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ABOUT THIS GUIDE

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The candidates listed are those whose names appear on the ballot as of September 30, 2016. They are listed according to their ballot order.

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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, November 1, 2016. Completed civilian absentee ballots must be received back at the Board of Elections by 5 P.M. on Friday, November 4, 2016.** 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, November 4, 2016.** 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.

If you have any questions or need to report any problems, call 1-866-OUR-VOTE for assistance in English or Spanish or 1-888-API-VOTE for assistance in Asian languages

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW VOTERS

If you are a new voter or if you are voting at a polling place for the first time, then you must bring your voter ID card or a photo ID such as a driver's license, student ID or some other form of Federal or State government issued ID. Some forms of non-photo ID are also acceptable such as a firearm permit, current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or government check. If you do not have any acceptable ID, then you must be allowed to vote by provisional ballot.

If you are not a new voter and are not voting at your polling place for the first time, you are NOT required to bring or provide identification.

ON-LINE VOTERS GUIDE

The Vote411 Online Voters Guide is available at www.vote411.org. Links to this guide as well as links to Vote411 and other useful information for voters can be found on the League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania homepage: www.palwv.org.

President of the United States

Ground Rules

- All qualified presidential candidates were invited to provide biographical information and responses to five specific questions. Candidates qualified if they met the following criteria: 1. The candidate must have made a public announcement of her/his intention to run for her/his Party's nomination for President; 2. The candidate must meet the Presidential Election Campaign Fund Act's minimum contribution threshold requirements for qualifying for matching funds, based on the most recent data publicly available on the FEC website; and, 3) The candidate must qualify for the ballot in enough states to win a majority of electoral votes.
- Responses were limited to 400 characters and were truncated thereafter.
- If a candidate did not respond by the date of publication, "Candidate has not responded." is printed.

How Elected: Every four years, political parties nominate candidates to run for President of the United States in a general election that is held on the first Tuesday, after the first Monday in November. Although all parties use conventions to nominate their candidates, in most states the Democratic and Republican parties also run state-wide primary elections or caucuses. The results of the primary influence how the delegates to their respective party's convention will cast ballots for candidates for President. The degree to which the result of the primary influences the votes of delegates at conventions varies from state to state.

Duties: The President is the head of state of the United States of America and is the Chief Executive Officer and the Commander in Chief of all military forces. The powers of the President are described in the Constitution and federal law. Subject to Senate approval, the President appoints the members of the Cabinet, ambassadors to other nations and the United Nations, Supreme Court Justices and federal judges. The President, along with the Cabinet and its agencies, is responsible for carrying out and enforcing the laws of the United States. The President may also recommend legislation to the United States Congress.

Salary: \$400,000 per year

Term: Four years. Limit of two terms.

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Hillary Clinton

PARTY: Democratic

Biographical Info:

Occupation: Former U.S. Secretary of State

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Personal Statement: I'm running for President to make a difference in the lives of all Americans. I'll build an economy that works for everyone, continue my fight for children and families, and work to keep our country safe. And I'll unite Americans to take on all the challenges we face—because we're stronger together.

Top Three Goals: 1. Grow and strengthen our economy. 2. Curb the outsized influence of big money in American politics. 3. Ensure we have the partnerships to keep our country safe.

Questions:

Q: What will you do to support a vibrant economy across the U.S.?

A: My first priority will be to grow and strengthen our economy. I will invest in good-paying jobs, expand access to higher education, encourage companies to follow policies that put families first, and fight so that everyone pays their fair share. Every American deserves a good job, a successful career, and a productive life. Together, these efforts will work to make that a reality.

Q: What, if any, actions will you support to create a pathway to citizenship?

A: In my first 100 days, I will introduce comprehensive immigration reform with a path to citizenship. An estimated nine million lawful permanent residents are eligible to become U.S. citizens. As President, I will work to expand fee waivers and enhance outreach, so that more of the working poor can assume the full rights and responsibilities of becoming U.S. citizens.

Q: What should government do to provide an equitable, quality public education for all children pre-K through grade 12?

