

# 2024 VOTER EDUCATION GUIDE

## **GENERAL ELECTION**

November 5, 2024

**Citizens Clean Elections Commission**  
Statewide & Legislative Candidate Statement Pamphlet

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# LETTER FROM THE CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Dear Arizona Voter:

The Arizona General Election is on **November 5, 2024**.

This Guide is created by Clean Elections, the state's **nonpartisan** voter education agency, to provide voters official voting information about the General Election.

Voters across the country will come together on November 5th and make important decisions about the future of the United States. The candidates elected into office, at the federal, state and local level, will represent us on policy decisions that impact our daily lives. Your vote is your chance to empower the candidates you feel will best represent you. We encourage you to vote alongside your fellow Americans and participate in the political process.

In this guide, you will find information on:

**How to Register to Vote**

**Ways to Vote: By Mail or In Person**

**Accepted ID at the Polls**

**County Elections Contact Information**

**List of Statewide and Legislative Candidates**

With so many sources of information available, it can be difficult and frustrating to find official, nonpartisan election information. Our goal is to educate and inform, not influence, and we hope this Voter Education Guide helps you cast your ballot confidently. Thank you for voting.

Respectfully yours,

**Mark S. Kimble**

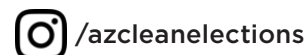
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## **WHY AM I RECEIVING THIS?**

Your household is receiving this Voter Education Guide because you or another resident is registered to vote. Voter guides are sent by the legislative district assigned to your residence. **It may be possible for your household to receive multiple guides for different legislative districts if there is a voter registered at a different residential address that uses the same mailing address as you.**

## **WHY SHOULD I READ THIS VOTER EDUCATION GUIDE?**

This guide contains statements directly from the candidates for statewide and legislative office. This is an opportunity for voters to hear directly from candidates, not third parties, about their views. This guide also contains official and accurate information on:

- How to Register to Vote
- Ways to Vote
- Accepted ID at the Polls
- County Elections Contact Information

## **WHO SENT THIS?**

This guide is created by the Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission (Clean Elections). Clean Elections is a state government agency created by voters in 1998. **Voters mandated Clean Elections create this Voter Education Guide and mail it to households prior to the General Election.**

## **WHAT IS CLEAN ELECTIONS?**

Clean Elections is the state's non-partisan voter education agency founded in 1998 after Arizona voters passed the Citizens Clean Elections Act (A.R.S. Title 16, Chapter 6, Article 2) to root out corruption and promote confidence and participation in our political process.

### **1. Voter Education**

We provide voters with non-partisan election information, tools and resources so they can vote informed.

### **2. Clean Campaign Funding**

We provide campaign funding to candidates who run for state offices in Arizona and agree not to accept special interest money.

### **3. Enforcement**

We conduct audits of candidates' campaign finance reports and investigate complaints to ensure funding is used appropriately.

## **HOW IS CLEAN ELECTIONS FUNDED?**

The Citizens Clean Elections Fund, created by voters, receives revenues from: a 10% surcharge imposed on all civil and criminal fines and penalties, qualifying contributions from registered Arizona voters to participating candidates, and civil penalties assessed against violators.

**Funding for Clean Elections does not come from taxpayer money from the state general fund.**

## **WHO ARE THE COMMISSIONERS?**

The Commission consists of five members, no more than two of the same political party and of the same county. The Governor and the highest-ranking official holding a state-wide office, who is not a member of the same political party as the Governor, alternate in appointing Commissioners.

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# ABOUT THE GENERAL ELECTION

## What is the General Election?

The November 5 General Election is a regular election where voters determine who is elected to office, which statewide propositions will become law and which judges and justices will be retained.

## Who can vote in a General Election?

All voters registered can vote in the general election.

## Why is voting in the General Election important?

Voting in a General Election is important because it allows voters to select the candidate they wish to represent them in office.

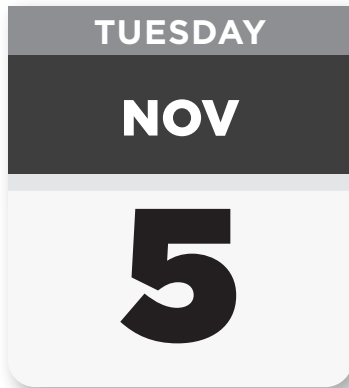
In this election, voters will determine who the next president of the United States is, along with offices at the federal, state and local level.

Likewise, the General Election allows voters the opportunity to decide whether judges and justices of the Arizona Supreme Court and certain lower courts should be retained or replaced.

Voters also have an opportunity to approve or reject laws proposed by the legislature and by voters themselves, known as referendums and initiatives. These measures are referred to by their proposition number.

# IMPORTANT ELECTION DATES

## GENERAL ELECTION DAY



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**VOTER  
REGISTRATION  
DEADLINE**



**EARLY  
VOTING  
BEGINS**



**LAST DAY TO  
REQUEST BALLOT  
BY MAIL**



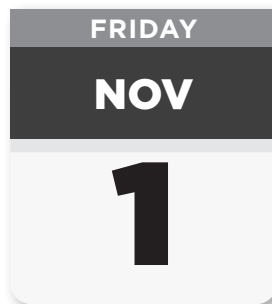
at 5pm

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**MAIL  
BACK EARLY  
BALLOT**



**LAST DAY  
TO VOTE EARLY  
IN PERSON**



at 7pm

Polls open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

# VOTER REGISTRATION

Voters must be registered by **Monday, October 7, 2024** to vote in the election. Not sure if you're already registered? Check online at [azcleaselections.gov/am-i-registered-to-vote](https://azcleaselections.gov/am-i-registered-to-vote).

## Qualifications to Register

### To register to vote in Arizona, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States
- A resident of Arizona and the county listed on your registration 29 days prior to the election
- 18 years of age or older on or before the next general election
- Able to write your name or make your mark (unless prevented by disability)

### You are unable to register to vote if:

- You have been adjudicated an incapacitated person
- You have been convicted of a treason or a felony, unless you have had your civil rights restored

\*Note: For a first-time felony conviction, civil rights are automatically restored upon completion of a person's sentence and payment of any fines and restitution.

## Ways to Register

### **Online:**

Visit [servicearizona.com](https://servicearizona.com). You must have a valid Arizona driver's license or identification card to use this service. You will be emailed a confirmation after you complete the registration process.

### **Paper Form:**

Voter registration forms are available at county recorder offices, motor vehicle division (MVD) offices, most libraries, city clerk offices and public assistance agencies.

To download a paper form or for more information on the registration process, including the qualifications to register to vote, please visit: [azcleaselections.gov/register-to-vote](https://azcleaselections.gov/register-to-vote)

## Voter Registration Card

Your county recorder will mail you a voter registration card a few weeks after you register. Voters are encouraged to verify that the information on their card is correct. Please contact your county recorder with any questions, or to request a replacement registration card. Your registration card may be used as a form of ID at the polls.



# HOW DO I VOTE?

## Vote Early by Mail

Ballots will go out in the mail on **October 9** to voters that are:

- On the Active Early Voting List (AEVL)
- Have requested a one-time early ballot

Voters can mail their voted ballots back (mail by **October 29**) or drop them off at:

- Designated ballot drop boxes (if available)
- Any early voting location in their county
- The county recorder or elections office
- Any voting location on Election Day in their county (you do not need to wait in line)

***Voted ballots must be received no later than 7:00 p.m. on November 5, 2024 (Election Day).***

## Vote Early in Person

- Voters may vote early in person at the County Recorder's Office or at any early voting site in their county
- Early Voting will begin on October 9
- Voters must bring their ID

## Vote on Election Day

- All voting locations will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day
- Visit [azcleanelections.gov/voter-dashboard](https://azcleanelections.gov/voter-dashboard) to find your voting location
- Voters must bring their ID

# VOTER ASSISTANCE

## Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA)

The Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) ensures that U.S. citizens who are service members, their eligible family members or other overseas citizens can vote in their home states. This guide has been mailed to every Arizona Military and Overseas voter.

### Resources for UOCAVA voters:

1. Secretary of State's online system: Used to register to vote, request an early ballot and return a voted ballot.  
<https://my.arizona.vote/UOCAVA2/default.aspx>
2. Federal Post Card Application (FPCA): Used to register to vote, request an early ballot or update your voter information [fvap.gov/arizona](https://fvap.gov/arizona)
3. Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB): Used as an emergency back-up ballot and to register to vote. [fvap.gov/arizona](https://fvap.gov/arizona)

## Voters with a Disability

The Help America Vote Act (HAVA) requires every polling place to be accessible and have available (and set up for use) accessible voting equipment that may be used by any voter. Additional assistance may be available, such as curbside voting, braille and large print ballots. Voters can contact their County Elections Office for additional information.

## Alternative Formats & Language

Voters can contact Clean Elections to request a larger print version of this guide, or to request an alternative format.

This guide is printed in Spanish to assist local jurisdictions in complying with federal law (Section 203 of the Voting Rights Act (VRA)). For more information about federal law, please contact the United States Department of Justice Civil Rights Division, Voting Section at 800-253-3931 or [voting.section@usdoj.gov](mailto:voting.section@usdoj.gov).

# WHAT ID SHOULD I BRING TO THE POLLS?

## **List #1** Sufficient photo ID including name and address (One Required)

- Valid Arizona driver license
- Valid Arizona non-operating identification card
- Tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal identification
- Valid United States federal, state or local government issued identification

## **List #2** Sufficient ID without a photo that bears the name and address (Two Required)

- Utility bill of the elector that is dated within 90 days of the date of the election
- A utility bill may be for electric, gas, water, solid waste, sewer, telephone, cellular phone, or cable television
- Bank or credit union statement that is dated within 90 days of the date of the election
- Valid Arizona Vehicle Registration
- Indian census card
- Property tax statement of the elector's residence
- Tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal identification
- Arizona vehicle insurance card
- Recorder's Certificate
- Valid United States federal, state, or local government issued identification, including a voter registration card issued by the County Recorder
- Any mailing to the elector marked "Official Election Material"

## **List #3** Mix & Match from Lists #1 & #2 (Two Required)

- U.S. Passport without address and one valid item from List 2
- U.S. Military identification without address and one valid item from List 2
- Any valid photo identification from List 1 in which the address does not reasonably match the precinct register accompanied by a non-photo identification from List 2 in which the address does reasonably match the precinct register

***Members of federally recognized tribes are not required to have an address or photo on their identification in order to cast a provisional ballot.***

# CONTACT INFORMATION

## Citizens Clean Elections Commission

Call for questions on this guide or voter education, tools, and resources



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 Phoenix, Arizona 85007  
 602-364-3477  
 1-877-631-8891  
[ccec@azcleanelections.gov](mailto:ccec@azcleanelections.gov)

<b>County</b>	<b>Recorder</b> (voter registration and early ballots)	<b>Election Director</b> (voting locations and election information)
<b>Apache</b>	Phone: 928-337-7515 TTY: 800-361-4402 <a href="mailto:voterreg@co.apache.az.us">voterreg@co.apache.az.us</a>	Phone: 928-337-7604 TTY: 800-361-4402 <a href="mailto:rvaughan@apachecountyaz.gov">rvaughan@apachecountyaz.gov</a>
<b>Cochise</b>	Phone: 520-432-8350 TTY: 520-432-8360 <a href="mailto:recorder@cochise.az.gov">recorder@cochise.az.gov</a>	Phone: 520-432-8970 TTY: 520-432-8360 <a href="mailto:elections@cochise.az.gov">elections@cochise.az.gov</a>
<b>Coconino</b>	Phone: 928-679-7850 TTY 928-679-7131 <a href="mailto:recorder@coconino.az.gov">recorder@coconino.az.gov</a>	Phone: 928-679-7896 TTY: 928-679-7131 <a href="mailto:elections@coconino.az.gov">elections@coconino.az.gov</a>
<b>Gila</b>	Phone: 928-402-8740 TTY: 711 <a href="mailto:sbingham@gilacountyaz.gov">sbingham@gilacountyaz.gov</a>	Phone: 928-402-8709 TTY: 711 <a href="mailto:emariscal@gilacountyaz.gov">emariscal@gilacountyaz.gov</a>

<b>County</b>	<b>Recorder</b> (voter registration and early ballots)	<b>Election Director</b> (voting locations and election information)
<b>Graham</b>	Phone: 928-428-3560 TTY: 928-428-3562 <a href="mailto:recordersoffice@graham.az.gov">recordersoffice@graham.az.gov</a>	Phone: 928-792-5037 TTY: 928-428-3562 <a href="mailto:hduderstadt@graham.az.gov">hduderstadt@graham.az.gov</a>
<b>Greenlee</b>	Phone: 928-865-2632 TTY: 928-865-1717 <a href="mailto:recorder@greenlee.az.gov">recorder@greenlee.az.gov</a>	Phone: 928-865-2072 TTY: 928-865-1717 <a href="mailto:bcastaneda@greenlee.az.gov">bcastaneda@greenlee.az.gov</a>
<b>La Paz</b>	Phone: 928-669-6136 <a href="mailto:recorder@lapazcountyaz.org">recorder@lapazcountyaz.org</a>	Phone: 928-669-6149 <a href="mailto:elections@lapazcountyaz.org">elections@lapazcountyaz.org</a>
<b>Maricopa</b>	Phone: 602-506-1511 TTY: 602-506-2348 <a href="mailto:voterinfo@risc.maricopa.gov">voterinfo@risc.maricopa.gov</a>	Phone: 602-506-1511 TTY: 602-506-2348 <a href="mailto:voterinfo@risc.maricopa.gov">voterinfo@risc.maricopa.gov</a>
<b>Mohave</b>	Phone: 928-753-0767 TTY: 928-753-0769 <a href="mailto:voterregistration@mohave.gov">voterregistration@mohave.gov</a>	Phone: 928-753-0733 <a href="mailto:elections@mohave.gov">elections@mohave.gov</a>
<b>Navajo</b>	Phone: 928-524-4192 TTY: 711 <a href="mailto:voter.registration@navajocountyaz.gov">voter.registration@navajocountyaz.gov</a>	Phone: 928-524-4062 <a href="mailto:elections@navajocountyaz.gov">elections@navajocountyaz.gov</a>

<b>Pima</b>	Phone: 520-724-4330 TTY: 520-724-4320 <a href="mailto:recorder@recorder.pima.gov">recorder@recorder.pima.gov</a>	Phone: 520-724-6830 TTY: 520-724-6871 <a href="mailto:elections@pima.gov">elections@pima.gov</a>
<b>Pinal</b>	Phone: 520-866-6830 <a href="mailto:Recorder@pinal.gov">Recorder@pinal.gov</a>	Phone: 520-866-7550 <a href="mailto:pcelections_dl@pinal.gov">pcelections_dl@pinal.gov</a>
<b>Santa Cruz</b>	Phone: 520-375-7990 TTY: 711 or 1-800-842-4681 <a href="mailto:voter@santacruzcountyaz.gov">voter@santacruzcountyaz.gov</a>	Phone: 520-375-7808 TTY: 711 or 1-800-842-4681 <a href="mailto:electionday@santacruzcountyaz.gov">electionday@santacruzcountyaz.gov</a>
<b>Yavapai</b>	Phone: 928-771-3248 Ext. 9 <a href="mailto:voter.registration@yavapaiaz.gov">voter.registration@yavapaiaz.gov</a>	Phone: 928-771-3248 Ext. 8 <a href="mailto:elections@yavapaiaz.gov">elections@yavapaiaz.gov</a>
<b>Yuma</b>	Phone: 928-373-6034 TTY: 928-373-6033 <a href="mailto:voterservices@yumacountyaz.gov">voterservices@yumacountyaz.gov</a>	Phone: 928-373-1014 TTY: 928-373-6033 <a href="mailto:elections@yumacountyaz.gov">elections@yumacountyaz.gov</a>

# CANDIDATE INFORMATION

## Which candidates are in the guide?

- Every statewide and legislative candidate that has their name printed on the General Election ballot is listed in this guide, per the Clean Elections Act.
- **Information on federal and local candidates may be found on the Clean Elections website: [azcleelections.gov/arizona-elections/find-my-candidates](https://azcleelections.gov/arizona-elections/find-my-candidates)**

## What information is listed about the candidates?

The candidate's name, party affiliation, campaign funding type and website are provided. Campaign funding type is listed as either traditional or participating.

**A traditional candidate** funds their campaign through private donations.

**A participating candidate** funds their campaign through participation in the Clean Elections Clean Funding program.

Each candidate had the opportunity to submit a 100-word biography and 200-word statement. The statements were reproduced as submitted and were not edited for spelling, grammar, or punctuation. Non-substantive editing may have occurred for layout purposes only. *These statements represent the opinions of the authors and have not been checked for accuracy.*

## WHAT'S ON MY BALLOT?

This Voter Education Guide will not include every candidate listed on your ballot. Clean Elections is a state agency and has statutory authority to print information on statewide and legislative candidates.

