

VOTER GUIDE

Republican Candidates for PA Lt. Governor

Brown, John
Coleman, Jeff
Daniels, Teddy
DelRosso, Carrie
Diamond, Russ
Frye, Chris
Jones, James
Saccone, Rick
Schillinger, Clarice

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This voter guide has been prepared by members of our Candidate Vetting Group. Please note that our group does not provide candidate endorsements.

The purpose of this document is to give voters a head start with doing their own research on each of the candidates by providing them with information, or with links to information, that various members of our research group have already found. We understand that the information provided may be neither comprehensive nor complete for every candidate due to factors such as: availability of online information, researcher resources and methods, and researcher reporting style.

We encourage voters to verify the information provided within, to do additional research on their own, and to make their own informed decisions about which candidates they choose to vote for.

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Coleman, Jeff – Lt. Governor

Founder & Principal of Churchill Strategies Consulting Firm, Harrisburg,
Former PA State Representative

<https://colemanforpa.com/>

Election Integrity

“Maintaining—and in too many cases, restoring—public confidence in our electoral process is a challenge that can be addressed in a level-headed, bipartisan way free of rancor over past or looming elections. I am confident that with the right leadership Pennsylvania can do this without sacrificing our centuries-old tradition of welcoming the vote of every citizen.”

<https://onyourballot.vote411.org/race-detail.do?id=2901304&party=Rep>

QUESTION: Should all voters be required to show identification before voting?

ANSWER: Yes

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/coleman-jeff/>

Health Freedom & Mandates – lockdowns, masks, social distancing, restriction of peaceful assembly/group size, vaccinations

QUESTION: Should Pennsylvania municipalities be permitted to require a vaccine passport?

ANSWER: No

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Protection of second amendment rights – gun control

“I support the provisions of the federal and state constitutions outlining the rights and responsibilities of gun ownership, which I do not believe to be inconsistent with maintaining public safety. While the lieutenant governor has no vote on these or other policy issues—outside of breaking a tie on procedural votes—I am a strong advocate for promoting of safe, responsible use of firearms.”

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Economy & Energy Policy - government spending/taxes/deregulation

Coleman said that while he’s thrilled with the efforts the state has made to help revitalize Pennsylvania cities like Reading, he believes there needs to be more attention given to the small towns that are struggling to stay relevant. “You don’t have enough people to serve on the borough council, you don’t have a big enough tax base to have a police force, you have the collapse of volunteer fire services,” he said. “We are forcing these cash-strapped communities to have to find a way to raise taxes to have these paid services or reignite the spirit of volunteerism.”

[Former state representative talks about his campaign for lieutenant governor in Pa. \(dailylocal.com\)](#)

“If we lose our small communities, we lose the heart and soul of Pennsylvania,” he said. “Small communities are where you learn to be a good neighbor, where you learn to be a good citizen, where your faith and core values are formed,” he said. “If we allow hundreds of small towns to

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collapse, we will lose something more significant than our favorite store or place to visit. We'll lose the DNA of Pennsylvania.” Coleman would like to rebuild the workforce by focusing on the dignity of work and its importance to strong families and by removing barriers to job training and apprenticeships for ex-offenders. Instead of prisons serving as warehouses of prisoners, Coleman wants to look at programs that will allow employers to have a “pipeline to potential workers” through development of a mentorship and job training program for those incarcerated that would reduce recidivism.

https://www.tiogapublishing.com/the_wellsboro_mansfield_gazette/news/local/lt-governor-candidates-wants-return-to-civil-discourse/article_935f00bf-a509-5301-bfd7-8ba911a39c31.html

QUESTION: Should increases in state government spending be limited to the rate of inflation plus population growth?

ANSWER: Yes

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QUESTION: Should Pennsylvania enter into the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, which would include a new carbon tax on electricity?

ANSWER: No

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QUESTION: Should the gasoline tax be permanently reduced?

ANSWER: Yes

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Law & Order/Public Safety/Support for Police – human trafficking, gun trafficking, legalization of recreational marijuana in PA

He's also a big supporter of criminal justice reform. “I think there is a broad consensus now among both Republicans and Democrats that warehousing prisoners should not be the way that we design our correctional institutions,” he said. “For people who are on track to go back into society we have to work on job training and skill development inside prison and it has to be in partnership with the private sector that has a serious workforce problem.”

[Former state representative talks about his campaign for lieutenant governor in Pa. \(dailylocal.com\)](https://www.dailylocal.com/news/former-state-representative-talks-about-his-campaign-for-lieutenant-governor-in-pa)

QUESTION: Should the state reduce police funding to increase funding for social services?

ANSWER: No

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ANSWER: No

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Endorsements

Pat Toomey

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Coleman thinks now is the right time for a candidate who is willing to do something about the nastiness that he sees as a plague on politics today — a candidate who wants to restore civility, kindness and statesmanship into the conversation. And he believes he is the candidate who can do it. That’s why he decided to run to be Pennsylvania’s lieutenant governor. “I’ve been really concerned with the lack of civil discourse in politics,” the Cumberland County Republican said. “I realized that we are no longer debating the issues. It’s simply each side deciding to listen to their favorite news source and avoiding the contrasting of different ideas. And I think that’s a tragedy.”

[Former state representative talks about his campaign for lieutenant governor in Pa. \(dailylocal.com\)](#)

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Daniels, Teddy – Lt. Governor

Former NE Director of Vets for Trump, Retired Police Officer, Disabled Combat Veteran
[Teddy Daniels for Lt. Governor \(teddydanielspa.com\)](https://teddydanielspa.com)

Election Integrity

Teddy Daniels Sues Supreme Court of Pennsylvania for Unconstitutional Election Interference... Republican candidate for Lt. Governor of Pennsylvania Teddy Daniels announced today that he is suing the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, and aims to take the issue to the U.S. Supreme Court. "Recently, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania suspended the the Commonwealth's Primary Election Calendar," Teddy explained. "This unconstitutional election interference amounts to little more than the shifting of power over our elections to a body of judicial activists," he explained. "This judicial activism picks up where 2020 left off, and the goal is obvious: to protect incumbents and keep the people out of the process of selecting their representatives. The State legislature decides the time, manner, and process of the elections in Pennsylvania, not the State Supreme Court," the Army veteran explained. "In legal terms, this case is about the rule of law," Daniels said. "The United States Constitution has held since 1787 that state legislatures – not courts – are given the authority to draw Congressional maps." "No state court does has the power to suspend an election on its own," Daniels said, "not even the supreme court in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania."

