts in the Lehigh Valley are overly reliant of property taxes because the Commonwealth does not fully implement the funding formula we need reduce property taxes and use additional///

#### Republican

Vote for one

#### **JOHN MERHOTTEIN**

Northampton County

Website: www.JohnForPASenate.com Education: Chubb Institute of Technology

- Computer Programming

Occupation: Electronic Data Interchange Lead

**Qualifications:** Husband, Father, Combat Veteran, Township Commissioner

Response: As a township commissioner, I am the only Republican currently serving on the Bethlehem Township board. I was honored to be elected President of our board because my colleagues know I work in a bipartisan manner and always put the interests of residents first. In the State Senate, I'll serve in the exact same manner - always putting our families, workers, and small businesses before politics. I will focus on attracting good paying trade and manufacturing///

#### STATE REPRESENTATIVES

Description of office: The General Assembly is the legislative branch of government in Pennsylvania. It is composed of two houses: the Senate is the upper house, and the House of Representatives is the lower house. A majority vote in both houses is necessary to pass a law. The House of Representatives consists of 203 members representing one district each, with an equal number of constituents. Representatives must be at least 21 years old, have been a citizen and a resident of the state for four years and a resident of their district one year before their election, and shall reside in their district during their term of service. The House develops budget packages, makes

taxation decisions, allocates spending, and passes laws (including redistricting in collaboration with the Senate). The House also has the exclusive authority to impeach public officials. Representatives also serve on various policy committees that may propose legislation. Term: 2 years

**Salary:** \$95,432

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

#### 22ND DISTRICT

Part of Lehigh County consisting of Allentown Wards 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (Divisions 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6), 9, 10, 11 (Division 2), 14 and 15) and the Township of Salisbury Wards 1, 2 and 3 (Division 2).

#### **Democrat**

Vote for one

#### **JOSHUA SIEGEL**

Lehigh County

Website: votejoshsiegel.com/ Occupation: Assistant Operations Manager

**Education:** B.S. International Relations and Diplomacy, Seton Hall University, Pursuing Masters in Public Policy Lehigh University

**Qualifications**: Assistant Operations Manager/Chief of Staff to Lehigh County Controller, Allentown City Councilperson

Response: My top priorities are protecting democracy through protecting mail in voting, fighting for same day registration and pushing for campaign finance reform. Passing policies that protect working and help working families such as paid family

leave and paid sick leave, raising the minimum wage to \$15 per hour, universal child care and free public four year universities and community colleges. I will also fight to protect the right to organize and for workers to join///

#### **SAEED GEORGES**

No response

### Republican

Vote for one

#### **ROBERT E. SMITH JR.**

Lehigh County

Website: SmithforPa.com

Occupation: Director of Operations - New vitae

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#### House

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Education: LCCC-Business Ethics, NYU-Middle East study's, Middlesex county college-law and Theater Qualifications: Allentown city council-1998-2000, Allentown school board 2003-2019 Elected 5 times President of school board, Joc board chairman two years Response: Property tax reform for evervone in my district especially our senior citizens who are losing their homes. 2- Election Integrity - We need voter ID which a majority of the voters want. We need to eliminate drop boxes. 3- Energy independence. The gas tax in PA is 2nd highest in country, needs to be cut for our struggling families. 4- Education fair funding for Allentown and Salisbury school districts, and school choice for all our students. 5- Illegal Drug///

#### **131ST DISTRICT**

Part of **Lehigh County** consisting of the township of Lower Milford, Salisbury Ward 3 (Division 1), Upper Milford and Upper Saucon and the borough of Coopersburg; part of Northampton County consisting of the township of Lower Saucon Districts 1, 2, 4, 7 and 8); and part of Montgomery **County** consisting of the townships of Marlborough, Salford and Upper Hanover and the boroughs of East Greenville, Green Lane, Pennsburg and Red Hill.

#### **Democrat**

Vote for one

#### **KEVIN BRANCO**

Lehigh County

Website: www.Brancoforstaterep.com Occupation: Business owner Education: B.S. Political Science (Kutztown University)

**Qualifications**: I received my degree in Political Science with minors in Public Administration and Speech Communication from Kutztown University. I served as an intern for Rep. Robert L. Freeman to strengthen my college education, and again as a fellow for the Bipartisan Management Committee in///

Response: Education: Start funding education again. Funding has been continually cut over the past 10 years causing subpar education, increased local school taxes, and driving student loan debt to record highs. Re-invest in PA businesses: Develop policy that makes Pennsylvania more attractive for start-ups and recent graduates. Pennsylvania has one of the best systems of higher education, yet we struggle to keep talented students in the state after graduation. Support our Unions: Work to pass policies that support///

Republican Vote for one

#### **MILOU MACKENZIE**

No response

#### 132ND DISTRICT

Part of Lehigh County consisting of

Allentown Wards 8 (Divisions 4 and 7), 11 (Divisions 4, 5, 6 and 7), 13 (Division 4), 17 and 18, and the townships of South Whitehall and Upper Macungie Districts 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6.