A: Every child deserves a high-quality education. I will double our investments in Early Head Start programs and ensure every 4-year old has access to high-quality preschool. I will do more to support our teachers, modernize our classrooms, and support STEM programs so that all public school students can learn computer science. We must give children the foundation to succeed, from pre-K to grade 12.

Q: What actions would you support the U.S. undertake to protect its interests abroad?

A: The U.S. needs to exercise leadership and shape global events rather than be shaped by them. So many of our interests—our security, our economy, and our fight against climate change—require cooperation with our friends and allies, and with countries we may agree with on some

things, and disagree with on others. As President, I'll ensure our country remains a source of leadership around the world.

Q: What kinds of policies will you pursue to promote social and racial justice for all Americans?

A: Too many Americans still face discrimination and mistreatment. I will fight to break down barriers and build ladders of opportunity. We will reform our criminal justice system, protect transgender individuals, defend voting rights, fight environmental injustice, fight for comprehensive immigration reform, end the epidemic of gun violence, and ensure the citizens of Puerto Rico are treated equally.

Donald Trump

PARTY: Republican



Biographical Info:

Occupation: Businessman

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Personal Statement: The government of the US should be focused on serving the people of this great nation, not special interests. The government now rules rather than governs. The American people want their government back and together we will make America great again.

Top Three Goals: Secure our nation by restoring our leadership in the world; restore economic growth thru tax, trade, immigration, & energy reform; restore Constitutional limits on government.

Questions:

Q: What will you do to support a vibrant economy across the U.S.?

A: I have proposed tax, trade, energy and immigration reforms that will bring trillions of dollars and millions of jobs back to the United States. Through immigration reform, we will restore wage growth and reduce the related fiscal burdens on state and local governments. These reforms will help lift wages and will create opportunities for millions of Americans to get back in the workforce.

Q: What, if any, actions will you support to create a pathway to citizenship?

A: We must re-establish the rule of law in this country. Criminal illegal immigrants will be deported. No one should be given the gift of U.S. citizenship based on illegal behavior.

Q: What should government do to provide an equitable, quality public education for all children pre-K through grade 12?

A: My administration will provide states with incentives to increase school choice options for parents and local school districts. Allowing the entrenched Washington education establishment and federal bureaucrats to leverage federal funds to dictate educational practices, curriculum and

outcomes must be stopped. Control of K-12 education must be returned to parents and citizens locally.

Q: What actions would you support the U.S. undertake to protect its interests abroad?

A: We are the leader of the free world - whether we like it or not - and we must ensure we seek partners willing to make sure our national interests are defended. We only gain this respect from both adversaries and allies by having a strong military, being clear about defeating radical Islam, & stopping rogue nations from attacking/threatening our citizens, economic interests, resources and allies.

Q: What kinds of policies will you pursue to promote social and racial justice for all Americans?

A: The best way to ensure social & racial justice is to return Constitutional limits on government & appoint Supreme Court Justices who will defend the Constitution, not rewrite it. The President must provide leadership & make sure the government works for the people. We must ensure low income & minority children learn to read at grade level & not trap them in failing schools based on zip code.

Darrell L. Castle

PARTY: Constitution Party

Candidate did not qualify to be included in the guide.

Jill Stein

PARTY: Green



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Personal Statement: After a career in clinical medicine, I am now practicing political medicine, running for President to help heal our ailing nation. Your vote for me sends a clear signal that you want a new, principled politics that puts people, planet and peace over profit.

Top Three Goals: 1. Green job-creation to fight climate change. 2. A fair economy that eliminates unemployment 3. Justice, true democracy, and respect for all human beings.

Questions:

Q: What will you do to support a vibrant economy across the U.S.?

- A:
- Eliminate unemployment by creating a job for every American who needs work.
 - Repeal NAFTA and other trade agreements that export our jobs overseas and create immigration surges.
 - Create 20 million green jobs to stimulate the economy improving our health by cleaning up our land, air, and water.
 - Protect consumers and small businesses from big banks and Wall Street predators.

