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**NONPARTISAN VOTERS GUIDE**  
**General Election November 4, 2014**  
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**Polls open 7 A.M. to 8 P.M.**

*This Voters Guide may be taken into the voting booth.*

**FOR ELECTION INFORMATION**

Contact your county Board of Elections. The League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania Citizen Information Center also provides election information. CALL TOLL FREE: 1-800-692-7281

**ABOUT THIS GUIDE**

The material in this Guide was compiled by the League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania-Citizen Education Fund. This material may not be altered or reprinted without the permission of the League. Each candidate's reply has been printed as submitted, except to use standard abbreviations and by editing from the bottom when a candidate's reply exceeded the word limit. **The candidates listed are those whose names appear on the ballot as of Monday, August 11, 2014.** They are listed according to their ballot order. Additional information about candidates and voter information including "Polling Place Lookup" can be found by going to [www.smartvoter.org](http://www.smartvoter.org) and typing in your address and zip code.

**PURPOSE AND POLICY OF THE LEAGUE**

The purpose of the League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania-Citizen Education Fund is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government. The League is nonpartisan: it does not support or oppose any political parties or candidates. Nothing in this guide should be construed as an endorsement of any candidate by the League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania-Citizen Education Fund.

**ABSENTEE VOTING**

Registered voters who are ill, disabled, or will be absent from the municipality on Election Day may vote by absentee ballot. Completed applications for civilian absentee ballots must be received by the county Board of Elections by 5 P.M., Tuesday, October 28, 2014. Completed civilian absentee ballots must be received back at the Board of Elections by 5 P.M. on Friday, October 31, 2014. If an emergency arises (unexpected illness or business trip) after the Tuesday application deadline, call your county Board of Elections for information on emergency absentee voting. Proof of emergency may be required. An emergency application and ballot can be obtained and voted by 5 P.M. on Friday, October 31, 2014. Any disabled voter having questions regarding the accessibility of a polling place should consult the county Board of Elections.

**WRITE-IN VOTING**

Information for write-in voting will be available at the polling place.

**ELECTION DAY PROBLEMS**

If your right to vote is challenged at the polls on Election Day and the problem cannot be resolved at the polling place, the judge of elections at the polling place should telephone the county Board of Elections. The problem could be resolved by phone if your name appears on the county records. If it does not and you want to try to resolve the problem, then you can go in person to the county Board of Elections where a

judge from the Court of Common Pleas will be on duty to resolve election problems. Alternatively you can ask for and vote by provisional ballot. If it is later determined that you were eligible to vote your ballot will be counted. You will be given instructions on how to determine if your vote was counted. Problems at the polls can be reported to the PA Department of State at [www.votespa.com](http://www.votespa.com) and to the Election Protection Hotline, 1-866-OurVote or [www.866ourvote.org](http://www.866ourvote.org).

Forms for voter absentee ballots, emergency absentee ballots and alternative ballots can be downloaded from the Resource Center at [www.votespa.com](http://www.votespa.com).

## **IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW VOTERS**

If you're voting for the first time in an upcoming election, the information below can help you ensure you're prepared once you arrive at the polls. All voters who appear at a polling place for the first time must show proof of identification. Approved forms of photo identification include:

- Pennsylvania driver's license or PennDOT ID card
- ID issued by any Commonwealth agency
- ID issued by the U.S. Government
- U.S. passport
- U.S. Armed Forces ID
- Student ID
- Employee ID

If you do not have a photo ID, you can use a non-photo identification that includes your name and address.

Approved forms of non-photo identification include:

Confirmation issued by the County Voter Registration Office

- Non-photo ID issued by the Commonwealth
- Non-photo ID issued by the U.S. Government
- Firearm permit
- Current utility bill
- Current bank statement
- Current paycheck
- Government check

If you do not have any acceptable ID then you must be allowed to vote by provisional ballot.

## **ON-LINE VOTERS GUIDE**

The Voters Guide and other useful information for voters can be found on the League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania homepage: [www.palwv.org](http://www.palwv.org) and clicking on Smart Voter at <http://www.smartvoter.org/sv/pa/state/>

### **\*CERTIFICATION NOTE\***

*As of the publication date of this guide, the slate of candidates listed below is accurate based upon the Pennsylvania Department of State's Bureau of Elections unofficial ballot.*

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## **POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE GOVERNOR**

The Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania provides that "the supreme executive power shall be vested in the Governor, who shall take care that the laws be faithfully executed." In addition to serving as chief officer of the executive branch of state government, the Governor is Commander-in-Chief of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth, except when they are called into the actual service of the United States.

**Qualifications**—To be eligible for election as Governor, a person must be at least 30 years old, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the Commonwealth for a minimum of seven years before the election, unless he or she has been absent on the public business of the state or the nation.

**Appointments** – The Governor appoints the secretaries of departments and heads of other cabinet-level agencies, as well as members of state boards, commissions, and councils.

**Budget** – The Governor must annually present to the General Assembly a balanced operating budget and a capital budget for the ensuing fiscal year, as well as a financial plan for not less than the next five succeeding fiscal years.

**Executive Department Management** – The Governor approves the appointment and compensation of all deputies and employees in administrative departments and boards and commissions, as well as his own staff.

