Abortion & Reproductive Issues:

a) Do you generally support pro-choice or pro-life legislation?  Pro-Choice___ Pro-Life___
   Yes___ No___

b) Should abortion be legal when the pregnancy resulted from incest or rape?  Yes___ No___

c) Do you support the prohibition of public funds for organizations that perform abortions?  Yes___ No___

d) Other or expanded principles:
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Budget, Spending, & Tax Issues:

Budget Stabilization: Indicate which of the proposals you support (if any) for balancing Arkansas's budget.

a) Reducing state employee salaries AND/OR pensions?  Yes___ No___

b) Instituting mandatory furloughs AND/OR layoffs for state employees?  Yes___ No___

c) Reducing benefits for Medicaid recipients?  Yes___ No___

d) An income tax increase on any tax bracket?  Yes___ No___

e) Other or expanded principles:
_______________________________________________________________________________________________________________
_______________________________________________________________________________________________________________

Campaign Finance & Government Reform Issues:

a) Do you support any limits on campaign contributions to state candidates?  Yes___ No___

b) Do you support the regulation of indirect campaign contributions from corporations and unions?  Yes___ No___

c) Do you support the use of an independent AND/OR bipartisan commission for redistricting?  Yes___ No___

d) Do you support requiring a government-issued photo identification in order to vote at the polls?  Yes___ No___

e) Other or expanded principles:
_______________________________________________________________________________________________________________
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I, __________________________, am willing to tell citizens where I stand on the issues I may face if elected. I have demonstrated my Political Courage by indicating my position on the following issues.

Signed: ___________________________  Date: _____________________

District: ___________________________  State: _____________________

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Please indicate your positions on the following issues. You will be recognized for your Political Courage if you submit answers to the questions asked below. If you would like to provide a more detailed response, please do so in the “Other or expanded principles” section (all responses must be under 100 words).

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Crime & Public Safety Issues:
   a) Do you support capital punishment for certain crimes?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   b) Do you support the legalization of marijuana for recreational purposes?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   c) Should a minor accused of a violent crime be prosecuted as an adult?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   d) Do you support the enforcement of federal immigration laws by state and local police?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   e) Other or expanded principles:
      ____________________________________________________________
      ____________________________________________________________
      ____________________________________________________________

Economic Issues:
   a) Do you support state government spending as a means of promoting economic growth?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   b) Do you support lowering state taxes as a means of promoting economic growth?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   c) Do you support reducing state government regulations on the private sector?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   d) Do you support expanding access to unemployment benefits?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   e) Do you support requiring welfare applicants to pass a drug test in order to receive benefits?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   f) Do you support an increase of the minimum wage of Arkansas?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   g) Other or expanded principles:
      ____________________________________________________________
      ____________________________________________________________
      ____________________________________________________________

Education Issues:
   a) Do you support adopting federal education standards in Arkansas?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   b) Do you support state funding for charter schools?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   c) Should immigrants unlawfully present in the United States who graduate from Arkansas high schools be eligible for in-state tuition at public universities?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   d) Other or expanded principles:
      ____________________________________________________________
      ____________________________________________________________
      ____________________________________________________________

Environment & Energy Issues:
   a) Do you support state funding for the development of renewable energy (e.g. solar, wind, thermal)?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   b) Do you support state government regulation of greenhouse gas emissions?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   c) Do you support increasing state funding for clean drinking water initiatives?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   d) Other or expanded principles:
      ____________________________________________________________
      ____________________________________________________________
      ____________________________________________________________

Gun Issues:
   a) Do you generally support gun-control legislation?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   b) Should background checks be required on gun sales between private citizens at gun shows?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   c) Should teachers be allowed to bring guns into the classroom?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   d) Should a license be required for gun ownership?  
      ________________________________  Yes ___ No ___
   e) Other or expanded principles:
      ____________________________________________________________
      ____________________________________________________________
      ____________________________________________________________

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Health Issues:
a) Should the state government increase funding for treatment facilities to combat opioid abuse?  Yes ___ No ___
b) Do you support Medicaid expansion through Arkansas's health care programs?  Yes ___ No ___
c) Do you support requiring individuals to purchase health care insurance?  Yes ___ No ___
d) Do you support legislation that grants citizens the right to choose to die through euthanasia?  Yes ___ No ___
e) Do you support eliminating religious exemptions for vaccinations?  Yes ___ No ___
f) Should able-bodied Medicaid recipients meet a work requirement to be eligible for benefits?  Yes ___ No ___
g) Other or expanded principles:
_______________________________________________________________________________________________________________
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Social Issues
a) Do you support the inclusion of sexual orientation in Arkansas's anti-discrimination laws?  Yes ___ No ___
b) Do you support the inclusion of gender identity in Arkansas's anti-discrimination laws?  Yes ___ No ___
c) Do you support greater efforts by Arkansas state government in closing the pay gap between men and women?  Yes ___ No ___
d) Do you support the removal of Ten Commandments monuments from public spaces?  Yes ___ No ___
e) Other or expanded principles:
_______________________________________________________________________________________________________________
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Legislative Priorities: In the following area, on an attached page, or via e-mail, please explain in a total of 100 words or less, your top two or three priorities if elected. If they require additional funding for implementation, please explain how you would obtain this funding.
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