2014 Campaign Reform Questionnaire

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Please indicate your position on the following issues by marking yes, no, or undecided. If you need to explain your position, you may elaborate. Responses should be returned by email to melissa@ncvce.org or postmarked by September 26th and mailed to PO Box 10402, Raleigh, NC 27605.

1. Do you think the rising cost of campaigns in North Carolina pushes candidates to spend too much of their time fundraising?

___xxx___ Yes _____ No _____ Undecided

Absolutely

Voter-Owned Elections

2. Until 2013, North Carolina had a law allowing statewide judicial candidates and some Council of State candidates to qualify for public campaign funding or “Voter-Owned Elections” - if they refuse special interest funds, adhere to spending limits, and prove their grassroots support by obtaining a large number of small contributions from N.C. voters. 80% of candidates used this program in N.C. from 2004-2012.

a. Did you support this program?

___xxx___ Yes _____ No _____ Undecided

I have always been a strong supporter of this program
b. Will you vote to implement a new Judicial “Voter-Owned Elections” public campaign funding law?

xxx_____ Yes _____ No _____ Undecided

Absolutely

3. Do you support reviving and expanding the public financing option for Council of State offices?

__xxx__ Yes _____ No _____ Undecided

Absolutely

4. Would you support the creation of a “Voter-Owned Elections” public financing option for state legislative races?

__xxx__ Yes _____ No _____ Undecided

I have supported this even before I was first elected.

5. Several cities, including Raleigh, Wilmington, and Greenville, have passed resolutions for state authority to explore local public campaign financing options. If elected, would you support passage of a state law that would give North Carolina counties and cities the authority to create local “Voter-Owned Elections” or public financing programs for local candidates, as an alternative to the current privately financed campaign finance system?

__xxx__ Yes _____ No _____ Undecided

I pursued this for the City of Greensboro as well.

Disclosure

6. The U.S. Supreme Court ruling Citizens United v. FEC allows corporations and unions to create political groups to sponsor independent expenditures that directly support or oppose candidates. Would you support new disclosure and reporting requirements for these groups that require:

a. Increased disclosure of the income sources and the expenses of independent groups that spend money directly opposing or supporting the election of candidates?

__xxxx__ Yes _____ No _____ Undecided
I have been working on this legislation every session since the Citizens United decision came out.

b. Public attribution of the independent group’s top five donors in each political advertisement the group sponsors?

_XXX___ Yes _____ No _____ Undecided

**Money in Politics**

7. Do you support or oppose an amendment to the U.S. Constitution to reverse the *Citizens United* Supreme Court decision?

_____ Yes _____ No _____ Undecided

I support such an amendment and have sponsored legislation to accomplish that.

8. If you have any other ideas for addressing money-in-politics problems please list them below.

We must do everything we can to get money out of politics. it is a corruptive influence and does not serve the public's interest.