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Candidate Vetting Questionnaire
For (Name): Steven M. Palazzo
Date: March 14, 2010

	Questions	Yes	No	Un- decide
* denotes my comments at the end				
1	Do you prescribe to the idea that the Federal Government powers are limited only to those specifically "enumerated" within the U.S. Constitution?	X		
2	Do you believe that the modern liberal view of "Separation of Church and State" is correct when relating to the 1st Amendment to the U.S. Constitution?		X	
3	Do you believe that the individual states have sovereign rights?	X*		
4	Do you believe the 1st Amendment's purpose is to remove the influence of Judeo-Christian principles from the Federal Government?		X	
5	Will you support any new gun restrictions or legislation reducing the rights invoked in the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution?		X	
6	Should citizens be required to list all guns they own on income tax documents?		X	
7	Do you believe the issue of abortion is a state's rights issue?	X		
8	Are you pro-choice?		X	
9	Do you believe abortion should be illegal via Federal law?	X		
10	Are you pro-life?	X		
11	Do you support a balanced budget?	X		
12	Will you introduce and support bills that will reduce government spending?	X		
13	Do you recognize the difference between 'wants' and 'needs' as it applies to budget items and if so, are you willing to trim the fat in order to live within our means?	X		
14	Do you pledge to do all that you can to defeat Gene Taylor in November	X		
15	Were you promised any financial support during your campaign before you announced your candidacy for this election?		X	
16	Did you speak or communicate with Gene Taylor at any time from 2009 to the present regarding your potential candidacy for this election?		X	
17	Do you believe that you can defeat Gene Taylor in November?	X		
18	Do you feel that your campaign can raise enough funds to win this election?	X		
19	Do you feel that your reputation is sound enough to withstand public scrutiny during this campaign?	X		
20	Do you support the regulation of greenhouse gases as proposed in the Cap & Trade legislation?		X	
21	Do you recognize that Communists/Socialists have taken over the environmental movement and that to them it is nothing more than a control mechanism?			X*

22	Do you support a "one bill/one issue" policy in the U.S. Congress?	X		
23	Would you vote "no" on a good legislative bill if a non-relevant or onerous amendment is attached to the original bill?	X		
24	Do you promise to read every bill that you are required to vote on in its entirety and to do the necessary research to have a fair understanding of it before voting on it?	X		
25	Do you support basing pay raises for U.S. Senators and Representatives on a formula based on the state of our economy?			X*
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26	Do you believe that members of the U.S. Congress should be forced to have the same healthcare that they vote on for the public?	X		
27	Would you sponsor or support legislation that would prohibit the use of military or government aircraft for all except for the President and Vice President of the U.S.?			X*
28	Would you sponsor or support legislation that would limit the expense account of government elected officials to that afforded a business person in a mid-size business in the private sector?	X		
29	Are you willing to void any legislation that has been passed that is deemed 'unconstitutional'?	X*		
30	Would you sponsor legislation to remove the pension plan benefit from Congressmen wherein they serve a certain number of terms and retire at full or a high percentage of their salary?	X		
31	Do you believe in enforcing punishment of treasonous acts against our nation whether by lawmakers, administration or private citizens?	X		
32	Would you disregard the will of the voters in Mississippi's 4th Congressional District if your political party affiliation ran contrary to the clearly expressed will of those voters?		X	
33	Would you sell your vote to a lobbyist or to anyone?		X	
34	Do you recognize and respect the intelligence of your constituents and feel that it is your privilege to represent them?	X		
35	Do you believe that Congressmen are of a higher social calibre than those they serve?		X	
36	Do you have the courage to fight against political correctness?	X		
37	Do you consider yourself to be a person of honor and integrity, whose word can be trusted in all circumstances?	X		
38	Do you have the courage to stand up for your beliefs whether it's against your political party, the Speaker of the House or the Chairman of a Committee?	X*		
39	Will you respect and fully represent the expressed will of the people whom you serve in the 4th Congressional District of Mississippi?	X		
40	Do you believe that all proposed legislation should be read aloud on the floor prior to a vote?		X*	
41	Have you ever owned a for-profit business?	X		
42	Have you ever worked in a private-sector job?	X		
43	Do you support the idea that Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution grants Congress the power to pass any legislation as long as Congress deems it in the best interest of the "general welfare" of the U.S?		X*	

