



## 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: House of Delegates - 37th District

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 am proud to have already signed EV's nondiscrimination statement and have supported legislation to prohibit discrimination in the workplace against gay and transgender employees. Both my office and my campaign are committed to fostering a strong culture of inclusiveness and I am committed to hiring staff without regard to gender identity or sexual orientation.

- 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.**

I have co-sponsored legislation in the past to protect public employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity, including SB701 in 2013. I strongly support Governor McAuliffe's Executive Order #1 prohibiting discrimination in the state workforce and Executive Order #61 prohibiting discrimination by state contractors. My office is willing and able to work with any and all of my constituents.

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

As a member of the General Laws Housing Subcommittee I am on record as supporting efforts to ban housing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity and look forward to supporting legislation in years to come.

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

As a member of the General Laws Committee, I was proud to be part of the effort to defeat legislation that was designed to discriminate against LGBT Virginians in public accommodations. In the future, I hope to continue my tenure on the General Laws Committee both fighting against discriminatory legislation and supporting legislation to codify non-discrimination.

- 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.**

I support EV's efforts to ban conversion therapy on LGBT minors and was ready and willing to vote for HB427 in 2016. I hope to have the opportunity to support similar efforts in the future.

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

I support legislation that would protect all LGBT Virginians from discrimination in the workplace.

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

I have been a co-patron of the legislation to remove the Marshall Newman Marriage Amendment for the past two sessions and will continue to support such legislation in the future.

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

I strongly support these policies and have been proud to see Fairfax County Public Schools push to implement much needed protections. I look forward to supporting legislation to expand these protections in all parts of the Commonwealth.

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

I strongly opposed these bills and voted against HB2025 as a member of the General Laws Committee. I believe that such legislation is morally wrong as well as bad for Virginia's economy. I was proud to support the Governor's veto of this and similar legislation.

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

I am proud to stand on the side of equality in Virginia. As the second highest ranking Democrat on the General Laws Committee, I hope that I have demonstrated through my record that I am a strong advocate of the LGBT community and an ally of Equality Virginia. I appreciate the unwavering efforts of the LGBT community to achieve equality for everyone and would be honored to have the endorsement of EV Advocates.