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ELECTION 2012

A non-partisan resource for the November 6th General Election



AMERICAN POLICY ROUNDTABLE

★ WHAT IS THIS?

This is a tool designed to help introduce voters to ballot issues, races and candidates. Use this and share it with a friend.

★ WHAT THIS IS NOT.

This is not an attempt to prefer or recommend any candidate over another or affect the outcome of any specific race. There are no endorsements being made here by the publisher. The Roundtable is a non-partisan, non-profit organization that is not affiliated with any political party or candidate.

★ IS VOTING REALLY THAT IMPORTANT?

Lots of people wonder whether their vote counts. Statistics prove over and over again that many races from the Presidency to the local school board can hinge on a handful, even a single, vote. History proves every vote really does count. Anybody remember what happened in Florida in 2000?

★ WHAT IF I DON'T LIKE THE CANDIDATES?

It happens. An election is a snapshot of reality. There will be another election coming very soon. The choices we make are often not perfect but voting is a way of holding the process of civil government accountable. When we fail to vote we tell politicians to do as they please because we don't really care. There is no law that says we have to vote on every race on the ballot. But staying home and not voting at all sends a pretty awful message to those in office.

★ CARE TO SHARE?

Together we can help each other a lot. If you find out more about a candidate or issue, please visit iVoters.com where you can tell others what you have discovered. Please share this publication with family and friends.

★ THE ISSUES

There are plenty to go around. At the national and state level we focus on the four issues people have been talking about the most. You can find more issue discussions at iVoters.com and you can add key issues to the conversation.

Here are questions for state and national candidates in this publication:

1. What's the most important thing voters should know about energy this election?
2. Is there a solution to our national debt?
3. How do you rate the threat of radical terrorism?
4. Should we retain or repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and why/why not?

Here are more issues of 2012 that many candidates are listing on their websites or answering by phone at their campaign offices:

- The Definition of Marriage
- Jobs and the Economy
- Redistricting Reform
- School Choice
- Gambling Expansion in Ohio

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U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 9

CONGRESS



MARCY KAPTUR Democrat, Incumbent

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FAMILY: Single

EDUCATION: B.A. History, University of Wisconsin 1968; M.A. Urban Planning, University of Michigan 1974; Ph.D. Urban Planning, MIT 1982

CAREER: Assistant Director of Urban Affairs, The White House (Carter Administration) 1977-1979; U.S. House of Representatives 1982 – present

ENERGY: In March 2010 and December 2010, President Obama announced that the Pacific Coast, the Atlantic Coast, the eastern Gulf of Mexico, and much of Alaska would be off limits to offshore drilling for oil and natural gas.

Last year the U.S. House passed HR 1231 to reverse President Obama's ban on offshore drilling. The Act makes 5 year leases available to companies so they can drill under federal guidelines. Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur voted NO on HR 1231 (favoring keeping the bans).¹

Earlier this year another bill was passed in the House (HR 6082) to open federal leases for oil and natural gas drilling in 29 locations on the outer continental shelf. Congresswoman Kaptur voted NO.²

Kaptur says, "We have been working very hard in the energy industry on many, many levels, whether it's solar, whether it's new types of hydrogen systems, whether it's wind power, whether it's biomass conversion – trying hard to create the energy systems of the future."³

NATIONAL DEBT: Last year the U.S. House passed HR 2560, which would have cut federal spending, put a limit on future spending, and required a balanced federal budget. This bill

1 <http://naturalresources.house.gov/news/documentsingle.aspx?DocumentID=231015> and <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2011/roll320.xml>
2 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2012/roll511.xml>
3 <http://video.wbgu.org/video/2120263139/>

was commonly referred to as the "Cut, Cap, and Balance Act." It died in the U.S. Senate when the vote was tabled. Congresswoman Kaptur voted NO on HR 2560.⁴

On the subject of balancing the federal budget, Kaptur stated, "People say, 'Where are you going to get the money?' Let me tell you where the money is and what's not on the table...How about the profits of the Wall Street Big Six?... They took, just last year \$51 billion in profits. \$51 billion, at the expense of the American people..."⁵

TERRORISM/NATIONAL SECURITY: Last year a concurrent resolution was introduced to require an immediate removal of all U.S. Armed Forces from Afghanistan. It failed 93 – 321. Congresswoman Kaptur voted NO on HConRes28.⁶

Congresswoman Kaptur also voted YES on HR 4133 in support of the strategic relationship between the United States and Israel – intended to enhance the relationship and assist in the defense of Israel.⁷

Marcy Kaptur co-signed a letter (January 2010) to President Obama asking him to urge Israel to lift the Gaza blockade.⁸

4 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2011/roll606.xml>
5 http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_HNNuSk1774
6 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2011/roll193.xml>
7 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2012/roll225.xml>
8 [http://minnesotaindependent.com/54474/ellison-](http://minnesotaindependent.com/54474/ellison-oberstar-and-mccollum-urge-lifting-of-gaza-blockade)

HEALTH CARE: Original vote on the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (HR 3590) – ACA/Obamacare: Congresswoman Kaptur voted YES.⁹

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Last year HR 1116 was introduced to repeal DOMA. Marcy Kaptur co-sponsored the repeal.¹⁰

In 2006 Congresswoman Kaptur voted NO on HJR88, a proposed amendment to the U.S. Constitution to define marriage as only the union of one man and one woman.¹¹

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: Planned Parenthood Action Fund: 69%; Family Research Council Action: 10%; ACT! for America: C- (62%); U.S. Chamber of Commerce – lifetime score 30%; NARAL Pro-Choice America PAC – rated mixed choice; National Federation of Independent Business: 15%; Human Rights Campaign 2010 rating: 83%; NRA 2012 rating: C-

9 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2010/roll165.xml>
10 <http://thoms.loc.gov/cgi-bin/bdquery/D?d112:1:./temp/~bdd01y:@@P|/home/LegislativeData.php>
11 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2006/roll378.xml>



SAMUEL "JOE THE PLUMBER" WURZELBACHER Republican, Challenger

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FAMILY: Married; one son

EDUCATION: Tech School, Shepherd Air Force Base

CAREER: U.S. Air Force; Plumber, private sector; Communications Engineer; Motivational Speaker

ENERGY: Wurzelbacher/ "Joe the Plumber" says, "America has been blessed with an abundance of natural resources and if we can get the Congress and President to stop micromanaging our natural resources and let the private market work, then it would help out a lot of struggling Americans. Right off the bat, we need to go to Canada and say 'yes' to Keystone to get people working and at the same time encourage the private market to drive towards green energy and stop subsidizing it off the backs of broke taxpayers."¹

NATIONAL DEBT: Wurzelbacher/"Joe the Plumber" stated, "The solution to our national debt is real simple. It's not as complicated as everyone makes it out to be. What it comes down to is replacing the tax code. No more subsidies. No more incentives...By replacing the tax code and going to a 9-9-9, a fair tax, or a flat tax, it encourages entrepreneurship, it encourages competitiveness in business, and it will broaden the tax base at the same time. And going line by line through our budget and getting rid of some of the dead weight, like the

1 Response to iVoters.com interview

Department of Energy and the Department of Education, there are lots of ways we can bring down the national debt."²

TERRORISM/NATIONAL SECURITY: Wurzelbacher/ "Joe the Plumber" responds, "As far as radical terrorism goes, I think the threat is at a very high level and we need to have Congress stop micromanaging our national defense and the police and FBI and CIA. Give them the tools to do the job and stop politicizing it. Stop making it a political correctness situation. They pose a very real threat to our American way of life that needs to be dealt with and it needs to be dealt with very harshly..."³

As reported in 2009 by the Associated Press, "Joe the Plumber called on President-elect Barack Obama on Monday to help Israel in its campaign against Hamas. The plumber-turned-war correspondent has been unabashed in his support of Israel's two-week campaign against Hamas in the Gaza Strip and has been touring the Gaza border region and Israeli towns hit by

2 Response to iVoters.com interview
3 Response to iVoters.com interview

Palestinian rocket fire."⁴

HEALTH CARE: Wurzelbacher/"Joe the Plumber" says, "We should get rid of the Affordable Care Act for the very simple reason that it's unconstitutional. Another simple reason is, it's not so much a question of 'should we do it,' it's a matter that the federal government can't do it. Everything they run goes into the ground... We need to encourage competitiveness and pull the federal government out of the equation."⁵

MARRIAGE: Wurzelbacher/"Joe the Plumber" stated, "Marriage is defined as between a man and woman. That is my opinion. It needs to be a state issue and not a federal issue."⁶

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: National Right to Life; Ohio Right to Life; Move America Forward PAC; NRA endorsed and 2012 rating: A(Q); U.S. Congressman Allen West

4 http://www.usatoday.com/news/world/2009-01-12-joe-plumber-obama_N.htm
5 Response to iVoters.com interview
6 <http://toledoblade.typepad.com/bladeslices/2012/05/wurzelbacher-calls-out-kaptur-on-gay-vs-straight-marriage.html>

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This kid thinks it's a good idea.



Which races are mine?
Log onto www.iVoters.com, enter your zip code and find your specific races.



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Article 1

of the U.S. Constitution:

"All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives."

the races...