The following offices are on the general election ballot. Next to each office identifies where you can find information on the candidates. If there is a candidate on your ballot that is not listed in this guide, we encourage you to visit [azcleelections.gov/mycandidates](https://azcleelections.gov/mycandidates) to find more information.

### **Federal Offices:**

President/Vice President and their electors ([azcleelections.gov/mycandidates](https://azcleelections.gov/mycandidates))

U.S. Senator ([azcleelections.gov/mycandidates](https://azcleelections.gov/mycandidates))

U.S. House of Representatives ([azcleelections.gov/mycandidates](https://azcleelections.gov/mycandidates))

### **State Offices:**

Corporation Commissioner (**included in this guide**)

State Senator (**included in this guide**)

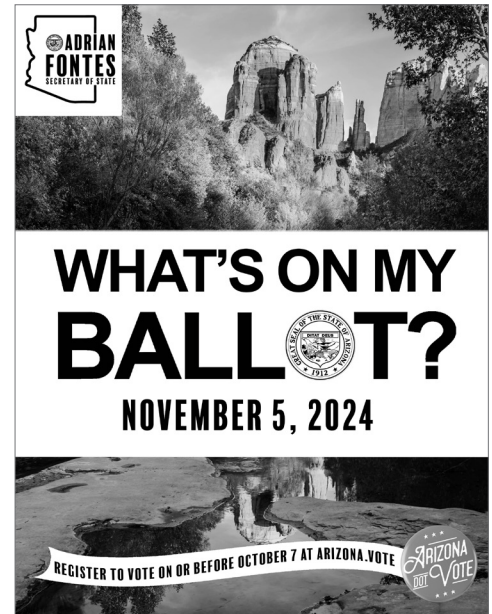
State House of Representatives (**included in this guide**)

## **Local Offices:**

Local candidates, such as mayor, council, county offices, etc., may be available at [azcleaselections.gov/mycandidates](https://azcleaselections.gov/mycandidates).

## **Judges, Justices, and Statewide Propositions?**

The Arizona Secretary of State's Office sends out a publicity pamphlet to every household with a registered voter. Voters should receive their publicity pamphlet in the mail before the start of early voting. It is also available online at [azsos.gov/](https://azsos.gov/).



## **Definition of Offices to be Elected**

### **Corporation Commissioner (Vote for not more than 3): 4-Year Term**

The Arizona Corporation Commission has five members, each elected to four-year terms. The Commission regulates the rates, business practices, health and safety of many utilities. It also regulates corporations, securities, railroads and pipelines.

### **State Senator (Vote for not more than 1): 2-Year Term**

The Arizona State Senate is the upper house of the Legislature, made up of 30 Senators, one from each of Arizona's 30 legislative districts. The Senate can draft, introduce and vote on legislation. Along with the House, the Senate approves the state's annual budget. The Senate can place measures on the ballot for voter approval.

### **State House of Representative (Vote for not more than 2): 2-Year Term**

The Arizona State House of Representatives is the lower house of the Legislature, made up of 60 Representatives, two from each of Arizona's 30 legislative districts. The House can draft, introduce and vote on legislation. Along with the Senate, the House approves the state's annual budget. The House can place measures on the ballot for voter approval.

*For more information on office responsibilities, including federal and local offices, please visit [azcleaselections.gov/civics](https://azcleaselections.gov/civics).*



## CANDIDATES FOR CORPORATION COMMISSIONER



### Ylenia Aguilar

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [www.aguilarforsarizona.com](http://www.aguilarforsarizona.com)

**Biography:** Ylenia Aguilar was born in Mexico and raised in Arizona and rural Illinois. She has served as a Governing Board Member in the Osborn School District, Vitalyst Health Foundation Board of Trustees, and Hispanics Enjoying Camping, Hunting, and the Outdoors (HECHO) Advisory Council. She currently serves as a member of the Central Arizona Water Conservation District on the frontlines of water issues facing Arizona.

**Statement:** Ylenia Aguilar is committed to protecting rates and ensuring safe, reliable electricity and water. As a dedicated advocate for Arizonans, she was born in Mexico and has called Arizona home for 32 years. Having been raised in both Arizona and rural Illinois, she brings a diverse perspective to her work. A devoted mother of two sons, Ylenia understands the importance of fighting for a better future for Arizona families. Over the past decade, the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) has raised rates on Arizona families. The current set of commissioners approved nearly \$450 million in rate increases for residential and commercial customers in the last two years. It is time for Arizona to have a champion for its consumers and its future. Ylenia has pledged to bring transparency, integrity, and accountability to the Arizona Corporation Commission. She aims to empower consumers, advocate for more diversified energy sources for Arizona's grid, and ensure that Arizona's energy and water security is preserved for future generations.

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### Mike Cease

**Party:** Green    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

No Biography

No Statement Submitted.

## CANDIDATES FOR CORPORATION COMMISSIONER



### Jonathon Hill

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [www.votehillaz.com](http://www.votehillaz.com)

**Biography:** I am a native Arizonan, born in Kingman and raised in central Phoenix. Since 2000 I have lived, studied and worked in Tempe. For the last 18 years I have been an engineer at ASU's Mars Space Flight Facility, where I have operated science instruments on NASA's Mars rovers Spirit and Opportunity, the Mars Odyssey satellite, and numerous other space missions. I began my career as an Aerospace Engineer (BSE and MS), but fell in love with the geology work our missions were doing, so I switched tracks and completed my PhD in Geological Sciences.

**Statement:** I am running because I believe we need more Commissioners with strong technical backgrounds who understand the engineering and science behind power generation, water distribution, and groundwater management. The Corporation Commission is responsible for making many critical technical decisions, such as the future of our power plants, energy sources powering our homes and businesses, and water security for the entire state. Commissioners need to have the training and experience to properly evaluate the different options and make the best possible decisions for Arizona. With costs and utility rates continuing to go up, we need Commissioners who put consumers and Arizona's future first. I promise to use my expertise to ensure the Commission's decisions will make Arizona's utilities more affordable, more robust, and more secure.



### Rene Lopez

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [voterenelopez.com/](http://voterenelopez.com/)

**Biography:** I have lived and worked in Chandler for more than 16 years. Serving on the Chandler City Council 2015-2023 and serving as Vice Mayor twice. I am a third generation Arizona native, graduating from the University of Arizona with a B.S. in Nuclear Engineering and minor in Direct Energy Conversion. I am also a third generation U.S. Navy Veteran serving as a Naval Officer aboard submarines, honorably separating in 2000 as a Lieutenant. In 2017 I co-founded Cece's Hope Center that improves the lives and future of

victims of human trafficking and sexual exploitation by bridging the gap of services and providing holistic support. I have an extensive 23-year career in Project Management working in Telecommunications, Energy, and Information Technology.

**Statement:** ADDRESSING INFLATION: Recently, the current federal administration's policy is causing increased cost of coal and natural gas resulting in major increases in the utility rates we are paying across the country. Along with the wasteful use of Colorado River water by California, we have lost approximately 40% of our hydro generating capacity from Hoover Dam. I will work to ensure that only necessary costs of operations, maintenance and cost-effective reliable sources of energy are passed onto the rate payers.

ENERGY RELIABILITY: I believe that a diverse energy portfolio is in the best interests of stability and cost effectiveness for Arizona's long-term future. All forms of energy production should be on the table for use. Some specifics are: hydro, nuclear, coal, and natural gas, and in that order of priority for baseload.

SECURING ARIZONA'S FUTURE: For variable energy production, which is used to meet peaking and supplemental energy demands, I see natural gas and solar as the two main viable options in the immediate term. For long term, Small Modular Reactors (SMRs) or other forms (i.e. batteries, GeoThermal, etc.) could be utilized once they have been proven safe, cost effective, and reliable.

## CANDIDATES FOR CORPORATION COMMISSIONER

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### **Nina Luxenberg**

**Party:** Green    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

No Biography

No Statement Submitted.



### **Lea Márquez Peterson**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [www.VoteforLea.com](http://www.VoteforLea.com)

**Biography:** Lea Márquez Peterson was appointed to the Corporation Commission in 2019 and elected statewide in 2020. As a Commissioner and the Past Chairwoman, she has fought for affordable, safe and reliable energy. Lea has been a small business owner for decades and also served as President & CEO of the Tucson Hispanic Chamber. She received her degrees in Marketing and Entrepreneurship from the UofA, and her MBA from Pepperdine University. Lea lives in Tucson with her husband and children.

**Statement:** Since joining the Commission in 2019, Lea Márquez Peterson has been a fierce advocate for holding utilities accountable and fighting for affordable, reliable energy. As the only Commissioner based outside the Phoenix area, Lea has worked diligently to provide financial relief for customers and ensure energy reliability for all of Arizona. Lea recently voted in support of more than \$200 million dollars in revenue reductions in the APS rate case to save money for ratepayers. Lea served as the Chairwoman of the Commission from 2020 to 2022 and led initiatives to rebate \$40 million dollars to customers of APS and TEP during the pandemic, created an energy reliability summit to ensure utilities are prepared for Arizona's hottest days and hosted meetings of the Commission to discuss the California rolling blackouts and its impact on Arizona's energy and utility prices. Lea is a champion for advanced nuclear technologies and co-chairs a national nuclear taskforce. Additionally, she has hosted multi agency workshops to improve the status of small water utilities throughout the state to ensure water reliability and affordability for Arizonans. Please visit [www.VoteforLea.com](http://www.VoteforLea.com) and follow her on Facebook and X.

## CANDIDATES FOR CORPORATION COMMISSIONER



### Joshua Polacheck

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.joshuaforarizona.com](http://www.joshuaforarizona.com)

**Biography:** I grew up across the rural West, seeing firsthand the value of public service. At 23, I was commissioned into the Foreign Service and spent nearly two decades serving America overseas, including in Mosul and Beirut. In 2018, after getting my masters from the Harvard Kennedy School, I returned home to Arizona with my family. I have spent the last five years fighting to elect representatives who actually want to fix the real problems our state faces. I decided this is the year for me to get into the arena. Let's stop playing

politics with our essential utilities.

**Statement:** The governing majority on the Arizona Corporation Commission is in the pocket of out-of-state corporations. Instead of a forward-thinking transition to energy independence, they are tying our economic future to the chaos in Eastern Europe and the Persian Gulf. If reelected, they will keep raising our rates and bring to Arizona the deadly policies that killed hundreds when the Texas grid failed. If elected, I will institute a market-based energy independence policy to make our grid affordable, reliable, and secure grid through Arizona-produced energy. As a former national security official, I saw firsthand how fragile the fossil fuel supply chain is and how our dependency on it is a threat to America. With your support, we can break Arizona's reliance on foreign energy. Freedom from a \$5 billion/year dirty energy habit means freedom from sudden rate hikes. Use all three of your votes to elect Joshua Polacheck, Ylenia Aguilar, and Jonathon Hill to the Corporation Commission. We will protect you, not corporate interests. Start at the bottom of the ballot and vote your way up. Learn more about our plan to secure Arizona's water and power future at: [www.joshuaforarizona.com](http://www.joshuaforarizona.com)



### Rachel Walden

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [ElectRachelWalden.com](http://ElectRachelWalden.com)

**Biography:** I've lived in Arizona for 39 years. I graduated with honors from Arizona State University and continued there for my post-graduate education. I was hired by ASU as a Teaching and Research Assistant and was a fellowship recipient. My career was in finance and business relations. I was securities licensed and trained in investments, ethics, and fraud prevention. My clients were large market corporations and my work involved government regulations, compliance, auditing, and process improvements. I

currently serve as a member of the Mesa Public Schools Governing Board. I have prioritized parental rights, fiscal responsibility, and transparency.

**Statement:** The Commission exists under the Arizona Constitution to protect the rate payer. Their responsibility is to maintain a safe and reliable grid using the least cost of generation. The Commission is supposed to regulate, not legislate. Forced energy investments and climate goals put the rate payer last and thwart free market principles. The government should not pick winners and losers in the marketplace by choosing products that meet a personal agenda. We must eliminate subsidies and mandates that increase the cost of your utilities. As Arizona grows, we should continue a mixed portfolio of options to allow predictable, abundant, and well distributed resources across our state. An all of the above approach to energy, which includes nuclear, has proven to be cost effective, reliable, and hedges against market conditions when pricing and supply fluctuate. We must work to create an efficient and effective organization that is responsive to the communities and businesses within our state. The Commission enforces securities and investment laws and my work experience is crucial in the fight to ensure the integrity of the financial marketplace and protect consumers from fraud. I have the right background and skills to put Arizonans first and deliver results, not excuses.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 1



### Mark Finchem

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** VoteFinchem.com

**Biography:** After serving 21 years first as a firefighter/paramedic, then for 18 years as a law enforcement officer. God built me with a heart for service, and in 2014 I was elected to the House of Representatives and served 8 years defending civil rights. My conservative values reputation, supported by a voting record, is evidence of my fidelity to the Constitutions of the United States and Arizona. I am pleased to be A+ rated by the NRA.

**Statement:** I am the Trump endorsed Republican nominee for State Senate. I seek this office because our borders have been breached, we must hold the executive branch accountable for failure to provide for the wellbeing of Arizonans. Our southern border is wide open, our cyber-border is regularly attacked, and there is a problem with our courts, a border that has separated the people from justice. Our law enforcement organizations need greater support. Elections belong to the People, not the government, but it seems that many elected officials and government bureaucrats have forgotten that. I've led the effort to regularly audit election records, like we audit financial records. I've spoken up for disenfranchised voters and the rule of law. The right to inspect the results goes with Consent of the Governed. I will ensure this right is promoted to the fullest extent possible. Every legal ballot should be counted, voter rolls must be cleaned up and those who cheat must face consequences for their acts. I propose legislation to ensure complete transparency of the vote-counting process and to make all documents public records that must be produced on demand by taxpayers. We are facing economic challenges today that will only get worse with the current state and federal administrations.



### Mike S. Fogel

**Party:** Democratic **Campaign Funding:** Participating **Website:** cleanslateazld1.com/

**Biography:** Born (1957) and raised in the Midwest. Grew up in suburban Chicago. Attended Lawrence University and earned a BA in History/Education, 1979. Earned an MS in Sport Management, 1985. College basketball coach and administrator, 1980-1993. High school social studies teacher, basketball coach, and administrator 1993-2019 after moving to Chino Valley, AZ. Three years as a principal in Bagdad, AZ. Spent two years in Beijing, China as a headmaster of a private high school. Retired 2020. Serve on the Chino Valley

Unified School Board and the Polera Health Board. Elected as County Chair of the Yavapai Democratic Party in 2023.

**Statement:** I am running for AZ Senate LD 1 with the Clean Slate for Democracy to take corruption out of politics and provide a moderate, reasonable voice to the legislature. I will strengthening democratic institutions and individual freedoms- traditional public schools, voter rights, women's reproductive rights - and creating an economy that works for all citizens. The disinvestment of our schools, which has placed them near the bottom in the US, must be reversed to achieve the following: • A comprehensive solution for P-20 education, including increasing access and affordability of PreK and higher education. • More resources for schools most in need (poverty/opportunity weight). • Funding that solves the fiscal cliff looming ahead of us when the federal COVID relief funds dry up in 2024. Address the triggers in Prop 123 as well. • A long-term fix for the Aggregate Expenditure Limit. • A significant investment for special education. • Funding for full day kindergarten • A solution that raises teacher pay to a competitive level. Vouchers/Empowerment Scholarship Accounts rolled back and regulated. Universal voting rights protected. A progressive tax structure must be created to prevent structural deficits and balance the tax burden more fairly. Good governance begins with dignity, liberty, and fiscal responsibility.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 1



### Selina Bliss

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** SelinaBliss.com

**Biography:** Currently completing my first term in the Arizona State House of Representatives. Have lived in Legislative District 1 since 1971 and am engaged in a variety of political and civic organizations including the Yavapai County Republican Party, the State and National Federation of Republican Women, the Arizona State Rifle and Pistol Association, the Armed Women of America, and the Yavapai County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue. I am running for re-election because of a deep respect for our rich history and am dedicated to protecting and strengthening the district I serve and Arizona.

**Statement:** Now finishing my first term in office, I am happy to report I've kept my promises and built a conservative record on the issues that matter most. Working with Representative Quang Nguyen, I prioritized efforts to boost our economy and fight inflation, secure our border and stop the open border crisis, and restore integrity to our election process. I voted to defend our 2nd Amendment rights, secure our water future, protect life, and look after both our veterans and first responders. I am also using my background as a nurse and educator to advance progress for our schools, universities, and health care system. I am fighting to protect your medical freedom rights and to prevent future attempts at government mandates. I've lived in this District since 1971 and have been involved with a variety of political, charitable, and civic organizations including the Yavapai County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue. I'm committed to public service and am grateful for the trust you have shown me. You have TWO VOTES FOR STATE HOUSE and I hope I can count on you to cast one vote for me so I can return to work alongside Quang Nguyen to keep Arizona great!



