

**ACT! for America**

**2010 Federal Candidate Questionnaire**

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**Candidate's Political Party:** Independent

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**Office Sought** **US House of Representatives (Delaware)** Please print or type all information.

1. It is becoming increasingly evident that American dependence on foreign oil, especially oil from countries that support and export terrorism and radical Islamic ideology, poses a growing threat to our national security. There has been considerable discussion of alternative energy such as wind and solar, but neither provide any significant solution for the liquid energy needs of our transportation sector, at least for the foreseeable future. Would you support or oppose each of the following proposals to help move America's transportation sector away from foreign oil dependence and thus better protect our national security?

- a. Open Fuel Standard legislation, which would require, within five years, 50% of new automobiles, and within seven years, 80% of new automobiles, sold in the United States, be flex-fuel vehicles warranted to operate on gasoline, ethanol, and methanol, or be warranted to operate on biodiesel.

Support                       Oppose                       Undecided

Comments:



- b. A presidential Executive Order mandating conversion of the federal automotive fleet from gasoline to domestically-produced natural gas.

Support                       Oppose                       Undecided

Comments:

2. American companies are prohibited from doing business in or with nations that have been determined to be sponsors of terrorism. However, some federal and state public pension funds, partially funded with tax dollars, invest in foreign companies that do business in and with terrorist-sponsoring countries. Would you support or oppose legislation that would prohibit federal pension funds from investing in foreign companies that do business in and with terrorist-sponsoring countries?

Support       Oppose       Undecided

Comments:

**Make federal workers wages and benefits comparable to earnings in the private sector.** Federal employee compensation has become too generous. About \$47 billion a year is spent by congress by not bringing federal compensation in line with market rates. Total compensation, hourly wages plus benefits are 30–40 percent above what same comparable private sector workers are earning

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3. Islamic sharia law, as applied in various Islamic countries, includes provisions that a woman’s testimony in court is only equal to half a man’s testimony; that criticism of Islam or the prophet Mohammed is a criminal offense; that adulterers can be stoned to death; that men can have multiple wives; and that men can marry girls as young as age nine. Great Britain currently has an estimated 85 sharia courts, and there are now some Muslims in America calling for sharia law to be implemented here. Would you support or oppose the application of sharia law in civil and criminal actions in the United States?

Support       Oppose       Undecided

Comments:

The Theocracy of Sharia law subverts the very principles for which the Constitution is intended to protect. To protect the integrity of the Rights of All individuals no recognition of Sharia law or other courts other than which are constitutionally established should be created on the basis of propagating or implementing laws that are subversive to the United States Constitution and the respective States Constitutions

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4. Some American banks and investment firms are participating in an Islamic form of financing known as “Sharia-Compliant Financing.” Under the rules of Sharia-Compliant Financing, a bank or investment firm is required to have a Sharia advisory board that dictates where and how funds are invested. The bank or investment firm is also required to give a percentage of its profits to Muslim charities as directed by

the sharia advisory board, which raises concerns because numerous Muslim charities

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have been identified by the federal government as having ties to terrorist organizations. Would you support or oppose a government investigation of Sharia-Compliant Financing to determine if it violates federal treasury, banking, securities and/or anti-terrorism laws?

Support       Oppose       Undecided

Comments:

I also support an thorough investigation of the Federal Reserve Banks and the board of Governors for violating Trading With the Enemy Act.

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5. Would you support or oppose amending U.S. humanitarian refugee law to (1) require all humanitarian refugees to swear under oath that they will not support or advocate a theological totalitarian form of government to replace our constitutional government, and (2) require the deportation of any refugee who violated this oath?

Support       Oppose       Undecided

Comments:

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6. Iran continues its march toward the development of nuclear weaponry, and it is becoming increasingly likely that Iran will acquire nuclear weapons in the very near future. If diplomacy and sanctions fail to “persuade” Iran to end its drive to develop nuclear weapons, would you support the use of targeted military force to cripple Iran’s nuclear weapons program before it is capable of using or exporting such weapons of mass destruction?