SOURCE: February 15, 2022 Press Release, Facebook, TeddyDanielsPA

“Number one, we’re going to get rid of all of the Dominion voting machines, right, wrong or indifferent. We’re going back to paper ballots. We’re going back to IDs and we’re going back to signature verification. Now, I see the Democrats already saying these are voter suppression laws. They’ve been doing this now, for over a year. I have yet to see one person [in real life] say that their right to vote is being suppressed. That’s their narrative, voter suppression laws, Republicans are denying people the right to vote. Who are we denying the right to vote? Show an ID, verify your signature. You need an ID to buy smokes, alcohol, drive a car, get on the bus, lease a place, buy a place. You mean to tell me that there are people out there that vote that don’t have IDs for anything else in their lives? And I challenge them every day. Parade one person on CNN, on MSNBC, on CBS. Show me that one person who’s having their right to vote being suppressed. And they can’t do it.”

<https://www.publishedreporter.com/2022/01/30/pa-frontrunner-teddy-daniels-number-one-the-election-was-stolen-in-pennsylvania-it-was-stolen-were-going-back-to-paper-ballots/>

QUESTION: Should all voters be required to show identification before voting?

ANSWER: Yes

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/daniels-teddy/>

Health Freedom & Mandates – lockdowns, masks, social distancing, restriction of peaceful assembly/group size, vaccinations

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Protection of second amendment rights – gun control

“As an avid sportsman, shooter, former Police Officer and retired Soldier, I fully support your constitutional right to keep and bear arms. Criminals will not be stopped by more laws. I will fight to stop gun-grabbing legislation that would take away your constitutional rights.”

<https://teddydanielspa.com/about-2/>

Economy & Energy Policy - government spending/taxes/deregulation

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QUESTION: Should the gasoline tax be permanently reduced?

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“Americans deserve access to better, more affordable healthcare. I will fight for real solutions to lower healthcare costs, including lowering drug prices, ending “surprise” billing, and reducing premiums by expanding competition.”

<https://teddydanielspa.com/about-2/>

Immigration

Bad laws have created a magnet for illegal immigration and human trafficking across our southern border. I will fight to complete the border wall, hire more immigration judges, and strengthen Customs and Border Patrol and ICE so we can restore control over our borders.

<https://www.thethinkingconservative.com/teddy-daniels-for-u-s-congress-pennsylvanias-8th-congressional-district/>

Law & Order/Public Safety/Support for Police – human trafficking, gun trafficking, legalization of recreational marijuana in PA

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QUESTION: Should marijuana be legalized for recreational use?

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Education – Parents’ Rights/School Choice

QUESTION: Should education funding be directed to families through a voucher, scholarship, or education savings account so that parents can send their children to the school of their choice, including non-public schools?

ANSWER: Yes

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/daniels-teddy/>

QUESTION: Should schools have to post curriculum online for review by parents and taxpayers?

ANSWER: Yes

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/daniels-teddy/>

QUESTION: Should public schools be prohibited from allowing males who identify as females to compete in girls’ sports?

ANSWER: Yes

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Family Values & Abortion

QUESTION: Should the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act be amended to include “sexual orientation” and “gender identity,” which would require public schools and other public facilities to open up restrooms and locker rooms to members of the opposite sex?

ANSWER: No

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/daniels-teddy/>

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ANSWER: Yes

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“Democrat lawmakers want to allow abortions up to the moment of birth. Some, including in New York, Virginia, and other states want to allow the murder of a living newborn if she or he is deemed “unwanted.” As a proud father, I will never stop fighting to protect the life of the unborn.”

<https://teddydanielspa.com/about-2/>

Endorsements

Republicans for National Renewal

Firearm Owners Against Crime

Colonel Doug Mastriano – PA State Senator and gubernatorial candidate

Lt. Gen. Michael Flynn

Paul Gosar – US Representative

Wendy Rogers – AZ State Senator

Mark Finchem – AZ State Representative

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DelRosso, Carrie

PA State House Representative, Small Business Owner

<https://carrieforpa.com/>

Election Integrity

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ANSWER: Yes

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/delrosso-carrie/>

<https://onyourballot.vote411.org/race-detail.do?id=2901304&party=Rep>

<https://carrieforpa.com/election-integrity/>

[PA State Rep. Carrie Lewis DelRosso - Discussing Election Integrity on Newsmax | Facebook](#)

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QUESTION: Should Pennsylvania municipalities be permitted to require a vaccine passport?

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<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/delrosso-carrie/>

<https://carrieforpa.com/issues/>

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/carrie-lewis-delrosso/policies>

Big Tech & Mainstream Media – election interference & censorship/cancel culture

<https://carrieforpa.com/issues/>

Protection of second amendment rights – gun control

[Gun control advocates gather in Cheswick to protest state rep's vote in favor of constitutional carry bill | TribLIVE.com](#)

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/carrie-lewis-delrosso/policies>

States' Rights – federal government over-reach

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<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/delrosso-carrie/>

QUESTION: Should Pennsylvania enter into the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, which would include a new carbon tax on electricity?

ANSWER: No. PA should not enter any program that taxes our energy industry.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/delrosso-carrie/>

QUESTION: Should the gasoline tax be permanently reduced?

ANSWER: Yes

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/delrosso-carrie/>

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Education – Parents' Rights/School Choice

QUESTION: Should education funding be directed to families through a voucher, scholarship, or education savings account so that parents can send their children to the school of their choice, including non-public schools?

ANSWER: Yes, It's time to fund our students instead of the system that has been created. Our tax payer return on investment need to grow. We are losing too many kids in PA.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/delrosso-carrie/>

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QUESTION: Should schools have to post curriculum online for review by parents and taxpayers?

ANSWER: Yes. As a member of the state house we tried to pass this legislation and it was vetoed.

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<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/carrie-lewis-delrosso/policies>

Campaign financing – their current campaign contributors and their past donations to political organizations or PACs

[Carrie DelRosso - Pennsylvania Candidate - Transparency USA](#)

Given by Candidate - Northeast Pennsylvania Leadership Fund (2019) (Conservative)
Received by Candidate - Commonwealth Foundation (2020), Joshua Kail (2020), Re-Light America PAC (2020), Tarah Toohil (2020) (**Conservative**)

International Union of Operating Engineers (2020), Laborers International Union of North America (includes national, state & local affiliates) (2020) (**Liberal**)

PAC - [Friends of Carrie](#)

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Top Donors

Friends of Carrie (\$80,000)

Western Pennsylvania Laborers' PAC (\$50,000)

IBEW #5 (\$10,000)

Present and past personal and political affiliations

Member - Oakmont Borough Council, Board Member - Riverview Educational Foundation, Member – Riverside Women's Organization, Event Lead – American Cancer Society, Member – Garden Club of Oakmont, Volunteer – Diocese of Scranton, Volunteer – Catholic Youth Council

Present and past investments/stock ownership

Endorsements

Major - [Commonwealth Partners Chamber of Entrepreneurs](#)

Others - <https://carrieforpa.com/endorsements/>

Notes

Carrie Del Rosso is a third-generation small business owner and an Allegheny County resident. She is a first-term lawmaker who defeated the minority leader in the state House in 2020.

