Candidate Questionnaire

Please tell us your name and seat for which you are running.

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Abortion

- 1. When does life begin? At conception.
- 2. Do you believe that Roe v. Wade is settled law? No.
- 3. Do you believe a woman has the right to choose to terminate her pregnancy? No, I believe abortion is murder.
- 4. Do you believe that our state should ban abortions? Yes.
- 5. Do you believe that if our state should ban abortions, there should be exceptions for rape and incest? No.

Criminal Justice

- 1. Are you in favor of decriminalizing drug use? Would need more information. I do believe that drug use is a crime, but we need to put more emphasis on addressing the core issue of drug use, more than punishing users. Punishing users has proven unsuccessful to date.
- 2. Do you support the legalization of Marijuana? No.
- 3. Do you support mandatory minimum prison sentences for people charged with drug possession? No.
- 4. Do you support the Patriot Act? No, because of indefinite detention and lack of due process for US citizens.
- 5. Should it be illegal to burn the American flag? As daughter of Vietnam veteran and granddaughter of two WW2 veterans, I find burning of the American flag disgraceful and repugnant; however, my family members fought to preserve all freedoms, including the first amendment right to free speech, so no.
- 6. Are you in favor of a National Identification card system? No.
- Should producers be required to label genetically engineered foods (GMOs)?Yes.

Economic Issues:

- 1. Should the current estate tax rate be decreased? Yes, and eliminated.
- 2. Should the government use economic stimulus to aid the country during times of recession? No.
- 3. Should the government break up Amazon, Facebook and Google? Yes, if they act like or engage as monopolies
- 4. Should the government subsidize farmers? No.
- 5. Would you favor an increased sales tax in order to reduce property taxes? Yes, to eliminate!
- 6. Should the Federal Reserve Bank be audited by Congress? Yes.

- 7. Should the government raise the retirement age for Social Security? No.
- 8. Should Social Security be phased out over time? Yes, or made optional so people can choose to be part of or not.
- 9. Should the State of Idaho get out of the sales of liquor business? Yes.
- 10. Do you believe it is in the public's interest to repeal the grocery tax? Yes.
- 11. Should cities be allowed to offer private companies economic incentives to relocate? No.
- 12. Should Idaho have legalized gambling? If so, should it be limited in scope, such as sports betting, horse racing, online casino, lottery only, etc.? Gambling should be completely outlawed or open to any business that wants to pursue it. Government or Tribes should not have a monopoly (casinos-lottery).

Education

- 1. Do you support charter schools? Yes, but board members should be elected for a term if using public money.
- 2. Do you support Home schooling? Yes
- 3. Do you believe that public schools are under funded? No.
- 4. Should the Supplemental Levy/Plant Facilities Levy process be eliminated? Yes

Electoral Issues:

- 1. Should the minimum voting age be lowered? If so, to what age? No.
- 2. Should a photo ID be required to vote? Yes.
- 3. Do you support a Constitutional Convention? No.
- 4. Should convicted criminals have the right to vote? Yes, but only if they have served their sentence.
- 5. Should all elections in Idaho be on the same date as the Primary/General elections only? Yes.
- 6. Would you be in favor of each County in Idaho having a State Senator (44) as opposed to each legislative district (35)? Yes.
- 7. Would you be in favor of a State Constitutional Amendment authorizing an Electoral College system in Idaho? Yes.
- 8. Would you be in favor of term limits for Idaho elected officials? Yes.
- 9. Do you believe the country/state should move to a mail-in ballot system, or a computer voting system? No.
- 10. Should the primary election be changed to a later date? No.
- 11. Should elections be changed to an all mail-in ballot system? No.

Environmental Issues:

- 1. Should the government increase environmental regulations to prevent climate change? No.
- 2. Do you support the use of hydraulic fracking to extract oil and natural gas resources? Yes.

- 3. Should the government give tax credits and subsidies to the wind power industry? No.
- 4. Should researchers be allowed to use animals in testing the safety of drugs, vaccines, medical devices, and cosmetics? Yes.

Firearms

- 1. What kinds of firearms should be registered? None.
- 2. Should teachers be allowed to carry guns at school? Yes.
- 3. Should the Sheriff be authorized to remove firearms from people suspected of having mental health issues? No.
- 4. Who should not be allowed to carry firearms? No-one.
- 5. Should the federal government institute a mandatory buyback of assault weapons? No.

Foreign Policy:

- 1. Should every 18-year-old citizen be required to provide at least one year of military service? Not a bad idea, but would need to think about more and discuss with others.
- 2. Should the U.S. remain in the United Nations? No.

Health Care

- 1. What would you do to lower health care costs? Get government and middlemen out of the mix. (Remove regulations, mandates, reporting, etc.) Allow supply and demand to dictate costs, values and prices.
- 2. Should there be a plan in place before attempting to repeal Obamacare? No.
- 3. What role should government play in advancing science-based medicine? None, let free market take the lead.
- 4. Should people be required to work in order to receive Medicaid? Yes, work or volunteer, although exceptions for certain disabilities.
- 5. Should the government regulate the prices of life-saving drugs? Yes, If a drug company (during the development of any of its drugs) has accepted federal or state funds, received tax credits or benefited from taxpayer dollars (public institution research), then that drug should be subject to government price regulation.
- 6. Should health insurers be allowed to deny coverage to individuals who have a pre-existing condition? No.
- 7. Should the government require children and/or adults to be vaccinated for preventable diseases? No.
- Should terminally ill patients be allowed to end their lives via assisted suicide?No.

Immigration

- 1. What steps would you take in our state to handle the immigration issues? Stop the refugee resettlement programs.
- 2. Should local law enforcement be allowed to detain illegal immigrants for minor crimes and transfer them to federal immigration authorities? Yes.
- 3. Should children of illegal immigrants be granted legal citizenship? No.
- 4. Should immigrants to the United States be allowed to hold dual citizenship status? Only if they have gone through proper channels to enter our country, obtain legal citizenship, and follow our laws.

Lands

- 1. Do you believe the Federal Government is managing the public lands well? No.
- 2. Do you believe it is the right of the individual states to control and manage public lands? Yes

Social Issues

- 1. Do you support the legalization of same sex marriage? No.
- Should homosexual couples have the same adoption rights as straight couples?
- 3. Should transgender athletes be allowed to compete in athletic events for other than their biological sex? No.
- 4. Do you support the death penalty? I have in the past, but with the growing uncertainty of bias and corruption in our current judicial system, it is becoming a greater concern that innocent people will be put to death.
- 5. Should welfare recipients be tested for drugs? Yes.
- 6. Should the government raise the federal minimum wage? No.
- 7. Should there be fewer or more restrictions on current welfare benefits? More.
- 8. Do you think our state should discontinue licensing marriage? Yes.