44	Do you believe the drafters of the U.S. Constitution intended to limit the powers of the Federal Government?	X		
45	Do you believe the purpose of the U.S. Constitution was to protect the freedoms of U.S. Citizens?	X		
46	Have you read the U.S. Constitution and Declaration of Independence in their entirety?	X		
47	Have you read the Federalist Papers?	X		
48	Have you studied American History or about the Founding Fathers on your own time in the past twelve months?	X		
49	Would you support legislation that requires any person running for any public office to present acceptable documentation of his or her identity and to show that they meet the required qualifications to the people upon being qualified as a candidate?	X		
50	Do you believe the "commerce clause" in Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution grants Congress the power to pass any law regarding commerce?		X	
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51	Do you consider the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights to be the unwavering cornerstone of our judicial system?	X		
52	Do you support nullification of any bills that violate the Constitution?	X*		
53	Do you support the bailing out of private companies by the U.S. government?		X	
54	Do you believe that the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag is appropriate in K-12 schools in our country?	X		
55	Do you believe that students may silently choose to not participate in the pledge?			X*
56	Do you believe that the U.S. flag should be protected against mutilation and dishonor by federal law?	X		
57	Do you pledge to report any and all corruption that you are personally faced with or that you become aware or suspicious of to the proper department for investigation, including corruption involving any elected official?	X		
58	Do you pledge to report any claims of corruption that are not investigated to credible news media?	X		
59	Do you support a strong national defense?	X		
60	Do you believe that the role of the military is to keep the U.S. safe at all costs?	X		
61	Do you believe that the U.S. should negotiate with terrorist countries?		X	
62	Do you believe that the U.S. should disarm our nuclear weapons?		X	
63	Would you vote "no" on a good legislative bill if the bill has earmarks and pork attached as amendments to the original bill?	X		
64	Do you believe that we should sign trade agreements that are more beneficial to other countries than to the U.S.?		X	
65	Would you support creating an environment that would attract businesses to locate in the U.S. to create jobs, such as lowering taxes or converting to a 'Fair Tax' system?	X		
66	Do you believe in the free market system of capitalism?	X		
67	Would you support ending the Department of Education so that the states can administer the education needs of our students?			X*

68	Are you in favor of the removal from or revising of early American history from our textbooks?		X	
69	Do you believe that sexual lifestyle tolerance, promiscuity, early sex and sex education should be taught in our schools?		X	
70	Are you in favor of developing energy sources within the U.S. to reduce our reliance on foreign supplies (Drill Here, Drill Now)?	X		
71	Do you support drilling for oil in the U.S. and in our waters?	X		
72	Are you supportive of lending money to other countries to drill for oil that will not benefit the U.S.?		X	
73	Do you support the free display of the Ten Commandments and other signs of Christian faith in government buildings?	X		
74	Do you support the issuance of postal stamps to commemorate Muslim holidays?	X		
75	Would you work to void the hate crimes bill?	X		
	Questions	Yes	No	Un- decide
76	Do you support the restoral of prayer in schools?	X		
77	Do you believe that the U.S. is a Christian nation?	X		
78	Will you be proactive in demanding a complete audit of the Federal Reserve?	X		
79	Do you believe that our foreign policy should be supportive of Israel?	X		
80	Do you believe that government has grown too large?	X		
81	Will you work to reduce the size of government, including the closure of regulatory agencies and bureaucracies that are operating outside the Constitution?	X		
82	Will you sponsor or support legislation to call for the immediate removal of all czars and other appointments that are not vetted by Congress?	X		
83	Would you resolutely speak out on behalf of U.S. citizens who have been wrongly or inappropriately labeled by a government office, such as Janet Napolitano and the Department of Homeland Security's labeling of former military personnel, etc. as potential terrorists?	X		
84	Do you believe that any branch of the government has the right to pass laws or sign treaties that restrict the rights of U.S. citizens to fish and enjoy our waterways as currently regulated?			X*
85	Do you believe in supporting the food needs of the citizens of the U.S. over environmentalists demands? (i.e. turning on the water in Southern California so the farmers can grow food?)	X		
86	Do you believe that the federal government has the right to make food nutrients illegal?			X*
87	Do you believe that the federal or state government should have the right to take private property for the purpose of giving it to a private corporation or individual for any reason within a 10 year period?		X	
88	Do you believe that the federal government should have the right to force anyone to take vaccines against their will?			X*
89	Do you believe that foreign troops should be quartered on U.S. soil?		X	
90	Do you believe that any branch of the government has the authority to demand that service work be done by any citizen?		X	
91	Do you feel that the U.S. would be better served under a global government?		X	

