

ABATE of Northern Nevada

Questionnaire for Those Seeking Public Office

1. What is your motivation for seeking public office?

I have always campaigned on the pledge to eliminate the methamphetamine use in our county and to take our county back.

I believe we are in even deeper trouble now with the prescription drug problem which has already taken control.

In 2006 we made it clear that this was going to be the new trend in society and asked the current Sheriff's administration to be pro-active in this battle. We were promised by this administration that they would create an educational program for our schools and attack the methamphetamine problem. This promise has never come to light.

I explained that if we did not address the dangerous drug problem that we would be facing an increase in violent crimes and home burglaries. On January 19 of this year, it was reported that thefts and violent crimes are among their highest rates in 10 years for Elko.

I believe we must come together as a community to educate ourselves and call for our community leaders to enforce, discuss and address the increase of violent crimes, use of drugs and alcohol abuse in our county.

I now found myself even more frustrated with the current sheriff administrations budget overages. Upon reviewing the audits over the last three years I found this continued abuse due to excessive overtime and civil law suits

With today's current government spending issues it is even more essential to take hold of our local government spending.

2. What are your views on the role of Government? What should be the role of Federal Government? What should be the role of State Government?

Our state of Nevada was the 36th State to be granted statehood into the greatest nation on earth. I am very proud to be a citizen of this great state and see the need for our state to act like the sovereign state that it was granted to be.

I am against unfunded mandates whether they are by the federal government or by the state government. Political budgets must be funded by resources defined to do so and not force down to the local people who may or may not be able to afford them, and have no say in their development.

I understand that many federal and other agencies have law enforcement capabilities and their duties are similar to the Elko County Sheriff's department. We will endeavor to work with anyone with resources and talents to assist us in our duties. I believe that the Sheriff is the chief law enforcement officer in the county. It is the sheriff's responsibility to protect the rights of those Elko County residents from federal agencies.

I will protect your rights as well as those of our State. We will take the lead whenever it is possible for us to do so. We will cooperate with other agencies when we need to do so, and see that our individual rights as US citizens and Nevada citizens are protected.

3. What is your stance on ownership of firearms? What sorts of restrictions or bans should be in place? Your views on Concealed Weapons Permits?

I believe in The Second Amendment of the Constitution. A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a Free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

I believe that if you have not been convicted of a felony or domestic violence charge you have the right to obtain a concealed weapon permit from the Sheriff of Elko County.

I will stand against the Nevada Sheriffs and Chiefs association when they attempt to take away any rights to firearms.

4. Would you be willing to help a pro choice helmet bill to the governor's desk for passage?

Yes, I am a supporter of a person's right to chose and have supported this legislation via email and letters to legislative representatives over the last two sessions.

5. What are your views on the "right to repair" act (H.R. 2057) proposed by Congress?

I have not followed this legislation but my initial thoughts are to support this bill.

I have no problem with motor vehicle owners having a right to choose a service provider for the diagnosis, service, maintenance, and repair on their motor vehicles.

I believe that this would promote competition in price and quality among service providers.