https://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/home/member_information/house_bio.cfm?id=1898

https://ballotpedia.org/Carrie_DelRosso

<https://www.wesa.fm/wesa-voter-guide/2022-04-18/pa-election-2022-lieutenant-governor#:~:text=Carrie%20Lewis%20DelRosso,Pittsburgh%20Post%2DGazette>

<https://keystoneroom.com/story/meet-the-candidates-for-lieutenant-governor-in-pennsylvania/#:~:text=Carrie%20Lewis%20DelRosso,of%20school%20choice>

[Carrie DelRosso Pledges to Support Congressional Term Limits - U.S. Term Limits](#)

[Candidate Profile | iVoterGuide.com](#)

Committee Assignments

[Aging & Older Adult Services](#)

[Gaming Oversight](#)

[Human Services](#)

[Urban Affairs, *Secretary*](#)

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Co-Sponsorship Memoranda

View my 2021-2022 session [co-sponsorship memoranda](#)

Sponsored Legislation

View my 2021-2022 session [sponsored legislation](#)

Quotes

“I know that Josh Shapiro will be an extension of the disastrous Wolf administration, pandering to liberal interest groups and further wrecking an already wounded state economy,” DelRosso said. “As part of the statewide ticket, my every thought will be how I can help our nominee for governor defeat Shapiro and bring conservative leadership back to the executive office.” (Deto, 2022)

[DelRosso](#) is the current representative for District 33 in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. If elected, DelRosso wrote in a statement emailed to the DP that her biggest goals are to "get Pennsylvania back on track, stop losing jobs, stop losing population, stop losing faith in ourselves, secure elections, grow education, and fix healthcare."

Her [platform](#) also centers around ensuring that Pennsylvania is not turned into a "[sanctuary state](#)," creating new private sector jobs, and strengthening law enforcement.

“Pennsylvania deserves a woman who has experience in both the public and private sector who will bring dignity back to the Office of the Lieutenant Governor,” DelRosso told the DP. (Miller, 2022)

References

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- Miller, I. S. (2022, April 25). *Ballot guide Pennsylvania primary election 2022: Lieutenant Governor*. Retrieved from *The Daily Pennsylvanian*: <https://www.thedp.com/article/2022/04/lieutenant-governor-pennsylvania-primary-election-ballot-guide-2022>

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Diamond, Russ – Lt. Governor

Current PA House Representative, Small Business Owner

<http://russdiamond.vote/>

Election Integrity

QUESTION: Should all voters be required to show identification before voting?

ANSWER: Yes

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/diamond-russ/>

Diamond was prime sponsor of HB 1717 to prohibit no-excuse mail-in voting by constitutional amendment

<https://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2021&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=1717&pn=1938>

“First, let me state that Act 77 is the only vote I ever regret making in my seven years in Harrisburg. I regret it because I never imagined how Tom Wolf, Secretary of the Commonwealth Kathy Boockvar, election officials in certain counties, and the PA Supreme Court would abuse their positions to blow through every piece of security we built into that statute to meet their objective of defeating the President. In June 2021 before the *McLinko* lawsuit was filed, I introduced HB 1717, a constitutional amendment which if adopted would make no-excuse mail-in voting illegal in Pennsylvania, in no uncertain terms. This is needed because the language of the constitution itself is not clear on the matter. No one ever codified the 1862 or 1924 rulings into the document.”

<http://russdiamond.vote/elections.php>

A state lawmaker is questioning the authority of the Department of State to access email addresses and cell phone numbers from other state agencies to aid its voter outreach efforts. Rep. Russ Diamond, R-Lebanon County, said he has heard from voters who were incensed over receiving emails and text messages with invitations to apply for a mailed ballot when they never provided that contact information to the state department but may have to other state agencies. “It’s a very troubling development,” Diamond said during Wednesday’s House State Government Committee hearing on election-related issues. Diamond, who is running for the GOP nomination for lieutenant governor as well as unopposed for his party’s nomination for a fifth term to his House seat, said that does not sit well with individuals who regard their cell phone number and email address as private. “I had one person who was very, very irate with me. He said I never gave those people my email address or my phone number,” Diamond said. “He said he may have renewed his driver’s license online or something where he provided his cell phone or his email address. He said I am incensed that these bureaucrats are pulling my personal information from other departments and sharing it.”

[Pa. lawmaker calls state agencies’ voter information-sharing a ‘troubling development’ - pennlive.com](http://pennlive.com)

Signed Letter to American People – 50 state audit and decertify where appropriate

<https://walls-work.org/over-200-lawmakers-sign-letter-to-decertify-the-2020-election-and-audit-all-50-states/>

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Diamond championed ending of Governor Wolf’s health emergency powers – Prime Sponsor of HR 836

<https://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=PDF&sessYr=2019&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=R&billNbr=0836&pn=3910>

My stance against the data- and science-free mask mandates was correct. I will continue to take such principled stances, even when the popular winds are against me. Leadership sometimes requires one to speak and act against the mainstream narrative, because it's the right thing to do.

<http://russtdiamond.vote/>

QUESTION: Should Pennsylvania municipalities be permitted to require a vaccine passport?

ANSWER: No

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/diamond-russ/>

Russ Diamond focused on being at the forefront of fighting Governor Tom Wolf’s COVID mitigation efforts, including vaccine mandates, “The most important bill I have is a constitutional amendment which would cement medical freedom as a fundamental, individual right in Pennsylvania. Because the only exemption you should ever need is ‘No thank you. I don’t want that.’ That’s it. You should have that right.”

[At Local Forum, Gubernatorial Candidate Gale Calls Out Mastriano | \(wkok.com\)](#)

Representative Russ Diamond is a small business owner and is currently serving his fourth term in the Pennsylvania General Assembly. This session he sponsored a bill supporting an employee’s right to refuse the COVID shot or testing, but he’s been interested in vaccine mandates long before COVID came along. In January 2018, he introduced HB 2037 to ensure that schools duly notify parents of Pennsylvania’s legal exemptions to school vaccine mandates in their annual policy letters to parents. Lastly, but most importantly, he sponsored the 2022 Pennsylvania bill (HB 2013) that would make medical freedom a protected class in the state’s constitution.

<https://standforhealthfreedom.com/vhf/diamond/>

Prime sponsor of HB 261, HB 262, and HB 2013 to protect Pennsylvanians from blanket vaccine mandates

HB 261 – School Vaccination and Exemption Announcements

<https://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2021&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=0261&pn=0232>

HB 262 – Employee Right to Refuse Act

<https://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2021&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=0262&pn=1819>

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HB 2013 - A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for right to medical freedom.