#### Democrat

Vote for one

#### MIKE SCHLOSSBERG

#### Republican

Vote for one No candidates

#### 133RD DISTRICT

Part of Lehigh County consisting of Bethlehem (Lehigh County portion) and the townships of Hanover and Whitehall and the boroughs of Catasauqua, Coplay and Fountain Hill.

#### **Democrat**

Vote for one

#### JEANNE McNEILL

#### Republican

Vote for one No candidates

#### 134TH DISTRICT

Part of Lehigh County consisting of Allentown Wards 2, 3, 11 (Divisions 1 and 3), 12, 13 (Divisions 1, 2 and 3), 16 and 19, and the township of Salisbury Wards 4 and 5 and the borough of Emmaus.

#### **Democrat**

Vote for one

#### **ENID SANTIAGO**

Lehigh County

Website: enidsantiago.com Occupation: Board Chair

Qualifications: I am Latinx woman, a single parent of 4 biological children, one of which was a victim of the school to prison pipeline, and a warrior for my community. My lived experiences have pushed me to run to be the State House Representative for the 134th new blended///

Response: The 134th district is ready for a bold progressive, who will not toe the line of true radical reform, instead will be a fearless leader for their district. As one of the first women/LGBTQ state representative I will propose legislation to make discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity a law. Equal Fair School Funding for our children and College for All Legislation, that would provide free tuition to all students who would otherwise be///

#### **PETER SCHWEYER**

Website: www.peterschweyer.com Occupation: State Representative Education: BA, Political Science, Schreyer's Honors College at Penn State University **Qualifications**: Current 4 term State Representative; Member House Appropriations Committee, Sub-Committee Chair of Fiscal Matters; Sub-Committee Chair of Utilities; past member of Allen-

town City Council including leadership

positions as President and Vice President; past Chairman of LANTA

Response: Funding for public education is my top priority. As a parent of two Allentown SD students, we see every day the challenges an underfunded school district faces. We must enact the fair funding formula as Allentown SD along with East Penn and Salisbury are not getting their fair share of funding from Harrisburg. I have been a leader on issues surrounding renewable energy and critical infrastructure including passing a historic investment in telecommunications. I have///

#### Republican

Vote for one

#### **BRENT LABENBERG**

Occupation: business owner Education: Emmaus High School 1983, US Navv 1983-87

Qualifications: US Navy Veteran, Currently Emmaus Council President (7th yr), 25 years on Borough Council. Chairman of General Administration Committee, Chair of Building Comm., Chair of Union Contract Negotiations. Budget And Finance Committee, Public Works Committee. Police and Non-uniformed Pension Board. Response: My priority would be to take care of what we have already before we spend a cent on any new programs because the state is not doing a very good job now. We need to do better with our roads, bridges, schools, state parks, state police (more funding, more police), etc. In general, anything that can make the state more efficient will save money. I believe these are nonpartisan issues. I believe the state should///

#### 135TH DISTRICT

Part of Northampton County consisting of Bethlehem (Northampton County portion) and the township of Hanover Districts 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6.

#### **Democrat**

Vote for one

#### STEVE SAMUELSON

Republican Vote for one No candidates

#### 136TH DISTRICT

Part of Northampton County consisting of Easton and the townships of Lower Saucon Districts 3, 5 and 6, Palmer Districts Eastern and Western (Division 1) and Williams and the boroughs of Freemansburg, Glendon, Hellertown, West Easton and Wilson.

#### Democrat

Vote for one

#### **ROBERT FREEMAN**

#### Republican

Vote for one No candidates

#### **137TH DISTRICT**

Part of Northampton County consisting of the townships of Bethlehem, Hanover District 5, Lower Nazareth, Palmer Districts Middle, Upper Eastern, Upper Western and Western (Division 2) and Upper Nazareth and the boroughs of Nazareth and Tatamy.

#### **Democrat**

Vote for one

#### **ANNATHOMAS**

#### Republican

Vote for one

#### **JOE EMRICK**

#### **138TH DISTRICT**

Part of Northampton County consisting of the townships of Bushkill, Forks, Lower Mount Bethel, Moore Districts Eastern and Pt. Phillips, Plainfield, Upper Mount Bethel and Washington and the boroughs of Bangor, Chapman, East Bangor, Pen Argyl, Portland, Roseto, Stockertown and Wind Gap.

#### Democrat

Vote for one No candidates

#### Republican

Vote for one

#### **ANN FLOOD**

#### **183RD DISTRICT**

Part of Lehigh County consisting of the townships of Lowhill and North Whitehall and the borough of Slatington and part of Northampton County consisting of the townships of Allen, East Allen, Lehigh and Moore Districts Beersville and Klecknersville and the boroughs of Bath, North Catasauqua, Northampton and Walnutport.