### Quang Nguyen

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** quangforarizona.com

**Biography:** Quang Nguyen was rescued from Vietnam by the US military one week before Saigon fell. It took months to be reunited with his family, but Quang's American dream had begun. Working jobs, he taught himself English, graduated high school, then from Long Beach State, before going to work in the aerospace industry, building F-18s and F-20s. In 1993, a wonderful woman, Mai, said "Yes" and they began their life together. They moved to Prescott Valley in 2004 with their two kids, Quang later started his own business in 2006, and was elected to the State House a few years ago.

**Statement:** I ran for office as a Constitutional Conservative and thanks to your votes, I went to the State Capitol and KEPT MY WORD! I continue to defend our rights to keep and bear arms, secure borders by funding law enforcement, criminalizing fentanyl dealers, low taxes, medical freedom, safe neighborhoods, improved highways and transportation (including upgrades to I-17), long-term water security, and personal liberty. I have a 100% pro-gun, pro-Constitution, pro-life, pro-school choice, and pro-Arizona voting record. I continue to work closely with Representative Selina Bliss on scores of important bills and our district is home to one of Arizona's most reliably conservative group of legislators. You know me, and you know the love I have for my country, my state, and everyone who calls it home. If you want a proven American patriot, then I ask for one of your two State House votes. On behalf of my wonderful family, THANK YOU! And may God continue to bless America.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 1



### Jay Ruby

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** CleanSlateAZLD1.com

**Biography:** I am dedicated to culture serving the community. I grew up in Southwestern Pennsylvania, graduated college in Ohio, and lived abroad studying theater and language in Berlin, Germany and Holstebro, Denmark. After moving to Prescott, Arizona three decades ago I founded The Carpetbag Brigade Physical Theater Company and the Tsunami on the Square performing arts festival. As the creative and communications leader of an internationally touring theater company I facilitated cross-cultural exchanges and global seminars. I led teams to success in complex, demanding environments with tight deadlines and competing priorities. I bring people together through events and stories.

**Statement:** I came to Arizona three decades ago as a rust belt refugee with Appalachian values: - Participate - Help Others - Question Authority My favorite founding father, Benjamin Franklin, stated "It is the first responsibility of every citizen to question authority" I am running to be your State Representative because the Arizona legislature needs to be questioned. Schools, teachers, and students are not getting the support they deserve, our water is in danger of being used for unsustainable growth, rural hospitals can't provide timely services. After decades of one-party rule extremist legislators are trying to outlaw voting centers and prevent the public from having a say on whether to retain judges through elections. Taking power away from the people of Arizona is wrong. We need to protect our rights and bring balance back to the legislature. We aren't getting our money's worth from the state legislature. We need legislators that can listen and have honest two way conversations with the general public and with each other. As your State Representative I will listen to you, protect our rights, use our resources wisely and ask the questions that help 'We the People' of Arizona thrive.



### Marcia Smith

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** cleansladeazld1.com

**Biography:** I am the youngest of 11 and grew up in Minneapolis in a working-class Catholic neighborhood. I graduated from the University of Minnesota, where I studied Economics and Spanish. I joined the Navy after college. After my Naval service, I attended Albany Law School. I have represented healthcare providers for over 25 years. My husband and I chose to live in Arizona because of its natural beauty and its commitment to individual liberty.

**Statement:** I am running to represent all residents of our district, not just those who agree with me. We are one community and we need legislators who will provide solutions to our problems, not ones who seek to divide us. We all agree we need access to affordable healthcare. Our District has a shortage of primary care practitioners and specialists. Because of the shortage of practitioners, too many residents travel long distances for care. We need representatives who can effectively address this shortage so we can access healthcare when we need it. As the former General Counsel of a statewide healthcare system that operated in rural communities, I understand the issues providers face and what policies can be adopted to help them help us. We all agree we need more affordable housing. Teachers and healthcare workers should be able to afford to live where they work. I support letting local communities regulate short-term rentals to free up housing for long-term residents. Most of us agree women should have the right to make their own decisions about whether they are willing and able to continue a pregnancy. I support a woman's right to choose and the Arizona Abortion Access Act.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 2



### **Shawna Bolick**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.BolickforArizona.com](http://www.BolickforArizona.com)

**Biography:** A mom, wife, and champion for hardworking families throughout Arizona, Shawna Bolick has spent her career fighting for educational freedom, reducing state taxes, protecting our children, countering fentanyl abuse, and working to end human trafficking. At the Capitol, Shawna has championed issues like repealing the rental tax, providing funding for border security and law enforcement, and investing new dollars into our classrooms. Shawna will continue fighting to protect our neighborhoods and support great schools and teachers. Shawna lives in Phoenix with her family and their three greyhounds.

**Statement:** Dear Neighbor: Actions and accomplishments speak louder than hollow rhetoric. Since 2019, I have represented you with a common-sense voice at the State Capitol. I have supported legislation to secure our border, reduce our taxes, support small businesses, make housing more affordable, lower inflation on our food and housing, invest in our schools and teachers, fight drug trafficking and fentanyl, advance consumer protection, and end child sex trafficking. As a mom and neighbor, these issues are personal to me and our community. I am a wife, mom, and protector of our children. I will continue to fight for common-sense solutions to the challenges facing our community, from standing up for veterans to protecting our water supply. We have all witnessed the consequences of single party rule, which is why keeping a check on the Governor's agenda provides more balanced policy and safe communities. Please visit my website at [www.BolickforArizona.com](http://www.BolickforArizona.com) to learn more or ask questions, and I humbly ask for your support. Thank you! Shawna

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### **Dennis Pugsley**

**Party:** Green    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

No Biography

No Statement Submitted.



## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 2



### **Judy Schwiebert**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [judyschwiebert.com/](http://judyschwiebert.com/)

**Biography:** Judy Schwiebert has spent her life in LD2 as the mom of two sons, a teacher for 27 years at Cactus and Greenway High Schools, a community leader, co-founder of Theater Works, church board member, and grassroots organizer. She was moved to run for office when she learned that almost 25% of Arizona students had no permanent, qualified teacher. Like parents and business leaders, she knows that investing in our public schools allows everyone to thrive.

**Statement:** I've spent my life in LD2 as a mom, teacher, listener, and leader. I know and share the priorities of our district. This is my home. I was deeply honored to be elected as your State Representative in 2020. I've continued to listen and work together to address the issues that are important to you and your family. In my first term, I directed federal dollars to preschool programs for at-risk children and families and sponsored a bi-partisan adult education bill to allow Arizonans to lift themselves out of poverty, and provide employers with an educated workforce. This past session, I sponsored bills to increase salaries for all educators without raising a penny in taxes, increase the supply of school counselors, and address student and community safety. I've sponsored legislation to improve healthcare by making genetic testing available to help prevent cancer and by capping prescription drug prices. Lastly, I have worked to address the housing and homelessness crisis by prioritizing investments in affordable and emergency housing, and protecting condo owners from losing their homes to out-of-state corporations. As someone who shares your priorities, I will always put people first, not politics.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 2



### **Ari Daniel Bradshaw**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.ari.vote](http://www.ari.vote)

**Biography:** Ari Daniel Bradshaw is a fourth generation Arizonan, business owner, and the former Vice Chairman of Phoenix Sister Cities' Prague Committee. Having lost his father to suicide after an opioid addiction and cousin to illegally trafficked heroin, Bradshaw is dedicated to addressing issues of substance abuse and the open border. Bradshaw has been endorsed by many incumbent members of the State House and by nonpartisan Amanda Monize of the Maricopa CAWCD Water Board. He believes in policies which help keep more money in your pocket, provide well-funded education, and improve public safety. \*Remember, you have TWO votes for State House!\*

**Statement:** You are faced with an important choice this election. I got involved because I wasn't happy with the direction being taken by either party and wanted to rebuild an Arizona with political civility and a mutual agreement between all to do what is best for our home. As the only born-and-raised Arizonan running in this race, I understand the issues which matter to our local community regardless of the national political rhetoric. We will work together to push for policies which lower inflation and improve our economy. Policies which enhance public safety, ensure our streets are safe, enable Arizona to have the best education in the world. I believe Arizonans who grow up here or who come to our beautiful state should be able to afford to live here, raise families here, and thrive. I am the only candidate endorsed by the Humane Voters of Arizona and I am proud to stand for animal rights. I am the only candidate endorsed by a nonpartisan Maricopa water board member and am proud to have bipartisan support on my water policies. Your vote matters; and I humbly ask for one of your two for State House. Thank you, Ari Daniel Bradshaw



### **Stephanie Simacek**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.simacekforaz.com/](http://www.simacekforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Stephanie was raised in Oregon, where her teachers instilled in her a passion for education. In 2014, she made Arizona home, and the mother of two began teaching first graders in the Deer Valley School District. Teaching was both rewarding and challenging, and reaffirmed her belief in the power of education to transform lives. As a strong advocate for her community, her dedication continues while she champions for students as a Deer Valley Governing Board Member. Now it is time to do more for her district and Stephanie would be honored to represent the residents of LD2 in the state legislature.

**Statement:** I am a mom, teacher, volunteer, and Deer Valley Unified School District governing board member. My journey began in Oregon, where I was educated by remarkable teachers who instilled in me a passion for learning and a commitment to giving back. After receiving my Bachelor's degree in Communication from Portland State University, I ventured into the professional world, seeking meaning and a way to contribute to my community. I began teaching in public education after graduating from Grand Canyon University with my Masters in Early Childhood Education. Working with first graders was rewarding and challenging, and it reaffirmed my belief in the power of education to transform lives. I saw firsthand the positive impact of diverse teaching methods, dedicated staff, and engaged parents. As a mother and a member of this community, I understand the challenges and aspirations of families in our district. I understand the importance of quality public education, water and environmental challenges, the Phoenix housing crisis and reproductive freedom. These are not partisan issues; they are issues that affect us all, regardless of our political affiliation.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 2



### Tom Simes

**Party:** Independent    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [tomsimes4az.com](http://tomsimes4az.com)

**Biography:** I was born and raised in Council Bluffs, Iowa. I began my career path writing, recording and performing as a professional musician. I then switched gears and earned a degree in eBusiness and for the next 25+ years, worked as a software engineer for companies like Hewlett Packard and Compaq. I'm currently the owner of a successful comedy club here in the Valley. I've lived in the Moon Valley area of North Phoenix for more than 14 years with my wife Linda, who works in the nonprofit sector. We're the proud parents of one daughter who attends Northern Arizona University.

**Statement:** Political discourse has devolved into partisan division, fueled by parties prioritizing power over progress. In Arizona, issues persist because parties exploit them to mobilize their base and hinder bipartisan cooperation. However, true democracy means valuing all voices, regardless of affiliation. As an independent candidate, I pledge a positive, principled campaign focused on Arizona's priorities. By collaborating across party lines, we can build a brighter future. Leadership should unite, not divide, fostering respect and cooperation. If elected, I'll prioritize Arizona's interests over party politics, working with anyone to tackle our challenges and address constituents' concerns. Let's ensure every Arizonan is heard and respected in shaping our state's future.



### Justin Wilmeth

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.justinwilmethaz.com/](http://www.justinwilmethaz.com/)

**Biography:** Justin Wilmeth, like many now proud Arizonans, is from elsewhere. Hailing from West Texas, Justin has been a member of the Arizona House of Representatives for four years, being elected for the first time in 2020. Over that span, he has proved adept at getting stuff done for the residents of LD2, getting 29 bills signed into law the past four sessions. Focusing on economic development, shrinking regulations and consumer protection, Justin has a proud track record of keeping Arizona's positive business environment strong, serving the last two years as Commerce chairman.

**Statement:** I love Arizona. When I moved here a decade ago I had no plans of running for office. Serving the residents of North Phoenix has been a supreme honor. I'm running for a third term because I have played a big part in Arizona's booming economy and there's more for me to do as your state representative. I believe that the best way to a great society is the availability of amazing jobs and salaries for Arizonans. As House Commerce chair I have focused on policies to increase economic opportunity for you and your family, while standing up for common-sense values important to everyday Arizonans. I've added five state international trade offices to entice big international companies to relocate here, which increases Arizona's spotlight on the world stage. I work in a bipartisan manner and have had 11 bills signed into law under a Democrat governor. My track record is a good one for our community and I'd like to keep that momentum going. I'd be honored to have your vote this fall.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 3



### **John Kavanagh**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

**Biography:** John Kavanagh is a thirty-year resident of District 3. He has been married to his wife, Linda, for 48 years, with two grown children. John is a professor of criminal justice at Scottsdale Community College and teaches at A.S.U. John also served 20 years as a police officer, retiring as a detective sergeant. John served nine years on two town councils and is in his 18th year in the legislature. John has a BA from NYU, a Master's Degree in Government from St. John's University (Queens, NY), and a Ph.D. in Criminal Justice from Rutgers. He is a military veteran.

**Statement:** I am pleased to be running for reelection to the Arizona Senate so that I may continue my lifetime of community service. The legislature is an excellent place to serve the public through the drafting of good legislation, advocacy against bad legislation, and the performance of constituent services. I have sponsored many good laws during my years of service, and I am especially proud of being the only legislator in Arizona history to be named "Legislator of the Year" three times by the Humane Society of the United States for my many humane animal bills that have become law. Because I have no opponents in the primary or general election, I look forward to representing you for the next two years and please feel free to contact me at (602) 926-5170. Your comments and suggestions are welcome.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 3



### Joseph Chaplik

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.josephchaplik.com/](http://www.josephchaplik.com/)

**Biography:** Joseph's background is in business. He had a successful career in telecommunications at a Fortune 50 company with executive management positions. He now owns an investment real estate firm. His company has received several awards including the INC 5000 Fastest Growing Private Company, Corporate Philanthropy Award, and Business Ethics Finalist Award.

**Statement:** Representative Joseph Chaplik has a record of promises kept on how he votes on legislation for our district. His conservative scorecards are 100% with CPAC, CAP, and A+ with the NRA. Running for his third term, he has proven himself to be a champion of limited government, constitutional rights, personal liberties, and ethical behavior. He is a founding member of the AZ Freedom Caucus and is endorsed by the Arizona Police Association, AZCOPS, Arizona Free Enterprise Club, and more. As your State Representative, Chaplik has worked to make Arizona a safe and prosperous place to live and conduct business. He is protecting school choice options, and believes parents know what's best for their children. Joseph invests in his local community and schools, supporting many charitable organizations including law enforcement and children's foundation boards, as well as the schools his children attend. He's involved in the US Marshals Posse and the Sheriff's Office Memorial Fund, raising money for families of fallen officers. Joseph is a Scottsdale resident, and is married with two sons, two dogs and a cat.



### Richard Corles

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [www.richardcorles.com](http://www.richardcorles.com)

**Biography:** I was born in England. There, I received degrees in Math and Control Engineering. I began working for Honeywell, who, in 1975, moved me from England to Arizona. In 1986 I became a US Citizen. Thirty years as an Engineering Manager with Honeywell honed my leadership and negotiating skills. In my spare time I was involved in the local soccer scene. I promoted girls' soccer throughout the valley, focusing on teamwork skills. From 2001 - 2022, my wife and I started and ran a wine distributorship.

**Statement:** My life experiences will help me be an effective Legislator. I support protecting women's reproductive rights. Government is responsible for protecting a woman's right to receive the medical care that she chooses; I will work to ensure that right. We need to protect our democracy. A democracy cannot exist without free and fair elections. Maricopa County's elections system is bullet proof. I will work to keep it that way and to ensure that every eligible voter can continue to exercise their right to vote. Education is our best investment in the future. Today's children will be our future leaders, entrepreneurs, skilled workers, and taxpayers and will increase our property values. Government is responsible for providing an excellent education for all our children. I will work to protect our public schools. We need competitive salaries to recruit and retain the best teachers and support personnel. I will work to limit voucher funding and support local bond elections. I want everyone in Arizona to be secure and to have opportunities and support for realizing their potential. I am running to give you a choice.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 3



### Alexander Kolodin

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.alexforaz.com/](http://www.alexforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Alexander Kolodin is a civil and constitutional attorney who has won a variety of high-profile victories for conservatives in the courtroom. In his first term, he brought his legal expertise to the state house, sponsoring successful legislation to improve the security of Arizona's election system, protect civil liberties, and safeguard Arizona's water supply. He lives in Scottsdale with his wife (a teacher at Basis Scottsdale) and their two children.

**Statement:** Neither of us knew that we'd be dealing with a Democrat in the Governor's office when you elected me to deliver on a bold conservative agenda. But you didn't hire the kind of guy who makes excuses. So, instead, I found ways to get results. Whether it was helping deliver the first tax rebate in decades, getting major health freedom wins signed into law, attaching common-sense measures to secure our elections to must-pass legislation, or rolling up my sleeves to solve a water crisis in Rio Verde, we proved that hard work and creativity can advance Republican principles even in a challenging partisan environment. I'm running for re-election because my kids deserve to grow up in the Arizona I know and love. One where taxes and regulation are low, where parents, not bureaucrats, control their children's education and where the government exists to guard your freedoms, not take them away. There's still a lot more work to do and I'm not done fighting for you yet!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 4



### **Christine Marsh**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.christineportermarsh.com/](http://www.christineportermarsh.com/)

**Biography:** I'm a proud Phoenician, graduate of Arizona public schools, and State Senator. I raised my sons and foster children in LD4, and I have been a classroom teacher for 32 years. In 2016, I was Arizona's Teacher of the Year. Through that experience, I traversed Arizona and saw firsthand the issues public schools face. What motivates me is the need for more balance in the legislature. One party rule has stifled Arizona and harmed vulnerable populations. I've seen great bills fail without a hearing and radical

legislation sail through our legislature. We need a new majority so better ideas can get a fair shot.