<https://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/billInfo/billInfo.cfm?sYear=2021&body=H&type=B&bn=2013>

Stands against lockdowns, school closures, business closures and vaccine mandates

SOURCE: Campaign ad video - <https://rumble.com/vzr226-meet-russ-diamond-republican-for-lieutenant-governor.html>

Protection of second amendment rights – gun control

Member of 2nd Amendment Caucus during his entire tenure in the legislature

SOURCE: Campaign ad video - <https://rumble.com/vzr226-meet-russ-diamond-republican-for-lieutenant-governor.html>

“I have enthusiastically co-sponsored, supported, and voted for bills for constitutional carry and [local preemption](#), even knowing that Tom Wolf would likely veto them. I will continue to support every effort in Pennsylvania to strengthen the protection of your firearms rights. I will never back down from protecting your right to bear arms in defense of yourself and your family.”
<http://russtdiamond.vote/firearms.php>

States’ Rights – federal government over-reach

Stands against use of ESG scores (CCP style social credit scores for businesses and individuals)

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Education – Parents’ Rights/School Choice

Stands against CRT in schools

SOURCE: Campaign ad video - <https://rumble.com/vzr226-meet-russ-diamond-republican-for-lieutenant-governor.html>

State lawmakers across the nation have begun introducing legislation that bans critical race theory from public curriculum. In Pennsylvania, the effort is led by Reps. Russ Diamond (R-Lebanon) and Barbara Gleim (R-Carlisle) who introduced the Teaching Racial and Universal Equality (TRUE) Act in June. “The manner in which important concepts such as racial and gender equality are taught in our schools could not be more important in defining the type of society we have,” Diamond said. “Teaching our children they are inferior or inherently bad based on immutable characteristics such as race and sex can be extremely damaging to their emotional and mental well-being.”

https://www.ntd.com/no-critical-race-theory-in-pennsylvania-schools-for-now_650879.html

QUESTION: Should education funding be directed to families through a voucher, scholarship, or education savings account so that parents can send their children to the school of their choice, including non-public schools?

ANSWER: Yes

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/diamond-russ/>

QUESTION: Should schools have to post curriculum online for review by parents and taxpayers?

ANSWER: Yes

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/diamond-russ/>

QUESTION: Should public schools be prohibited from allowing males who identify as females to compete in girls’ sports?

ANSWER: Yes

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/diamond-russ/>

Diamond was prime sponsor of HB 1532 to stop our schools from indoctrinating children with Critical Race Theory

<https://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2021&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=1532&pn=1679>

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Family Values & Abortion

Received ProLife (organizations highest rating) rating from Pennsylvania Pro-life Federation based on his voting record

SOURCE: [Russ Diamond for Lieutenant Governor](#)

Member of the Pro-Life Caucus during his entire tenure in the legislature

SOURCE: Campaign ad video - <https://rumble.com/vzr226-meet-russ-diamond-republican-for-lieutenant-governor.html>

“Life begins at conception and I have a 100% pro-life voting record during my four terms representing Lebanon County in the General Assembly. As a member of the House Pro-Life caucus throughout my time in Harrisburg, I take defending the innocent lives of the unborn seriously. In 2021, I made a firm stand for life by voting against funding the University of Pittsburgh after learning of horrific research using the body parts of aborted babies being conducted in affiliation with that institution. When leftists like Josh Shapiro, Tom Wolf, Joe Biden, and Kamala Harris call abortion "healthcare," it is an insult to every human being ever born and every mother who gave birth to them. God has a plan for every child before the time they are born. All human life, especially defenseless human life in the womb, deserves a shield of protection in a society which has lost its way and treats life as disposable. I will never back down from protecting the innocent lives of the unborn.”

<http://rusdiamond.vote/life.php>

QUESTION: Should our state constitution be amended to prevent taxpayer funding for elective abortions?

ANSWER: Yes

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/diamond-russ/>

QUESTION: Should the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act be amended to include “sexual orientation” and “gender identity,” which would require public schools and other public facilities to open up restrooms and locker rooms to members of the opposite sex?

ANSWER: No

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/diamond-russ/>

Endorsements

Representative Kathy Rapp, Chair of both the PA House Pro-Life Caucus and the PA House Health Committee.

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Frye, Chris – Lt. Governor

Mayor of Newcastle

<https://citizensforchrisfrye.com/>

Election Integrity

QUESTION: Should all voters be required to show identification before voting?

ANSWER: Yes. I support strong voter integrity laws. Our elections should be secure and trustworthy. You need an ID for nearly everything important in life. Voting should be no different.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/frye-chris/>

Health Freedom & Mandates – lockdowns, masks, social distancing, restriction of peaceful assembly/group size, vaccinations

QUESTION: Should Pennsylvania municipalities be permitted to require a vaccine passport?

ANSWER: No. We cannot allow the government to mandate health care treatment.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/frye-chris/>

Protection of second amendment rights – gun control

Frye is pro-second amendment

<https://www.wkbn.com/news/elections/new-castle-mayor-talks-pa-lieutenant-governor-campaign/>

Economy & Energy Policy - government spending/taxes/deregulation

QUESTION: Should increases in state government spending be limited to the rate of inflation plus population growth?

ANSWER: No. Government spending should absolutely be cut and limited. However, placing a hard cap on spending based on fluctuating statistics could be harmful, especially in the case of emergencies.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/frye-chris/>

QUESTION: Should Pennsylvania enter into the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, which would include a new carbon tax on electricity?

ANSWER: No

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/frye-chris/>

QUESTION: Should the gasoline tax be permanently reduced?

ANSWER: Yes. It definitely needs to be reduced. It is an antiquated, regressive tax. We need to find alternative ways to raise revenue, such as tapping into our natural energy resources.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/frye-chris/>

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Law & Order/Public Safety/Support for Police – human trafficking, gun trafficking, legalization of recreational marijuana in PA

QUESTION: Should the state reduce police funding to increase funding for social services?

ANSWER: No. I believe in social work, however, I would not support cutting police funding in order to increase social services. As Mayor, I fully support and fully fund our law enforcement officers. I will NEVER support defunding them.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/frye-chris/>

QUESTION: Should marijuana be legalized for recreational use?

ANSWER: No. At least not at this time. Proper testing is not in place. We have so many other sources of revenue we can tap into, such as energy and natural resources.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/frye-chris/>

Education – Parents’ Rights/School Choice

Frye thinks that critical race theory (CRT) is poison.

<https://www.wkbn.com/news/elections/new-castle-mayor-talks-pa-lieutenant-governor-campaign/>

QUESTION: Should education funding be directed to families through a voucher, scholarship, or education savings account so that parents can send their children to the school of their choice, including non-public schools?

ANSWER: Yes, I am the product of private high school and fully support and fully support school choice.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/frye-chris/>

QUESTION: Should schools have to post curriculum online for review by parents and taxpayers?

ANSWER: Yes. Parents deserve to know and have a say in what their children are being taught.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/frye-chris/>

QUESTION: Should public schools be prohibited from allowing males who identify as females to compete in girls’ sports?