#### **Democrat**

Vote for one No candidates

#### Republican

Vote for one

#### **ZACH MAKO**

#### **187TH DISTRICT**

Part of Lehigh County consisting of the townships of Heidelberg, Lower Macungie, Lynn, Upper Macungie Districts 3,7 and 8), Washington and Weisenberg and the boroughs of Alburtis and Macungie.

#### **Democrat**

Vote for one No candidates

#### Republican

Vote for one

#### **GARY DAY**

No response

#### RYAN E. MACKENZIE

No response

# VOTERS GUIDI

#### **STATE COMMITTEES**

#### **LEHIGH COUNTY**

#### DEMOCRATIC STATE COMMITTEE — 39TH DISTRICT

Term: 4 years

Vote for three men, three women and one of either gender

#### CARMEN A. BELL (F)

Allentown

#### JAMIE JOHNSON (F)

Fountain Hill

#### MATTLO (M)

Allentown

#### **DAVE HARRINGTON (M)**

Lower Milford Township

#### AIDAN LEVINSON (M)

Upper Milford Township

#### **DANIELLE SHACKELFORD (F)**

Allentown

#### APRIL RIDDICK (F)

Allentown

#### MURATGUZEL (M)

Lower Macungie Township

#### YAMELISA TAVERAS (F)

Allentown

#### LORI McFARLAND (F)

Upper Milford Township

# REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE — 39TH DISTRICT AT LARGE

Term: 4 years

Vote for one man, one woman and one of either gender

#### **BLAKE MARLES (M)**

Lower Macungie Township

#### ANDY ROMAN (M)

Whitehall Township

#### **GLENN ECKHART (M)**

Salisbury Township

#### LINDAJ. SWANKOSKI (F)

North Whitehall Township

#### **DISTRICT1**

Term: 2 years

Vote for not more than two; one man and one woman

**DONNA DADAY (F)** Allentown

#### **ROBERT DADAY (M)**

Allentown

#### **DISTRICT 2**

Term: 2 years

Vote for not more than two; one man and one woman

#### SEAN GILL (M)

Upper Macungie Township

#### **BERNADETTE COMFORT (F)**

Upper Macungie Township

#### **NORTHAMPTON COUNTY**

## DEMOCRATIC STATE COMMITTEE 48TH DISTRICT

Term: 4 years

Vote for three men and two women

#### SANDRA O'BRIEN-WERNER (F)

Easton

#### KRISTIN M. VOLCHANSKY (F)

Lower Saucon Township

#### ALEXANDER BRYAN ALTIERI (M)

Bethlehem Township

#### MICHAEL H. LAWS (M)

Bethlehem

APRIL NIVER (F) Easton

#### JEFF KENNEDY FAUBERT (M)

Lower Saucon Township

#### VICTORIA OPTHORF-CORDARO (F)

Lower Saucon Township

#### LESLIE M. ALTIERI (F)

Bethlehem Township

### REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE 48TH DISTRICT

Term: 4 years

Vote for three men, three women and one from either gender

#### DEBRA A. BIRO (F)

Upper Nazareth Township

#### LINDA GERENSER STUBITS (F)

Upper Nazareth Township

#### MATTHEW FLOWER (M)

Moore Township

#### **BEVERLY HERNANDEZ (F)**

Palmer Township

#### MARGIE MANDELL (F)

Moore Township

#### KATHARINA MOREA (F)

**Bushkill Township** 

#### **MELANIE HEILMAN (F)**

Bethlehem

#### ANDREW AZAN III (M)

 $Bethlehem\,Township$ 

#### ANNETTE KUYAN (F)

Hanover Township

#### KRISTIN SOLDRIDGE (F)

Lehigh Township

#### JIMMY ZUMBA (M)

Bethlehem Township

#### JOHN BROWN (M)

Bangor

#### **GLORIA LEE SNOVER (F)**

Bethlehem Township

#### RICHARD MOREA (M)

Bushkill Township

#### **CRAIG L. DeFRANCO (M)**

Roseto

#### STEVE LYNCH (M)

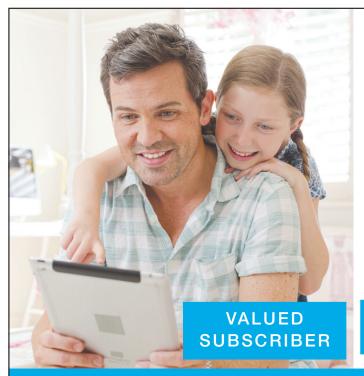
Northampton

#### GERALD L. PRITCHARD (M)

Lehigh Township

#### JOSEPH G. MOYER (M)

Lower Mount Bethel Township



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