**Statement:** I was first elected to the State Senate in 2020; I ran because I knew I could be a voice for Arizona's public school students, teachers, and staff. As an English teacher with as many as 44 students in a class, I understood what it meant to be underfunded and understaffed—and I still do, and that is incredibly important to my work at the Capitol. Gimmicks like one-time bonuses or grant-funded counselors are just that: gimmicks; and they won't solve our teacher shortage, nor reduce class sizes. I have also worked to mitigate the loss of life due to Arizona's drug crisis—and I will continue to focus on reducing access to fentanyl, including supporting efforts to secure our border. That is why I am running for a third term. While I currently serve on the Transportation and Education Committees, I have a record of supporting reproductive rights, gun safety, voter protection, education, infrastructure, and clean air and water. I have one of the senate's most moderate voting records and the resolve to work with anyone with good ideas to solve the many challenges we face.



### **Carine Werner**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [wernerforaz.com/](http://wernerforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Carine Werner is an immigrant, mom of three, small business owner, and Scottsdale School Board Member running for State Senate to safeguard the American Dream for our next generation and ensure they have the opportunities previous generations had to create a successful life here in Arizona. Carine Werner is a champion for quality education and is ready to take her proven, common-sense leadership to the State Legislature. Carine Werner is a problem solver who is focused on reducing crime,

securing the border, fostering economic prosperity, and creating a better quality of life for all Arizonans.

**Statement:** As a mom of three children educated in the Scottsdale School District, I have been fighting for educational excellence for over a decade, now proudly serving on the SUSD School Board. I'm running for State Senate to serve our community because we need fighters in the state legislature who will stand up for our children, small business owners, veterans, and educators. I will improve our education system by paying teachers more, empowering parents, and investing in our future. We are fortunate to call District 4 home, but we aren't immune to the problems brought on by a flailing economy with out-of-control prices, a broken border, rising crime, homelessness, and challenges within our education system. Our current State Senator has failed to tackle these issues: so, it's time for a change. We need balance in government. I am a common-sense leader who is committed to working with both sides to fix problems so we can protect the community we love, together. Learn more here: [www.wernerforaz.com](http://www.wernerforaz.com)

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 4



### **Kelli Butler**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.kelliforaz.com](http://www.kelliforaz.com)

**Biography:** Kelli Butler grew up in Arizona, within the boundaries of LD4. She served three terms in the State House, from 2017-2022. She was the ranking member on both Health and Human Services and Appropriations, and also served on Government and Elections, Commerce, and Banking and Insurance committees. Kelli and her husband, Ben, are small business owners of Butler Family Dental and the parents of two adult sons. Through her experiences with their neighborhood public schools, Kelli became engaged in state politics as an advocate for students and teachers, affordable healthcare, reproductive rights, and strengthening the state's economy.

**Statement:** I grew up in Arizona, within the boundaries of LD4. My husband, Ben, and I are small business owners and parents of two adult sons. I previously served in the State House from 2017-2022. A valuable experience came from my early work on the Commerce Committee—my colleagues and I came to meetings prepared to discuss the merits of each bill. Instead, we were told we asked too many questions and quickly learned that minority members' bills are rarely allowed to move through the legislative process. That needs to change. I am running again to be part of that change. We know public schools are underfunded, but universal vouchers send tax dollars to private schools with no accountability; 95% of us vote by mail yet efforts continue to restrict early voting; most of us support expanding access to quality, affordable healthcare, yet attacks on women's reproductive rights seem to be the priority. With a new majority, those priorities will change. Instead of divisive rhetoric, let's focus on Arizona's future. We must strengthen our public schools—Pre-K through higher ed—to improve our workforce and economy, address complex public safety and public health issues, and protect our environment and natural resources.



### **Pamela Carter**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [pamelacarter.com/](http://pamelacarter.com/)

**Biography:** Pamela Carter is a 4th generation native Arizonan who grew up in this community. She is a strong advocate for people, relationships, and families. Her volunteer work includes serving on the Board of Directors for Help4Kidz, a non-profit that works with at-risk youth and families. With a master's degree in Communications and Biblical Studies, Pamela's past business experience includes ownership and management of a sports medicine and training facility (one of the largest in the nation) utilized by many - including professional athletes, national teams and celebrities. Pamela will bring her strong business acumen and problem solving to the Legislature.

**Statement:** Partisan political games are damaging our state – I'm running to stop them. I'll keep my word, work to champion solutions, and not let the perfect be the enemy of the good. I'll focus on making progress, not headlines, on issues like border security, public safety, fighting inflation and high prices, supporting school choice and higher pay for teachers, protecting our long-term water future, and more. I'm a fourth-generation Arizonan, my maternal great-grandfather immigrated legally from Mexico to work in the copper mines, my father was in the Air Force and became a real estate broker and business owner in Phoenix. I was an owner of the largest sports medicine and weight training facilities in the nation, training a variety of NFL athletes, collegiate football players, celebrities and families. From these deep roots come my Arizona values and my lifelong commitment and love for our great state. Representative Matt Gress is doing great work on our behalf and while the Democrats running want to cancel out his vote, I'll work with him to achieve these goals. If you want quality schools, safe neighborhoods, and a strong economy, I ask for one of your two votes for State Representative. Thank you!



## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 4



### **Karen Gresham**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.karenforaz.com](http://www.karenforaz.com)

**Biography:** I'm a proud public school parent and third-generation Phoenix native. I attended public schools and graduated Summa Cum Laude from ASU. After working as a CPA for several years, I retired from accounting to raise my three sons. Since then, I've volunteered in the classroom, with parent-teacher groups, for pro-public education candidates, and for many charitable organizations. In 2020 I was elected to the Madison Elementary Governing Board and now serve as Board President.

**Statement:** When I served on my sons' parent teacher organization, I realized that almost all of our fundraising went to paying for a teachers' aide. I started questioning why schools are so underfunded that the community has to come together just to have one aide. It's become clear to me how much the current majority in the legislature continues to ask of our kids, our educators, and our communities, as we do more and more with less and less. I'm running to make sure that our kids are a priority: so that their schools are funded robustly and equitably, they have access to the healthcare they need, and they live in communities safe from gun violence. As a former CPA, I have the experience and education to develop budgets to properly fund public education and our state's many other needs. It's time for a new legislative majority with new priorities, and I hope I can count on your vote to build that new majority.



### **Matt Gress**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.mattgress.com/](http://www.mattgress.com/)

**Biography:** I'm Matt Gress, and I'm honored to represent you in the Arizona House. As a former public school teacher, I bring a passion for public service and finding common ground. Since being hired by you in 2022, my focus has been on working with Republicans and Democrats to deliver solutions to the issues facing Arizona: Border security, public safety, increasing teacher pay and reducing costs for Arizonans. I'm proud to be raised by a single mom, and worked my way through college driving school buses,

becoming the first in my family to graduate. I'd be honored to have your vote.

**Statement:** My focus is on delivering results. In my first 2 years in the Legislature, I've had 12 bipartisan bills signed into law by working across party lines, including protecting seniors in long-term facilities and providing support for young adults transitioning out of foster care. I've also supported legislation to increase penalties on fentanyl dealers, provide more resources for border sheriffs, and to give law enforcement the tools and ability to detain people who come into our country illegally. On the economic front, I've pushed for the elimination of the tax on groceries and on rent. I'm proudly endorsed by our police officers and local business organizations, including the Arizona Chamber of Commerce and Industry. The youngest of four, I was raised by a single mom in a single-wide trailer. I learned the value of hard work, putting myself through college driving school buses, and becoming the first in my family to earn a degree. As a former public school teacher and school board member, I bring a passion for public education and for putting the politics aside to get things done.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 5



### Lela Alston

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.lelaalstonaz.com/](http://www.lelaalstonaz.com/)

**Biography:** I was born and raised in Phoenix, attending Adams/Grace Court Elementary and graduated from Phoenix Union High School. I earned my bachelor's degree at University of Arizona and my master's from Arizona State University. I taught in the Phoenix Union High School District for 34 years and have served on the PUHSD Governing Board since 2008. I have served in the state legislature for 32 years. I live in Phoenix where I raised two children and have six grandchildren.

**Statement:** It would be my honor to continue to serve as the Arizona State Senator for LD 5. I want to continue serving in the legislature because I want to secure our elections and protect voting rights, protect reproductive rights and reform the out-of-control ESA vouchers that are draining funding from our public schools. During my time at the legislature, I've secured \$150 million for the Housing Trust Fund to address homelessness and the housing crisis. I've increased funding for veteran's services. I sponsored a bill that would require schools to use textbooks that don't discriminate based on sex, sexual orientation, disabilities, race and religion. I've also increased the Kinship Foster Care monthly stipend from \$75 to \$300. Throughout my career as a lawmaker, I have championed our public schools and universities, advocated on behalf of our most vulnerable communities, and worked with my colleagues to find pragmatic solutions to the challenges confronting our state. If re-elected, you can count on me to continue making Arizona a place where everyone can thrive.



### Joshua Ortega

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [joshortega.substack.com/](http://joshortega.substack.com/)

**Biography:** I spent eight years as a combat medic in the Army. Now, I want to serve the people of Arizona and keep the Grand Canyon State free and prosperous as it has stood all 33 years of my life.

**Statement:** I revere the 2nd Amendment as protecting an individual's right to keep and bear arms as the most secure form of self-preservation. I want to secure the southern border by preventing all illegal crossings. I want to keep or reduce the flat income tax rate in Arizona's state tax code. I believe we should never utilize taxpayer funds to support any organization that performs, promotes or provides referrals for abortion. I want to allow all parents to use tax credits and taxpayer-funded Empowerment Scholarship Accounts to enable their children to attend any private school, homeschool or online academy of their choice. I believe in the individual right to allow parents to seek professional counseling for their minor child with same-sex attraction or gender-identity issues. I believe in the First Amendment permitting individuals and private businesses to not provide services or promote ideas that violate their moral or religious beliefs. I want to require any government entity, including schools, to inform parents about their child's physical, emotional or mental health.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 5



### **Sarah Liguori**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** sarahliguori.com/

**Biography:** Sarah Liguori, an Arizona native and mom, has a diverse career spanning land development, commercial real estate, and financial planning. She has a long history of community involvement with organizations like the Urban Land Institute, Salvation Army Homeless Shelter, and the Arouet board. As a freshman legislator, she was able to effect change with bipartisan water conservation policy. Sarah is now serving her second session in the legislature and leads the Housing and Homelessness Initiatives at a statewide non-profit. Sarah's dedication and extensive experience position her as a key advocate for positive social and policy impact in Arizona.

**Statement:** I have received the great privilege of representing my district and serving the people in our state as a legislator. In this role, my experience in business, finance, real estate, and community advocacy aligns with my desire to create a more equitable and sustainable world. I am passionately dedicated to creating policies that build bridges to success in people's lives, instead of barriers. As a public school parent, I support increased school funding so that teachers can work at their highest ability and students are set up for academic success. I believe everyone should have access to healthcare, reproductive and abortion care, live free without discrimination, and be able to support themselves and their families on a livable wage. My experience in housing spans the state and focuses on the solutions we need in the short and long term to diminish the trauma so many are experiencing from housing insecurity. Every day, I wake up ready to work tirelessly to secure a brighter future for both today and tomorrow—advocating for the well-being of the next generation and the health of our environment.



### **Aaron Márquez**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** www.aaronmarquez.com/

**Biography:** Aaron Márquez – a veteran of multiple political campaigns and the United States Army – grew up in Arizona, served our country through two deployments to Afghanistan, and has fought for progressive change in Arizona and nationwide. In 2020, voters elected Aaron to the at-large seat of the Phoenix Union High School District Governing Board, where he has been fighting for progressive change to improve local public schools for our students and their families. In the State House, Aaron will fight to repeal universal vouchers for private schools, draining funding from our public school districts, and he will fight to protect abortion rights.

**Statement:** In the State House, I will fight alongside Governor Hobbs to repeal universal vouchers for private schools, draining funding from our public school districts, and I will fight to protect abortion rights. In Democratic majority districts like District 5 in Central Phoenix, we need to increase voter turnout, especially Latino voter turnout. We must support Democratic candidates in swing districts like Paradise Valley, Chandler, and North Phoenix. We cannot bring real change to Arizona without giving Governor Hobbs a Democratic majority in the state legislature. As the Democratic nominee for District 5, I will continue campaigning after the July 30th Democratic Primary to ensure we stop Donald Trump, defeat Kari Lake, and flip the state legislature. As an Army veteran, I swore an oath to defend our democracy. I know how much of a threat Donald Trump poses to the future of our democracy. We cannot debate education policy or abortion policy if we end up with an authoritarian in the White House. We need to fight for Joe Biden and Ruben Gallego in November. I will bring my experience from the school board, the Army, and as a dad to fight for a better Arizona in the state legislature.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 5



### Reina "Reina" Patocs

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [reinapatocs.com/](http://reinapatocs.com/)

**Biography:** Reina Patocs, an executive in the technology space with a decade of experience in data and analytics, is running for the State House in LD 5. Married to her husband, Ezra, an Army veteran, for seven years, Reina has been deeply involved in her community. Together, they helped plant a church and have contributed to initiatives like "City Hope," a shopping with dignity experience. Her campaign focuses on strengthening the community, empowering local businesses, and ensuring a government that works for everyone, with a commitment to integrity, innovation, and action.

**Statement:** Arizona is at a crossroads. Fentanyl is devastating our communities, illegal immigration is overwhelming our resources, housing has become unaffordable, and our children's education is in crisis. These are the issues that demand our immediate attention and I'm running for the State House in LD 5 because I believe in protecting our families and preserving the values that built our state. With a decade of experience in tech leadership and a deep commitment to my community, I'm prepared to lead the charge on the critical issues we face. My campaign brings a modern take on conservative values—focused on securing our borders, addressing the housing crisis, prioritizing the safety of our citizens, and ensuring our children have the education they deserve. Together, we can create a safer, stronger Arizona where everyone can thrive.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 6



### **Theresa Hatathlie**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.theresahatathlie.com/](http://www.theresahatathlie.com/)

**Biography:** Born in Tuba City, Arizona and raised nearby in Coalmine Mesa, Theresa's parents instilled in their children the foundational teachings of the Diné culture, arts and crafts, and being bilingual in speech and thought to be self-sufficient. For the last eleven years, she has served on the Diné College Board of Regents as a representative of the western region of the Navajo Nation. Today, she continues her work as the current senator for LD6. Ms. Hatathlie received her Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Northern Arizona University in 2005 and a Certification in Human Resource.

**Statement:** Every day constituent issues drive my work, to hold entities accountable and demanding transparency. Looking toward the future and proactively working to ensure our children and grandchildren have the freedom to make health care decisions; to receive an education free from discrimination and constraint to be who they are; to revel in the beauty of the environment; to have access to clean drinking water and most importantly to be seen and valued. To continue to push back and advocate for vulnerable people and demand greater accountability and transparency for those missing and those whose voices have been silenced.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 6



### Lloyd Johnson

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [www.lloydjohnson4az.com/](http://www.lloydjohnson4az.com/)

**Biography:** I was born and raised in Washington State. I have 3 adult children & 7 grandchildren. My wife & I moved to Arizona in 2011. My work history is mostly in Maintenance Management. I currently work as Maintenance Manager in concessions at the Petrified Forest National Park.

**Statement:** Since I was a child, I've had an interest in politics. In 1988 I attended the Republican State Convention in Tacoma Washington. At that time, I wanted to run for office, but raising a family took precedence. I believe God and Family should be first in every decision we make. Now that my children are grown, and it's just my wife and I, she encouraged me to run for office, since LD6 needs Republican representation. My issues are listed below. I would like to promote trade schools in the region. We need to supply the tools for the people so the people could build stronger communities. We live in a rural area and trade schools are more realistic for the jobs in rural Arizona. I believe small business is the backbone of America. We need to support and strengthen small business in our communities. I have always valued life and believe life begins at conception. I am a pro life/pro family candidate that is committed to doing what it takes to protect families. I am a strong advocate for the 2nd amendment.



### Rich King

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [www.richkingaz.com](http://www.richkingaz.com)

**Biography:** I have been married to my wonderful wife for 28 years. We have 4 amazing boys and a wonderful grandson. In 1999, I graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Electronic Engineering. Since then, I have worked in the healthcare equipment service industry working for 3 large manufacturing companies. During my 25 years working in this industry, I worked for most of those years in a leadership role. Currently, I am a business leader managing a \$28M book of business and overseeing 70+ employees.