ANSWER: Yes. All the rights that females have gained in their fight for equality is being threatened by allowing men to compete against women in athletics because they "identify" as a female. God made male and He made female.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/frye-chris/>

Family Values & Abortion

Frye is pro-life, pro-second amendment, and thinks that critical race theory (CRT) is poison.

<https://www.wkbn.com/news/elections/new-castle-mayor-talks-pa-lieutenant-governor-campaign/>

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ANSWER: No

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/frye-chris/>

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Jones, James – Lt. Governor

CEO of Silverback Commodities, HR Consultant, Veteran

<https://jonesforltgovernorpa.com/>

Election Integrity

QUESTION: Should all voters be required to show identification before voting?

ANSWER: Yes. Voter integrity is mandatory to include voters to show positive state or federal identification.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/lieutenant-governor/jones-james-earl/>

<https://jonesforltgovernorpa.com/platform>

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/james-jones-3/policies>

Health Freedom & Mandates – lockdowns, masks, social distancing, restriction of peaceful assembly/group size, vaccinations

QUESTION: Should Pennsylvania municipalities be permitted to require a vaccine passport?

ANSWER: No. Vaccine passports requirements are unconstitutional and unlawful.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/lieutenant-governor/jones-james-earl/>

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/james-jones-3/policies>

Big Tech & Mainstream Media – election interference & censorship/cancel culture

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/james-jones-3/policies>

Protection of second amendment rights – gun control

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/james-jones-3/policies>

States' Rights – federal government over-reach

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/james-jones-3/policies>

Economy & Energy Policy - government spending/taxes/deregulation

QUESTION: Should increases in state government spending be limited to the rate of inflation plus population growth?

ANSWER: No. The Wolf Administration's plan to increase spending by more than \$4.5 billion would come at the expense of Pennsylvania's long-term financial security. The money Gov.

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Wolf proposed to spend on one-time expenses could be better spent over the next several years to prevent massive tax increases. Furthermore, Gov. Wolf’s massive spending plan comes at a time when we are trying to help Pennsylvania business owners get back on their feet, while also working to return the economic and personal freedoms to Pennsylvania residents that were limited with the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/lieutenant-governor/jones-james-earl/>

QUESTION: Should Pennsylvania enter into the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, which would include a new carbon tax on electricity?

ANSWER: No. RGGI is a job killer and should be ended and banned by executive order immediately!

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/lieutenant-governor/jones-james-earl/>

QUESTION: Should the gasoline tax be permanently reduced?

ANSWER: Yes. We currently have a .58 cents gas tax, and it should be lifted permanently!

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/lieutenant-governor/jones-james-earl/>

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/james-jones-3/policies>

Immigration

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/james-jones-3/policies>

Law & Order/Public Safety/Support for Police – human trafficking, gun trafficking, legalization of recreational marijuana in PA

QUESTION: Should the state reduce police funding to increase funding for social services?

ANSWER: No. Police fundings are sorely needed to protect citizens and to curb crime ridden neighborhoods.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/lieutenant-governor/jones-james-earl/>

QUESTION: Should marijuana be legalized for recreational use?

ANSWER: No. Marijuana for recreational use should not be legalized. Even though a recent state Senate panel has taken the unprecedented step in Pennsylvania of exploring the issue of legalizing recreational marijuana, I find marijuana as a gateway drug to significant drug abuse. The issue of recreational use of marijuana represents a huge policy shift, which requires more vetting including mor input from drug and alcohol professionals, chiefs of police and representatives from the business community.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/lieutenant-governor/jones-james-earl/>

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/james-jones-3/policies>

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Education – Parents’ Rights/School Choice

QUESTION: Should education funding be directed to families through a voucher, scholarship, or education savings account so that parents can send their children to the school of their choice, including non-public schools?

ANSWER: Yes. Pennsylvania families can choose from traditional public schools, public charter schools, public magnet schools, private schools, online academies, homeschooling, and even learning pods.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/lieutenant-governor/jones-james-earl/>

QUESTION: Should schools have to post curriculum online for review by parents and taxpayers?

ANSWER: Yes. Parents need to see not only curriculums being used to teach all children but also library books purchased with taxpayer funds with sexual explicit and pornographic materials, which should be prohibited and unlawful.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/lieutenant-governor/jones-james-earl/>

QUESTION: Should public schools be prohibited from allowing males who identify as females to compete in girls’ sports?

ANSWER: Yes. Girl sports are for biological girls and boy sports are for biological boys!

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/lieutenant-governor/jones-james-earl/>

Family Values & Abortion

QUESTION: Should the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act be amended to include “sexual orientation” and “gender identity,” which would require public schools and other public facilities to open up restrooms and locker rooms to members of the opposite sex?

ANSWER: No. Title 9 discrimination and hostile working environments are clearly defined by statute.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/lieutenant-governor/jones-james-earl/>

QUESTION: Should our state constitution be amended to prevent taxpayer funding for elective abortions?

ANSWER: Yes. The PA Constitutional Amendment will allow all taxpayers to see that pro-life legislators will not support funding abortions, and to overturn Roe vs Wade.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/lieutenant-governor/jones-james-earl/>

Campaign financing – their current campaign contributors and their past donations to political organizations or PACs

BlakPAC

Present and past personal and political affiliations

Calvary Chapel of Philadelphia

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Notes

“James Jones, a Frederick Douglas Conservative, is an American businessman born in the rural area of Luxora, Arkansas. He was raised as a sharecropper, who joined the US Navy and moved to Pennsylvania in 2000.” (Jones, 2022) He is a retired U.S. Navy Veteran, runs an HR consulting practice, and is the CEO of a Petroleum company he founded in 2003, called Silverback Commodities. (Team, 2022)

[James Jones \(Pennsylvania\) - Ballotpedia](#)

<https://onyourballot.vote411.org/race-detail.do?id=2901304&party=Rep>

<https://wwdbam.com/episodes/lieutenant-governor-of-pennsylvania-candidate-james-jones-deputy-chairman-of-the-republican-party-of-pennsylvania-calvin-r-tucker/>

[JONES, JAMES EARL - Pennsylvania Voter Guide \(pafamilyvoter.com\)](#)

<https://www.qhubonews.com/candidate-profile-james-earl-jones/>

Podcast on YouTube [James Jones, Candidate for Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania: Two Dates and a Dash Podcast Ep. 117 - YouTube](#)

Mission Statement

“My mission is to make a promise, and then keep it! Experience matters!!!”

Reference

Jones, J. (2022, April 23). *Jones for Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania*. Retrieved from www.jonesforltgovernorpa.com: <https://jonesforltgovernorpa.com/>

Quote

“I am convinced that with my leadership, my 3-5 year business plan, God’s grace and the votes from we the people, then we can restore freedom and the American dream once again!!! Ballot #2, May 17, 2022! What say you?” (Jones, 2022)

Reference

Jones, J. (2022, April 22). *2022 Lieutenant Governor Candidate of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania*. Retrieved from www.linkedin.com: <https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:6923261983572021248/>

Team, Q. N. (2022, April 19). *Candidate Profile: James Earl Jones*. Retrieved 2022, from Q’Hubo News Network: <https://www.qhubonews.com/candidate-profile-james-earl-jones>

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Saccone, Rick – Lt. Governor

Operates the Constitution & Godly Heritage Center, Former PA House Representative,
Former College Professor, Retired Military Officer

<https://www.rickforlg.com/>

Election Integrity

Saccone said that he recognizes that PA has significant election integrity problems and that election integrity problems are not new. He said there has been voter fraud for decades. He said that he will advocate for election integrity solutions to be found and implemented and said that's important because half the population doesn't believe we have a fair election system.

<https://pcntv.com/election/> (video interview)

QUESTION: Should all voters be required to show identification before voting?

ANSWER: Yes. I voted for Voter ID and passed it only to be rejected by the Supreme Court. As Lt Governor I will advocate for voter ID.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/saccone-dr-rick/>

<https://www.rickforlg.com/contract-with-pa-voters/election-integrity>

Health Freedom & Mandates – lockdowns, masks, social distancing, restriction of peaceful assembly/group size, vaccinations

QUESTION: Should Pennsylvania municipalities be permitted to require a vaccine passport?

ANSWER: No. NO VACCINE mandates of any kind!!!

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/saccone-dr-rick/>

Religious Freedom <https://republicanstates.wordpress.com/author/ricksaccone/>

Medical Freedom, Mandates <https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/rick-saccone-3/policies>

Big Tech & Mainstream Media – election interference & censorship/cancel culture

[Rick Saccone's Policies \(isidewith.com\)](#)

Protection of second amendment rights – gun control

Pro-second amendment stance; has successfully pushed and passed gun rights legislation in the past

[Interview with Rick Saccone, a candidate for lieutenant governor in Pennsylvania - 2/17/22 - WSBA Morning News Podcast - Omny.fm](#)

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Ran his campaign for PA House seat on bringing the Castle Doctrine to PA and was instrumental in doing that once elected.

<https://pcntv.com/election/> (video interview)

He initiated a bill for Constitutional Carry that was passed by the legislature but vetoed by the Governor. He noted that a similar bill was also passed by the legislature but vetoed by Governor Wolf. He said that as Lt. Governor he would shepherd the process of getting that bill signed and passed.

<https://pcntv.com/election/> (video interview)

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/rick-saccone-3/policies>

States' Rights – federal government over-reach

[Rick Saccone's Policies \(isidewith.com\)](https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/rick-saccone-3/policies)

Economy & Energy Policy - government spending/taxes/deregulation

Favors reducing government burden on people

Favors prioritizing property tax reform by: 1) shifting from property tax to fund schools to increases in sales and income tax; 2) requiring a voter referendum for tax revenue increases that exceed the rate of inflation

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Saccone said he ran his campaign for PA House seat on property tax reform and was instrumental in getting a constitutional amendment passed which exempts 100% of the assessed value of your home from the school property tax. He said there is still work to be done on that issue – enabling legislation is needed to provide alternative ways for schools to be funded.

<https://pcntv.com/election/> (video interview)

He said his plan for replacing revenue lost by eliminating property taxes would include: 1) Raising sales taxes and income taxes so that the burden of funding our schools would be more evenly distributed across the population, and be reduced by sales tax revenue generated for tourism; and 2) Introduce a cost control mechanism that would require school district tax increases above a certain threshold to be approved by a voter referendum before being implemented.

<https://pcntv.com/election/> (video interview)

QUESTION: Should increases in state government spending be limited to the rate of inflation plus population growth?

ANSWER: Yes. I have consistently fought in the legislature to control spending and cut the budget. I have given many floor speeches as such. see www.RickForLG.com

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/saccone-dr-rick/>

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QUESTION: Should Pennsylvania enter into the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, which would include a new carbon tax on electricity?

ANSWER: No

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/saccone-dr-rick/>

QUESTION: Should the gasoline tax be permanently reduced?

ANSWER: Yes. I voted no to increasing in the first place. Now I have been proven correct.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/saccone-dr-rick/>

[Rick Saccone's Policies \(isidewith.com\)](http://isidewith.com)

Immigration

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/rick-saccone-3/policies>

Law & Order/Public Safety/Support for Police – human trafficking, gun trafficking, legalization of recreational marijuana in PA

Saccone said he will continue the fight he began as a legislature to bring reform to our criminal justice system to make it more fair. He noted that one of his last bills before leaving the legislature was to try to help those who were penalized with driver's license suspensions for offenses that have nothing to do with driving or driving offenses (e.g., failure to pay child support). He was successful that endeavor.

<https://pcntv.com/election/> (video interview)

QUESTION: Should the state reduce police funding to increase funding for social services?

ANSWER: No

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/saccone-dr-rick/>

QUESTION: Should marijuana be legalized for recreational use?

ANSWER: No

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/saccone-dr-rick/>

Education – Parents' Rights/School Choice

QUESTION: Should education funding be directed to families through a voucher, scholarship, or education savings account so that parents can send their children to the school of their choice, including non-public schools?

ANSWER: Yes. I have always been a proponent of school choice. I have received awards from the school choice community. As an educator for 21 years and a school board member I am attuned to the problems in our education system.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/saccone-dr-rick/>

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ANSWER: Yes

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QUESTION: Should public schools be prohibited from allowing males who identify as females to compete in girls' sports?

ANSWER: Yes

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/saccone-dr-rick/>

Critical Race Theory <https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/rick-saccone-3/policies>

Family Values & Abortion

Pro-life stance and has pro-life organization endorsements

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Saccone said that as a legislator he advocated for pro-life policies and will continue to do that as Lt. Governor. He said during his time in the legislature they passed a bill that would raise the medical inspection standard on abortion clinics to match the inspection standards of any other medical clinic. He said that since that time about 20 abortion clinics have been closed. He said that because of that bill, the lives of many women and babies have been saved.

<https://pcntv.com/election/> (video interview)

Saccone said he was also the first one to introduce the Heartbeat Bill which hasn't passed yet. He said that as Lt. Governor he will advocate for, and facilitate, the passage and signing of that bill.

<https://pcntv.com/election/> (video interview)

QUESTION: Should our state constitution be amended to prevent taxpayer funding for elective abortions?

ANSWER: Yes. I have a long record of defending our unborn and was the first to introduce the Heartbeat bill. I consistently receive the highest rating from multiple pro-life groups and have spoken passionately on the House floor defending pro-life issues.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/saccone-dr-rick/>

QUESTION: Should the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act be amended to include "sexual orientation" and "gender identity," which would require public schools and other public facilities to open up restrooms and locker rooms to members of the opposite sex?

