



Candidate Questionnaire 2017

Instructions: Please return questionnaire via email, fax, or mail:

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Purpose: Thank you for taking the time to fill out the Equality Virginia Advocates candidate questionnaire. The questionnaire will help our supporters, the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) community, and its allies know where candidates stand on issues important to them. Your returned questionnaire will also serve as part of the evaluation process for EVPAC’s Board in regards to endorsements.

Publication: Your answers are “on the record” and will be circulated to all members of the EVPAC Board, and may be shared outside the organization and published to the EV Advocates website.

Candidate and Campaign Information:

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Race and Election Information

Office Sought: District 86, House of Delegates

City, County or District of office:

Select One: Challenger Incumbent Open Seat

Positions

- A. Equality Virginia asks all General Assembly members to sign a [statement](#) that they do not discriminate in their office based on sexual orientation or gender identity. If you are an incumbent, have you signed EV's nondiscrimination statement [[check here](#)]? If you are not, will you sign the nondiscrimination statement if elected? Please include other actions you and your office take to create an open and inclusive workplace for gay and transgender employees.

I would sign such a pledge.

- B. Please describe your level of support for the following issues that are legislative priorities for Equality Virginia.

1. **Protecting public employees from discrimination based on their real or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity.**

Strong Support. Co-Patroned HB 2129 in 2017 Session.

2. **Protecting LGBT Virginians from discrimination in housing.**

Strong Support. Co-Patroned HB 300 in 2016 Session.

3. **Protecting LGBT Virginians from discrimination in public accommodations.**

Strong Support. Co-Patroned HB 1005 in 2016 Session.

- C. Please describe your level of support for the following issues that are important to EV and Virginia's lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and allied community.

1. **Banning "conversion therapy" practiced on LGBT minors.**

Strong Support. Co-Patroned HB 427 in 2016 Session.

2. **Protecting all LGBT Virginians from discrimination in the workplace.**

Strongly Support. Co-Patroned HB 913 in 2016 Session

3. Removing the Marshall Newman Marriage Amendment from the Virginia Constitution.

Strongly Support. Co-Patroned HJ 538 in 2017 Session.

4. Support for policies in Virginia's public schools protecting students, teachers, and staff from discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity.

Strongly Support.

5. Opposition to religious exemption bills that exceed the constitutional protection of freedom of religion and provide a license to discriminate against LGBT people.

Strongly Support. Opposed HB 2025 in 2017 Session.

D. Provide any additional information regarding your involvement in or support for the LGBT community.

I officiated the wedding of my childhood friend to his husband in January 2014 in New York City.
I've worked with members of the NOVA LGBT community to craft recognition for LGBT Pride week in Fairfax County and participated in the ceremony at the Board of Supervisors.
I regularly speak out on equality issues via social media
I have attended LGBT focused events and meetings
I was endorsed by the LGBT democrats in 2013 & 2015
I am a strong progressive and will be a tireless advocate for your causes
I was endorsed by your organization in 2015

Thank you for completing this questionnaire. If you have any questions, please contact Equality Virginia Advocates at 804-643-4816 or JamesParrish@EAdvocates.org.