**Statement:** I am not a politician; I am a concerned citizen of Arizona, and I am very frustrated about what has happened to our county. I am tired of politicians not representing us "The People". This is why I decided to jump in this race, as I want to bring back what a representative is supposed to do and that is to represent "The People". I am a man of my word and a man of integrity; I strive to do what is right and fair for everyone. Winning this position, I represent everyone regardless of what party one might or may not be a part of. I will fight to secure our borders as we all know it is a disaster and no one is doing anything about it. Elections integrity is another top priority that we need to ensure that people have confidence in our election process as of right now the confidence is not there. Supporting our law enforcement and all first responders as they need all the support that we can provide them. Protecting our veterans and provide the needs and care instead of providing it to the illegal immigrants that are coming across our borders.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 6



### **Mae Peshlakai**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

**Biography:** Peshlakai was born on the Navajo Nation, daughter of a tribal medicineman. She is Dine' of the Tangle People Clan, and born for Deer Water Clan, grandfathers are Salt Clan and Rock Gap clan. In the 1970's Mae was instrumental in creating the "Dine' Bi Arts and Crafts Cooperative, INC," established to help Indigenous people to sell directly to the consumers without the dealers. As an artist she also owns a small business. Peshlakai has instructed weaving and silversmithing at the University of Hawaii,

Wheaton , Beloit, Wooster, Gettysburg Colleges, Colorado Rocky Mountain School, Melbourne, Australia, and tribal nations.

**Statement:** Arizona State Rep. Mae Peshlakai, a Cameron Democrat, will be focused on public education, health care, infrastructure, tribal sovereignty, climate action, human rights and veterans issues. Peshlakai represents rural Northern Arizona and the Navajo Nation, Hopi Tribe , Hualapai Tribe. the Havasupai Tribe, Kaibab Paiute Tribe, San Juan Southern Paiute, Pueblo of Zuni, Whit eMountain Apache Tribe, and the San Carlos Apache Tribe. She serves on the military and public safety committees. She is also chairwoman of the Indigenous People's Caucus.



### **Myron Tsosie**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

**Biography:** My name is Myron Tsosie, 45 years of age, Dine, of the Coyote Pass Clan born for the Towering House People my maternal grandparents are the Towering House and my paternal grandparents are the Water Flows Together People from Chinle, Arizona (the Heart of the Navajo Nation).

**Statement:** Since 2014 I have served on the Chinle Unified School District School Board working with local, state and national leaders both in the House and Senate. I currently serve on the Arizona State House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee as the Democratic Ranking Member & a member of the Military Affairs & Public Safety Committee. My involvement in working with both public and community schools began with CUSD #24 from 2003 to 2008, then with Chinle Boarding School, Inc., from 2008 to 2011, I had the greatest opportunity of working with students grades K-12, parents, educators, administrators and school board members. I have spent countless hours working and serving members of the community; I find satisfaction in energetically confronting tough challenges and working collegially to overcome them. The residents of Legislative District 6 is my ultimate focus, I will work with my colleagues to create a shared vision for work and learning; build strategic partnerships; sustain the communities progress through continuous involvement; adopt and maintain current policies, maintain strong ethical standards; and objectively seek answers to questions and challenges as they arise.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 7



### Haley Creighton

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional

**Website:** [www.creightonforstatesenate.com](http://www.creightonforstatesenate.com)

**Biography:** I was born and raised in Chandler, Arizona and moved to Flagstaff six years ago to attend NAU. I fell in love with the Northern Arizona community, landscape, and people, so I made the decision to settle down here after I graduated! I am the current Northern Regional Director for the Arizona Students' Association, where I spend my days registering and encouraging college students to vote, advocating at the state legislature for issues like abortion access and free higher education, and training the next generation of student leaders. I was also the campaign manager for Kyle Nitschke, who ran for State Senate in 2022.

**Statement:** I got involved in politics because I wanted to do something with all of the things my generation has lived through. I was two years old when 9/11 happened, 9 when President Obama was elected, 17 when Trump became President. I am the child of educators who has seen firsthand the need in this state for public education funding and support for our teachers and students. I am a queer 24-year-old who has been to more protests than anyone their age should have to in order to fight for their right to exist. I am a person who can get pregnant who was forced to watch as the Supreme Court took away the right to our bodies. As a woman, a young person, and a queer person, I want others like me to know that our dread over the world is valid, but it doesn't have to keep us from using our voices. It doesn't have to stop us from believing that we can change this state for the better, that Arizona can and will serve all of its people with compassion, justice, and equality.



### Wendy Rogers

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.WendyRogers.org](http://www.WendyRogers.org)

**Biography:** "Lt Col Rogers is a 5th-generation military officer. Bachelors & Masters degrees: Social Work. Masters degree: Nat'l Security Studies. 20 years active duty. Among Air Force's first 100 women pilots. Jet transport C-141 & C-21 Aircraft Commander. US Air Force Academy Squadron Commander & flight instructor. Led 3 HQ US Air Forces Europe divisions. During fall of Berlin Wall & improving relations w/ former East Bloc, deployed to run Bosnian Airlift. Over 3,000 hours jet time + numerous commendations, including Defense Meritorious Service Medal. 23-year Arizona home inspection company business owner. Married 46 years to Hal. 2 successfully married adult kids. 7 precious grandkids."

**Statement:** 2024 TRUMP ENDORSED, AMERICA FIRST Senator Wendy Rogers is Pro-Border, Pro-Life, Pro-Gun, Pro-ESA School Choice, and Pro-Free Market. As Chair of the Arizona Senate Elections Committee, Senator Rogers has accomplished hard-fought-for ELECTION INTEGRITY legislation to restore faith in our election processes. Sponsored and passed 2nd Amendment legislation, consumer protection bills, got numerous critically-needed rural and natural resources projects funded for her district, as well as veterans legislation passed. Senator Rogers continues to FIGHT EVERY DAY for us. SHE GETS IT DONE! Current pilot who constantly flies across her vast district to serve her beloved constituents. Tough as nails. Smart. Unrelenting. Homeschool mom of 2 and grandma of 7. Re-elect Senator Wendy Rogers for rural Arizona... re-elect Senator Rogers really for ALL of Arizona!



## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 7



### Walter "Walt" Blackman

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.votewaltb.com/](http://www.votewaltb.com/)

**Biography:** Walt Blackman, a decorated combat veteran with over 21 years of military service, was the first African American Republican elected to the Arizona legislature. As Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, he exemplified integrity and leadership. Appointed by Governor Doug Ducey as Education Commissioner of the State, Walt represented Arizona with unwavering dedication. Now, as Chairman and Executive Director of the Arizona Rural Public School Association Corp, he champions parental rights, school choice, and pre-K child development. In 2021, his lifetime of service was honored with induction into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame.

No Statement Submitted.



### Kevin Chiquete

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.kevinchiqueteforaz.com/](http://www.kevinchiqueteforaz.com/)

**Biography:** As a diesel-electric mechanic and union leader in the heart of Arizona's Copper Corridor, I have developed strong leadership and negotiating skills. After high school, I completed a rigorous four-year apprenticeship. I understand and value vocational education. My family keeps me grounded in the realities of growing up and living in rural areas. We should be able to depend on quality schools that deliver a good education and prepare students for good jobs that provide fair wages and decent benefits. To thrive, our rural communities and small towns need affordable housing and accessible healthcare.

**Statement:** I am a hardworking, blue-collar guy from a beautiful rural part of Arizona. Our local economies are rooted in mining and ranching. Some areas have been encouraging tourism and outdoor recreation, developing into 55+ communities, and providing support for chip manufacturing. While mining is not appropriate in all locations, such as the protected areas along the Grand Canyon, mining and advanced technology play a crucial role in transitioning to a green energy economy. I am committed to ensuring that mines operate safely and in compliance with environmental standards. Northern Arizona University, our community colleges, and public schools are vital to ensure a competitive workforce and healthy economy. Arizona's runaway school voucher expansion disproportionately harms our small rural schools. Strong schools and community revitalization programs, including broadband expansion, are necessary if young people are to make their homes in the communities where they grow up. Between Arizona's near-total abortion ban and the lack of rural healthcare services generally, women's lives are at risk. I support a woman's right to choose and will work to ensure that people can access the healthcare they need. As your representative, I will bring the voice of rural communities to the Legislature.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 7



### **Nancy Hartl**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [nancy.hartl4ld7.com/home](http://nancy.hartl4ld7.com/home)

**Biography:** I grew up in Minot, a small city in north-central North Dakota. Despite a chaotic home environment, through determination and hard work, I earned a Bachelor of Arts (psychology) and a Bachelor of Science and Master of Science (nursing). I served proudly in the US Air Force, Nurse Corps, for 20 years, retiring with an honorable discharge as a Major. Between my military service and later employment at America's largest HMO and a low-income women's clinic, I will bring 37 years of medical experience, primarily as a women's health nurse practitioner, to the Legislature.

**Statement:** As an American, a retired women's health nurse practitioner, and a retired US Air Force Major, I'm distressed to find myself living in a crucible of hate, division, and attempts to extinguish basic human and civil rights. It is inconsistent with our Constitution! Extremism is not the solution! As your next Arizona State Representative, I will bring my prior military and medical leadership skills to restoring, retaining, and ratifying our rights. I sincerely support individual's rights regarding privacy, bodily autonomy, relationships, reading material, and choice to worship or not. Protecting our rights relies on our ability to vote. I will be steadfast in support of Early Voting! I firmly believe that all issues are important, from disintegrating roadways to contaminated air and water to a crumbling democracy. Utilizing my strong history of leadership, problem-solving, and teamwork, my legislative focus will be in five areas: Empowerment (women's privacy and autonomy, public health, social services, and veterans' services), Environment (protection of land, water, and air), Economy (training, good jobs, and cost-effective humane border security), Education (support public schools, stop voucher gifts to the rich, pay teachers well), and Early Voting (protect, defend, and improve our already free fair election system).



### **David Marshall Sr.**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.marshall.republican](http://www.marshall.republican)

**Biography:** Born in Maryland to a military family (USMC), I was raised primarily in California, then joined the US Air Force after graduating high school. After my service I joined the Santa Ana Police Department, serving primarily in Narcotics and Gang Suppression Details. I earned promotion to Corporal, became a Field Training Officer, and eventually retired in 1996. My family and I moved to Snowflake, purchased a property, and ran a safehouse for battered women. We ran this Christ-centered ministry for 7 years. In

2005, I was ordained as a pastor of Calvary Chapel Snowflake, a position I proudly fulfill today.

**Statement:** You get TWO VOTES for State Representative, so I ask you to please vote for BOTH Walt Blackman & David Marshall. We share deep roots in our community and have served in a variety of roles. As legislators, we have earned awards and top marks from pro-family and pro-taxpayer groups, and endorsements from a variety of business and law enforcement groups. Walt and I are Christian Constitutionalist Conservatives dedicated to secure elections, winning the fight against the radical left and their open border policies, protecting rural Arizona's water, meeting our infrastructure needs, ensuring quality education opportunities, safeguarding our constitutional liberties and 2nd Amendment rights, and so much more. And we never forget that we work for you! Thank you for your continued support and please do not hesitate to reach out if we can be of service.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 8



### Roxana Holzapfel

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [www.roxanaforarizona.com](http://www.roxanaforarizona.com)

**Biography:** Born in Florida, Roxana is a second-generation Hispanic; her father is Cuban and her mother Puerto Rican. She has been an Arizona resident for over 36 years. She is a wife, a mother of two sons, has been a small business owner, and served as a field training officer for the Tampa Police Department, where she received an award for her dedication to helping women of domestic abuse find safety from their abusive partners.

**Statement:** This is the critical tipping point if our citizens are to prosper and thrive and it starts at the local level. The other party has had their chance in this district for nearly 20 years, and they've given us higher costs, more crime in our neighborhoods and the shuttering of small businesses. It's time for a change and a new voice to represent ALL residents and protect your families and interests. I'm dedicated to supporting your values, prioritizing families, and advocating for policies to protect our children, support small businesses, restore your economic standard of living, and reinforce public safety-which includes securing our southern border. We need committed fighters to defend this seat. By supporting me, you are endorsing a commonsense approach to these vital matters. Together we can ensure a prosperous and safe future!



### Lauren Kuby

**Party:** Democratic **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [www.kubyforsenate.com](http://www.kubyforsenate.com)

**Biography:** Former Tempe Councilmember Lauren Kuby is a tested advocate for environmental, consumer, and worker protections. Nationally recognized as a champion for climate action, Lauren spearheaded Tempe's climate action plan and drove innovation in water conservation, renewable energy, animal welfare, and campaign-finance reform. As an ASU Global Futures Scientist, she engaged communities, nonprofits, and academic experts in climate solutions. She also led the Stardust Center for Affordable Homes and the Family, focused on addressing the housing crisis. Lauren and husband Mike live in Tempe, where they raised two daughters and innumerable dogs. She is a new grandmother who believes that the decisions we make today must not come at the expense of future generations.

**Statement:** I'm a proven, progressive leader who will: • **Champion Climate Action:** With Arizona in the throes of a climate crisis—evidenced by extreme heat, historic drought, frequent wildfires, and air pollution—I'll focus on win-win climate solutions that protect the most vulnerable. With crisis comes opportunity, and Arizona is poised to follow the lead of our cities and universities, embracing the clean energy economy and a just transition from fossil fuels for indigenous communities. • **Fight for Abortion Access:** I'll work to protect our reproductive rights. • **Protect Public Education:** Let's roll back ESA vouchers bankrupting our treasury and diverting funds from our public schools. • **Ensure Protections for Workers:** I'll sponsor worker-friendly legislation, including prevailing wage laws. • **Voting Rights and our Democracy:** We must protect our voting rights and strengthen (not restrict) citizen ballot initiatives. • **Act on the Housing Crisis:** We must empower nonprofits and cities to build affordable housing and healthy communities. **Endorsements:** Planned Parenthood Advocates, Save Our Schools, Sierra Club, Climate Cabinet, Worker Power, Working Families Party, AFL-CIO, AFSCME, UFCW Local 99, UA Local 469, Maricopa Area Federation of Labor, and many other unions. I accept no campaign contributions from corporate PACs. Contact me at [Lauren@KubyForSenate.com](mailto:Lauren@KubyForSenate.com)

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 8



### Janeen Connolly

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.azjaneen.com/](http://www.azjaneen.com/)

**Biography:** Janeen Connolly currently engages in constructive political activism. She retired (2021) an SRP Senior Government Relations Representative responsible for rural Arizona city and county relationships as well as Chambers of Commerce. For 24 years Janeen conducted grassroots engagement for critical infrastructure siting projects throughout the state. Janeen served on Governor Jan Dee Hull's Taskforce on Employment for People with Disabilities. Janeen raised four children, earned degrees from MCC and ASU and holds a master's in Advocacy Communication. Since retiring, she supports worthy campaigns, volunteers at a local food pantry and enjoys a tiny cabin at Top of the World.

**Statement:** Meet Janeen Connolly, candidate to fill LD-8's open seat in the AZ House of Representatives. Janeen understands that the word represent is in the title of the job. Her first priority will be to represent you. A 42 year resident of Tempe, Janeen raised four daughters on her own while earning degrees from MCC and ASU. She holds a master's in Advocacy Communication. Janeen worked for SRP gaining public consent for major infrastructure projects. She is an accomplished community organizer with a proven track record of bringing people together to solve problems, skills needed to be an effective legislator. Those who know her integrity, work ethic and passion have encouraged Janeen to run. She supports business. She supports unions. She will work for better jobs for Arizonans. Janeen submitted three times the required number of signatures to qualify for the ballot. This tells you she knows how to put in the hard work AND connect with voters. At their doors, voters tell Janeen to focus on K-12 Education, Affordable Housing and Abortion Access. Be assured, voters' priorities are Janeen's priorities. Janeen Connolly embodies the representation LD8 needs now at the Arizona Legislature and she is ready to serve!



### Caden Darrow

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.cadendarrow.com](http://www.cadendarrow.com)

**Biography:** Caden Darrow, originally from South Dakota, has called Arizona home for nearly a decade. With a background in sales, he thrives on building connections and finding innovative solutions. Known for his leadership skills, Caden has a proven track record of guiding teams towards success. Rooted in hard work and integrity, his Midwestern upbringing and Southwestern lifestyle shapes his dedication to serving our community in the Arizona State House. Committed to making a positive impact, Caden's values resonate in his quest for a leadership role in the state government, where he aims to bring fresh perspectives and effective solutions to benefit the people of Arizona.