ANSWER: No

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/saccone-dr-rick/>

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/rick-saccone-3/policies>

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Campaign financing – their current campaign contributors and their past donations to political organizations or PACs

Campaign appears to be financed by small campaign contributions from individual donors of \$4000 or less

<https://www.transparencyusa.org/pa/candidate/rick-saccone/>

Top Donors

Marie Miller (\$1,875)

Gun Owners of America (\$1,000)

Tom Kirsch (\$1,000)

Carl Hanford (\$1,000)

Saccone and his wife regularly dined with lobbyists while in Harrisburg, with lobbyists picking up the tab. Questioned about the behavior, Saccone admitted to the paper that lobbyists routinely buy him breakfast, lunch, and dinner. “I take part in it. You know how everything in the capitol is done on relationships,” he said. He didn’t want to “be a martyr just by doing it myself,” he added. “That doesn’t change the system.” [Rick Saccone, Critic of Government Spending, Spends Freely From His Expense Account, Records Show \(theintercept.com\)](#)

Present and past personal and political affiliations

Infinite Hero Organization

Present and past investments/stock ownership

Endorsements

<https://www.rickforlg.com/endorsements>

Gun Owners of America – major endorsement

PA Pro-life Federation Political Action Committee

[Saccone endorsed by Post Gazette - Copy.pdf - Google Drive](#)

Notes:

Rick Saccone is a resident of Western Pennsylvania and a former state lawmaker who was elected four times to the PA House of Representatives and ran for Congress in 2018.

Ex-military counter-intelligence, extensive foreign travel (79 countries), states that finding common ground & negotiation is one of his strengths; supports America First agenda; 4 terms congressional experience

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Saccone said has a strong track record of garnering bipartisan support, being fair, and being inclusive that he believes will serve him well in his role as President of the Senate.

<https://pcntv.com/election/> (video interview)

Saccone said he thinks his experience as a military commander will serve him well as the Chairman of the PEMA (Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency) board. He said he will work together with experts in their fields to ensure that emergency response is effective.

<https://pcntv.com/election/> (video interview)

Saccone was attended the January 6th protest in DC and said he believes Americans have the right to exercise their first amendment rights. He believes that the January 6th controversy is a complete deflection for what happened in the 2020 BLM/Antifa riots across the country. He said it is unfair that January 6th protest participants have been treated far more harshly than those who participated in more violent and destructive protest events the previous year. He noted that the people who cause problems on January 6th were disrupters who were bused in and who were not part of the patriot protest event.

<https://pcntv.com/election/> (video interview)

Property Tax Reform

[https://keystonenewsroom.com/story/meet-the-candidates-for-lieutenant-governor-in-pennsylvania/#:~:text=Photo/Keith%20Srakocic\),.Rick%20Saccone,privatization%20of%20state%20liquor%20stores%2C%20and%20restrictions%20on%20reproductive%20rights.,-Clarice%20Schillinger](https://keystonenewsroom.com/story/meet-the-candidates-for-lieutenant-governor-in-pennsylvania/#:~:text=Photo/Keith%20Srakocic),.Rick%20Saccone,privatization%20of%20state%20liquor%20stores%2C%20and%20restrictions%20on%20reproductive%20rights.,-Clarice%20Schillinger)

<https://www.rickforlg.com/contract-with-pa-voters>

Other Policies

https://ballotpedia.org/Rick_Saccone

https://www.ontheissues.org/senate/Rick_Saccone_SenateMatch.htm

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/saccone-dr-rick/>

Message from Rick

“Folks, our state is under assault from left-wing radicals determined to destroy our Constitution and our hometown values. Don't be misled by leftist cancel culture and fake news media. Stand with me. I will work hard for you as Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania on the issues important to us, like the Castle Doctrine, Pro-Life, school property tax elimination, school mask mandates, election integrity, veteran's affairs, welfare reform, tax reform, energy, cancel culture, opioids, and religious liberty. I will defeat the attack on our energy industry and will push back on the cancel culture trying to discredit those like me, who profess our traditional values and our belief in God. I am known as a defender of our Constitution, which is especially important as our first and second amendment rights are under continued assault. From Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania Dr. Rick Saccone, you can expect straight talk and advocacy for all Pennsylvanians. And I promise the only flag that will hang over my balcony in Harrisburg is the

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American flag. I come here with an offer to serve you faithfully for four years. Join our team. God bless.

Sincerely,

Dr. Rick Saccone Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania candidate” (Saccone, 2022)

“You have to have that ability to find common ground between people, keep some decorum, keep some dignity to the office and make people feel like they're being heard, they're being listened to, and they're given a fair shake on both sides of the aisle.” said Saccone. (Scanland, 2022)

“People know where I stand. They know I'm conservative, but they also know that I listen to them,” said Saccone. “And if the objective is to make good law, then all ideas are welcome,” he added. (Scanland, 2022)

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Schillinger, Clarice

Former PA State Legislative Aide

Founder of Keeping Kids in School PAC & Back to School PAC

<https://www.clariceforpa.com/>

Election Integrity

“I believe the top five priorities of any candidate should include: getting everyone, especially parents, back to work; a world class education for every student regardless of zip code; making Pennsylvania the most dynamic economy in the country with good paying jobs; strong communities where every Pennsylvanians feels safe in their homes and business; and election integrity where voters trust our system, and ballot harvesting is a crime that met with serious punishment.” (Shillinger, 2022)

QUESTION: Should all voters be required to show identification before voting?

ANSWER: Yes

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/schillinger-clarice/>

Health Freedom & Mandates – lockdowns, masks, social distancing, restriction of peaceful assembly/group size, vaccinations

Anti-lockdown stance

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WJET/WFXP/YourErie.com

QUESTION: Should Pennsylvania municipalities be permitted to require a vaccine passport?

ANSWER: No. I am not in support of any vaccine passports.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/schillinger-clarice/>

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/clarice-schillinger/policies>

Big Tech & Mainstream Media – election interference & censorship/cancel culture

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/clarice-schillinger/policies>

Protection of second amendment rights – gun control

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/clarice-schillinger/policies>

States’ Rights – federal government over-reach

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Economy & Energy Policy - government spending/taxes/deregulation

QUESTION: Should increases in state government spending be limited to the rate of inflation plus population growth?

ANSWER: Yes, any chance we get we should limit government spending. PA does not have a revenue problem but a spending problem. Pennsylvania needs to start running a budget like households, watching very closely what and how our money is being spent.

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QUESTION: Should Pennsylvania enter into the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, which would include a new carbon tax on electricity?

ANSWER: No. Absolutely not. I will be a strong advocate against RGGI.

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QUESTION: Should the gasoline tax be permanently reduced?

