

## **ABATE of Northern Nevada**

### **Questionnaire for Those Seeking Public Office**

1. What is your motivation for seeking public office?

Actually, I have been interested for many years in political issues, however, running our business left little time to get involved in politics. Now after semi-retiring it gives me more time to devote to running for public office. I have long felt that all citizens have a responsibility to stay “tuned in” and possibly seek a public office. No one has been blessed more than me and our family, all because we are free and live in America. For me running for a seat on the Elko County Commission is my way to say thank you to all the patriots past and present who paid the price for our freedom.

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?

Without question some form of government must exist to keep men united and free. Time has proven that our constitutional form of government works very well when it is closely maintained by “we the people”, where we are in control of our government. However, when maintenance is given to only a few, through **inaction** of “we the people”, that same government will begin to gain control of our lives, and in short order our unity and freedoms are lost. This has happened to a great extent in the Federal as well as our state governments. Until voters take their responsibilities seriously our government will fill in the void left through citizen **apathy**.

3. If your views of Government differ from what is taking place now, what would you do to move Government closer to your vision of how it should operate?

Please see #2

4. What shapes your views on how to vote for or against legislation? If you are running for the office of Governor please explain what shapes your approval or veto of legislation? (For Legislative and Gubernatorial Candidates)

N/A

5. Give us some idea of the type of legislation you would most likely introduce? What do you feel is the most urgent and important legislation?(Non Legislative Candidates Exempt)

N/A

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

We were born free – Firearms ownership insures that we stay that way. I am an avid gun collector, our entire family for generations has been active hunters, my son owns Gun World and Archery and I and my entire family support and defend the 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment. It has never been proven that restrictions or bans of certain firearms have ever saved a life. All firearms used in **self defense save lives**. In every state that has concealed carry programs; violent crimes have been significantly reduced. Criminals seem to flock to states without such freedoms as they feel safer there. Thank goodness we have states such as California, Massachusetts, etc. that restrict concealed carry freedom so **that safety seeking violent criminals** have a safe place to call home.

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

State Legislator - What are your views on the mandated helmet use here in Nevada? Would you support legislation which allows an adult 21 years of age or older to choose a helmet?

Federal Legislator – What are your views on the federal government using transportation funding threats to ensure states keep a helmet law in place? Would you support legislation to allow states to choose the laws that best suits them without threats of revoked funds?

Gubernatorial – If in office would you approve legislation giving an adult, 21 years or older the right to choose a helmet?

Non Legislative Office – Would you be willing to support ABATE efforts in the right to choose by writing letters of support and/or appearing with ABATE during the legislative session to speak to legislators on behalf of the right to choose?

I support a pro choice bill to the governor and would be available to help as needed. I however, after witnessing fatal motorcycle accidents wonder if not wearing a helmet is a good use of our common sense, even though I agree we alone should make the choice

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

Having only read the Research Service Summary, attached, I conclude that if motor vehicles are sold in our country, we must have access to technical data and related tools in order to repair them ourselves or have the vehicle repaired by whomever. I, however, would like to have more information on this issue.

Thank you for taking the time to answer these questions to potential constituents. It means a lot to this organization and helps voters decide on a candidate that best suits them. Responses will be posted on A.B.A.T.E. of Northern Nevada’s web site, [www.abatennv.org](http://www.abatennv.org). You may e-mail your finished response to [ridefree@abatennv.org](mailto:ridefree@abatennv.org) or mail to:

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