**Legislation** – The Governor delivers messages to the General Assembly and suggests measures that the Legislature may want to introduce in bill form.

**Military** – The Governor is the Commander-in-Chief of the Commonwealth’s military forces, except when they are called into the service of the United States.

**Other Powers and Duties** – The Governor can remit fines and forfeitures and grant reprieves. If the Board of Pardons has first held a public hearing and made a recommendation, the Governor can also commute sentences and pardon persons, except in cases of impeachment. The Governor certifies elections for Presidential Electors in the Electoral College and provides Congressional election returns to United States officials. He also issues commissions to persons for Judge of the Supreme Court or Superior Court and for every court of record.

**Term of Office**—The Governor holds office for a four-year term beginning on the third Tuesday of January following the gubernatorial election and is eligible to serve one additional four-year term.

**Salary: Governor --\$187,256**

**Question: You are in the midst of an expensive election campaign. What are your thoughts on campaign finance reform?**

**Vote for not more than 1**

## **Republican**

**Tom Corbett—Shaler Township, Allegheny County, PA**



### **WEB SITE:**

<http://www.tomcorbettforgovernor.com>

**D.O.B:** 6.17.1949

**EDUCATION:** BA, Political Science, Lebanon Valley College; JD, St. Mary’s University School of Law

**OCCUPATION:** Governor, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Governor, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Attorney General, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; United States Attorney, Western

Pennsylvania; Captain, PA National Guard; Assistant District Attorney, Allegheny County; Teacher, Pine Grove Area High School

**ANSWER TO QUESTION:** We must continue implementing reforms to make campaign finance more open and transparent. I would err in favor of broadly construing constitutional rights, especially where First Amendment protection of free expression is concerned. Total transparency of campaign finances and political spending by interested parties is the most effective method for maintaining accountability. It is for this reason the Department of State recently revamped the campaign finance website to provide the public with greater access to campaign finance reports.

**Democratic**  
**Tom Wolf—Mt. Wolf, PA**



**WEB SITE:** <http://www.wolfforpa.com>

**D.O.B:** 11.17.1948

**EDUCATION:** 1972, Dartmouth College, B.A.; 1978, University of London, M. Phil.; 1981, MIT, PhD

**OCCUPATION:** Chairman, Wolf Organization

**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have a different background that uniquely positions me to promote the values we all share. I served in the Peace Corps, I built a business twice,

and I served as Governor Rendell's Secretary of Revenue. Read my story: <http://tom.wolfforpa.com/>.

**ANSWER TO QUESTION:** I believe stronger campaign finance and disclosure reforms can help reduce the potential for corruption in state government while providing transparency in the political process in Pennsylvania. As governor, I will support legislation to establish a public finance program, set campaign contribution limits, and create stricter reporting requirements for contributions and late filing fees. You can read more about my campaign finance reforms on my website: [www.wolfforpa.com](http://www.wolfforpa.com)

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**POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

The Lieutenant Governor is President of the Senate and Chair of the Board of Pardons. He presides over the Senate, but has no vote unless the Senate is equally divided. The Constitution provides that he shall be chosen at the same time, in the same manner, for the same term, and subject to the same provisions as the Governor, and that in case of the death, conviction or impeachment, failure to qualify, resignation, or other disability of the Governor, the powers, duties, and emoluments of the office for the remainder of the term or until the disability be removed shall devolve upon the Lieutenant Governor.

**Term of Office:** The Lieutenant Governor is elected for a term of four years

**Salary: Lieutenant Governor --\$157,293**

**Question: You are in the midst of an expensive election campaign. What are your thoughts on campaign finance reform?**

**Vote for not more than 1**

**Republican**  
**Jim Cawley—Middletown Township, Bucks County PA**

**WEB SITE:** <http://www.tomcorbettforgovernor.com>



**D.O.B:** 6.22.1969

**EDUCATION:** BA Political Science, Temple University; JD, Temple University School of Law

**OCCUPATION:** Lt. Governor, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Lt. Governor, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; President, Pennsylvania Senate; Commissioner, Bucks County Board of Commissioners; Former Member, Bristol School Board, Bristol Township.

**ANSWER TO QUESTION:** I support Governor Corbett's objective of making Pennsylvania's campaign finance system more open and transparent. We must continue to promote public accountability while preserving the First Amendment rights of all Pennsylvanians.

**Democratic**  
**Mike Stack—Philadelphia, PA**



**WEB SITE:** <http://stackforpa.com>

**D.O.B:** 6.05.1963

**EDUCATION:** LaSalle College High School; LaSalle University, Villanova School of Law, 1992

**OCCUPATION:** State Senator, Attorney

**QUALIFICATIONS:** State Senator, 13 years; Democratic Chair of the Banking and Insurance Committee; Captain in PA National Guard, 7 years; served in Governor Casey's Administration.

**ANSWER TO QUESTION:** Campaign contributions must be fully disclosed in a

timely manner, with steep penalties for breaking the law. I support the prohibition of corporate dollars being used in Pennsylvania campaigns. I disagree with recent Supreme Court decisions that will allow more unregulated money in federal elections.