Q: What, if any, actions will you support to create a pathway to citizenship?

A: First, end the massive deportation schemes that have torn families apart. I would also end the so-called Secure Communities program that has led to abuse of both citizens and non-citizens. End the misguided free trade agreements and regime change wars that have forced people to emigrate for their own survival. Finally, provide a welcoming and legal path to citizenship for current immigrants.

Q: What should government do to provide an equitable, quality public education for all children pre-K through grade 12?

A: 1) Protect our public schools from privatization schemes that will inevitably undermine the American dream of quality public education for all.

2) Increase federal funding of public schools to make sure all school districts have the financial resources they need to provide quality education.

3) Ensure that kids come to school ready to learn: healthy, nourished, and secure.

Q: What actions would you support the U.S. undertake to protect its interests abroad?

A: Forge a new foreign policy based solidly on diplomacy, international law, respect for human rights, and consistent nonviolent support for democratic movements around the world. End the misguided policies of militarism that have produced terrorist organizations, refugee crises, failed states, and a bloated military that we can no longer afford.

Q: What kinds of policies will you pursue to promote social and racial justice for all Americans?

A: My plan to end unemployment will transform the economic life of low income communities that are now struggling with unemployment rates two or three times the national average. Coupled with my commitment to quality public schools and community empowerment, we cannot just lessen racial disparity, but bring it to an end.

Gary Johnson

PARTY: Libertarian



Biographical Info:

Occupation: Former Two-Term Governor of New Mexico

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Personal Statement: I am Governor Gary Johnson and along with my running mate Governor William Weld we are honored to accept the invitation of the League of Women Voters to participate in their efforts to inform the voting American public of all options available to them during this Presidential election year.

Top Three Goals: Provide Congress a balanced budget within the first 100 days of office; Reduce (and in some cases eliminate) our military footprint abroad; Liberalize trade and economic activity.

Questions:

Q: What will you do to support a vibrant economy across the U.S.?

A: Submit to Congress a balanced budget to provide a template to stop unsustainable growth of the national debt, debt that weighs on employers, entrepreneurs and the economy. Support a simpler, fairer tax code that won't penalize productivity or investment. Fight to provide certainty in spending, taxes, and regulation so employers, entrepreneurs and investors make decisions that put people to work.

Q: What, if any, actions will you support to create a pathway to citizenship?

A: Ensure a pathway to citizenship for deserving immigrants by first establishing a way for non-criminal undocumented immigrants to achieve documented status. After that crucial first step, the pathway to citizenship will be the same as it is for all immigrants. No cutting the line. No unfair advantages. Just a legal status that allows immigrants to pursue the traditional path to becoming a citizen.

Q: What should government do to provide an equitable, quality public education for all children pre-K through grade 12?

A: Education works best when decentralized. Since President Carter created the Dept. of Education, test scores have stagnated despite any new initiatives or spending programs. Parents and teachers make the best decisions for students, not bureaucrats at the DoE. Education is traditionally a state and local responsibility, and should remain so for innovation, best practices and even competition.

Q: What actions would you support the U.S. undertake to protect its interests abroad?

A: Above all, we must maintain a national defense that is second to none. Government's first responsibility is to protect us from threats abroad. If attacked, we respond. Our greatest assets are economy and culture. Blue jeans and computers did more to win the Cold War than stockpiled warheads. I will pursue vigorous diplomacy based on our economic might, not idle threats and military interventions.

Q: What kinds of policies will you pursue to promote social and racial justice for all Americans?

A: I would do everything in the Presidency's power to end the militarization of the police. I would end the failed drug war, which unfairly targets communities of color. I would use the powers of the Federal Government to protect the civil liberties of all Americans, aggressively enforcing 14th Amendment protections. I would continue the work to help all Americans to achieve equality of opportunity.

US Senator

The U.S. Constitution prescribes that the Senate be composed of two Senators from each State (therefore, the Senate currently has 100 Members) and that a Senator must be at least thirty years of age, have been a citizen of the United States for nine years, and, when elected, be a resident of the State from which he or she is chosen. A Senator's term of office is six years and approximately one-third of the total membership of the Senate is elected every two years.