U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 9

Marcy Kaptur vs. Samuel "Joe the Plumber" Wurzelbacher

U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 16

Jim Renacci vs. Betty Sutton

U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 11

Marcia Fudge (Unopposed)

U.S. SENATE

Sherrod Brown vs. Josh Mandel

U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 14

Dale Virgil Blanchard vs. David Joyce

ADDITIONAL CANDIDATES IN THESE RACES

There are other candidates running. For independent and minor party entries, please visit iVoters.com and ballotpedia.org.

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U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 11

CONGRESS



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FAMILY: Single

EDUCATION: 1975, B.S. Business Administration, The Ohio State University; 1983, J.D. Cleveland Marshall College of Law, CSU

CAREER: United States House of Representatives, 2008-present; Chief of Staff to Congresswoman Stephanie Tubbs-Jones; Mayor, Warrensville Heights

ENERGY: In March 2010 and December 2010, President Obama announced that the Pacific Coast, the Atlantic Coast, the eastern Gulf of Mexico, and much of Alaska would be off limits to offshore drilling for oil and natural gas. Many of these areas were previously open for drilling.

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Earlier this year another bill was passed in the House (HR 6082) to open federal leases for oil and natural gas drilling in 29 locations on the outer continental shelf. Congresswoman Marcia Fudge voted NO.²

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Last year (7/27/11) Congresswoman Fudge also signed onto HR 2663 as a co-sponsor. This bill would increase the national debt limit from \$14.3 trillion to \$16.7 trillion.⁴

TERRORISM/NATIONAL SECURITY: Last year a concurrent resolution was introduced to require an immediate removal of all U.S. Armed Forces from Afghanistan. It failed 93 – 321. Congresswoman Marcia Fudge did not cast her vote on HConRes28.⁵

Congresswoman Fudge voted YES on HR 4133 in support of the strategic relationship between the United States and Israel – intended to enhance the relationship and assist in the defense of Israel.⁶

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MARRIAGE: The federal Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) was signed into law by President Bill Clinton on September 21, 1996. It defines marriage as the legal union of one man and one woman for federal and inter-state recognition. In the past two legislative sessions there have been bills introduced to repeal DOMA.

One of these bills was HR 1116, which was introduced on March 16, 2011. There was never a floor vote on this bill, but Congresswoman Marcia Fudge was a co-sponsor.⁹

Earlier this year, the U.S. House approved an amendment to a \$608 billion defense appropriations bill (HR 5856) intended to prohibit same-sex wedding ceremonies from taking place on military bases. The amendment, introduced by Rep. Steve King (R-Iowa,) was approved 247-166. Congresswoman Fudge voted NO on the amendment.¹⁰

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: National Organization of Women PAC; Planned Parenthood Action Fund: 100% and endorsed; Family Research Council Action: 0%; ACT! for America: C- (62%); U.S. Chamber of Commerce – lifetime score 24%; NARAL Pro-Choice America PAC: 100%; National Federation of Independent Business: 0%; Human Rights Campaign 2010 rating: 97%; NRA Rating: F

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2 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2012/roll511.xml>
3 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2011/roll606.xml>

4 <http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/bdquery/z?d112:HR02663:@@P|/home/LegislativeData.php>
5 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2011/roll193.xml>
6 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2012/roll225.xml>
7 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2010/roll165.xml>
8 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2012/roll460.xml>

9 <http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/bdquery/D?d112:1:/temp/~bdKJaX:@@P%7C/home/LegislativeData.php%7C>
10 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2012/roll487.xml>

OHIO SUPREME COURT

MORE SUPREME COURT RACES ON PG. 13-14



ROBERT CUPP Republican, Incumbent

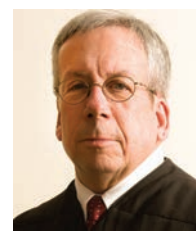
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FAMILY: Wife: Lisbeth 'Libby'; 2 Children: Matt, Ryan

EDUCATION: J.D., Ohio Northern University, 1976; B.A., Ohio Northern University, 1973

CAREER: Justice, Supreme Court of Ohio, 2006-present; Judge, Court of Appeals, 3rd Appellate District, 2002-2006; Presiding Judge, Court of Appeals, 3rd Appellate District, 2005; Administrative Judge, Court of Appeals, 3rd Appellate District, 2004; Visiting Professor, Ohio Northern University, 2001-2006; Attorney, Robert R. Cupp, Attorney at Law, 1990-2002; More bio information at www.iVoters.com

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: The Ohio State Bar Association rating: "Highly Recommended"; The Ohio Farm Bureau Federation – Agriculture for Good Government PAC; Ohio Fraternal Order of Police; National Federation of Independent Businesses (NFIB) Ohio SAFE Trust; Buckeye Firearms Association; The Ohio Manufacturers' Association PAC; Association of Cleveland Firefighters, IAFF Local 93; The Northern Ohio Medical PAC (NOMPAC); Academy of Medicine of Cleveland & Northern Ohio (AMCNO); The Ohio Society of CPAs; The Cleveland American Middle East Organization (CAMEO); The Ohio Restaurant Association; The Ohio Chamber of Commerce PAC; Ohio Women's Bar Association rating: "Excellent"; Ohio Right to Life PAC; National Rifle Association; More endorsements/ratings at www.iVoters.com



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EDUCATION: Ohio University, B.A. in Journalism; J.D. from Cleveland Marshall College of Law; Nursing degree from Huron School of Nursing

CAREER: Lieutenant Colonel in U.S. Army; apprentice Ironworker; reporter for the *Sandusky Register*; television reporter for Channel 4, Columbus; union organizer for both the Communications Workers of America, AFL-CIO and the Ohio Civil Service Employees Association (OCSEA); small business owner; small town lawyer; Assistant Attorney General for the State of Ohio, 11th District Court of Appeals, sat by assignment on the Supreme Court of Ohio; currently a Pediatric Emergency Room nurse at Hillcrest Hospital

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: *Akron Beacon Journal*; Cleveland Stonewall Democrats; Council 8, AFSCME; Cuyahoga County Bar Association Top Rating: 4.0; Judge For Yourself Top Rating: 4.0; Mahoning County Democrats; Marriage Equality Ohio; North Shore Federation of Labor; AFL-CIO; OAPSE; AFSCME; OCSEA; OEA; Ohio State Bar Association; Patriots For Change; Shaker Heights Democratic Club; Shelby Area Democratic Club; Trumbull County Democratic Party; United Auto Works Union; United Steelworkers of America; United Transportation Union

U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 14

CONGRESS



DALE V. BLANCHARD Democrat, Challenger

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CAREER: CPA, private sector; Tax Auditor / Audit Supervisor, Illinois Department of Revenue

ENERGY: As this is an open seat, neither candidate has a vote record on energy policy.

Dale Blanchard states, "I support the concept of Cap and Trade. I do not support Cap and Trade for environmental, global warming or climate change reasons but rather for long term economic purposes. I support government financing for the development of alternative energy sources and significant energy conservation policies. In addition I support increased exploration and production of U.S. Oil Resources."¹

NATIONAL DEBT: As this is an open seat, neither candidate has a vote record on fiscal policy.

Dale Blanchard says, "It is these long term projected federal budget deficits that present the greatest threat to the American Economy and our long term high standard of living. If not properly addressed, these long term projected deficits will either threaten the vitality of the Social Security and Medicare Benefits of Baby Boomers and younger generations or cause our economy to collapse under the weight of unsustainable federal borrowing...What is needed is a broad based increase in the FICA Taxes that fund Medicare and Social Security..."²

TERRORISM/NATIONAL SECURITY: As this is an open seat, neither candidate has a vote record on national security policy.

1 <http://daleblanchardforcongress.com/energy>
 2 http://daleblanchardforcongress.com/dale_blanchards_deficit_reduction_plan

Dale Blanchard states, "The threat of terrorism is real. I support President Bush' declaration of the War on Terror. With attacks on our embassies in the Middle East it is evident the war goes on and we shouldn't take our eye off of it."³

HEALTH CARE: As this is an open seat, neither candidate has a vote record on health care policy.

Dale Blanchard says, "In general I support what President Obama and the Democrats have recently accomplished with the new Health Insurance Law."⁴

MARRIAGE: As this is an open seat, neither candidate has a vote record on marriage policy.

Dale Blanchard states, "'Marriage is a unique relationship between one man and one woman, created by God for man's sake and man can't change it. Man can only change man-made laws. I support President Obama's position of offering same-sex couples the same benefits as married couples, but that's not marriage."⁵

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: AFSCME; International Union of Operating Engineers

3 Candidate response to American Policy Roundtable
 4 http://daleblanchardforcongress.com/health_care_insurance_reform
 5 Candidate response to American Policy Roundtable



DAVID JOYCE Republican, Challenger

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EDUCATION: University of Dayton, Bachelor's degree in Accounting; University of Dayton Law School, J.D.