**Statement:** In recent months, our district has faced significant challenges, enduring multiple instances of leadership turnover, leaving us without a voice. Our schools are in need of assistance, crime rates are on the rise, families are grappling with inflation, escalating gas prices, and a dwindling water supply. We require a steadfast leader who will advocate for us all and restore representation to our district. I am Caden Darrow, and I am proud to seek your support for the Arizona State House. Having called this area home for nearly ten years, I am a passionate ASU alumni and dedicated community supporter. As your representative, I pledge to prioritize the common good over partisan politics, advocating for increased funding for education, support for our educators, safer communities, solutions to homelessness, and end the inflation crisis that has made essential groceries unaffordable for many Arizonans. I eagerly anticipate earning your trust and bringing impartial representation back to our community. I am committed to fostering open dialogue and transparency within our district, ensuring that every member of our community feels heard and empowered to participate in shaping our future. I will work tirelessly to bridge the gap between our constituents and government institutions.

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### **Brian Garcia**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [www.BrianGarciaAZ.com/](http://www.BrianGarciaAZ.com/)

**Biography:** Brian Garcia is running for the AZ House of Representatives in Legislative District 8. Brian is a community advocate and an attorney. As a first-generation graduate of Tempe public schools, Brian served on the Tempe Union High School District Governing Board as president and vice president. He fights to protect public education, advocates for pro-democracy policies, and has represented unaccompanied children. Brian is a member of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe. Brian holds a Bachelor in Global Studies, a Master of Legal Studies, and a Juris Doctor of Law (Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law) from Arizona State University.

**Statement:** For Brian's family, education is the American Dream. He was born and raised in Arizona by parents from El Salvador and the Pascua Yaqui Tribe in Mexico. Upon becoming citizens, they fought to ensure Brian and his brother Aaron had access to opportunities. Brian's desire to serve is rooted in fighting for our families and our community. Brian was raised by our community. He was the first in his family to graduate from high school, college, graduate school, and earn a law degree. Brian has been successful because of teachers, mentors, and community leaders that have helped along the way. One teacher is Mindy Udall – his Social Studies teacher. She instilled the importance of civic engagement. It is because of teachers like Mindy who have gone above and beyond for first-generation students like Brian that create opportunities for us to grow and give back to our communities. Brian is passionate about supporting public education, affordable housing, abortion and reproductive rights, affordable healthcare, and democracy, among others. Brian is an advocate and a proud product of the LD8 community. Brian is endorsed by Save Our Schools, Planned Parenthood, AFL-CIO, LGBTQ+ Victory Fund, Climate Cabinet, and others. See full list: [BrianGarciaAZ.com/Endorsements](http://BrianGarciaAZ.com/Endorsements).



### **Tre Rook**

**Party:** Green    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [tre4az.com/](http://tre4az.com/)

**Biography:** GenZ, Arizona born and raised. Activist, Dog dad, Slim thicc.

**Statement:** Working to put sensibility back in politics.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 9



### Eva Burch

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [evaforarizona.com/](http://evaforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** Eva was born and raised in Arizona and attended public schools through high school. She studied nursing at Grand Canyon University and began her career in 2012. In her many years as an ER nurse, she saw firsthand the impact that insurance status, housing, food insecurity, and other disparities have on Arizona's communities. A nurse at heart, Eva advocates for a better, more inclusive Arizona that works for everyone. Eva works on the front lines of the fentanyl crisis as a nurse practitioner in addiction medicine. Her priorities include access to high quality healthcare, fair wages, and affordable housing.

**Statement:** I am a lifelong Arizonan, a mother of two, and a nurse practitioner. I am running for re-election to help advocate for the fundamental needs of everyday Arizonans. I support increased investment in public schools so that our children have equal access to high-quality education and well-qualified teachers. Families should not go bankrupt over medical bills and I will help create a system that does not leave children, aging adults, or the poor behind. Lastly, I believe we must restore and protect access to abortion. As a state legislator, I will continue to work for Arizonans to have equal access to their voting power, including the option to vote by mail, while also working hard to maintain the integrity and security of our elections. I believe in safe and secure borders as well as respect and appreciation for our immigrant communities. I support efforts to create opportunities for more affordable housing. As a senator in a mixed district, I know we need balance and collaboration in the legislature and representatives who will be loyal to the people of Arizona over political parties or special interests. Let's work together to make Arizona the best it can be.



### Robert Scantlebury

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.supportscantlebury.com/](http://www.supportscantlebury.com/)

**Biography:** I grew up in Norwalk, CA on a small farm in the city. I attended and graduated from Cypress College and California State University Fullerton. While in college I worked as a Community Service Officer for the University Police on my campus. I was recruited by the Mesa Police Department, and moved to Mesa, AZ in 1992. I served our community for 27 years and retired as a Police Sergeant in 2018. I then served 2 more years as a volunteer Reserve Officer, frequently filling in as a School Resource Officer. I now own and operate a small business.

**Statement:** I am a retired Mesa Police Sergeant who served and protected this community for 27 years. You can count on me to represent us with honesty and integrity. My wife and I have been married for 24 years and we have raised two daughters that we want to be able to live in a safe and prosperous Arizona, but we are worried about the impact of rising crime (homelessness, mental health, drug addiction, and border issues), and out of control inflation - food/gas, rent, and housing prices. We must secure Arizona's border, and as a former police officer, I will stand up for law enforcement and make sure they have the resources they need to keep us safe. As a small business owner, I will advocate for less regulation, lower taxes, and reduced spending. We must restore the American dream of owning a home and having a stable economy. As a father and public charter school board member, I will defend the rights of parents to make decisions about their children's education. I will protect and serve in the State Senate as a principled conservative who will be a voice for individuals and who stands for our constitutional rights.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 9



### Lorena Austin

**Party:** Democratic **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [www.lorena4arizona.com/](http://www.lorena4arizona.com/)

**Biography:** Representative Lorena Austin is a fifth-generation Arizonan whose family has lived and served the community for over 100 years. Rep. Austin is a former public educator with Maricopa Community Colleges and has worked in the nonprofit and private sectors. They proudly graduated from Mesa Community College and ASU. Rep. Austin is committed to advocating for reproductive freedoms, investing in education and healthcare, combating the climate crisis, and stopping the displacement of our community due to rapidly rising housing costs. In their first term, they were proud to sponsor a \$40 Million dollar investment in higher education and introduced community-based legislation.

**Statement:** As a fifth-generation Arizonan, Mesa native, and former educator, my connection to this community is deeply personal. My Nana and Tata, who owned a local grocery store in the Washington/Escobedo Park neighborhood, were beloved for being good neighbors and instilled in me the importance of community service. My father's work as a civil rights attorney and my mother's work as a teacher and social worker taught me to value diverse perspectives and respectful dialogue regardless of party lines. These values inspired me to run for office in 2022. Arizona needs Representatives who will serve the best interests of our community, and leaders who will show up to engage in constructive conversations and provide transparency to their constituents. In my first term, I'm proud to have secured \$40 million for the Arizona Promise Program to support college students. Currently, I serve as Secretary on the Latino Caucus and LGBTQ+ Caucus and sit on the Commerce and Appropriations Committees. If re-elected, I will continue to champion public education, reproductive rights, affordable housing, and water conservation, while amplifying our community's voice in the legislature. My dedication to serving our community remains steadfast, and I am eager to continue working for all Arizonans.



### Kylie Barber

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [kyliebarber.com/](http://kyliebarber.com/)

**Biography:** Kylie Barber was born and raised in Mesa and is the youngest of seven siblings. Kylie is a proud graduate of Mountain View High School (go toros!) Additionally, she holds expertise in children's law and policy, as well as international rule of law and security. With a tenured advocacy background, she's championed for children with rare diseases in Washington D.C. and early childhood policy at the Arizona state legislature. Outside of public service, Kylie enjoys bodybuilding, horseback riding, and family time, embodying a well-rounded approach to life and leadership.

**Statement:** My background in child development, children's law and policy, and international rule of law and security equips me with a vast reservoir of knowledge and experience. From advocating for children with rare diseases in Washington D.C. to championing for early childhood education at the Arizona state legislature, I have dedicated myself to the prosperity of children and families country wide. I believe that the bedrock of our Mesa community lies in strong family values. Proudly standing as a Mesa native, I am unwavering in my dedication to preserving our community's family-centric ethos. I recognize the paramount importance of upholding the rule of law in ensuring community safety. My pledge encompasses strengthening law enforcement and securing our Arizona border. Having witnessed firsthand the devastating impact of fentanyl and other illicit drugs on Mesa families, I am determined to eradicate their presence from our neighborhoods. I acknowledge parents as the foremost authorities on their children, and I am dedicated to fostering robust, transparent relationships between parents and educators to guarantee every child's access to a quality education. Your vote is invaluable to me in forging a brighter future for Arizona's children and families. Learn more about my platform and vision at [Kyliebarber.com](http://Kyliebarber.com).

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### Seth Blattman

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** sethblattman.com/

**Biography:** Seth Blattman has lived in Arizona since childhood. He attended both ASU and UofA. He is the owner of a family business in the furniture industry that he successfully transitioned from brick and mortar to e-commerce. In the legislature he has written bills focused on affordability/economy as well as protecting voting rights; the creation of a Micro-Business Loan Fund has been his greatest accomplishment. He believes in supporting public schools, protecting access to abortion, and representing his community. He serves as ranking member on the Ways and Means committee and sits on Appropriations and Military Affairs and Public Safety.

**Statement:** My family moved to Arizona when I was ten years old. I went to UofA on a scholarship and finished my degree at ASU. I worked at my father's furniture manufacturing shop while pursuing my MBA. When my family's business fell on tough times, I came home to take over leading it and provide new direction. I am running for re-election to the Arizona State House of Representatives because I love Arizona, and I know that so many are tired of the current political climate. In my first term, I've shown my ability to work across the aisle in a bipartisan manner to achieve common-sense solutions. My appropriation of \$5 million dollars in the state budget for small businesses will benefit countless Arizonans. If re-elected, I will continue my work to create high paying jobs, plan for our water future, combat fentanyl, enhance our business climate, and protect children on social media. We might not agree on everything but we should be able to trust that our representatives are good people making decisions for the right reasons. As a community, we are ready to fully fund public education, restore a woman's right to choose, and build a better government.



### Mary Ann Mendoza

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** mendozaforarizona.com

**Biography:** Mary Ann is an Arizona native, born right here in Mesa into a military family (her father served in the Air Force). She has a son in the Army retiring in Jan after serving 22 years. Since Brandon was killed, Mary Ann has been a voice for Angel Families across our country, working with Governors, Congressional members and even Presidents.

**Statement:** I'm an Angel Mom, whose son, Sgt. Brandon Mendoza, was tragically killed on May 12th, 2014, by an illegal alien who was driving while intoxicated/high. That's one of the reasons I bring so much attention to supporting our law enforcement and halting illegal immigration. Add in the violence, crime, fentanyl epidemic, and the billions of dollars illegal immigration costs Arizona each year (that could/should be going to our schools, health care, infrastructure), and this is clearly a top priority. We also need to undo the damage being done by left-wing economic policies – high inflation, high gas and food prices, high interest and mortgage rates, and a stagnant economy. I'll protect school choice, ensure parental rights, and protect our district and charter schools. And I'll keep pushing on long-term issues like economic growth, job creation, and ensuring Arizona's water future. Our district has two Democrat incumbents who've pushed for radical ideas in office. I'm tired of the radical political fringe and seek common-sense solutions to our problems. Not everything has to be a partisan battle, and our issues are too big for those games. If you agree, I ask for your vote, and I'll work with everyone/anyone to make things better!



## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 10



### Robert Doyle

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:**

**Biography:** I've lived in Arizona for over 55 years and received a bachelor's and MBA from ASU. Since 1992, I've owned Canyon Records which produces Native American music and have earned a Grammy Award, 37 Grammy-nominations, a Platinum Record, two Gold Records, and the inaugural Governor's Arts Award for Small Business. In 2018, I volunteered with the LD18 Democrats, coordinating five Mesa precincts. In 2019, in support of Yes for Mesa Schools, I funded and managed a mailing to 5,500 households. In 2020, I continued as the Mesa precincts coordinator. Since moving to northeast Mesa, I've volunteered with the LD10 Democrats.

**Statement:** As a small businessman, long-time resident of Mesa, and Democratic activist, I believe in... PROTECTING a woman's right to choose and the constitutional right to freedom from government intrusion into her privacy and health decisions. INVESTING in public education (nationally Arizona ranks almost last) and reforming the voucher system, which is a taxpayer subsidy to religious and private entities (and has the potential to develop into a serious financial crisis for Arizona). ENSURING equal rights for all communities (including those defined by gender and genetics) and pushing back on bigotry. SUPPORTING affordable housing including assistance for first-time buyers and rent stabilization for mobile home owners. INCREASING fiscal standards of responsibility and accountability in the legislature to ensure that taxpayer money is used efficiently and effectively and for the benefit of all Arizonans. STRENGTHENING our voting laws to protect our officials, staff, and volunteers. DEFENDING the Constitution and the time-honored values of our democracy which are based on rationality and enhancing the public good and not derived from emotion or dogma.



### David Christian Farnsworth

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

**Biography:** Senator David Farnsworth, born in Mexico City in 1951, has been an Arizona resident since 1952. A small business owner, he owns Farnsworth and Associates and has previous ventures in real estate, auto sales, and distribution. With experience as a licensed real estate and insurance agent, supervisor, and mechanic, he understands Arizona's business landscape. Married to Robin Farnsworth, they have 7 children and are active in the LDS Church. Farnsworth attended Mesa High School and Mesa Community

College, studying Business Administration. His dedication to Arizona and extensive professional background make him a valuable representative.

**Statement:** Having served in the State Senate, I initially retired until the call to return to public service came knocking. Given the delicate balance of our legislature, it's imperative that we elect Republicans who steadfastly uphold our cherished values. Among my priorities is addressing the pressing issue of children lost within the Arizona Department of Child Safety, a cause I champion as the chair of the Senate Transportation, Technology, and Missing Children Committee, alongside my role as co-chairman of the DCS Oversight Committee. Recognized as the Champion of the Taxpayer, I have consistently advocated for crucial matters such as border security, school choice, Second Amendment rights, the sanctity of life, and the importance of strong family values. With roots tracing back three generations in Arizona, I am deeply committed to preserving our state's unique identity. Your support in the upcoming election is paramount. Let us safeguard Arizona from the perils of misguided policies that would mimic those of California. Together, let us work towards the restoration of liberty. Your vote for me, David Christian Farnsworth, will ensure our shared values endure.

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### Ralph Heap

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [heapforhouse.com/](http://heapforhouse.com/)

**Biography:** 4 th generation Arizonan. Physician/Orthopedic Surgeon for 40 years here in the East Valley. Graduated magna cum laude from ASU and received my medical degree from the UofA. Married my high school sweetheart Denise and we've been blessed with 3 children and 8 grandchildren. In addition to helping with our church and local causes, I've volunteered with three overseas medical organizations that help in third world countries, and I've served numerous medical missions providing pediatric orthopedic care to countries including Nicaragua, Bolivia, Zimbabwe and Papua New Guinea. My hobbies include triathlons, astronomy, and playing in a bluegrass band.

**Statement:** The Heap family has been in Arizona for generations, and we believe in public service and giving back. I'm honored to have the support of so many great Arizonans, veterans, first responders, small business owners, farmers, doctors and nurses, and more. I'm a proud lifelong conservative Republican ready to drain the Arizona swamp and do what is right. I'll protect our Constitutional rights (especially our 2 nd Amendment rights). I'll fight to end illegal immigration and prohibit taxpayer-funded benefits for those here illegally. I'll keep taxes and regulations low so our economy can thrive. I'll secure our elections so it is easy to vote and impossible to cheat. I'll support school choice and parental rights, abolish CRT and DEI programs, and protect girls' sports and locker rooms. I'll improve our health care system. I'll back the blue and other first responders. And I'll support reforms to how Congress does its business, starting with a Balanced Budget Amendment and Term Limits. I ran a successful medical practice for decades and know government is too large, too burdensome, and too expensive. Restoring our liberties means making government smaller and returning to our constitutional roots. I'm ready to roll and ask for your vote!



### Helen Hunter

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [www.ld10cleanteam.com/](http://www.ld10cleanteam.com/)

**Biography:** Dr. Helen Hunter - a community organizer, social justice advocate, and businesswoman - is a Board-Certified Chaplain and an Ordained Minister. Dr. Hunter has lived in Mesa 18+ years and is active in East Valley cities and organizations, addressing community policing, homelessness, affordable housing, racial inequities, smoke-free living, cultural arts appreciation, and inter-faith collaborations. She holds a BA in Foreign Language Education, a Master of Divinity degree, and a Doctor of Theology degree. As a mother and grandmother, Dr. Hunter also works to support equitable school funding and women's reproductive rights.

**Statement:** My name is Helen Hunter, and I am a candidate for the Arizona House of Representatives, Legislative District 10, encompassing Northeast Mesa. I am running for office again, because I have not seen the changes in our government and society that are so critically needed. As a candidate for the AZ House, I am hoping for an opportunity to help introduce and enact legislation that a) raises the bar for Arizona public education by providing equitable school funding, accountable ESA voucher management, and higher teacher pay, b) improves the economic well-being of all Arizonans and, c) provides for efficient, effective water analysis and management. Considering the recent legislative and judicial rulings in Arizona and across the country, I am also committed to work to restore and protect Arizona women's reproductive rights. I am long-time proponent of the universal and all-encompassing Golden Rule, treating others as I (and most of us) would like to be treated. Therefore, if elected, I will advocate for respectful dialogue, compassionate compromise, and meaningful solutions that create accountable legislation and preserve democratic values.

