



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

City, County or District of office: District 50

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.

If elected, I will sign the nondiscrimination statement.

- 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 fully support this policy, and I will work to codify this protection.

2. Protecting LGBT Virginians from discrimination in housing.

Housing is a basic human right, and I will work to end discrimination in housing in Virginia.

3. Protecting LGBT Virginians from discrimination in public accommodations.

Public accommodations are just that - public. Discrimination in any form is unacceptable.

- 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.

"Conversion Therapy" is nothing more than a psychological assault on minors who are already in a vulnerable state, and must be prohibited.

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

The right of all Virginians to live and work free from exploitation and discrimination is central to my campaign.

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

With the recent volatility of the Federal Government, we cannot count on the Obergefell ruling to prohibit its enforcement. It must be repealed.

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

I support codifying the nondiscrimination policy enacted by Prince William County so that all schools in Virginia provide the same protection.

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

Freedom of religion does not entail the freedom to discriminate. Therefore, I oppose all such measures.

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

When Prince William County took up the fight to protect LGBT students and staff, I proudly voiced my support. I will never back down from this fight.