CAREER: Prosecuting Attorney, Geauga County, Ohio, 1988-present; Current replacement candidate for Congressman Steve LaTourette

ENERGY: David Joyce states, "We need to utilize all forms of energy with the goal of making us energy independent. We are fortunate to have an abundance of energy here in Ohio, by using this energy we will not only power our country but also improve our local economy."¹

NATIONAL DEBT: "[David] Joyce wants to study programs to determine their value, keeping only the ones with a proven record of success. He said regulations need to be cut to spur growth in the private sector. He also wants to extend the Bush-era tax cuts."²

TERRORISM/NATIONAL SECURITY: David Joyce states, "With the recent terrorist actions in Libya, we unfortunately know that the threat of radical terrorism is still present. We must be vigilant in defending our country from people who want to do her harm."³

1 Candidate response to American Policy Roundtable
 2 <http://www.news-herald.com/articles/2012/09/23/opinion/nh5976480.txt?viewmode=2>
 3 Candidate response to American Policy Roundtable

HEALTH CARE: David Joyce is reported to have said that the ACA / Obamacare "needs to go." While he agrees that "parts of the plan are valuable (coverage for those with pre-existing conditions and the ability of those up to age 26 to remain on their parents' insurance), [he] said the bill creates 13 different taxes and takes too much money from Medicare."⁴

MARRIAGE: David Joyce states, "I'm for traditional marriage."⁵

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: U.S. Representative Steve LaTourette; Geauga County Recorder Sharon Gingerich; Willoughby Mayor Dave Anderson; Summit County Deputies FOP Lodge #139; Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association; Ohio Right to Life PAC; American Nationalities Movement; *Sun News*; *The News Herald*; U.S. Chamber of Commerce; NRA endorsed and rating: A(Q)

4 <http://www.news-herald.com/articles/2012/09/23/opinion/nh5976480.txt?viewmode=2>
 5 Candidate response to American Policy Roundtable



U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 16 *(new district boundary)*

CONGRESS



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CAREER: CEO, LTC Companies Group (financial consulting), 2003-2010; CEO, LTC Management Services, (nursing home facilities), 1985-2003; 1984-1988 Volunteer Fire Fighter; Owner/General Manager, Arena Football League's Columbus Destroyers; Mayor, City of Wadsworth, Ohio 2005-2008; U.S. House of Representatives, 2010 - present



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EDUCATION: B.A. Political Science, Kent State University, 1985; J.D., University of Akron, 1990

CAREER: Labor attorney, private practice; Ohio House of Representatives 1993 - 2000; U.S. House of Representatives 2007 - present

the candidates on the issues...

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Congresswoman Betty Sutton voted YES.¹¹

HR 3590 was passed before Congressman Jim Renacci was elected.

Shortly after the U.S. Supreme Court issued its ruling on the Affordable Care Act (ACA)/Obamacare, the U.S. House of Representatives voted to repeal the entire legislation. HR 6079 passed with a vote of 244 – 185.

Congressman Renacci voted YES to repeal ACA/Obamacare.¹²

Congresswoman Sutton voted NO.¹³

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 13 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2012/roll460.xml>

In 2011 a bill was introduced to make sure that federal funds could not be used to pay for abortions in the federal health care system. The "No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act" (HR 3) was passed in the U.S. House on May 4, 2011 and has been stalled in the U.S. Senate for over a year.

Congressman Jim Renacci voted YES (prohibiting federal funds to pay for abortions).¹⁴

Congresswoman Betty Sutton voted NO (supporting the use of federal funds to pay for abortions).¹⁵

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS:

Congressman Jim Renacci

U.S. Chamber of Commerce; National Right to Life; Ohio Right to Life PAC; Ohioans for Concealed Carry; National Association of Realtors RPAC; U.S. Chamber of Commerce: 100% lifetime; Ohio Restaurant Association; Ohio Farm Bureau PAC; Ohio State Medical Association PAC; National Federation of Independent Business endorsed and rating: 100%; Planned Parenthood Action Fund: 0%; Family Research Council Action: 90%; ACT! for America: A+ (100%); NRA endorsed and 2012 rating: A

Congresswoman Betty Sutton:

Planned Parenthood; Equality Ohio; AFL-CIO (various chapters); AFSCME (various chapters); E.M.I.L.Y.'s List; National Organization of Women PAC; NARAL Pro-Choice America PAC; Planned Parenthood Action Fund: 100%; Family Research Council Action: 10%; ACT! for America: C- (62%); U.S. Chamber of Commerce – lifetime score 35%; National Federation of Independent Business: 15%; Human Rights Campaign 2010 rating: 97%; NRA 2012 rating: F

14 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2011/roll292.xml>
 15 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2011/roll292.xml>

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U.S. SENATE

CONGRESS



SHERROD BROWN Democrat, Incumbent
CONTACT: (614) 221-6563 ext. 275
www.sherrodbrown.com | www.brown.senate.gov
FAMILY: Married, Connie Schultz; four children

EDUCATION: B.A. Russian Studies, Yale University; Masters Public Administration, Ohio State University; Masters Education, Ohio State University

CAREER: 35 years in elected office; Ohio State Representative 1974-1982; Ohio Secretary of State 1983-1990; U.S. House of Representative 1993-2006; U.S. Senate 2007- present

ENERGY: Congress attempted to pass “cap and trade” legislation in 2010. When that legislative effort failed, the Obama Administration asked the EPA to issue new federal regulations on January 2, 2011. The U.S. House passed HR 910 later in 2011 to limit the EPA’s power to regulate greenhouse gas emissions. The measure passed 255 – 172.¹

Some U.S. Senators tried to restrict the EPA (agreeing with the House bill) by adding language to another bill (S 493). Senator Sherrod Brown voted NO on the amendment (supporting the EPA’s power to regulate).²

Votes cast by U.S. Congressman Sherrod Brown on fossil fuel energy bills:

- HR 4503, vote #241, 6/15/04: tax breaks for oil/natural gas production, clean coal programs; voted NO³
- HR 3893, vote #519, 10/7/05: expedite construction of new oil refineries; voted NO⁴
- HR 5254, vote #232, 6/7/06: identifies locations for constructing domestic oil refineries; voted NO⁵
- HR 4761, vote #354, 6/29/06: maintains moratorium on oil/gas exploration; voted YES⁶

1 <http://www.time.com/time/health/article/0,8599,2040485,00.html> and <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2011/roll249.xml>
 2 http://www.senate.gov/legislative/LIS/roll_call_lists/roll_call_vote_cfm.cfm?congress=112&session=1&vote=00054
 3 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2004/roll241.xml>
 4 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2005/roll519.xml>
 5 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2006/roll232.xml>
 6 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2006/roll354.xml> and <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2004/roll241.xml>

NATIONAL DEBT: Last year the U.S. House passed HR 2560, which would have cut federal spending, put a limit on future spending, and required a balanced federal budget. This bill was commonly referred to as the “Cut, Cap, and Balance Act.” It died in the U.S. Senate when the vote was tabled. Senator Sherrod Brown voted YES to table (kill) HR 2560 when it came to the Senate.⁷

TERRORISM/NATIONAL SECURITY: In an interview with WEWS-TV last year on the 10-year anniversary of 9/11, Sherrod Brown reflected on the current climate for a terrorist threat: “...We’re safer [than 9/11] because the government’s paying more attention and the public’s paying more attention and the local police are. We’ll never be entirely 100% risk-free. All human beings have risk. Again, the food we eat, crossing the street. But it’s our government’s job to keep things as safe as we possibly can. We’ll never be risk-free, but to keep things as safe as we can. That’s why the intelligence communities and the Homeland Security Department and the local police keep their eyes out for certain things, so the public doesn’t have to think as much about it. I don’t want the public thinking every day: potential terrorist attack. We might be attacked. I don’t want the public to think that way...”⁸

HEALTH CARE: Original vote on the Patient
 7 http://www.senate.gov/legislative/LIS/roll_call_lists/roll_call_vote_cfm.cfm?congress=112&session=1&vote=00116
 8 http://www.clipsyndicate.com/video/play/2832132/sherrod_brown_on_terror_threat

Protection and Affordable Care Act (HR 3590) – ACA/Obamacare:

Senator Sherrod Brown voted YES.⁹

MARRIAGE: The federal Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) was signed into law by President Bill Clinton on September 21, 1996. It defines marriage as the legal union of one man and one woman for federal and inter-state recognition. In the past two legislative sessions there have been bills introduced to repeal DOMA.