The Senate has several exclusive powers not granted to the House, including consenting to treaties, a precondition to their ratification consenting or confirming appointments of Cabinet secretaries, other federal executive officials, military officers, regulatory officials, ambassadors, and other federal uniformed officers, as well as trial of federal officials impeached by the House.

Term: 6 years

Katie McGinty



PARTY: Democratic

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Date of Birth: 5/11/1963

Education: B.S. from St. Joseph's University, J.D. from Columbia University

Qualifications: Former Chair of President Bill Clinton's Council on Environmental Quality; Former Secretary of Pennsylvania's Department of Environmental Protection under Governor Ed Rendell; Former Chief of Staff to Governor Tom Wolf.

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Municipality: Wayne, Pennsylvania

Questions:

Q: *Partisan gridlock in Washington has brought our government nearly to a standstill. If elected, what steps will you take to reduce partisan gridlock? Please be specific.*

A: My entire career I have worked with both parties to build partnerships to achieve results. As President Clinton's chair of the Council on Environmental Quality, I worked with Newt Gingrich's Republican Congress to make a difference in public health and environmental protection. By building partnerships we strengthened laws keeping our water safe and our air clean, targeted

more resources to cleaning up toxic waste sites, and acknowledged the importance of environmental justice in policy making for the first time. I carried that same approach of coalition building to the Department of Environmental Protection under Governor Rendell. Even with a Republican legislature, we were able to direct major new investments to environmental protection and infrastructure improvement, enact tougher standards on toxic emissions, and accelerate the development of clean energy. Track record matters. As Senator, I will use the same approach I've always used to get past partisanship and get results.

Q: *In Shelby County v. Holder, the US Supreme Court invalidated provisions of the Voting Rights Act, which has led to disenfranchised voters across the US. If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected?*

A: Voting is a fundamental right for Americans across this country. We must fully restore the Voting Rights Act to protect that right for thousands of Americans who are being disenfranchised. But we must also do more. As Senator, I will stand against partisan attempts to disenfranchise voters through new voter identification laws because we should be encouraging more people to vote, not systematically denying them that right. I also support reforms that increase accessibility and integrity in our elections like guaranteeing early voting and expanding options for voter registration.

Pat Toomey

PARTY: Republican



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Date of Birth: November 17, 1961

Education: Harvard University

Qualifications: Pat Toomey is the husband of Kris and the father of Bridget, Patrick, and Duncan. He served in the U.S. House, was the president of the Club for Growth, a small business owner in the Lehigh Valley, and worked in the financial services industry.

Twitter: twitter.com/PatToomey

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Municipality: UPPER MILFORD

Questions:

Q: *Partisan gridlock in Washington has brought our government nearly to a standstill. If elected, what steps will you take to reduce partisan gridlock? Please be specific.*

A: In the Senate, you can only make progress by working with people in the other party. That's why I have made bipartisan cooperation a key priority in my first term. I have learned that even in a time noted for partisan gridlock, it is possible to find common ground while sticking to your principles. For example, I helped write the JOBS Act with three Democratic senators, a bill President Obama signed and praised, that is helping small businesses grow and hire more workers.

With Sen. Joe Manchin (D-WV), I was able to pass legislation that keeps our children safer in schools from dangerous predators. I also worked successfully with Sen. Sherrod Brown (D-OH) to improve efforts to keep illicit painkillers off the streets to deal with the prescription drug abuse crisis. Identifying areas of agreement and working together builds a foundation of trust necessary to tackle the issues where the partisan divide is wider. That is how I have worked as a consensus builder on contentious topics like the deficit, gun safety, and tax reform.

Q: *In Shelby County v. Holder, the US Supreme Court invalidated provisions of the Voting Rights Act, which has led to disenfranchised voters across the US. If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected?*

A: The right to vote is the sacred foundation upon which American democracy rests. The Voting Rights Act continues to be a crucial component in upholding American citizens' ability to hold their government accountable. I believe that the federal government should vigilantly enforce the Voting Rights Act and other legislation designed to ensure equal access to the ballot box. Furthermore, it is incumbent upon legislators to consider the impact of all new legislation on our voting rights and other constitutional freedoms, and this is a responsibility that I take very seriously. As a senator, it is also my job to ensure we nominate judges and executive officials who will protect these vital rights. In my first term, I have worked across the aisle with Democratic Sen. Bob Casey to successfully confirm 16 qualified individuals to federal courthouses in Pennsylvania, the most of any state with the exceptions of New York and California.

Edward T. Clifford III

Candidate did not respond by September 30, 2016.

PARTY: Libertarian

Pennsylvania Attorney General

The basic duties of the attorney general, as outlined by the Commonwealth Attorneys Act are to: serve as the Commonwealth's chief law enforcement officer; collect all debts, taxes, and account due to the Commonwealth; represent the Commonwealth and all agencies in any action brought by or against the Commonwealth; administer the provision relating to consumer protection laws; represent the Commonwealth and its citizens in any action brought about for violation of the antitrust laws.

Term: 4 Years

Josh Shapiro



PARTY: Democratic

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Date of Birth: 6/20/73

Education: B.A. - University of Rochester J.D. - Georgetown Law Center

Qualifications: Chairman, Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, 2015-present Of Counsel with Stradley Ronon law firm, 10 years State Representative, 2005-2012

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Municipality: ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

Questions:

Q: *The Attorney General's office has been under a cloud for the last few years. Why do you believe you can restore public confidence in the office, and what steps will you take to make that happen?*

A: Throughout my career, I've been a reformer. In Harrisburg, they didn't like it when I stopped their perks and pushed for reform. In Montgomery County, I cleaned up an ethical mess. I'll bring this same commitment to integrity and reform to the Office of Attorney General. In my Integrity Agenda, I've laid out the steps I will take to restore integrity to the Office of Attorney General. On Day One, I will create a code of conduct and mandate ethics training. I will ban gifts. I will post all expenses online for every Pennsylvanian to see. Additionally, I will professionalize the office's human resources and establish a new Chief Diversity Officer to ensure that the Office of Attorney General looks like the public it is sworn to represent. And I will create the "Casey Commission," named for the late Gov. Robert P. Casey, to issue regular reports on integrity and transparency in our Commonwealth and recommendations for how to improve our laws. For more details on my plan visit www.joshshapiro.org/integrity.

Q: *It is increasingly apparent that Pennsylvania's criminal justice system is deeply flawed. What do you see as the primary systemic problems within our criminal justice system and, if elected, what steps would you take to address them?*

A: We need to treat addiction as a disease instead of a crime and ensure prison is used for those who are violent and pose a risk to others and not the mentally ill or those suffering from drug addiction. Far too many young people—particularly young people of color—get caught up in the system when they should not be there in the first place. This hurts individuals, communities and taxpayers. We need to put in place alternatives to incarceration for non-violent offenders, drug courts, smart probation and more resources for drug and alcohol treatment and mental health services. In Montgomery County, we have been nationally recognized for reducing our recidivism rate by 30 percent through a comprehensive treatment program in our prison. As Attorney General, I'll reform our criminal justice system so that everyone is treated fairly, we lower the recidivism rate, reduce the number of victims of crime, lower the burden on taxpayers and make our communities safer.

John Rafferty



PARTY: Republican

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Date of Birth: 2/7/1953

Education: Bachelor's: University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown Master's: Beaver College Law Degree: Temple

Qualifications: Serving as a State Senator, a Deputy Attorney General, a private practice attorney and a small business owner has given me a wide breadth of experience that few others have. I believe my experience makes me uniquely qualified.

Twitter: twitter.com/RaffertyforAG

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/RaffertyforAG/>

Municipality: LOWER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP

Questions:

Q: *The Attorney General's office has been under a cloud for the last few years. Why do you believe you can restore public confidence in the office, and what steps will you take to make that happen?*

A: My first step to regaining the public trust is announcing on day one of my campaign that I pledge to run for Attorney General to be the Attorney General...Not to be an aspiring Governor or United States Senator. If elected, I am committed to serving my full-term of four years and if re-elected eight years as Attorney General. The Office of Attorney General and the citizens of this great Commonwealth deserve nothing less from the next Attorney General. In making such a pledge I am making a full faith commitment to Pennsylvanian's that I will remove all political agenda's from my office. As the highest ranking law enforcement official of our state it is my job to be a faithful custodian of the law by enforcing and prosecuting those that break the laws. Additionally, I will implement a strict ethics code for employees based on guidelines set forth by the United State Department of Justice. I will have the strictest guidelines in the country to ensure the public has full confidence in our office moving forward.

Q: *It is increasingly apparent that Pennsylvania's criminal justice system is deeply flawed. What do you see as the primary systemic problems within our criminal justice system and, if elected, what steps would you take to address them?*

A: I am very supportive of the Justice Reinvestment Act which reduces recidivism, increases public safety and lowers correction costs by investing in communities to defer criminal behavior. Additionally, I am very supportive of the creation of specialty courts, like the Veterans Courts. In fact, I was a member of the Supreme Court's steering committee for Veterans Courts.

Pennsylvania Auditor General

The principal role of the auditor general is to determine whether state funds are being used in accordance with the purpose and guidelines that govern each use of the Commonwealth's dollars. The auditor general conducts financial and performance audits of individuals, state agencies, and organization that receive state funds, including school districts, state liquor stores, and public employee pensions. These audits are designed to measure how effectively government programs are using public money to meet their stated goals and objectives. The office performs more than 6,000 audits each year, and is responsible for auditing all federal funds that are allocated to Pennsylvania state programs

Term: 4 years

Eugene A. DePasquale

PARTY: Democratic



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Qualifications: Auditor General: 2013-present State Representative: 2007-2013 Deputy Secretary, DEP: 2003-2006

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Municipality: WEST MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities and how will you accomplish them? Please be specific.*

A: I will continue to ensure schools are held accountable to taxpayers and students through our school district audits. I plan to make sure the taxpayers dollars spent on state programs are spent effectively and efficiently while working to improve those departments. I also plan to help resolve the political budget impasse through drawing attention to lost taxpayer resources and helping the sides come together.

John Brown

PARTY: Republican



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Date of Birth: 11/8/1959

Education: University of Notre Dame Bangor High School

Qualifications: Northampton County Executive Mayor of the City of Bangor Worked in the private sector helping to turn around unprofitable businesses helping to make them more effective, efficient and successful.

Twitter: twitter.com/JohnBrownforPA

Municipality: BANGOR BORO

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities and how will you accomplish them? Please be specific.*

A: - no response -

John J. Sweeney

PARTY: Green



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Date of Birth: 8/5/53

Education: Temple University 1971-1974 Philadelphia College of Art 1975 no degree

Qualifications: Only qualifications are age and residency, which I meet. I currently am in my second term as Falls Township Auditor.

Municipality: Falls Township, Wyoming County

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities and how will you accomplish them? Please be specific.*

A: The Auditor General is the state's top watchdog when it comes to spending. I would audit the General Assembly operating budget. Return surpluses to the General fund. I would also perform an

audit on the pension fund of our elected officials in the General Assembly. The Auditor General also has the responsibility to see that our agencies function properly. I would conduct a performance audit of the Department of Environmental Protection to see if they are fulfilling their mission.

Roy A. Minet

PARTY: Libertarian



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Date of Birth: 07/18/41

Education: Penn Manor H.S. Princeton U. Physics (2Y) Northwestern U. Grad. Sch. of Mgt., Inst. for Mgt.

Qualifications: Designed and developed comprehensive, integrated business software, including all accounting functions. Consultant for multiple businesses regarding overall operations and accounting.

Municipality: East Donegal Township

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities and how will you accomplish them? Please be specific.*

A: The two old, declining parties have ruled tag-team style for decades. They have conspired to erect barriers to keep their competition out of office. As a Libertarian, I am not part of this "establishment" and can be a truly independent watchdog. I favor smaller government, lower taxes and more liberty. Thus, all operations will be carefully scrutinized through an entirely new, different and better set of eyes. Governments do not and cannot create productive jobs. Government is purely overhead. Government is needed to the extent that it secures rights, preserves order and provides truly public goods and services. These conditions allow the free market to flourish and create jobs. But governments have exploded way beyond these functions and now confiscate an incredible 31% of all income! The economy struggles to grow at a 1% or 2% rate when growth should be more like 10%. I will diligently seek ways that our state government can perform its proper role, but suck less blood out of the economy and allow it to create more jobs.

Pennsylvania Treasurer

The duty of the Pennsylvania Treasurer is to safeguard the Commonwealth's financial assets, which total more than \$120 billion in public monies. The office manages several programs in order to better serve the financial needs of Pennsylvanians. The Treasury Department is also responsible for: reuniting unclaimed property with its rightful owner; investigating loss, theft, and fraud involving commonwealth checks; reviewing real estate leases and contracts entered into by commonwealth agencies; maintaining the Pennsylvania contracts electronic library. The Treasurer has specific duties in addition to the oversight of the department: serves as Chair of the Board of Finance and Revenue, which selects banks to serve as depositories for state money; sets interest rates paid on commonwealth deposits; hears and decides state tax appeals.

Term: 4 Years

Joe Torsella



PARTY: Democratic

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Qualifications: U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. for Management & Reform Chairman of the Pennsylvania State Board of Education. Founding President & CEO of the National Constitution Center

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Municipality: WHITEMARSH

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities and how will you accomplish them? Please be specific.*

A: I've spent my life in public service making public institutions more efficient, more accountable, and more innovative. First, I'll set the toughest ethics standards in the country at Treasury -- by making it easy for citizens to go online and see every dollar in state spending and contracts, including political contributions made by the vendors who got those contracts, by requiring people trading public money in the stock market to disclose the trades they make on their own accounts, and by appointing a Chief Integrity Officer. Second, I'll serve as the independent fiscal watchdog Pennsylvanians deserve in this position. Third, I will work to create more economic opportunity for all Pennsylvanians, by setting up automatic, universal savings accounts for secondary or vocational training for every child born in Pennsylvania.

Otto Voit**PARTY: Republican****Biographical Info:****Mailing Address:** PO Box 303 Harrisburg, pa 17108**Campaign Phone:** (484) 938-8648**Website:** <http://Ottovoit.com>**Campaign Email:** otto@voitforpatreasurer.com**Education:** Pennsylvania State University, BA Saint Joseph's University, EMBA**Qualifications:** Otto W. Voit, III is a life-long Pennsylvanian who has answered the call to service time and again and is doing so once more. Otto has the integrity and the business acumen needed to hold Harrisburg accountable.**Municipality:** MUHLENBERG TOWNSHIP**Questions:****Q:** *What are your top three priorities and how will you accomplish them? Please be specific.***A:** When elected, Mr. Voit's top three priorities will be to hold Harrisburg accountable, restore integrity, and save the commonwealth 1 Billion dollars. To make Harrisburg more accountable, Mr. Voit has proposed PaCheckbook.com. PaCheckbook.com will be the first of its kind, user friendly website that will show all revenue, every expenditure, the salary and every state contract at all levels of government. This information will be presented in clear everyday language, not in professional jargon. This will empower voters and help them understand what is actually going on in Harrisburg. As an Army Officer and Desert Storm Veteran, Integrity plays a huge role in all aspects of his life. That is why Mr. Voit has pledged not to seek higher office. To truly reform the office, there must be a restored focus on serving the people, not serving political ambitions. Finally, Mr. Voit plans on saving the commonwealth one billion dollars in his first term. Mr. Voit will have a diverse investment committee that will help him find safer and investments**Kristin Combs****PARTY: Green***Candidate did not respond by September 30, 2016.***James Babb****PARTY: Libertarian****Biographical Info:**

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Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities and how will you accomplish them? Please be specific.*

A: - no response -