92	Do you support Nationalized Healthcare as currently proposed in Congress?		X	
93	Do you believe the restrictions preventing sale of healthcare between states should be eliminated?	X		
94	Do you support a free-market/capitalist approach to healthcare?	X		
95	Do you believe the U.S. Government is responsible for providing healthcare to every citizen?		X	
96	Would you support torte reform?	X		
97	Do you support an "open borders" policy for the U.S./Canada and U.S./Mexican borders?		X	
98	Do you support any type of amnesty for illegal aliens?		X	
99	Will you support the use of taxpayer money for supporting illegal immigrants, other than deporting them back to their country of origin?		X	
100	Will you support enforcing our immigration policy and deporting those who are not legal U.S. citizens or on the legal path to citizenship?	X		
	Questions	Yes	No	Un- decide
101	Do you support CardCheck legislation to enable the identification of those qualified to work in the U.S.	X*		
192	Are you in favor of issuing work visas to foreigners when our unemployment rate is high?		X	
103	Are you confident that you will be able to serve the people of Mississippi's 4th Congressional District without succumbing to the many pressures and temptations that have caused many elected officials to compromise their values, beliefs, responsibilities, and principles?	X*		
104	Do you support a Constitutional Amendment defining "marriage" as between a man and a woman?	X		
105	Do you support a non-interventionist military role that focuses more on keeping our country safe than nation-building?	X		
106	Are you supportive of the military's current 'Don't' Ask, Don't Tell' policy?	X		
107	Do you feel that the Navy Seals who recently faced Court Marshall for their alleged mistreatment of a known terrorist received fair treatment?		X	
108	Do you believe that our veterans deserve the best medical, sociological and psychological care available?	X		
109	Have you ever served in the U.S. military?	X		
110	Do you believe that Muslims should be permitted to serve in our military?	X		
111	Do you believe that Muslim communities in the U.S. should be granted the right to live under Sharia law?		X	
112	Are you capable of admitting your mistakes, learning from them, and taking responsibility of their consequences?	X		
113	Do you think the U.S. should continue to welcome Muslims/Islam into our country?	X*		
114	Do you believe its fair to redistribute the wealth so that everyone has the same benefits regardless of whether they worked for them or not?		X	
115	Do you believe the United States should remain a sovereign Nation?	X		

116	Will you support and defend U.S. Sovereignty over U.N. Tribunal decisions?		X*	
	Questions	Yes	No	Un-decide
117	Do you support embryonic stem-cell research or development or cloning?		X	
118	Do you support reducing income tax rates?	X		
119	Would you support disbanding our current tax laws in favor of a new "Fair Tax" system?	X		
120	Will you support any tax increases, direct or indirect?		X	
121	Will you support an amendment to the U.S. Constitution limiting, at a maximum, the terms of U.S. Senators to two (2) six (6) year terms and terms of U.S. Representatives to six (6) two (2) year terms or a maximum of 12 years if combined?	X*		
122	Do you believe that terrorists captured on the battlefield should be tried in civilian courts?		X	
123	Do you believe that terrorists captured on the battlefield should be tried in military tribunals?	X		
124	Do you support the U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child?	X*		
125	Do you support the adoption of the U.N.s Law of the Sea Treaty?		X	
126	Would you support the resignation of the U.S. from the United Nations and the closure of the United Nations headquarters in the U.S.?			X
127	Are you in favor of diplomatic immunity for foreign diplomats and their families in the U.S.?		X	
128	Do you support unionized labor?		X*	
129	Would you like to see the U.S. greatly reduce existing entitlement programs?	X		
130	Do you believe that U.S. citizens have and should retain the right to bear arms?	X		
131	Are you in favor of waterboarding and the use of other non-life threatening interrogation methods in the gathering of intelligence from enemy combatants?	X		
132	Do you believe that our soldiers should not be allowed to carry weapons within our military bases?		X	
133	Do you believe that Communists and Socialists should be considered potential enemy combatants?			X
	"Candidate"			
	Make any statements or comments you wish to express below.			
	3) Yes - I am the key author of the MS Resolution for this.			
	21) I believe that members of the far left have taken over the "environmental" movement using terrorist tactics and unsound science.			
	25) I support a freeze in the pay from Congressional members and am open for ideas on other merit based pay initiatives.			
	27) Question is a little too vague. What about Cabinet Members and Military Leaders? I do not support the use by government officials to travel to and from their home state for personal use.			

29) As a Congressman I would oppose any legislation that is determined to be unconstitutional however, I would not have the power myself to void any such legislation.			
38) Yes I will never put politics before South Mississippi families, their values and principles.			
40) No, as long as legislation has not be changed between committee and introduction to the floor. If you read all bills why would it need to be read aloud? This could delay important legislation that has already been read by the members.			
43) I believe that there are members in Congress who have taken liberty with the original intent of our founding fathers with regard to the "general" welfare clause. I do believe we have a right to raise an army to defend ourselves against foreign threats.			
52) Yes and I've sponsored such legislation in MS.			
55) I believe that should someone not wish to participate in the pledge of allegiance it is there right to do so however, everyone should be able to participate if they so choose and the government should not take that right away.			
67) I believe the Dept. of Education should be demoted to a non cabinet level department and should instead by an advisory agency with no powers other than to advise State governments.			
84) Only for sound conservation purposes to protect an endangered species till it can repopulate; balancing Sportmen's interest and commercial fishing interests.			
86) Depends on the Nutrient.			
88) Depends on What the Vaccine is For.			
101) I do support making the laws stronger in terms of identifying those individuals that are legally able to work. I do not support the Labor Union legislation commonly referred to as "Card Check".			
103) I've served my state and country since 1988. I have never brought dishonor upon the military or to the people I serve.			
113) Not radical islamists or terrorists			
116) Yes - the UN has no authority over the United States or its people.			
121) As long as there is a fail proof method to protect Mississippians from corrupt forces in Washington, so that Mississippi leadership is not weakened in Congress.			
124) Yes, for third world countries, but not for America. We must protect our sovereign rights.			