In 2006 Congress debated amending the U.S. Constitution to include the definition of marriage as the union of one man and one woman. House Joint Resolution 88 was voted upon July 18, 2006. Congressman Sherrod Brown did not cast his vote.¹⁰

Sherrod Brown says, “As elected officials in Ohio, we proudly stand together in support of the freedom of same-sex couples to marry...”¹¹

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: Equality Ohio; NARAL Pro-Choice America PAC; Human Rights Campaign; Planned Parenthood Action Fund: 100% rating and endorsed; Family Research Council Action: 0%; ACT! for America: F (25%); U.S. Chamber of Commerce – lifetime score: 32%; National Federation of Independent Business: 2011 – 9%; 2012 – 36%; NRA 2012 rating: F
 9 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2010/roll165.xml>
 10 <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2006/roll378.xml>
 11 <http://columbusequality.com/?p=606>



JOSH MANDEL Republican, Challenger
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FAMILY: Married, Ilana
EDUCATION: Graduated, Marine Corps Intelligence School; J.D., Case Western Reserve University; B.A., Communications, Ohio State University

CAREER: Enlisted, United States Marine Corps Reserve, 2000-2008; Founder, The Groveland Company; Intelligence Specialist, United States Marine Corps, Iraq; Lyndhurst City Council 2004 - 2006; Ohio House of Representatives 2007 - 2010; currently serving as Ohio State Treasurer

ENERGY: Josh Mandel: “... America is blessed to have abundant natural resources beneath our country, including oil, coal, and natural gas. Washington politicians refuse to do what is needed to allow us to develop these resources, reduce our energy costs, and move toward energy independence...While protecting the air we breathe, water we drink and environment for future generations, the Josh Mandel Plan calls for aggressive and responsible exploration of our natural resources. This exploration is a “win-win-win”, for new jobs, affordable energy and natural security...”¹

NATIONAL DEBT: Josh Mandel: “...America is now nearly \$16 trillion in debt...Not only has Washington not balanced its budget, the Senate hasn’t even bothered to pass a budget in the past three years...The budget will not

balance through spending cuts alone. It must be a balanced approach of spending cuts and economic growth...The failure of Washington to control its spending for so long requires us to make a multi-year commitment to spending discipline and policies to promote economic growth...”²

TERRORISM/NATIONAL SECURITY: Josh Mandel states, “the United States and its allies face a common enemy in radical Islam and it’s an enemy that must be taken seriously. Radical Islam is running rampant in Europe and if they could, they would do the same in the United States. As a Marine Intelligence Specialist who served two tours in Iraq, I have seen the threat with my own eyes...”³

HEALTH CARE: Mandel states, “We must

repeal the federal government’s takeover of health care. This was a giant infringement on our constitutional rights. It’s bad for small businesses, it’s bad for patients, it’s bad for physicians, it’s bad for nurses, and it’s bad for health care in general in this country. We must repeal it and move forward with a better health care system in this country.”⁴

MARRIAGE: Josh Mandel says that he will “protect the sanctity of marriage.”⁵

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: National Right to Life PAC; Ohio Right to Life PAC; Reclaim America PAC; U.S. Chamber of Commerce; National Federation of Independent Business; Club for Growth; Buckeye Firearms Association endorsed and grade: A; NRA endorsed and 2012 rating: A

1 <http://joshmandel.com/achieving-american-energy-independence>

2 <http://joshmandel.com/balance-federal-budget>
 3 Response to iVoters.com interview

4 Response to iVoters.com interview
 5 <http://www.washingtonblade.com/2012/07/12/ohio-gop-senate-candidate-vows-to-fight-against-marriage-equality/>

OHIO BALLOT ISSUES

Here are the basic summaries of the ballot issues we are facing in Ohio.
For a more detailed explanation of these ballot issues visit iVoters.com.

ISSUE 1

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

Would create a convention to revise, alter or amend the state constitution.

BALLOT LANGUAGE:

<http://www.sos.state.oh.us/sos/upload/ballotboard/2012/1-language.pdf>

ISSUE 2

REDISTRICTING

Would create a citizen commission to draw legislative and congressional district maps.

BALLOT LANGUAGE:

<http://www.sos.state.oh.us/sos/upload/ballotboard/2012/2-language-a.pdf>

ARGUMENT FOR ISSUE 2:

<http://www.sos.state.oh.us/sos/upload/ballotboard/2012/2-for.pdf>

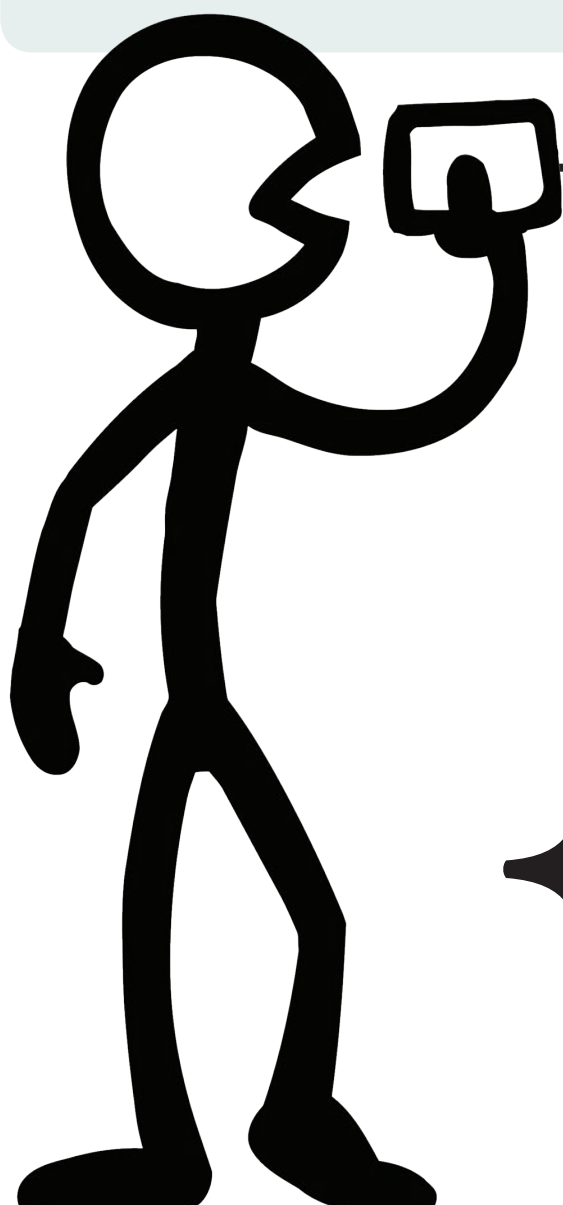
ARGUMENT AGAINST ISSUE 2:

<http://www.sos.state.oh.us/sos/upload/ballotboard/2012/2-against.pdf>

This research was conducted by ballotpedia.org

CHECK OUT THESE VIDEOS

For more information on Issue 2 log onto iVoters.com and hear directly from the campaign leaders from both sides of Issue 2.



ELECTION 2012

★ TUESDAY, NOV. 6 ★

Helpful tips for this election:

1. Log onto <http://www.sos.state.oh.us/elections.aspx> for more information on voting in Ohio.
2. Take this handbook with you to the polls and share it with a friend.
3. For more information on candidates, visit www.iVoters.com

KEY TO ENDORSEMENTS & RATINGS

Throughout this publication, you'll see endorsements and ratings for candidates. Below is a list with more information about many of these organizations.

What if a candidate doesn't have any endorsements listed? Please visit iVoters.com to get updated endorsements as they become available.

ACT! FOR AMERICA

A non-partisan, non-sectarian organization whose mission is to give Americans concerned about national security, terrorism, and the threat of radical Islam, a powerful, organized, informed and mobilized voice.

<http://www.actforamerica.org/>

AMERICAN CONSERVATIVE UNION

The American Conservative Union seeks to promote the national conservative movement and to be the conservative voice in Washington.

<http://conservative.org/about-acu/principles>

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES (AFSCME)

The nation's largest and fastest growing public services employees union with more than 1.6 million active and retired members

<http://www.afscme.org>

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF TEACHERS (AFT)

An affiliate of the AFL-CIO, was founded in 1916 and today represents 1.5 million members in more than 3,000 local affiliates nationwide

<http://www.aft.org>

CLUB FOR GROWTH

National network of thousands of pro-growth Americans, from all walks of life, who believe that prosperity and opportunity come through economic freedom

<http://www.clubforgrowth.org/aboutus/>

E.M.I.L.Y.'S LIST (EARLY MONEY IS LIKE YEAST)

Dedicated to electing pro-choice Democratic women to office

<http://emilyslist.org/who/mission>

EQUALITY OHIO

Ohio's largest lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered (LGBT) advocacy organization

<http://www.equalityohio.org>

FAMILY RESEARCH COUNCIL ACTION

Funded solely by FRC Action Members to support pro-family candidates and pro-family issues in elections and ballot initiatives around the country

<http://www.frcactionpac.org/about>

OHIO AFL-CIO

The Ohio AFL-CIO represents 1,600 local unions across the state from 48 different international unions.

<http://www.ohaficio.org/>

OHIO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

As the state's leading business advocate and resource, the Ohio Chamber of Commerce aggressively champions free enterprise, economic competitiveness and growth for the benefit of all Ohioans.

<http://www.ohiochamber.com/>

HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN

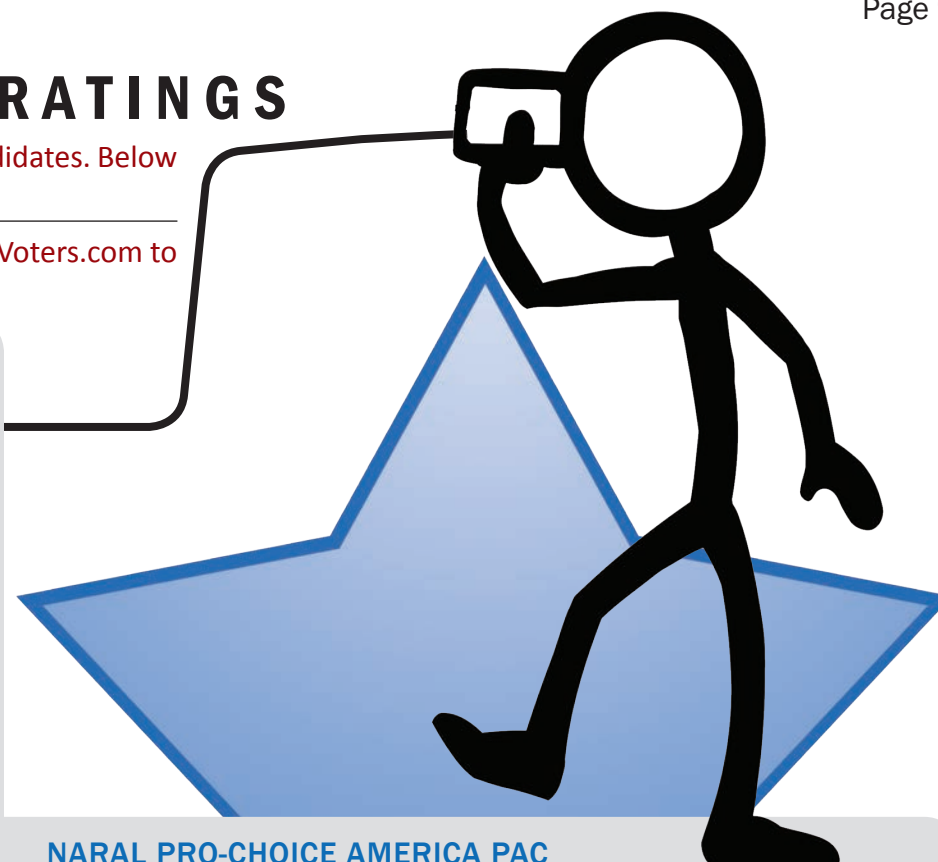
The largest civil rights organization working to achieve equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Americans

<http://www.hrc.org/the-hrc-story/about-us>

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR UNIFORMED SERVICES

Promote a strong national defense and protect the benefits earned through service and sacrifice in the uniformed services

<http://www.naus.org>



NARAL PRO-CHOICE AMERICA PAC

National Abortion Rights Action League fights to keep abortions safe and legal.

<http://www.prochoiceamerica.org/elections/>

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN

The largest organization of feminist activists in the United States

<http://now.org>

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION (NRA)

America's foremost defender of Second Amendment rights

<http://www.nrapvf.org>

NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE

Federation of 50 state right-to-life affiliates and more than 3,000 local chapters, is the nation's oldest and largest grassroots pro-life organization

<http://www.nrlc.org>

PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Planned Parenthood believes in the fundamental right of each individual, throughout the world, to manage his or her fertility, regardless of the individual's income, marital status, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, age, national origin, or residence.

<http://www.plannedparenthood.org/about-us/who-we-are/vision-4837.htm>

PROGRESSIVE MAJORITY

Progressive Majority's mission is to elect progressive champions. Agenda priorities include protecting civil rights of individuals based on ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, race, physical/developmental ability, and protecting reproductive rights of women.

<http://www.progressivemajority.org/>

SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION (SEIU)

Consists of the largest health care union, the largest property services union and the second largest public services union

<http://www.seiu.org/our-union/>

SIERRA CLUB

America's largest grassroots environmental organization

<http://www.sierraclub.org>

SUSAN B. ANTHONY LIST

Dedicated to electing candidates and pursuing policies that will reduce and ultimately end abortion

<http://www.sba-list.org>

U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The world's largest business organization representing the interests of more than 3 million businesses of all sizes, sectors, and regions

<http://www.uschamber.com/about>

OHIO STATE LEGISLATURE



We, the people of the State of Ohio, grateful to Almighty God for our freedom, to secure its blessings and promote our common welfare, do establish this Constitution.

Article II Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution:

The legislative power of the state shall be vested in a general assembly consisting of a senate and house of representatives...

the races...

OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 6

Marlene Anielski vs. Anthony Fossaceca

OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 7

Mike Dovilla vs. Matt Patten

OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 11

Sandra Williams

OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 12

John E. Barnes, Jr.



OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 15

Nicholas Celebrezze vs. Patricia Gascoyne

OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 69

Bill Batchelder vs. Judith Cross

OHIO SENATE DISTRICT 22

Larry Obhof, Jr. vs. James Riley

OHIO SENATE DISTRICT 24

Jennifer L. Brady vs. Tom Patton

ADDITIONAL CANDIDATES IN THESE RACES

There are other candidates running. For independent and minor party entries, please visit iVoters.com and ballotpedia.org.

OHIO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DISTRICT 6 - NEW DISTRICT BOUNDARIES



MARLENE ANIELSKI Republican, Currently Serving District 17

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FAMILY: Married with children

EDUCATION: M.B.A., Cleveland State University, MA, University of Akron, certification as an Ohio Certified Public Manager from Cleveland State University

CAREER: Former Mayor & safety director of Walton Hills, Ohio, Current Office: State House - District 17- 2010 - present

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: *The Plain Dealer*; *Sun News*; Ohio Chamber of Commerce; Ohio Right to Life PAC; National Federation of Independent Business/Ohio SAFE Trust; The Ohio Manufacturing Association; CABOR; Cuyahoga Valley Republicans; The Republican Party of Cuyahoga County; The Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants; Buckeye Firearms; The American Nationalities Movement; CAMEO; The Sheet Metal Workers Local #33; Cement Masons Local #404; International Union of Operating Engineers; Ohio Restaurant Association; The Ohio State Medical Association; American Conservative Union 2011 scorecard: 92%; Ohio Chamber of Commerce - Positions Rating 2011-2012: 100%; NRA endorsed and 2012 rating: A



ANTHONY FOSSACECA Democrat, Challenger

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FAMILY: Wife, Sherri; 2 Children

EDUCATION: Bachelors, Fine Arts (Graphic Design), University of Akron, 1993

CAREER: Blogger; Consultant, Activist; small business owner; campaign Manager

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: Cuyahoga County Democratic Party; AFL-CIO (various affiliates); AFSCME (various chapters); Cleveland Stonewall Democrats; Cleveland Teachers Union; Planned Parenthood Affiliates of Ohio Action Fund; UFCW Local 880; Ohio Education Association; Building Laborers' Union, Local 310; Northern Ohio Fire Fighters Association (NOFF); Progressive Majority; NARAL Pro-Choice Ohio; Patriots for Change; Black Women's Political Action Committee; United Auto Workers Region 2-B; Ohio State Legislative Board of the United Transportation Union; Teamsters Truck Drivers Union, Local 407; Ohio Association of Professional Fire Fighters; Fraternal Order of Police of Ohio (FOP); Various trade unions; Various City Democratic Clubs; For more endorsements please visit www.iVoters.com.



OHIO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DISTRICT 7 - NEW DISTRICT BOUNDARIES



MIKE DOVILLA Republican, Currently Serving District 18

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FAMILY: Single

EDUCATION: Masters, Public Administration American University, 1999; B.A. Baldwin-Wallace College, 1997

CAREER: Current Office: State House - District 18; Officer, United States Navy Reserve, 2002-present; Consultant, Self-Employed, 2006; Executive Director, Chief Human Capital Officers Council, United States Office of Personnel Management, 2003-2006; Professional Staff Member, United States Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, 2001-2003; Management Analyst, United States Department of State, 1999-2001

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: American Nationalities Movement; Buckeye Firearms Association; Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers, Local #5; Cement Masons Local No. 404; Cleveland Area Board of REALTORS; International Union of Operating Engineers Local 18; National Defense Committee; National Federation of Independent Business / Ohio; Ohio Chamber of Commerce – “Chamber Choice”; Ohio Farm Bureau Federation – “2012 Friend of Agriculture”; Ohio Restaurant Association; Ohio Right to Life PAC; Ohio State Medical Association; Ohio Veterans United; Ohioans for Concealed Carry; Sheet Metal Workers Local Union No. 33; The Ohio Manufacturers’ Association; The Ohio Society of CPAs; United Food and Commercial Workers Local 880; Ohio Chamber of Commerce - Positions Rating 2011-2012: 100%; American Conservative Union 2011 scorecard: 100%; NRA endorsed and 2012 rating: A



MATT PATTEN Democrat, Challenger

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matt@mattpattenforohio.com

FAMILY: Wife: Katherine; 3 Children

EDUCATION: Finishing degree in labor management/safety and health at National Labor College

CAREER: Community Field Organizer; Representative 18th district, Ohio State House of Representatives, 2008-2010

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: SEIU District 1199 PCE; Planned Parenthood of Ohio; Ohio Federation of Teachers; Laborers District Council of Ohio; Laborers International Union of North America Local 860; International Union of Painters and Allied Trades PAC; Laborers Local 265; Ironworkers Local Union #17; Mike Foley; Progressive Majority; Ohio for Conceal Carry PAC; Ohio AFL-CIO; NRA 2012 rating: A-



DISTRICT 11 - UNOPPOSED



SANDRA WILLIAMS Democrat, Incumbent

FAMILY: Single

EDUCATION: Honorary Doctorate Degree from Tiffin University; M.S., Criminal Justice Administration, Tiffin University; BA, Political Science, Cleveland State University