Support       Oppose       Undecided

Comments:

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7. In 2008 a police officer who ticketed a Muslim was threatened with a lawsuit from an Islamic organization claiming discrimination. Would you support or oppose **ACT! for America federal candidate questionnaire, page four...**

legislation protecting first responders from such lawsuits filed by organizations known to be consorting with or providing support to terrorist organizations, or who have been indicted as a conspirator or co-conspirator with terrorist organizations?

\_\_\_\_\_ Support                      \_\_\_\_\_ Oppose                      \_\_\_x\_\_\_ Undecided

Comments:

In order to answer this question, in support or opposition requires more information and details to be examined, how the wording of such legislation in Re immunity of first responders and municipality workers, other than what is already in place under the Constitutions (State and US) .

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8. The United States currently uses the prison at the U.S. Guantanamo Bay Naval Base in Cuba to house enemy combatants and other terrorists who threaten our nation. President Obama made the closure of this modern and secure facility one of his top priorities, though it has not yet been closed. Do you support or oppose the closure of the Guantanamo Bay Detention Facility and the transfer of its detainees to prisons in the U.S.?

\_\_\_\_\_ Support                      \_\_\_x\_\_\_ Oppose                      \_\_\_\_\_ Undecided

Comments:

Though I support the eventual closing of Guantanamo, It is essential we first establish a series litmus tests which would determine which of the detainees pose an imminent threat to the US; Who is to be tried in accordance to the UCMJ; if are punishable under state or federal civil law ; Combined with which detainees are not enemy combatants, captured in a field of battle on foreign soil and which are to be released back to their native country. After determinations is made, they are not an imminent threat to the United States.

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9. Do you support or oppose trying enemy combatants in civilian, federal courts, instead of in military tribunals?

Support                       Oppose                       Undecided

Comments:

This is a very detailed issue that has been answered in the comments of No. 8

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10. The Obama administration has deleted terms such as “jihadist” and “radical Islam” from its strategic assessments of the ongoing Islamist terrorist threat facing the United States. Do you support or oppose this revised definition of this threat?

Support                       Oppose                       Undecided

Comments:

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11. There is little dispute that those who want to build a mosque at “Ground Zero” have the legal right to do so, should they successfully comply with all applicable statutes and codes. Do you support or oppose the wisdom of this decision by the developers to build this mosque within the perimeter of “Ground Zero?”

Support                       Oppose                       Undecided

Comments:

This is an issue that can also be best summarized in whether there is any violation of the TWEA as explained in Question No. 4

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12. Do you support or oppose efforts to secure our southern border and to more effectively track all non-U.S. citizens who enter our country through the range of visa programs this nation offers?

Support                       Oppose                       Undecided

Comments:

I have drafted a Illegal Immigration Bill and given it to the Delaware General Assembly which has similar wording as the Illegal Immigration Bills of OK, AZ and TX

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13. According to the Pew Hispanic Center, 1 in every 12 babies born in the United States have at least one parent whose presence here is illegal. This year a number of media sources have reported on the increasing practice of what is called “birthright tourism,” where pregnant non-U.S. citizens come to the U.S. to give birth so their children automatically receive U.S. citizenship. One news report revealed

how an American hotel actually advertises its “birthright tourism” services. As a result, there are growing calls for congressional hearings to address this issue and examine a possible reinterpretation of the 14<sup>th</sup> amendment to the Constitution, under which “birthright tourism” is now allowed. Would you support or oppose such congressional hearings?

Support       Oppose       Undecided

Comments:

I oppose the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment. It should be abolished. All due process of laws the rights protected to every American were covered in the Bill of Rights. (Amend. I-X.) There is an issue with judges whom have acted in “Bad Behavior” while seated since 1809. And this issue is one that has been the result of Amendment XVII and the Senate not demanding for immediate impeachment of federal judges who are acting in “Bad Behavior” as is required to them in Art III section 1 of the US Constitution. For more information on this I can be reached via my Scheduling officer Brittany Overton at 302 233 2404

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14. The evidence is growing of active radical Islamist recruitment in our federal prison system. For example, four suspected terrorists brought to trial in Manhattan recently were former prison inmates. Would you support or oppose congressional hearings to determine to what extent this is happening in our federal prison system and the potential impact it has for our national security?

Support       Oppose       Undecided

Comments: