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### 2024 GENERAL ELECTION

# CANDIDATE INFORMATION FOR BIBLICAL VOTERS



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#### AMENDMENT 1:

A <u>YES</u> vote changes school board elections from nonpartisan to partisan beginning in the November 2026 general election and for primary elections nominating party candidates for the 2026 election.

#### **AMENDMENT 2:**

A **YES** vote establishes a state constitutional right to hunt and fish.

#### AMENDMENT 3:

A **NO** would prevent recreational marijuana being legalized for adults 21 years old and older.

#### **AMENDMENT 4:**

Amendment 4 seeks to make abortion the **only** medical procedure that **minors** could undergo without parental consent, give abortion clinics a rubber stamp to approve late-term, third trimester abortions and provide **ZERO** definitions of key words like "government interference", "viability", "health care provider", and "patient's health". According to God's moral law, Christians should vote **NO** on this Amendment to further protect human life.

#### **AMENDMENT 5:**

A **YES** vote would provide for an annual inflation adjustment for the value of the homestead property tax exemption

#### **AMENDMENT 6:**

A <u>YES</u> vote would repeal a constitutional provision providing for public campaign financing for candidates who agree to spending limits



#### **COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1**

### POLK COUNTY CITIZENS DEFENDING FREEDOM

### (DEM)

Kay

Becky Klymko Troutman





#### **Polk County Commissioner** District 1 Candidates:

1.	As current legislation states, do you agree that the Florida Department of Health should be able to mandate individual care "by any means necessary" during a declared emergency?	*	No
2.	Do you believe that there are currently vulnerabilities in our Florida Election process?	*	Yes
3.	Are you in favor of strengthening identification requiring proof of U.S. citizenship to cast a ballot in a Florida election?	*	Yes
4.	Do you support providing social services to a non-U.S. citizen?	*	No
5.	Do you believe the United States of America is a fundamentally racist country?	*	No
6.	Do you believe our rights come from God?	*	Yes
7.	Do you believe the right to bear arms should not be infringed in any way under any circumstance?	*	Yes
8.	Do you believe life begins at conception and should be equally protected under the law?	*	Yes
9.	Do you believe there are more than two genders?	*	No
10.	Do you support continuing the Biblical principles America was founded on?	*	Yes
11.	Do you support Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training?	*	No
12.	Are you in favor of biological sex as determinant for using bathrooms, participating in sports, etc.?	*	Yes
13.	Are you in favor of reducing regulations where possible?	*	Yes
14.	Are you in favor of raising taxes?	*	No
15.	Are you in favor of passing ordinance/statutes to further protect children in public parks and public facilities?	*	Yes
16.	Are you affiliated with a PAC?	*	No

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CANDIDATE FINANCIAL



#### SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

POLK COUNTY CITIZENS DEFENDING FREEDOM

Lori Edwards (NPA)

Melony (REP)





1.	Do you believe that there are currently vulnerabilities in our Florida Election process?	*	Yes
2.	Do you believe there are any vulnerabilities in the electronic equipment used to tabulate voter ballots?	*	Yes
3.	Are you in favor of strengthening identification requiring proof of U.S. citizenship to cast a ballot in a Florida election?	*	Yes
4.	Do you support legislation that would strengthen voter ID requirements that would disallow unsecure IDs from being used such as neighborhood association ID, student ID, and a credit or debit card that can currently be used to vote?	*	Yes
5.	Do you support measures to increase ballot box security?	*	Yes
6.	Do you support measures to limit mail-in voting to those who are disabled, in the military, or are not physically able to be present on election day?	*	Yes
7.	Do you support measures that would restrict ballot harvesting?	*	Yes
8.	Do you support implementing measures to ensure only U.S. Citizens are voting in our elections?	*	Yes

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#### **SHERIFF**



Grady Theodore Judd (REP)







#### **Polk County Sheriff Candidates:**

1.	Do you believe that there are currently vulnerabilities in our Florida Election process?	*	*
2.	Do you believe there are any vulnerabilities in the electronic equipment used to tabulate voter ballots?	*	*
3.	Are you in favor of strengthening identification requiring proof of U.S. citizenship to cast a ballot in a Florida election?	*	*
4.	Do you support legislation that would strengthen voter ID requirements that would disallow unsecure IDs from being used such as neighborhood association ID, student ID, and a credit or debit card that can currently be used to vote?	*	*
5.	Do you support measures to increase ballot box security?	*	*
6.	Do you support measures to limit mail-in voting to those who are disabled, in the military, or are not physically able to be present on election day?	*	*
7.	Do you support measures that would restrict ballot harvesting?	*	*
8.	Do you support implementing measures to ensure only U.S. Citizens are voting in our elections?	*	*

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"WHEN THE RIGHTEOUS ARE IN **AUTHORITY, THE** PEOPLE REJOICE; **BUT WHEN A WICKED** MAN RULES, THE PEOPLE GROAN."

PROVERBS 29:2



#### FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### **DISTRICT 48**

### **POLK COUNTY** CITIZENS DEFENDING FREEDOM

District 48 Candidates:

### Florida House of Representatives

Hill (DEM)

John





Jon

Albert

1.	As current legislation states, do you agree that the Florida Department of Health should be able to mandate individual care "by any means necessary" during a declared emergency?	*	No
2.	Do you believe every elected official should be required to complete and pass a course on the U.S. Constitution?	*	Yes
3.	Do you believe that there are currently vulnerabilities in our Florida election process?	*	Yes
4.	Are you in favor of strengthening identification requiring proof of U.S. citizenship to cast a ballot in a Florida election?	*	Yes
5.	Do you believe the United States of America is a fundamentally racist country?	*	No
6.	Do you believe our rights come from God?	*	Yes
7.	Do you believe the right to bear arms should not be infringed in any way under any circumstance?	*	Yes
8.	Do you believe life begins at conception and should be equally protected under the law?	*	Yes
9.	Do you believe there are more than two genders?	*	No
10.	Do you support continuing the Biblical principles America was founded on?	*	Yes
11.	Do you support Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training?	*	No
12.	Are you in favor of biological sex as determinant for using bathrooms, participating in sports, etc.?	*	Yes
13.	Are you in favor of reducing regulations where possible?	*	Yes
14.	Are you in favor of passing ordinance/statutes to further protect children in public parks and public facilities?	*	Yes
15.	Are you affiliated with a PAC?	*	No

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#### FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### **DISTRICT 49**

POLK COUNTY CITIZENS DEFENDING FREEDOM

Ashley Hermann

Jennifer Kincart Jonsson





#### Florida House of Representatives District 49 Candidates:

As current legislation states, do you agree that the Florida Department of Health should be able to mandate individual care "by any means necessary" during a declared emergency?	*	No
Do you believe every elected official should be required to complete and pass a course on the U.S. Constitution?	*	Yes
Do you believe that there are currently vulnerabilities in our Florida election process?	*	Yes
Are you in favor of strengthening identification requiring proof of U.S. citizenship to cast a ballot in a Florida election?	*	Yes
Do you believe the United States of America is a fundamentally racist country?	*	No
Do you believe our rights come from God?	*	Yes
Do you believe the right to bear arms should not be infringed in any way under any circumstance?	*	Yes
Do you believe life begins at conception and should be equally protected under the law?	*	Yes
Do you believe there are more than two genders?	*	No
Do you support continuing the Biblical principles America was founded on?	*	Yes
Do you support Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training?	*	No
Are you in favor of biological sex as determinant for using bathrooms, participating in sports, etc.?	*	Yes
Are you in favor of reducing regulations where possible?	*	Yes
Are you in favor of passing ordinance/statutes to further protect children in public parks and public facilities?	*	Yes
Are you affiliated with a PAC?	*	Yes
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## FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**DISTRICT 50** 

#### POLK COUNTY CITIZENS DEFENDING FREEDOM

District 50 Candidates:

### Florida House of Representatives

Patterson-James (REP) (DEM) Incumbent

Jennifer

Canady



1.	As current legislation states, do you agree that the Florida Department of Health should be able to mandate individual care "by any means necessary" during a declared emergency?	*	*
2.	Do you believe every elected official should be required to complete and pass a course on the U.S. Constitution?	*	*
3.	Do you believe that there are currently vulnerabilities in our Florida election process?	*	*
4.	Are you in favor of strengthening identification requiring proof of U.S. citizenship to cast a ballot in a Florida election?	*	*
5.	Do you believe the United States of America is a fundamentally racist country?	*	*
6.	Do you believe our rights come from God?	*	*
7.	Do you believe the right to bear arms should not be infringed in any way under any circumstance?	*	*
8.	Do you believe life begins at conception and should be equally protected under the law?	*	*
9.	Do you believe there are more than two genders?	*	*
10.	Do you support continuing the Biblical principles America was founded on?	*	*
11.	Do you support Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training?	*	*
12.	Are you in favor of biological sex as determinant for using bathrooms, participating in sports, etc.?	*	*
13.	Are you in favor of reducing regulations where possible?	*	*
14.	Are you in favor of passing ordinance/statutes to further protect children in public parks and public facilities?	*	*
15.	Are you affiliated with a PAC?	-	4

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### FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**DISTRICT 51** 

**POLK COUNTY** CITIZENS

DEFENDING FREEDOM

Josie Tomkow (REP) Incumbent

Octavio Hernandez (DEM)

#### Florida House of Representatives District 51 Candidates:

1.	As current legislation states, do you agree that the Florida Department of Health should be able to mandate individual care "by any means necessary" during a declared emergency?	*	*
2.	Do you believe every elected official should be required to complete and pass a course on the U.S. Constitution?	*	NO
3.	Do you believe that there are currently vulnerabilities in our Florida election process?	*	NO
4.	Are you in favor of strengthening identification requiring proof of U.S. citizenship to cast a ballot in a Florida election?	*	NO
5.	Do you believe the United States of America is a fundamentally racist country?	*	NO
6.	Do you believe our rights come from God?	*	*
7.	Do you believe the right to bear arms should not be infringed in any way under any circumstance?	*	NO
8.	Do you believe life begins at conception and should be equally protected under the law?	*	NO
9.	Do you believe there are more than two genders?	*	*
10.	Do you support continuing the Biblical principles America was founded on?	*	*
11.	Do you support Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training?	*	*
12.	Are you in favor of biological sex as determinant for using bathrooms, participating in sports, etc.?	*	*
13.	Are you in favor of reducing regulations where possible?	*	YES
14.	Are you in favor of passing ordinance/statutes to further protect children in public parks and public facilities?	*	YES
15.	Are you affiliated with a PAC?	*	NO

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#### **FLORIDA SENATE**

POLK COUNTY \* CITIZENS DEFENDING REEDOM

#### DISTRICT 27









#### Florida Senate District 27 Candidates:

1.	As current legislation states, do you agree that the Florida Department of Health should be able to mandate individual care "by any means necessary" during a declared emergency?	*	*
2.	Do you believe every elected official should be required to complete and pass a course on the U.S. Constitution?	*	*
3.	Do you believe that there are currently vulnerabilities in our Florida election process?	*	*
4.	Are you in favor of strengthening identification requiring proof of U.S. citizenship to cast a ballot in a Florida election?	*	*
5.	Do you believe the United States of America is a fundamentally racist country?	*	*
6.	Do you believe our rights come from God?	*	*
7.	Do you believe the right to bear arms should not be infringed in any way under any circumstance?	*	*
8.	Do you believe life begins at conception and should be equally protected under the law?	*	*
9.	Do you believe there are more than two genders?	*	*
10.	Do you support continuing the Biblical principles America was founded on?	*	*
11.	Do you support Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training?	*	*
12.	Are you in favor of biological sex as determinant for using bathrooms, participating in sports, etc.?	*	*
13.	Are you in favor of reducing regulations where possible?	*	*
14.	Are you in favor of passing ordinance/statutes to further protect children in public parks and public facilities?	*	*
15.	Are you affiliated with a PAC?	*	*

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#### 6TH DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL



For more information on Judges, please scan their individual QR codes below.



#### District Court of Appeal: (Retention)

Judge Paetra Brownlee



- · Appointed by Gov. Ron DeSantis in 2023 to the 6th DCA
- · Graduated from Emory University with B.A., received Juris Doctorate from Florida State University College of Law
- · A member of the Appellate Practice Section of the Florida Bar, the Orange County Bar Association's Appellate Practice Committee, the George C. Young American Inn of Court, and the Federalist Society



Judge Roger Gannam



- · Appointed by Gov. Ron DeSantis in 2023 to the 6th DCA
- · Earned a bachelor's degree in finance from the University of North Florida in 1996, and his Juris Doctor, with honors, from the University of Florida Levin College of Law in 1999.
- Member of the Orange County Bar Association and the Federalist Society.
- Married to his wife since 1997, has two kids and is an active member of his local church.



Judge Joshua Mize



- · Appointed by Gov. Ron DeSantis in 2022 to the 6th DCA
- received his undergraduate degrees in History and Finance from the University of Florida. Attended the University of Florida College of Law, graduating magna cum laude in the top 2%
- · A member of the Orange County Bar Association and the Federalist Society.



Judge Jared Smith

Judge

Keith

White



- Appointed by Gov. Ron DeSantis in 2022 to the 6th DCA
- Graduated in 1996 with his Bachelor of Business Administration with a degree in accounting. summa cum laude, from Fort Hays State University. In 2000, he graduated third in his class from Washburn University School of Law, magna cum laude.



- · Is married with four children
- · Appointed by Gov. Ron DeSantis in 2022 to the 6th DCA · Earned his B.S. Summa Cum Laude, at the University of Central Florida. Obtained his Juris Doctor degree, with High Honors, at Florida State University.



Has been married to his wife since 1995. They are active members of Grace Church where he



serves as a volunteer for the Student Ministry.

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#### FLORIDA SUPREME COURT

#### Florida Supreme Court: (Retention)

Judge Meredith Sasso



- Appointed by Gov. Ron DeSantis in 2023 to the Florida Supreme Court
- · Graduated in 2005 From the University of Florida and earned her law degree there as well in
- A member of the American Enterprise Institute Leadership Network and the Federalist Society.



Judge Renatha Francis



- Appointed by Gov. Ron DeSantis in 2022 to the Florida Supreme Court
- Managed two small businesses while attending and graduating with honors from the University of West Indies. She attended law school in Jacksonville, FL.
- Married with two small children.

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#### U.S. CONGRESS

#### FLORIDA'S 9TH DISTRICT

Marcus

Carter

NO

NO

YES

NO

Thomas

Chalifoux

(DEM)

Incumbent

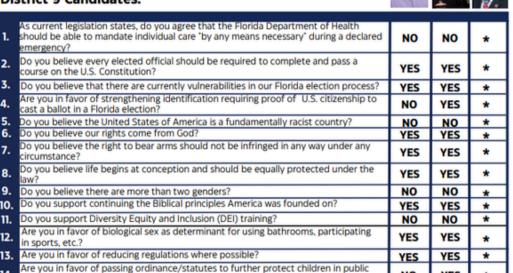
#### U.S. CONGRESS

#### FLORIDA'S 11TH DISTRICT



#### United States Representative District 9 Candidates:

parks and public facilities? Are you affiliated with a PAC?



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POLK COUNTY CITIZENS DEFENDING

### FREEDOM

#### Barbie Hall (DEM)

Daniel Webster (REP) Incumbent



#### United States Representative District 11 Candidates:

1.	As current legislation states, do you agree that the Florida Department of Health should be able to mandate individual care "by any means necessary" during a declared emergency?	*	*
2.	Do you believe every elected official should be required to complete and pass a course on the U.S. Constitution?	*	*
3.	Do you believe that there are currently vulnerabilities in our Florida election process?	*	*
4.	Are you in favor of strengthening identification requiring proof of U.S. citizenship to cast a ballot in a Florida election?	*	*
5.	Do you believe the United States of America is a fundamentally racist country?	*	*
6.	Do you believe our rights come from God?	*	*
7.	Do you believe the right to bear arms should not be infringed in any way under any circumstance?	*	*
8.	Do you believe life begins at conception and should be equally protected under the law?	*	*
9.	Do you believe there are more than two genders?	*	*
10.	Do you support continuing the Biblical principles America was founded on?	*	*
11.	Do you support Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training?	*	*
12.	Are you in favor of biological sex as determinant for using bathrooms, participating in sports, etc.?	*	*
13.	Are you in favor of reducing regulations where possible?	*	*
14.	Are you in favor of passing ordinance/statutes to further protect children in public parks and public facilities?	*	*
15.	Are you affiliated with a PAC?	*	*

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#### U.S. CONGRESS

#### FLORIDA'S 15TH DISTRICT

### U.S. CONGRESS FLORIDA'S 18TH DISTRICT

# **POLK COUNTY**

#### (REP) Incumbent

Laurel Lee Patricia "Pat" Kemp (DEM)





Scott Franklin (REP)

Andrea Doria Kale (DEM)



#### **United States Representative District 18 Candidates:**

1.	As current legislation states, do you agree that the Florida Department of Health should be able to mandate individual care "by any means necessary" during a declared emergency?	*	*
2.	Do you believe every elected official should be required to complete and pass a course on the U.S. Constitution?	*	*
3.	Do you believe that there are currently vulnerabilities in our Florida election process?	*	*
4.	Are you in favor of strengthening identification requiring proof of U.S. citizenship to cast a ballot in a Florida election?	*	*
5.	Do you believe the United States of America is a fundamentally racist country?	*	*
6.	Do you believe our rights come from God?	*	*
7.	Do you believe the right to bear arms should not be infringed in any way under any circumstance?	*	*
8.	Do you believe life begins at conception and should be equally protected under the law?	*	*
9.	Do you believe there are more than two genders?	*	*
10.	Do you support continuing the Biblical principles America was founded on?	*	*
11.	Do you support Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training?	*	*
12.	Are you in favor of biological sex as determinant for using bathrooms, participating in sports, etc.?	*	*
13.	Are you in favor of reducing regulations where possible?	*	*
14.	Are you in favor of passing ordinance/statutes to further protect children in public parks and public facilities?	*	*
15.	Are you affiliated with a PAC?	*	*

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#### **United States Representative** District 15 Candidates:

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1.	As current legislation states, do you agree that the Florida Department of Health should be able to mandate individual care "by any means necessary" during a declared emergency?	*	*
2.	Do you believe every elected official should be required to complete and pass a course on the U.S. Constitution?	*	*
3.	Do you believe that there are currently vulnerabilities in our Florida election process?	*	*
4.	Are you in favor of strengthening identification requiring proof of U.S. citizenship to cast a ballot in a Florida election?	*	*
5.	Do you believe the United States of America is a fundamentally racist country?	*	*
6.	Do you believe our rights come from God?	*	*
7.	Do you believe the right to bear arms should not be infringed in any way under any circumstance?	*	*
8.	Do you believe life begins at conception and should be equally protected under the law?	*	*
9.	Do you believe there are more than two genders?	*	*
10.	Do you support continuing the Biblical principles America was founded on?	*	*
11.	Do you support Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training?	*	*
12.	Are you in favor of biological sex as determinant for using bathrooms, participating in sports, etc.?	*	*
13.	Are you in favor of reducing regulations where possible?	*	*
14.	Are you in favor of passing ordinance/statutes to further protect children in public parks and public facilities?	*	*
15.	Are you affiliated with a PAC?	*	*

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#### U.S. SENATOR

# **POLK COUNTY**

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Scott

#### **United States Senate Candidates**

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1.	As current legislation states, do you agree that the Florida Department of Health should be able to mandate individual care "by any means necessary" during a declared emergency?	NO	NO	*	*	*
2.	Do you believe every elected official should be required to complete and pass a course on the U.S. Constitution?	NO	YES	*	*	*
3.	Do you believe that there are currently vulnerabilities in our Florida election process?	NO	NO	*	*	*
4.	Are you in favor of strengthening identification requiring proof of U.S. citizenship to cast a ballot in a Florida election?	YES	YES	*	*	*
5.	Do you believe the United States of America is a fundamentally racist country?	NO	NO	*	*	*
6.	Do you believe our rights come from God?	YES	NO	*	*	*
7.	Do you believe the right to bear arms should not be infringed in any way under any circumstance?	YES	NO	*	*	*
8.	Do you believe life begins at conception and should be equally protected under the law?	NO	YES	*	*	*
9.	Do you believe there are more than two genders?	NO	NO	*	*	*
10.	Do you support continuing the Biblical principles America was founded on?	YES	YES	*	*	*
11.	Do you support Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training?	YES	YES	*	*	*
12.	Are you in favor of biological sex as determinant for using bathrooms, participating in sports, etc.?	YES	YES	*	*	*
13.	Are you in favor of reducing regulations where possible?	YES	YES	*	*	*
14.	Are you in favor of passing ordinance/statutes to further protect children in public parks and public facilities?	YES	NO	*	*	*
15.	Are you affiliated with a PAC?	YES	NO	*	*	*

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**CANDIDATE** FINANCIAL



### IMPORTANT DATES

Deadline to

**OCTOBER 7TH** 



OCTOBER 21ST - MOVEMBER 3RD

HOURS: 7AM - 7PM, DAILY



**NOVEMBER 5TH** 

HOURS: 7AM - 7PM