CAREER: Current Office: State House - District 11 since 2007; Legislative Aide, State Representative, Annie Key, 2001-2006; Administrative Assistant, United States Army Reserve, 1987-1995; Surveillance Officer/Probation Officer/Parole Officer, Ohio; Mediator, State of Ohio; Corrections Officer, Sheriff’s Department, Cuyahoga County

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: Cuyahoga County Democratic Party; Ohio Democratic Party; North Shore AFL-CIO; Ohio Association of Public School Employees; OAPSE/AFSCME; Ohio Civil Service Employees Association (OCSEA); AFSCME Ohio Council 8 and AFSCME Retiree Chapter 1184; Ohio Association of Professional Firefighters; UAW Cuyahoga-Medina Counties CAP Council; Ohio Farm Bureau; OEA; Ohio Chamber of Commerce - Positions Rating 2011-2012: 33%; American Conservative Union 2011 scorecard: 0%; NRA 2012 rating: D

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DISTRICT 12 - UNOPPOSED



JOHN E. BARNES, JR. Democrat, Incumbent

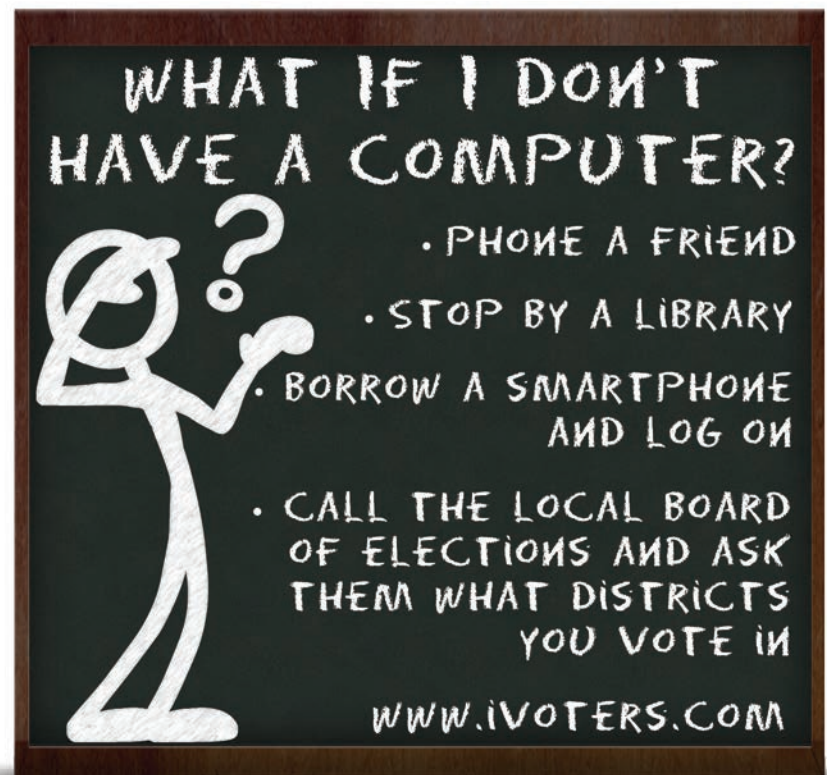
FAMILY: Single

EDUCATION: Masters, Science, Organization Development and Analysis, Case Western Reserve University; Executive Certification, Trade Union Program, Harvard University; Attended, International Program, Center for Organizational and Personnel Psychology Katholieke University, Brussels, Belgium

CAREER: Current office: State House - District 12 since 2010; Representative, Ohio State House of Representatives, 1998-2002; Adjunct Professor, Chancellor University, Cleveland, Ohio; Board of Trustees, Chancellor University, Cleveland, Ohio; Senior Tax Auditor / Investigator, Central Collection Agency, Division of Taxation, City of Cleveland; Managing Director, The Diplomacy Group; Employed, National Advanced Logistic Advisory Board, Albany State University; Former Executive Assistant, International Affairs, Mayor of Cleveland; Former Director, Department of Community Relations, Cleveland

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ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: Ohio State Medical Association PAC; National Mutual Insurance Company PAC; Ohio CPA PAC; Ohio Contractors PAC; Ohio Chamber of Commerce - Positions Rating 2011-2012: 53%; American Conservative Union 2011 scorecard: 25%; NRA 2012 rating: D



OHIO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DISTRICT 15 - NEW DISTRICT BOUNDARIES



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EDUCATION: University of Akron, received a Bachelor's Degree with Honors from the Bliss Institute of American Politics, and Cleveland Marshall College of Law, Juris Doctorate

CAREER: Current Office: State House - District 15; Owns and operates a small family-owned law firm in Parma, Ohio; Former Parma City Council Ward Three; Former Cuyahoga County Adult Probation Officer and Assistant County Prosecutor

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: State Representative Tim DeGeeter; Mayor Dean Depiero, Parma; Treasurer Tom Mastroianni, Parma; Law Director Tim Dobek, Parma; Council President Sean Brennan, Parma; Councilwoman Debbie Lime, Parma Ward 2; Councilman Brian Day, Parma Ward 4; Councilman Tom Regas, Parma Ward 5; Councilman Larry Napoli, Parma Ward 6; Councilman Scott Tuma, Parma Ward 8; Councilman Roy Jech, Parma Ward 9; Clerk of Council Ken Ramser, Parma; Ohio Chamber of Commerce - Positions Rating 2011-2012: 28%; NRA 2012 rating: D



PATRICIA GASCOYNE Republican, Challenger

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FAMILY: Children: Simeon, Judah, Shiloh, Chloe, Jordan, Gabriel

EDUCATION: Bachelor of Science Baldwin-Wallace College 2011; Associate of Arts Cuyahoga Community College 2006; Certificate of Proficiency in Polysomnography 2006

CAREER: Central Committee Broadview Hts.2-E 2008; Central Committee Cleveland 13-J 2010; Republican Party endorsed candidate for Office of Member of Cuyahoga County Council 3rd District 2010; Republican Party Endorsed candidate for State Representative 15th District 2012

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: Ohioans for Educational Freedom; Buckeye Firearms Association; Republican Party Of Cuyahoga County; Cuyahoga Valley Republicans; Citizens for Community Values Action PAC; NRA 2012 rating: A(Q)

DISTRICT 69 - NEW DISTRICT BOUNDARIES



BILL BATCHELDER Republican, Incumbent

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FAMILY: Wife: Alice; 2 Children

EDUCATION: J.D., The Ohio State University College of Law, 1967; B.A., Ohio Wesleyan University, 1964

CAREER: Judge, Ninth District Court of Appeals, 1999-2005; Presiding Judge, 2000-2001; Private First Class, United States Army, 1968; Judge, Common Pleas Court, Medina County; AA, Lieutenant Governor, Ohio State House of Representatives; Williams and Batchelder Law firm; Representative, Ohio State House of Representatives, 1969-1999, 2006-present; Speaker of the House, Ohio State House of Representatives, 2011-present; Minority Leader, Ohio State House of Representatives, former; Speaker Pro Tempore, Ohio State House of Representatives, 1995-1998; Ohio State House, District 81, 1969-1998

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: Ohio Right to Life PAC; Ohio Society of CPAs; National Federation of Independent Business; Ohio Restaurant Association; Ohio Nurses Association; Ohio State Medical Association; Ohio Chamber of Commerce; Ohio Farm Bureau; Buckeye Firearms Association; Ohio Chamber of Commerce - Positions Rating 2011-2012: 100%; American Conservative Union 2011 scorecard: 100%; NRA endorsed and 2012 rating: A+



JUDITH CROSS Democrat, Challenger

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FAMILY: Single

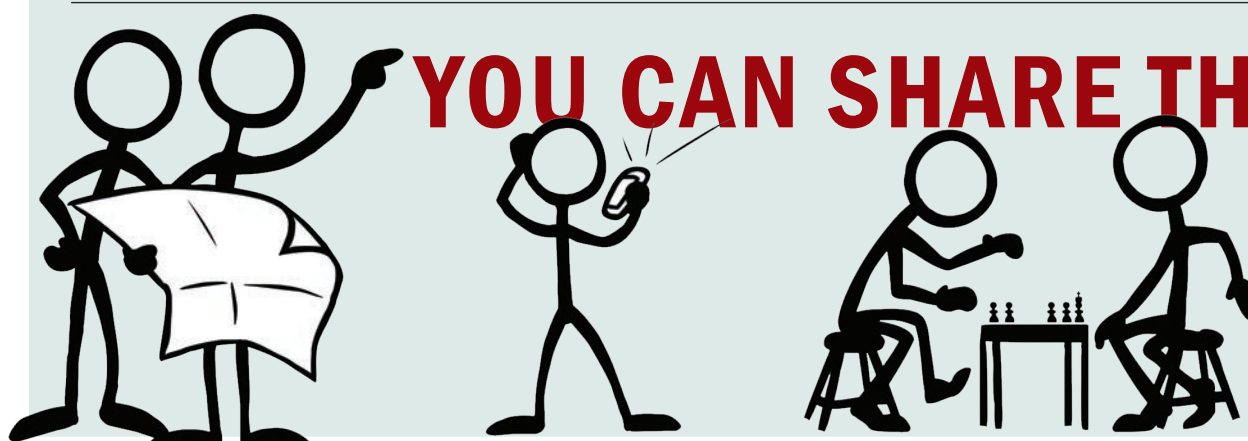
EDUCATION: Graduate of Kent State University; Law degree from Akron Law School

CAREER: Elementary school teacher; Assistant county prosecutor for the city of Brunswick, Ohio 1978-1984; Law director for the city of Medina 1984-1986; Judge of the Court of Common Pleas 1986-1998; Visiting Judge 1998-2011; Part owner of Foul Play, a small mystery bookstore

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: National Education Association (NEA); Ohio Education Association (OEA); Equality Ohio; Ohio Federation of Teachers; Tri-County Regional Labor Council AFL-CIO; Teamster Drivers Local 407; Journeymen Plumbers Local 55; Planned Parenthood; AFL/CIO; OAPSE/AFSCME Local 11; OAOSE/AFSCME Local 4; FOP Lodge 15; Ohio State Legislative Board; United Transportation Union; Ohio Association of Professional Firefighters; Fraternal Order of Police of Ohio; NRA 2012 rating: F

ELECTION 2012

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OHIO SENATE

DISTRICT 22 - NEW DISTRICT BOUNDARIES



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FAMILY: Wife: Nicole, 2 Children

EDUCATION: J.D., Yale Law School; Bachelors, Ohio State University
CAREER: Current Office: State Senate - District 22, Appointed 2011-present; Attorney, Baker & Hostetler Limited Liability Partnership; Adjunct Professor, Case Western Reserve University School of Law
ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: Ohio Right to Life PAC; Ohio Chamber of Commerce; NFIB/ Ohio SAFE Trust; Ohio Chamber of Commerce - Positions Rating 2011-2012: 100%; American Conservative Union 2011 scorecard: 100%; NRA endorsed and 2012 rating: A



JAMES RILEY Democrat, Challenger
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FAMILY: Wife: Donna; 1 Child: Crystal

EDUCATION: Adult Education JVS Oberlin
CAREER: Owner of Riley's Excavating
ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: NRA 2012 rating: A(Q); No endorsements at the time of printing this publication. Please visit iVoters.com to get updated endorsements as they become available.

DISTRICT 24



JENNIFER BRADY Democrat, Challenger
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FAMILY: Husband: Ted; 3 Children: Michael, Neil, Patrick

EDUCATION: B.A., Psychology, University of Dayton
CAREER: Employee, Social Security Administration; Representative, Ohio State House of Representatives, 2007-2008
ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: NRA 2012 rating: B; No endorsements at the time of printing this publication. Please visit iVoters.com to get updated endorsements as they become available.



TOM PATTON Republican, Incumbent
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FAMILY: Widower; 6 Children: Shannon, Erin, Meghan, Kathleen, Brigid, Tommy, and 4 grandchildren

EDUCATION: Attended Cleveland State University
CAREER: Current Office: State Senate - District 24; Business Consultant, Blue Technologies; Marketing Consultant; Small Business Owner, Computers and Office Equipment
ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: Ohio Right to Life PAC; Ohio Chamber of Commerce; NFIB/Ohio SAFE Trust; Ohio Chamber of Commerce - Positions Rating 2011-2012: 88%; American Conservative Union 2011 scorecard: 90%; NRA endorsed and 2012 rating: A

OHIO SUPREME COURT

Article IV Section 1

of the Ohio Constitution:

The judicial power of the state is vested in a supreme court, courts of appeals, courts of common pleas and divisions thereof, and such other courts inferior to the Supreme Court as may from time to time be established by law.



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FAMILY: Husband: Tony; 3 Children

EDUCATION: J.D., Ohio State University, Moritz College of Law, 1985; B.A., Journalism/Public Relations, Ohio University, 1982
CAREER: Founder/President, Center for Child and Family Advocacy; Nationwide Children's Hospital, 2002-2010; Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Franklin County, 1993-2002; Board Member, Fifth Third Bank of Central Ohio, present; Board Member, M/I Homes, Incorporated, present; Justice of the Supreme Court, State of Ohio, 2011-present; Appointed, Justice of the Supreme Court, State of Ohio, January 2011; Candidate, Ohio State Lieutenant Governor, 2010
ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: Highly Recommended rating by the Ohio State Bar Association; Excellent rating by the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association; Excellent rating by the Cuyahoga Criminal Defense Lawyer's Association; Excellent rating by the Norman S. Minor Bar Association; Equality Ohio; Ohio Fraternal Order of Police; Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association; Ohio AFL-CIO; Ohio Civil Service Employees Association; Ohio Education Association; Ohio Legislative Black Caucus; Ohio Society of CPAs; Ohio State Building & Construction Trades Council; United Auto Workers; United Food & Commercial Workers



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FAMILY: Single

EDUCATION: University of Cincinnati, School of Social Work, in 1984 and the University of Cincinnati College of Law, in 1991
CAREER: 1998 to present - Administrative Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, Domestic Relations Division since 2005; solo legal practitioner; Special Counsel for Attorney General Betty D. Montgomery; part-time Magistrate in the Butler County Area Courts; police officer
ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: Academy of Medicine of Cleveland and Northern Ohio (AMCNO); American Nationalities Movement; Buckeye Firearms Association; Cleveland American Middle East Organization (CAMEO); Cincinnati Right to Life; Citizens for Community Values Action PAC; National Federation of Independent Business Ohio SAFE Trust PAC; Ohio Bail Agents; Ohio Manufacturer's Association; Ohio Republican Party; Ohio State Medical Association Political Action Committee (OSMAPAC); Toledo Chamber of Commerce; Votes for Women; Ohio Veterans United; Ohio Right to Life PAC; National Rifle Association

OHIO SUPREME COURT



TERRENCE O'DONNELL Republican, Incumbent

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FAMILY: Wife: Mary Beth; 4 Children: Terrence, Michael, Colleen, Nora

EDUCATION: J.D., Cleveland State University, 1971; B.A., Political Science, Kent State University, 1968

CAREER: Justice, Supreme Court of Ohio, 2003-present; Appointed, Supreme Court of Ohio, May 12, 2003; Visiting Judge, 2003; Judge, 8th District Court of Appeals, Ohio, 1995-2003; Judge, Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas, 1980-1995; Appointed, Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas, 1980; Associate, Marshman, Snyder and Corrigan, 1976-1980; Director, Paralegal Education Program, David M. Myers College, 1974-1976; Law Clerk, Judge John M. Manos/Judge John V. Corrigan, 8th District Court of Appeals, 1972-1974; Law Clerk, Justice JJP Corrigan, Supreme Court of Ohio, 1971-1972; Teacher, Saint Brendan School, 1970; Instructor, Speech/Debate, Cuyahoga Community College, 1968-1970; Instructor, Certified Public Accountant; Business Law Review, Cleveland State University; Instructor, Continuing Legal Education Programs; Instructor, Public School Religion Program, Saint Brendan Church

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: Ohio State Bar Association - "Recommended"; Cleveland Metro Bar Association - "Good"; Cuyahoga Criminal Defense Lawyers Association - "Excellent"; Fraternal Order of Police of Ohio; Ohio Patrolman's Benevolent Association; Cleveland Police Patrolmen's Association; Ohio Hospital Association; Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants; National Federation of Independent Business - NFIB; Ohio Chamber of Commerce; Ohio Right to Life; Cincinnati Right to Life PAC; Ohio State Medical Association; Ohio Association of Family Physicians; Cleveland Academy of Medicine; International Union of Operating Engineers; The Ohio Manufacturer's Association; Ohio Association of Civil Trial Attorneys; The Ohio Restaurant Association; Citizens for Community Values Action PAC - CCVA PAC; Ohio Hospital Association; Friends of Ohio Hospitals PAC; Cleveland American Middle East Organization (CAMEO); American Nationalities Movement Cleveland; Buckeye Firearms Association; National Rifle Association



MIKE SKINDELL Democrat, Challenger

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FAMILY: Single

EDUCATION: J.D., Cleveland-Marshall College of Law; B.A., Business/Political Science, Walsh College

CAREER: Hearing Officer, Ohio Department of Health, 1988-1999; Attorney, Assistant Attorney General, State of Ohio; Senator, Ohio State Senate, 2010-present; Representative, Ohio State House of Representatives, 2002-2010

ENDORSEMENTS/RATINGS: Adams County Democratic Party; AFSCME Ohio Council 8, Bakery, Confectionary, Tobacco Workers, and Grain Millers International Union Local 19; Carol Contrada, Lucas County Commissioner; College Democrats at the University of Akron; Congressman Tim Ryan; Congresswoman Betty Sutton; Cuyahoga County Council President C. Ellen Connally, (former judge, former Ohio Supreme Court candidate); Cuyahoga County Councilperson Dale Miller (former State Senator); Cuyahoga County Councilperson Julian Rogers; Cuyahoga County Democratic Party; Geauga County Democratic Party; Hardin County Democratic Party; IBEW local #683; Indiana-Kentucky-Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters; International Longshoreman's Association; Joe McNamara, President-Toledo City Council; Journeyman Plumbers Union UA Local #55; Lakewood Democratic Club; Lorain County Democratic Party; Lucas County Democratic Party; Mahoning County Commissioner Carol Rimedio-Righetti; Mahoning County Democratic Party; Matt Trafis, Seven Hills City Council; Northern Ohio Firefighters; OCSEA; Ohio AFL-CIO; Ohio Association of Public School Employees (OAPSE) AFSCME; Ohio Farmers Union; Ohio State Bar Association "Recommended"; Ohio State Building Trades and Construction Council; Pete Gerken, President-Lucas County Commission; Pipe Fitters Local Union 120; State Rep. Bill Patmon; State Rep. Bob Hagan; State Rep. Mike Foley; State Rep. Nickie Antonio; State Rep. and former Mayor of Dayton Rhine McLin; State Senator Edna Brown; State Senator Tom Sawyer; Summit County Democratic Party; Summit County Progressive Democrats; Teamsters Truck Drivers Union, Local 407; Ted Kalo, Lorain County Commissioner; Telephone Consumer Rights Bar Association of Ohio; Trevor Elkins, Mayor Village of Newburgh Heights

summary of supreme court races...