ANSWER: Yes

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[Clarice Schillinger's Policies on Economic Issues \(isidewith.com\)](https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/clarice-schillinger/policies)

Immigration

<https://broadandliberty.com/2022/01/19/clarice-schillinger-houston-we-have-a-problem/>

<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/clarice-schillinger/policies>

Law & Order/Public Safety/Support for Police – human trafficking, gun trafficking, legalization of recreational marijuana in PA

Support police stance

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QUESTION: Should the state reduce police funding to increase funding for social services?

ANSWER: No. We need to increase support and funding for our police officers. Supporting our law enforcement will lead to safer communities.

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QUESTION: Should marijuana be legalized for recreational use?

ANSWER: No. I do not support the legalization of marijuana for recreational use. I believe that it is a gateway drug.

<https://www.pafamilyvoter.com/candidate/schillinger-clarice/>

<https://www.clariceforpa.com/news/back-the-blue-with-just-more-than-words>

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Education – Parents’ Rights/School Choice

Formed the Keeping Kids in School PAC and the Back To School PA PAC.

<https://www.cityandstatepa.com/personality/2022/04/q-republican-lieutenant-governor-candidate-clarice-schillinger/366312/>

Has been working with the “Back to School PA PAC” to help raise and distribute funds to Republican school board candidates across the state

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I truly believe in school choice, and the reason why I believe in school choice is I believe in creating competition and competition makes us all better. School choice is so critically important to me. It's important to students. It's important to families to be able to choose what is best for them and their child and how their child learns.

<https://www.cityandstatepa.com/personality/2022/04/q-republican-lieutenant-governor-candidate-clarice-schillinger/366312/>

I don't agree with banning books ... What the core issue here is, is the lack of transparency. So that is where I do believe that the government does need to step in. We saw Gov. Wolf veto the curriculum transparency bill. For me and for parents, that should just be a given. It should be transparent. Then, if we create school choice, if the parent does not like what that certain school is teaching, they have the ability to move their child wherever they see their child succeeding more. So, it's not about banning books. It's not about banning certain curriculums. It's more about transparency and communication. You see a lot of the parents upset – why you see them upset is because, at first, we had unlimited amount of time to speak. It's five minutes – now it's three minutes – two minutes, and it's once a month that they get this opportunity to speak (at school board meetings) after sending repeated emails with no response, after meetings with no response. That's where you're starting to see this extreme frustration.

<https://www.cityandstatepa.com/personality/2022/04/q-republican-lieutenant-governor-candidate-clarice-schillinger/366312/>

QUESTION: Should education funding be directed to families through a voucher, scholarship, or education savings account so that parents can send their children to the school of their choice, including non-public schools?

ANSWER: Yes. I will fight every day for school choice and for the money to follow the child.

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QUESTION: Should schools have to post curriculum online for review by parents and taxpayers?

ANSWER: Yes

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QUESTION: Should public schools be prohibited from allowing males who identify as females to compete in girls' sports?

ANSWER: Yes. Women fought so hard for rights and it is not fair for males who identify as females to compete in women's sports.

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<https://www.isidewith.com/candidates/clarice-schillinger/policies>

"You've all heard about the PAC," she told the crowd. "We brought together tens of thousands of people. And I did not care what party they were. It did not matter. It will never matter. What matters are the kids and what they needed. And 80 percent of children need in-person learning to succeed. "The key out of poverty is education, the key to the American dream is education," Schillinger said, bringing the crowd to its feet."

Family Values & Abortion

QUESTION: Should the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act be amended to include "sexual orientation" and "gender identity," which would require public schools and other public facilities to open up restrooms and locker rooms to members of the opposite sex?

ANSWER: No. We need to protect women by making sure that bio-logical men and women are separate when it comes to locker rooms and restrooms. We need to also go further and protect sports, making sure they are separate.

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QUESTION: Should our state constitution be amended to prevent taxpayer funding for elective abortions?

ANSWER: Yes. I am 100% pro-life and taxpayers should not at all be funding abortions.

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Campaign financing – their current campaign contributors and their past donations to political organizations or PACs

Top Donors

Paul Martino (\$200,000), partner, Bullpen Capital

Matt Ocko (\$10,000), investor, Archimedes Capital

Jill Lafferty (\$3,343.57), Wissahickon Educational Opportunities Foundation board

Back to School PA PAC

Keeping Kids in School PAC

Endorsements

Major - [Montgomery County GOP](#)

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Notes

Clarice Schillinger is a Bucks County resident. She founded and ran political action committees helping to elect school board candidates who support pushing back on pandemic-era restrictions on in-person learning.

Schillinger supports reducing regulations on businesses and supporting law enforcement. Another priority is public safety and community aesthetics so people will move to Pennsylvania and not move out. [Meet the Candidates for Lieutenant Governor in Pennsylvania - The Keystone \(keystonewsroom.com\)](https://www.keystonewsroom.com/story/meet-the-candidates-for-lieutenant-governor-in-pennsylvania/#:~:text=Clarice%20Schillinger,and%20candidate%20profiles)

As Lt. Governor, I will work very closely with fire companies across the Commonwealth.

[Clarice Schillinger \(@clariceforpa\) / Twitter](#)

[Clarice Schillinger - Ballotpedia](#)

[Clarice Schillinger's Policies \(isidewith.com\)](#)

[Horsham's Clarice Schillinger Kicks Off Lt. Governor Campaign | Across Pennsylvania, PA Patch](#)

<https://www.wesa.fm/wesa-voter-guide/2022-04-18/pa-election-2022-lieutenant-governor/#:~:text=Clarice%20Schillinger,and%20candidate%20profiles>

<https://keystonewsroom.com/story/meet-the-candidates-for-lieutenant-governor-in-pennsylvania/#:~:text=Clarice%20Schillinger,not%20move%20out>

WHY I'M RUNNING

As the Executive Director of Back to School PA, I connected with thousands of parents across the commonwealth with the same mission as me - to make a better life for their children. The current Administration has abandoned all of us, and it is time we have a voice at the decision-making table to advocate for real people with real problems. That's why I'm running. I will be your advocate, the advocate for students and parents, the advocate for business owners and taxpayers.

I'M FIGHTING FOR

A world-class education for every child in Pennsylvania, regardless of zip code.

Making Pennsylvania the most dynamic economy in the country, with good-paying jobs.

Strong communities where every Pennsylvanian feels safe in their own home.

<https://broadandliberty.com/2022/01/30/clarice-schillinger-survival-mode-is-not-sustainable/>

“Our beautiful commonwealth is struggling and desperately in need of elected officials who are unafraid to stand up for me and you. It cannot be someone who wants to impose a far-left agenda. Rather, we need a leader who understands the real-life needs of real people. You have the power to decide the direction of Pennsylvania, and I hope that you will take it seriously. Let's get out of survival mode and allow our parents, children, business owners, and taxpayers to once again grow and thrive.” (Schillinger, 2022)

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