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### Justin Olson

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

**Biography:** Justin Olson is a former member of the Arizona Corporation Commission and the Arizona State Legislature. He currently serves as the CFO of Turning Point USA. Justin has been a leader in advancing the conservative movement throughout his career. Justin holds an MBA in finance from Arizona State University. He and his wife, Karyn, both were born and raised in Mesa where they are currently raising their nine children.

**Statement:** In this race, I am the candidate with a proven conservative record. My successful legislation cut taxes, balanced the budget, eliminated job killing bureaucratic red tape, defunded Planned Parenthood and Obamacare in Arizona, expanded school choice, and funded public safety. I earned an A+ rating from the NRA, "Champion of the Taxpayer" from the Arizona Republican Party, "Friend of the Family" from the Arizona Family Project, "Legislator of the Year" from the National Federation of Independent Businesses, and "Free Market Champion of the Year" by The Arizona Free Enterprise Club. When I left the Legislature, we had passed the first structurally balanced budget the state had seen in years and Forbes Magazine ranked Arizona #1 nationally for projected job growth. In 2018, I was elected to the Arizona Corporation Commission. I fought against the Arizona Green New Deal, protected Arizona ratepayers and advanced free markets. As CFO of Turning Point USA, I am in the trenches fighting the good fight to save our country. With your support, I will continue these important efforts of advancing freedom, faith, and family, and standing up for common sense conservative principles like secure borders, the rule-of-law, the second amendment, and the right-to-life.



### Stephanie Simmons

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.azsteph.com/](http://www.azsteph.com/)

**Biography:** With over 25 years of experience in higher education, banking, technology, and manufacturing, Stephanie offers a unique perspective and excels at devising innovative solutions to complex problems. She holds a master's degree in Public Administration from the University of Utah and is a Pi Alpha Alpha Honors Society member. Stephanie is deeply committed to service, having volunteered with Junior Achievement and served as PTA Treasurer, Boy Scout Leader, and Utah Commission on

Service and Volunteerism Commissioner. Outside of her professional and volunteer work, she enjoys paddle boarding with her Yorkie, Eloise, and spending quality time with her four children.

**Statement:** As your State Representative, I am committed to restoring trust in our legislative process by addressing issues that matter to us. Our children deserve a top-notch education. I will advocate for fair laws and restrict vouchers that divert funds from public schools to unaccountable private schools. This will help improve teacher retention with competitive pay, effectively fund classrooms, and ensure our state remains a great place to raise a family. Reproductive freedom is intrinsically linked to the fight against racism and oppression. Ensuring access to sex education, family planning, and safe, legal abortion is essential for advancing equality and reducing poverty. I will protect personal and private health choices including if and when we grow our families. Arizona is facing severe water scarcity due to its arid climate and growing population, which strains vital resources like the Colorado River. With climate change increasing the risk of prolonged droughts, we need robust policies to ensure enough water for us and future generations. Additionally, Arizona must address its affordable housing crisis. We need comprehensive strategies to increase affordable rental homes, especially for extremely low-income households spending over half their income on housing. I will bring those to the table and collaborate to make progress.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 11



### Joshua Ayala

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:**

**Biography:** Born in Phoenix, Arizona, and raised in Laveen, Arizona. I went to Rosevelt District School Southwest. I am married with two children. I have owned a financial services company for 10 years and have been in financial services for 21 years. I believe in God. I am very passionate about the community and love to serve it, which is why I am running for the State Senate.

**Statement:** I have three focuses: unity, family, and safety, for our area of Laveen, South Phoenix, and Guadalupe. Unity is important because, growing up in these areas, being a mixed-race individual had many struggles, including segregation. I know we can improve unity with effort from the community, programs, and awareness. Family, which I believe is the cornerstone of the community in which I am a fifth-generation Arizonan, Increasing programs and events surrounding family togetherness are vital to a healthy, growing community. Safety is vital to our area as drug use and homelessness increase. My focus is to work with city officials to increase policing. I have experienced firsthand when my home was broken into and many things stolen, with the police taking 3 hours or more to show up in South Phoenix. When I was a resident of Ahwatukee, my niece accidentally dialed the police, and they were there in under 5 minutes. I will work hard for the community so that we get the same response time and treatment as the example I gave.



### Catherine Miranda

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

**Biography:** District 11, one of the most diverse communities in Arizona, has been my home my entire life. I believe a legislator must maintain close contact with the community and must be available to the people at any time. From the devotion of time at St. Catherine's of Sienna Parish to the time spent at American Legion Post 41, where my Korean War Veteran father was a member, to my involvement in sports in the South Mountain Community, this community has always been there to support me in all my

endeavors, and I look forward to giving back.

**Statement:** PRIORITIES Education: As a former teacher, school administrator and school board member, education always comes first for me. I understand the struggles first-hand what teachers and students face everyday in our classrooms. During my time at the legislature, I fought against taking resources out of public schools and supported increasing funding to pay our teachers a living wage and bring more dollars into the classroom. Now more than ever, Arizona is at the forefront of defining what our public education will look like for generations to come. Our community needs an experienced public education champion. 2 / 2 Homeless and the SMI population: Our district needs a Senator that can get bills signed into law. I did just that. My bill, SB 1311, was signed by Gov. Katie Hobbs on April 16 and will require AHCCCS to create recommendations to improve the information gathered on the SMI community and give assistance to those who need mental health services, but do not qualify for court-ordered evaluations. We need to know how often our persons with a serious mental illness, getting arrested, going into emergency departments, having inpatient hospital stay, getting arrested, and ending up homeless. My bill will do just that!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 11



### **Cesar Ivan Aleman**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:**

**Biography:** My name is Cesar Aleman. I am a husband to my beautiful wife Alejandra with whom I've celebrated ten years being married. I'm blessed with two amazing children. I've lived in Arizona thirty-two years, twenty-five have been in LD11. I am proud to say that I am part of the first class to graduate from Cesar Chavez High School back in 2002. I have worked in both the non-profit and corporate world throughout my career and I now work in full-time ministry at Laveen Baptist Church. I am passionate about serving our community and helping bring solutions to our needs.

**Statement:** I thank God for living most of my life in Arizona and seeing the growth throughout the years. Arizona has potential and District 11 can lead the way. Unfortunately, the increase in crime rate, the lack of securing our border and the distribution of Fentanyl is hurting our district and our State. Our streets are not safe and there's a lack of police presence due to the low officer-to-community ratio. School Choice and opportunities to help families through Empowerment Scholarship Accounts, need to be preserved. As your elected official I will represent our district and not a political party agenda. As your elected official I will act in serving the people by working together in a bipartisan manner and compromise for what's best for our district and our state. I support all life and we must defend and protect it. It is our responsibility as a community to give our children and those to come after them a better and safer future by leading by example and working together for the common good. My simple objective is to serve our community and every resident of District 11, giving them a much needed community voice in the State House.



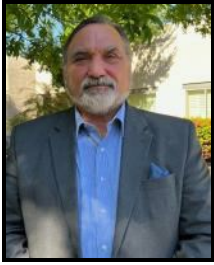
### **Junelle Cavero**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.caveroforaz.com/](http://www.caveroforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Junelle Cavero is a mother, small business owner and community advocate for equal opportunity, equity and economic security. As a mother of two daughters, Junelle is concerned with affordable housing, good paying jobs, reproductive health, Arizona's economy, the growth of homelessness, public safety, environmental justice and the future of our children.

**Statement:** As a proud resident of South Mountain for the last 10 years, Junelle began her activism in Arizona working against SB1070 and fighting housing discrimination while at the Arizona Fair Housing Center. Raised by working class, immigrant parents, Junelle's career in civic engagement was inspired by her father, a Navy Vietnam Veteran and member of the Letter Carrier Union. For over 25 years, Junelle has worked endlessly to create better policy for American families. Her previous work experience includes monitoring and drafting policy on the federal and state level, advocating for WWII Veterans equity, and coordinating the largest medical record program at the US Department of Veteran Affairs

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### Joseph Charles Dailey

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Participating **Website:**

**Biography:** As a longstanding resident of the South Phoenix community for more than twenty years, I, Joseph Dailey, present myself not only as a candidate but also as a committed father of three. Professionally, I hold the esteemed position as a Global Engineering Director for Safety and Security. My educational background includes a Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical Engineering and an MBA from ASU. I have garnered numerous patents and accolades throughout my 35-year career, demonstrating my expertise and dedication. I have overseen multiple teams spanning various disciplines and projects, imparting valuable training to foster effective collaboration and achieve shared objectives.

**Statement:** In my time in the South Phoenix community, I've seen our community flourish, and I am committed to ensuring that this progress continues for generations to come. My political principles are deeply rooted in both constitutional and financial conservatism, values that guide my vision for our community. However, I am someone who deeply cares about the well-being of every member of our community, especially those in need. I believe in offering a helping hand, not simply a handout. Central to my platform is the belief in the importance of limited federal government and the preservation of our state's rights. I will advocate for Arizona's autonomy and work to reclaim powers rightfully belonging to our state as outlined in the U.S. Constitution. I believe Arizona has the right to defend our state against all encroachments, so I will propose and support our border patrol, the border wall, and our local law enforcement. Above all, I believe in the importance of individual liberty and personal responsibility. I will defend our God-given rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Together, let's build a brighter future for South Phoenix—one grounded in prosperity, opportunity, and the values we hold dear.



### Oscar De Los Santos

**Party:** Democratic **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:**

**Biography:** Representative Oscar De Los Santos has dedicated his life to serving the working families of South Phoenix, Laveen, and Guadalupe. A former sixth-grade English teacher, Oscar believes in a high-quality public education for our community's children. As the head of public policy for Arizona food banks, he worked successfully with both parties to pass legislation to combat childhood hunger. Earlier in his career, Oscar worked in President Obama's presidential campaign and in the Obama White House. The proud son

of Mexican immigrants, Oscar is a Rhodes Scholar. He earned a Master of Public Policy from Oxford University.

**Statement:** Growing up, I saw my dad come home exhausted every day from his job at the factory. And when I was a sixth-grade teacher, I made \$29,000 a year. I know what it's like to barely get by while prices spiral out of control. That's why, in office, I have been a champion for everyday working- and middle-class Arizonans. To bring down the cost of rents and mortgages, I introduced HB2763, a landmark bill that would take on predatory out-of-state corporations that are buying up our houses and selling them back at exorbitant prices. I am also working around the clock to give our teachers, school nurses, bus drivers, and other education staff a BIG raise. And I am not afraid to take on Trump-style extremist politicians. I will never back down from defending our voting rights and democracy and protecting access to abortion. I am proud to be supported by a broad coalition of labor unions, women's rights organizations, environmental groups, and progressive leaders. I hope to earn your support, too.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 12



### Denise "Mitzi" Epstein

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.mitziepstein.com/](http://www.mitziepstein.com/)

**Biography:** Senator Mitzi Epstein represents our community full time, with a caring, collaborative, positive approach. She is a computer systems analyst who has worked for multi-national companies including Olin Brass, and Citicorp. small business owner.

**Community service Highlights:** 1995-2016: Coalition leader for parents, businesses and retirees to advocate for excellent public schools 2000-2009 AYSO Youth Soccer coach and coach trainer 2005-20008 Kyrene School Board 2017-2022 AZ House of

Representatives 2023-2024 The Senate Democrats elected Mitzi as Senate Democratic Leader Awards for supporting: local control for cities; high quality public education; access to mental healthcare; afterschool programs...

**Statement:** A thriving economy demands an excellent education system, affordable housing options for seniors and young families, and sustainable water solutions. As your State Senator and a computer systems analyst, I am a problem-solver with a successful track record. I have led and supported statewide, bipartisan teams to pass legislation to help you get what you paid for in your health insurance policy, and to improve Unemployment Insurance for workers and for employers. Your purchasing power --for food, medicine, gasoline -- and your power to choose your own path in life are top of mind for me. Arizona has a large job market now, and our policies should make it affordable to get the education and childcare you need to move up in life. As a small business owner, I know first-hand that public policies must provide a supportive environment for your business to compete and grow. As Senate Minority Leader I fight for better funding for our public schools and worthy wages for essential workers – caregivers, teachers, firefighters, etcetera. The whole innovation economy thrives when you get the opportunities and respect you deserve. I am working for fiscal responsibility and collaborating to build on Arizona's strengths.



### Cara Vicini

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [vote4vicini.com/](http://vote4vicini.com/)

**Biography:** I have lived in Ahwatukee for 20 years. My career includes finance and oversight for million-dollar corporate budgets. My role as an SAP Functional Consultant is solving complex problems while delivering solid results. For 13 years I coordinated events with my skateboarding dog, Astro, for Ronald McDonald House and other charities in the valley. As a master crafter who loves nature and gardening, I have operated entrepreneurial businesses making pocket-book purses, artisan soaps and all natural products. I am running for office to bring back the voice of the people and ensure we

restore faith and trust in our elections.

**Statement:** As a local grassroots candidate I understand firsthand the challenges we face like, building an affordable economy, ensuring our border is safe and our local communities are secure. We must protect our children and structure education as a tool for high-level learning and not indoctrination or social engineering. Our planet is being bombarded with harmful poisons in the air, food and water supply. I will spotlight these toxins and communicate clearly the harmful effects on humans and pets. Arizona should redirect its focus on quality job creation and lure more supply chain and tech companies to help stimulate our dwindling economy. Restoring election trust is one of the most important steps we can take in order to regain the confidence of the people. I will be a leader that stands up for our freedom and our rights. I will maintain full transparency on issues that shape Arizona. Our constitution provides us with the foundation to govern ourselves through laws decided upon by "we the people". As your State Senator I will uphold your voice with honesty, integrity and transparency. The power will remain with the people, by the people and for the people.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 12



### Patricia "Patty" Contreras

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.contrerasforaz.net](http://www.contrerasforaz.net)

**Biography:** Patty Contreras is a 3rd generation Arizonan originally from the Yuma valley. She has lived in the Phoenix area over 40 years and in Ahwatukee since 1991. Patty is passionate about helping seniors, ensuring Arizona has clean air and water, and advocating for public education. She has three sisters, all of whom are public school educators, and three brothers. She is married and has three grandchildren. Patty has a bachelor's degree from ASU and a Master's degree from NAU. Ms. Contreras is serving

her first term as LD12 State Representative.

**Statement:** As a proud Democrat and your State Representative for Legislative District 12, I've championed crucial causes such as restoring women's rights, protecting our environment, advocating for public education funding, and opposing discriminatory bills targeting our LGBTQ+ community. I currently sit on the AZ House Transportation and Infrastructure and Health and Human Services Committees. Prior to being elected I served the public for over 30 years with the City of Phoenix in the Parks and Recreation and Human Services Departments. I oversaw the management of eight of the 15 senior centers in Phoenix which provided social and recreational opportunities for active older adults and people with disabilities. I have dedicated my life to improving our communities. I am running for re-election and hope to earn your support. You can learn more about my campaign and where I stand on the issues at [ContrerasforAZ.net](http://ContrerasforAZ.net).

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### Lawrence Hudson

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [southtempecivics.com](http://southtempecivics.com)

**Biography:** Lawrence Hudson was born in 1954. He and his wife Catherine Hayden have 3 grown children and — so far — 2 grandchildren, none of whom live in Arizona. Lawrence was a banker, living and working in New York, London, and Tokyo. In 2008, he and Catherine chose Tempe for retirement because it is where Catherine grew up and had family. Catherine produces a five-concert-per-year classical music performance series at the Tempe City for the Arts. Lawrence became a Republican precinct committeeman in 2018 and was elected treasurer for the county Republican committee in 2023. He has

never before sought public office.

**Statement:** I no longer believe in our elections. The 2020 general election results should not have been certified. The Legislature has responsibility for elections and they have wrongly delegated that authority to agencies like the secretary of state and the county recorders. I want the Legislature to take responsibility and to eliminate the obvious weaknesses, the reliance on mail-in voting and the use of counting machines. Of course, I am concerned about the border, the state of our schools, and our reckless government spending, but until we restore integrity to our elections, we will lose on these issues and on everything else. I do this for my grandchildren.



## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 12



### Anastasia "Stacey" Travers

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.traversforaz.com](http://www.traversforaz.com)

**Biography:** I was born in the birthplace of democracy, Athens, Greece, to a U.S. military father and Greek mother. A family with a history of military service, I served our country proudly as a Russian Intel Op in the U.S. Army. I earned my BS in Geology from U of A. I met my husband John, a small business owner in the UK. Back in the U.S., I became an advocate for homeless and disabled veterans, a cause I am still deeply committed to. I have two girls and love raising them in AZ a state that prides itself on fierce

independence, love of country, and strong sense of community.

