

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF CENTRAL NEW MEXICO

Candidate Questions

LWVCNM 2008 General Election *VOTERS' GUIDE*

State House of Representatives

1. Describe your specific experience and abilities that prepare you for the office of state representative? (65 words)

As a county chairman, congressional and twice governor appointee, military officer, reserve Sheriff deputy, educator, small business owner I have over 20 years para-legal experience. As a husband, father, citizen and consumer I have had similar encounters as others who suffered from criminals; judges; legal, medical, & financial institutions, and unscrupulous corporations, businesses and dispassionate or excessive governmental agencies that need more accountability and equity.

2. If elected, what are your two highest priorities for your district and New Mexico? What specific actions will you take to accomplish them? (65 words)

I support restoration of constitutional rights such as jury trials in child custody/support cases and preventing other liberty losses, while helping families & small businesses protect themselves, their property and incomes such as "Home as a Castle" doctrine. I want to reduce our dependency on foreign oil by proposing renewable energy legislation that reorients our economy and increases employment opportunities in new and unexplored areas.

3. How has the current decline in the economy affected our state's ability to provide services for New Mexicans? What actions would you take as a state representative to deal with these challenges? (65 words)

A declining economy means lost jobs, incomes and healthcare. Ultimately, resulting in lost revenue for New Mexico's ability to provide adequate services. I want a public forum for hearing and addressing grievances that are linked to a prominent page on the legislative website with daily updates to all media outlets and interested parties thereby creating public scrutiny and accountability for any proposed solutions.

4. Should the New Mexico legislature take steps to ensure that all people living in New Mexico have access to affordable, quality healthcare? Please explain. (65 words)

Many hidden healthcare costs must be revealed. Basic healthcare for all is achievable. However, we must reduce unnecessary expenses and administrative costs. Emergency room, urgent care and doctor visit wait times must be less than one hour. Gatekeepers must be eliminated. Programs, such as Pharmacy Intervention Protocol, that significantly reduce overall medical costs must be adopted. Health credits & prevention need to be factored in.

Candidate Signature *_Signed & Faxed by Candidate_*

Date *_08/26/08_*

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