FOR SUPREME COURT JUSTICE:

- Terrence O'Donnell vs. Mike Skindell
- Robert R. Cupp vs. William M. O'Neill
- Yvette McGee Brown vs. Sharon L. Kennedy

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(Full term commencing 1-1-13)

(Full term commencing 1-2-13)

(Unexpired term ending 12-31-14)

THE PRESIDENCY



Article II

of the the U.S. Constitution:

"The executive Power shall be vested in a President of the United States of America."

The Declaration of Independence

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.—That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed..."

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THE PRESIDENCY



BARACK OBAMA Democrat, Incumbent

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FAMILY: Married – Michelle; 2 children, Malia and Sasha

EDUCATION: Occidental College; B.A., Columbia College; J.D., Harvard Law School

CAREER: Associate attorney, Davis, Miner, Barnhill & Galland law firm; Professor, University of Chicago Law School; Illinois State Senate; U.S. Senate; U.S. President 2009-present

ENERGY: This past summer President Obama through the U.S. Department of the Interior announced its five-year plan for offshore drilling. While it permits limited drilling in the Gulf of Mexico, it reconfirms a 30-year moratorium on offshore energy exploration along the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.¹

NATIONAL DEBT: In September 2012 the U.S. Department of the Treasury announced the national debt exceeded \$16 trillion for the first time in history.²

President Obama: "...The Administration's deficit-reduction plan [is], a balanced approach that recognizes the need to prioritize spending initiatives while aligning revenues with current spending by asking the highest-income Americans to contribute to deficit reduction, as well as closing loopholes for corporations and special interests."³

NATIONAL SECURITY: On a missile

1 <http://www.boem.gov/5-year/2012-2017/>
2 <http://www.publicdebt.treas.gov/>
3 http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/microsites/ERP_2012_ch_3.pdf

defense system in Europe, President Obama: "Administration officials have stressed that the missile-defense system is intended to protect against a potential missile attack from Iran, but the Russians are concerned that the system could target them....Obama reiterated that he's committed to the missile-defense system. In the short term, Obama said, it's not possible to get it done soon because of the complexity of the issue, Russian resistance and the U.S. election season."⁴

POLICY ON ISRAELI BORDERS: Last year President Obama publicly stated his support for a future Palestinian state based on borders that were in place prior to the 1967 Middle East War.⁵

HEALTH CARE: The Administration and the U.S. media have widely described HR 3590, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as

4 <http://www.usatoday.com/news/world/story/2012-03-27/obama-russia-missile-defense-nuclear-flexibility/53811682/1>
5 http://articles.cnn.com/2011-05-19/politics/obama.israel.palestinians_1_israel-palestinian-conflict-borders-settlements?_s=PM:POLITICS

President Obama's signature legislation.

On March 23, 2010, President Obama signed the Affordable Care Act into law.⁶

MARRIAGE: The Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) signed into federal law by President Clinton (1996) defines marriage as the legal union of one man and one woman for federal and inter-state recognition purposes in the United States.

President Obama supports the repeal of the Defense of Marriage Act.⁷

ENDORSEMENTS: SEIU; AFL-CIO; American Federation of Teachers; American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees; Human Rights Campaign; National Organization of Women; Planned Parenthood; Sierra Club; Gay-Straight Alliance; Equality Ohio

6 <http://www.whitehouse.gov/healthreform/healthcare-overview#healthcare-menu>
7 <http://www.whitehouse.gov/blog/2011/07/19/president-obama-supports-respect-marriage-act>



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FAMILY: Married – Ann; 5 children: Taggart, Matthew, Joshua, Benjamin, Craig

EDUCATION: B.A., Brigham Young University; M.B.A, J.D., Harvard University

CAREER: Co-Founder/CEO, Bain Capital Investments; CEO 2002 Winter Olympics Organizing Committee; Governor of Massachusetts, Jan. 2003 - Dec. 2006

ENERGY: Mr. Romney's position on offshore energy production: "First, I will pursue dramatic regulatory reform to accelerate the exploration and development of oil and gas, to facilitate construction of vital infrastructure and to preserve and expand crucial electricity capacity...And I will respect states' proven ability to regulate fracking, rather than sending federal bureaucrats to take control...Second, I will increase production...I will permit access to our resources in the Gulf of Mexico, the Outer Continental Shelf, western lands and the Alaska National Wildlife Refuge. I also will partner closely with our neighbors. Canada and Mexico have extraordinary resources of their own that can provide secure, reliable supplies for our economy..."¹

NATIONAL DEBT: Mr. Romney: "The only recipe for fiscal health and a thriving private economy is a government that spends within its means....Any turnaround must begin with clear and realistic goals...[Mr. Romney's] goal will be to bring federal spending below 20 percent of GDP by the end of his first term."²

1 <http://aboutmittromney.com/energy.htm>
2 <http://www.mittromney.com/issues/spending>

NATIONAL SECURITY: Mr. Romney outlined, as part of his action plan for the first 100 days of his administration he would, "Commit to a robust national missile defense system and begin a process of reversing Obama-era budget cuts to national missile defense and raise to a top priority the full deployment of a multilayered national ballistic-missile defense system."³

POLICY ON ISRAELI BORDERS: Mr. Romney's position: "Reject any measure that would frustrate direct negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians. He will make clear to the Palestinians that the unilateral attempt to decide issues that are designated for final negotiations by the Oslo Accords is unacceptable. The United States will reduce assistance to the Palestinians if they continue to pursue United Nations recognition or form a unity government that includes Hamas, a terrorist group dedicated to Israel's destruction... Israel's existence as a Jewish state is not up for debate."⁴

3 <http://www.mittromney.com/news/press/2012/07/fact-sheet-romney-plan-american-century>
4 <http://www.mittromney.com/issues/israel>

HEALTH CARE: "On his first day in office, Mr. Romney will issue an executive order that paves the way for the federal government to issue Obamacare waivers to all fifty states. He will then work with Congress to repeal the full legislation as quickly as possible. In place of Obamacare, [Mr. Romney] will pursue policies that give each state the power to craft a health care reform plan that is best for its own citizens. The federal government's role will be to help markets work by creating a level playing field for competition."⁵

MARRIAGE: Mr. Romney: "I have the same view on marriage that I had when I was governor. I believe marriage is a relationship between a man and a woman."⁶

ENDORSEMENTS: National Right to Life Committee; CatholicVote.org; Susan B. Anthony List; National Organization for Marriage; National Rifle Association

5 <http://www.mittromney.com/issues/health-care>
6 <http://abcnews.go.com/Politics/OTUS/mitt-romney-reaffirms-opposition-gay-marriage/story?id=16314461#.UFnsx-0XpUQ>

SAMPLE BALLOT (summary*)

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PRESIDENT:

Barack Obama Mitt Romney

U.S. SENATE

Sherrod Brown Josh Mandel

U.S. CONGRESS

CHOOSE YOUR DISTRICT

U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 9

Marcy Kaptur Samuel J. Wurzelbacher

U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 11

Marcia Fudge

U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 14

Dale V. Blanchard David Joyce

U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 16

Jim Renacci Betty Sutton

*Because of space constraints, this is a ballot summary of several races. For more races and for third party or independent candidates, visit www.iVoters.com or ballotpedia.org.

OHIO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CHOOSE YOUR DISTRICT

OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 6

Marlene Anielski Anthony Fossaceca

OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 7

Mike Dovilla Matt Patten

OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 11

Sandra Williams

OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 12

John E. Barnes, Jr.

OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 15

Nicholas Celebrezze Patricia Gascoyne

OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 69

William Batchelder Judith Cross

OHIO SENATE

CHOOSE YOUR DISTRICT

OHIO SENATE DISTRICT 22

Larry Obhof, Jr. James Riley

OHIO SENATE DISTRICT 24

Jennifer L. Brady Thomas Patton

OHIO SUPRME COURT

FOR JUSTICE OF THE SUPRME COURT

(FULL TERM COMMENCING 1-1-13)

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