

Travis County Precinct 354 Chairman Questionnaire

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1. Have you ever run for political office before? If so...what, when and where? Was this as a GOP candidate...or for a different political party?
 - ➔ No.

2. Why are you running for Precinct Chairperson?
 - ➔ I have been active at various levels of the GOP, beginning as State Chairman of College Republicans from the University of Texas and in my various roles both volunteer and paid in politic
 - ➔ I have attended 1 GOP National Convention, 3 state conventions and several precinct and county conventions.
 - ➔ I understand the fundamental role of the precinct chair, which is to organize and communicate with Republicans in the precinct.
 - ➔ I learned that the previous chair had left the precinct, creating an open position. The former chairman encouraged me to step up and the timing was right for me to do so.
 - ➔ For more, please see Q. 12 below.

3. Do you have aspirations for running for more political offices in the future...or have you given it any thought yet?
 - ➔ I believe you are called to public service rather than aspire for political office. I have yet to be called to public service, so I have not given it thoughts.

4. Have you served in a political campaign before? Please describe what you have done in the past to help elect others to political office.
 - ➔ I have worked on the following campaigns since 1992, when I became involved in politics:
 - Gramm For President, 1996 – Young Texans for Gramm volunteer
 - Dole for President, 1996 – Young Texans for Dole Chairman
 - Leadership Texas, 1996 – Intern (a Texas GOP get out the vote effort)
 - George W. Bush for Governor, 1996 - Intern
 - Barry Williams for Attorney General, 1998 – Finance assistant and scheduler
 - Texas Victory, 1998 – Finance Director (a Texas GOP get out the vote effort)
 - Florence Shapiro for Texas Senate, 1998 to 2010 – Campaign Manager

- Texas Victory, 2002 & 2004 – Finance Director (a Texas GOP get out the vote effort)
 - Kay Bailey Hutchison for U.S. Senate, 2006 – Special Projects
 - Various campaigns since 2004 as fundraising consultant
5. What are your goals as Precinct 354 Chairperson? How do envision accomplishing these goals?
 - ➔ Raise voter turnout in Precinct 354 by 20 % over 2004 by implementing a full effort to canvass, register and turn out Republican voters next fall.
 - ➔ Increase the participation of individuals in the GOP efforts in our precinct by developing a leadership structure of committees and team leaders who will help to implement our canvass, registration and get out the vote effort. This will include a structure of neighborhood and block captains.
 - ➔ Launch an American Flag Initiative to build on the Freedom and Prosperity of the American spirit which will also allow us to identify pro-freedom individuals in our neighborhood that we can message to.
 - ➔ Increase attendance at the precinct Convention and our delegation strength at the county convention, by building a team of committed, engaged individuals.

 6. How much time (average hours per week or month) can you devote to GOP Precinct efforts this year? Are there factors that will limit your efforts that we should know about?
 - ➔ As much as it takes to meet our goals.

 7. Are you associated with any political action groups? If so...please list and expound on your activity with the group/s.
 - ➔ I participate in many PACs as my business is as a political fundraiser.

 8. Have you participated in Tea Parties?
 - ➔ I am a member of the Austin Tea Party Patriots.

 9. Do you belong to any meetup and or online social groups?
 - ➔ South Austin Meet up
 - ➔ Precinct 354 meet up
 - ➔ Various groups via facebook

 10. What has been your participation with the Republican Party in the past?
 - ➔ I have been involved with the GOP in various grassroots, legislative and campaign activities since 1992. Please review my experience above and below.

 11. What are your plans to support GOP candidates for the General Election in November? When do you envision starting this support...and how do you hope to accomplish this support?
 - ➔ My program is simple: canvass the voters in our precinct, register more Republican voters, develop communications networks and turn out the vote in November.

- ➔ The Work should begin immediately after the election.
- ➔ My tools for success will be people resources, voter lists / databases, a communications network with regular communications, and monthly leadership meetings.
- ➔ A strategic outline is posted at www.suzannebellsnyder.com

12. Please describe how important being elected as Precinct Chairperson is to you.

- ➔ I have always believed in the importance of the GOP as the vehicle to elect pro-Freedom, less government individuals to office. As precinct chairman, I hope to provide a strong foundation of support for Conservative candidates who choose to run for office. As strong foundation in our neighborhood could mean the difference in finally beating liberals such as Valinda Bolton (dist 47) and Lloyd Doggett.

13. Are you for or against giving non-citizens a Texas driver's license and/or a Texas picture ID?

- ➔ I support the GOP platform as the overriding document of our party.

14. Are you for or against giving non-citizens in-state tuition?

- ➔ I support the GOP platform as the overriding document of our party.

15. Are you for or against requiring voter's in Texas to provide a valid Texas driver's license...or a Texas picture ID card...in order to vote?

- ➔ I support the GOP platform as the overriding document of our party.

16. Are you for or against providing tax payer funded assistance (SCHIPS, Section 8 housing, food stamps, etc.) to non-citizens?

- ➔ I support the GOP platform as the overriding document of our party.

17. Are you for or against printing state and government documents, including ballots, in any language other than...or in addition to...English?

- ➔ I support the GOP platform as the overriding document of our party.

18. Do you think the Republican Party and its leaders are doing a good job? If not, please explain.

- ➔ In seeking a GOP office, I don't wish to pass judgment on the leadership of the party. I believe in the value of the party structure and its importance in electing leaders that represent the shared values of God, family, country, freedom and less government. I would like these core values to be our call to arms and to see our leadership build an invincible army that will fight against any threat -- i.e. Barack H. Obama and Liberal Congress -- on these GOP values.

19. In what way, if any, would you attempt to change the direction of the Republican Party?

- ➔ Please see answer on Q18.

20. What are the three most important social and or fiscal issues to you?

- Less Government
- School Choice
- Lower Taxes

21. What is your stance on the 10th Amendment and how it applies to Texas?

- I believe that Federal government is spiraling out of control and the impact is being felt strongly at the state level. There has been a fundamental shift and there is an all out assault on the 10th Amendment. The 10th amendment has become the frog in the boiling pot – by turning up the water slowly – chipping away at state’s rights – we are about to kill the frog, and he’ll never even feel it. The Texas legislature is currently facing many challenges with mandates from the federal government on stimulus spending and now healthcare on its way down the pipeline. Our only hope is to become involved and take back the rights for the people.

22. List the 5 most important principles the Republican Party should advocate for.

- Less Government
- Lower Taxes
- Economic Freedom
- School Choice
- National Sovereignty

23. How is Barack H. Obama attempting to fundamentally changing America.

- He has launched an assault on freedom and is hijacking the very foundation of the American experience.

24. Have you or your spouse held any volunteer or paid positions within:

a. The Democrat Party

- No.

b. The Republican Party

- Telemarketing fundraiser
- Leadership Texas 1996 intern
- Victory 1998, 2002, 2004 – Finance Director
- Travis County GOP, 2008 - Fundraiser

c. Any other political party (such as Libertarian, Communist, etc.)

- No.

d. Any Political Action Committee (PAC)

- Various clients as Fundraising consultant

e. Lobbying (as part of an organization or as an individual)

- Spouse is Executive Director of the Texas Association of Manufacturers.