**Statement:** Two years ago, I wrote that we need a common-sense approach to governing, to focus more on issues that bring us together, less on what divides us, and to meet the needs of all Arizonans by coming together. I have kept my word. In my first term, I've had three bills get to the Gov.'s office passed almost unanimously by both chambers, more than any Freshman in the minority party since 1990. I'm proof that you can work in a bi-partisan manner and still hold on to your values. I believe I have represented the will of our community with trust, honesty, integrity and transparency. I'm committed to keeping our children's legacy at the center of all I strive for on behalf of my fellow Arizonans. I still see their world of opportunity getting smaller: their access to quality education, making their own family planning and healthcare decisions, the environment they will inherit, and whether they will have a voice in their democracy. However, we're making progress where we can, and stopping bad bills so we don't go backwards. I'm still in this fight for their future, and I'm still in it for yours, too.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 13



### J.D. Mesnard

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** JDMesnard.com

**Biography:** J.D. Mesnard is in his third term as state senator from District 13 (Chandler, Gilbert, and Sun Lakes). He previously served in the State House of Representatives for eight years, including as Speaker of the House. J.D. is a husband, father, small business owner, investor, and consultant, and has always sought to be an active participant at all levels of the community. He works with charities, churches and non-profits, and is adjunct faculty at Arizona State University and Mesa Community College, where he has taught courses in political science for nearly two decades. J.D. and his wife, Holly, a family nurse practitioner, reside with their three young children in Chandler.

**Statement:** As your legislator, I have written some of the most consequential laws on the books. They include: Reforming Arizona's tax code into a flat tax (which was the biggest tax cut ever), increasing the state's rainy day fund savings, balancing the budget, improving election integrity (I authored the 2022 voter ID proposal), protecting health coverage for Arizonans with pre-existing conditions, raising teacher pay by 20% (the largest education investment in state history), protecting survivors of domestic violence and sexual abuse, reducing taxes on small businesses, boosting private property rights, confronting the opioid epidemic, shielding seniors from financial exploitation, and creating veteran-friendly college campuses. That's why I have received awards like Guardian of Small Business, Champion of the Taxpayer, Friend of the Family, Open Government Leader, and many others. There are those who want to undo all the progress we've made and turn us into their version of today's California. We can't let that happen. That's why I need your vote. Let me continue using my diverse background, which includes husband (to a nurse practitioner), father to three adorable little kiddos, professor and small business owner, with master's degrees in business and public administration, to keep delivering results for you.



### Sharon Lee Winters

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** www.sharonforaz.com/

**Biography:** Sharon Lee Winters is running for the state senate in LD13. She has a BS in education with a major in psychology, and an MA in humanities and a year at St. Mary's Law School. She taught special education in several public schools, third grade in a tribal school in New Mexico, and English at Brookhaven College. Sharon is a former small business owner and published author of four books, one of which was an Amazon bestseller. Thirteen years ago she came to Arizona to be close to family.

**Statement:** I grew up in the Chicago area as one of five children and graduated from Illinois State University with a degree in education and a major in Psychology. I have an MA in humanities—the study of human society—and also attended St. Mary's Law School where I studied Constitutional law among other subjects. I am also the author of four books. I taught special education in several public schools, taught third grade at a tribal school and English at Brookhaven College. Mr. Jack Middle, who was my teacher for three years, inspired me to become a teacher. My life experience, education, knowledge of the classroom, and owning a small business has led me to run for the state senate. Whatever legislation I approve in the Senate must improve the quality of life for all of us. Such legislation must be inclusive and address equality and Democracy as well as reproductive rights, voters rights, and access to an excellent public education.

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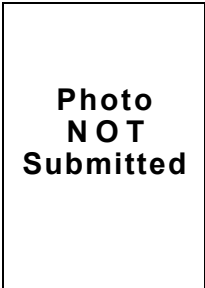
### Nicholas Gonzales

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

**Biography:** Nicholas is an entrepreneur, a community planner, and a father, now running for State Legislature in his home district of LD13. Raised in Chandler and educated in the Chandler Unified School District and ASU, Nicholas is deeply connected to the Chandler community. Nicholas is firmly committed to restoring reproductive freedom in Arizona. As a business owner, Nicholas is passionate about economic development, housing affordability, and knows the importance of education so that Arizona's economy can

continue to thrive.

**Statement:** I was raised in Chandler by two hard working parents who instilled in me the importance of education. I graduated from ASU and attended law school at the University of San Francisco. I opened my small business, Estas Manos Coffee Roasters, and it was hit hard due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Undeterred, I began a new path in Arizona with my family, ready to face new challenges. Shortly after, I began working as a community planner for Chicanos Por La Causa, demonstrating my resilience and commitment to community service. As a Latino, a father, and a business owner, I have personally experienced the challenges and obstacles that can hinder success. The struggles I faced are not unique, and I am determined to mitigate barriers for future generations so that our children can grow up in safe communities and schools. That's why I am eager to represent this district in the state legislature, to ensure that everyone's voice is heard and their needs are met.



### Cody Hannah

**Party:** Green    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

No Biography

No Statement Submitted.

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### **Brandy Reese**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.reeseforaz.com/](http://www.reeseforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Brandy Reese is a forensic scientist, retired law enforcement officer, education advocate and mom. Brandy earned her Chemistry degree then analyzed physical evidence from crime scenes as a Criminalist with State Police for 14 years. She provided expert testimony – always ensuring the facts of the case were told accurately so justice was served. Brandy lives in the East Valley and first got involved in politics during the “Red for Ed” movement when educators were advocating for better pay and work conditions. She was then proud to stand with educators during the "Invest In Ed" initiative to support our neighborhood schools.

**Statement:** I’m Brandy Reese and I am excited to be running to be your Representative in the Arizona State House. I’m running because I am passionate about investing in our neighborhood schools, restoring our freedom to make our own healthcare decisions, making our community affordable for everyone, and securing our water and climate future. Tackling these issues requires more than passion and energy. After earning my degree in chemistry, I spent 14 years as a forensic scientist. I embrace facts and numbers. As your representative, I will bring my evidence-based problem-solving skills to the legislature to tackle some of our most complex and difficult problems I have advocated for local Arizonans' needs at our Capitol, worked with education groups to better serve our students, and rallied against gun violence and being stripped of our freedoms. With the extreme MAGA candidates now running in Arizona, there are significant implications for what happens in our state. As someone who has spent summers out in the Arizona heat collecting signatures to fight bad legislation, I say it is time to instead elect people who will create good legislation. I humbly ask for your vote because I know I can make a difference.



### **Jeff Weninger**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.jeffweninger.com/](http://www.jeffweninger.com/)

**Biography:** Originally from Kansas, Jeff Weninger moved to Arizona to start his small business. Jeff has lived in Chandler with his wife and three kids for 25 years. His commitment to public service led Jeff to serve on Chandler City Council before being elected as State Representative. Jeff and his wife volunteer with charities benefiting children in crisis and young adults who have aged out of foster care. Jeff is a champion for small businesses, schools, and first responders. He is fighting to keep our communities safe and encouraging economic growth by keeping taxes low and reducing bureaucratic red tape.

**Statement:** As a small business owner and your former State Representative, I know what it means to balance a budget at the capitol and at my company. When I was at the Capitol, I led on critical issues like regulatory reform, attracting and growing local businesses, and protecting Arizona values, all without raising your taxes. I understand the issues facing small businesses firsthand, so I’ve fought to create a business friendly economy, provide access to capital for small businesses, and invest in our education system while expanding school choice. Job creators need a 21st century workforce and strong schools in order to keep our economy competitive and growing. Since opening the doors to my first restaurant over 30 years ago, I’ve employed hundreds of Arizonans, fed thousands, and contributed to the local economy as a small business owner. I am fighting for Arizona values and to protect your tax dollars as your next State Representative. I have great experience as both a job creator and legislator – and I hope to earn your vote. You get two votes for State Representative. Please vote for both Jeff Weninger and Julie Willoughby as your team at the Capitol. Read more about me and my record at [JeffWeninger.com](http://JeffWeninger.com)

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 13



### **Julie Willoughby**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [juliewilloughby.org](http://juliewilloughby.org)

**Biography:** Julie is a registered nurse with experience in various areas of healthcare and healthcare leadership, with a large portion of her career dedicated to trauma emergency medicine. A graduate of both Arizona's community college program through Gateway Community College and university program through Arizona State University, Julie holds her Master of Science in Nursing with an emphasis on Leadership and Management and holds multiple professional certifications. Julie and her husband Brice have two children.

**Statement:** I'm serving my first term and earning a reputation for "getting things done." You won't see me spending my days posting on social media or chasing headlines, but I'm helping to make steady progress on issues that matter. We've overcome Governor Katie Hobbs' veto pen to get good things done, we've made progress on fighting the drug cartels and their human and child trafficking, reforming and improving how insurance companies have to process and honor claims, fighting illegal immigration, and more. We're having real battles over parental rights and school choice and I'll work to protect students and their families to be able to decide what type of education is best for their kids. And as one of the only nurses in the Legislature, I'm front and center on fighting for lower prices, access to quality care, and your healthcare freedoms. You get TWO votes for State Representative and I ask you to vote for BOTH Willoughby and Weninger so we can work as a team to get this good work done. I'll keep working hard to do what is right and I thank you for the opportunity to serve. Please reach out if I can ever be of help.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 14



### Elizabeth Brown

**Party:** Democratic **Campaign Funding:** Participating

**Website:** [www.elizabethforarizona.com/](http://www.elizabethforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** Wife, mother, and grandmother. Arizona resident since in 1981. Gilbert since 2002. Supports public schools in order to strengthen communities. Comes from a family of public school educators and was a middle school drama instructor. Volunteered in children's and grandchildren's classrooms. Girl Scout leader for thirteen years and the Neighborhood Director for four years and managed thirty troops. Works well with an array of diverse people. Supports freedom for all people to make their own personal decisions.

**Statement:** I am running to restore balance and reason to the State Senate. I will be your voice to protect women's healthcare and reproductive freedoms; promote quality/well-funded public education systems; provide resources for a sustainable and clean water supply; publicize and sponsor community safety programs; and, protect our democracy. While being the Neighborhood Director of thirty Girl Scout troops I brought adults and young girls together. The skills I learned volunteering I applied while working in the Governor's Office of Constituent Engagement under Democratic Governor Napolitano and Republican Brewer. Reproductive freedom is a right of every woman. If it wasn't for IVF, I would not have my two beautiful grandchildren. The school voucher program is responsible for half of Arizona's \$1.3 billion budget deficit. We need to re-evaluate students of wealthy families receiving blank checks for a program that was designed for the less fortunate and children with special needs. All children deserve to feel safe in their school and in their community. We must also ensure a sustainable water supply for future generations by supporting stronger, effective water policies. As we work to achieve these goals, a critical aspect of this election is to protect our democracy in this country.



### Warren Petersen

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:**

**Biography:** Husband, Father and Small Business Owner. 3rd Generation Gilbert resident. Graduated from Gilbert High, ASU and the Sandra Day O'Conner School of Law. Arizona Senate President. Former Chairman of the Judiciary Committee and member of the Ethics Committee. Successfully passed many bills into law that have limited government, protected faith, family, freedom, individual rights, public safety and parental choice.

**Statement:** Thank you for your continued trust and support and for allowing me to serve you. As the current President of the State Senate, I have been working with my Republican colleagues as the first line of defense in protecting the taxpayers and families of our district and state. I remain a top-ranked conservative in the Legislature and have been awarded Small Business Legislator of the Year, Hero of the Taxpayer, #1 for Constitutional Voting, Free Market Champion, Top Regulatory Reformer, Guardian of Small Business, A rating by NRA, and Friend of the Family. Placing a check on the Biden/Harris Administration and the Hobbs Administration isn't a one-man job, which is why I am running as part of the conservative team of Petersen, Hendrix, and Powell. Please help elect a team that works together. We know our opponents want to take Arizona in the opposite direction like many states that people are fleeing from. Secure borders, low taxes, secure elections, safe streets, a strong economy, good schools, parental rights, and so much more are at stake. Let's stick with proven conservatives who will protect your rights. Feel free to contact me anytime with any questions. Thank you!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 14



### Laurin Hendrix

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.votehendrix.com](http://www.votehendrix.com)

**Biography:** Laurin has lived in Arizona for almost 40 years. He's been self-employed since graduating college and owned/managed a wide variety of successful businesses. On the family side of things, he has been blessed with eight children who attended Arizona public schools and are his greatest accomplishments in life. Laurin served on the Maricopa County Community College District Board, and on the Gilbert City Council. He enjoys backpacking, reading, gardening, traveling, flying remote control airplanes, and hydroponic farming. He's a licensed private pilot and former merit badge counselor and Eagle Scout Review Board member for the Boy Scouts of America.

**Statement:** I agreed to return to the Legislature because a lot of really important issues were dying by one-vote margins. I knew that every seat matters and we needed consistent conservatives who would work with others to get things done. You elected me and I went to work, keeping my promises to you. Strong border bills, legislation to clean up our elections and increase transparency in the process, protecting school choice and parental rights, improving health care and how insurance companies must treat customers, protecting girls' sports, and so much more. I'm running with Warren Petersen and Khyll Powell because I know that strong teamwork is the most effective way of getting things done. There is a radical left-wing element in today's Democrat Party that controls much of what Governor Hobbs does, and defeating that radical element will require proven and trustworthy conservatives, working together, to get the job done. Every vote matters, so please elect your team of Petersen, Hendrix and Powell, and THANK YOU for doing your part. We won't let you down!



### Scott Menor

**Party:** Green    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

**Biography:** I am an entrepreneur and researcher running to represent Arizona's 14th Legislative District in the State House. I first moved to Arizona in 1990 and has lived in Gilbert since 2019. He has been an activist since 2016 and is particularly interested in electoral reform, public education, and ecology. I hold a PhD in Physics, MS in microbiology with emphasis on virology and immunology. I value education and I've lived in places with universal healthcare, walkable / accessible cities and public transit, and I want those things for all of us here.

**Statement:** Hi I'm Scott Menor, a Green Party candidate running to represent Arizona's 14th Legislative District in the State House. I made the general election ballot with zero signatures and a total of \*THREE\* write in votes - which was a failure because my goal was to do it with only one but two people found out I was running. Most other people here had to get an inordinate number of signatures just to be able to get ballot access. I'm running for many reasons but perhaps the most important is because we desperately need comprehensive electoral reform. It probably shouldn't be as easy to run as it was for me, but it should be \*WAY\* easier to get ballot access. If elected, my primary focus will be making our elections more democratic and making it easier for regular citizens to run for office and win, and for citizens to vote for the candidates who best represent them. If you're a Democrat, there are no candidates on the ballot who will better represent you. If you're a Republican, pick an R to vote for and vote for me to shake things up. If you're Green or Independent, I'm a no-brainer.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 14



### **Khyll Powell**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.khyllpowell.com](http://www.khyllpowell.com)

**Biography:** My beautiful wife Lorraine and I have lived in Arizona most of my life and in Gilbert for 25+ years. We're blessed with three children and eleven grandchildren. I've worked for the Phoenix Police Department and the FBI, consulted for Fortune 500 companies, owned and managed a successful Industrial Real Estate Development company, and owned and served as President of a multi-million dollar service company for 24 years. Locally I've served on the Town of Gilbert Planning and Zoning Board and the Small Business Alliance board. I'm also a lifelong Republican who has been active in the

Party for years.

**Statement:** Today, more than ever, our freedoms are being targeted from every side and we need to push back with renewed vigor to protect life, our freedom of speech, our 2nd amendment rights, our economy and more. We are over-regulated, over-governed and over-taxed at the federal level and those on the left want to do the same to us at the state and local levels. I've had a great career running successful businesses and I was looking forward to spending time with my grandkids when the call came, asking me to run for office. Our district needed a conservative everyone could count on, so my wife and I prayed on it and committed ourselves to the effort. I'm proud to be on the Petersen, Hendrix and Powell team because they are proven, rock-ribbed conservatives. We have opponents who disagree with us and that's okay. You get to vote and choose the government you want. But if you want secure borders and elections, lower inflation and prices, your rights and liberties secured, safe neighborhoods and schools, and so much more, please vote for proven and trusted conservatives – Petersen, Hendrix AND Powell (you get TWO votes for State House). Thank you!

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 15



### Jake Hoffman

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [www.JakeHoffman.com](http://www.JakeHoffman.com)

**Biography:** Jake Hoffman is a Christian, husband, father of 5, businessman, Americans for Limited Government's 2021 National Legislator of the Year, founding chairman of the Arizona Freedom Caucus, and fierce defender of the Constitution. Jake currently serves in the Arizona Senate where he is the chairman of the Committees on Executive Nominations and Government, as well as, the vice chairman of the Committee on Appropriations. Prior to serving in the Senate, Jake served in the Arizona House of Representatives, Queen Creek Town Council, and Higley School Board. Professionally, Jake is the CEO of multiple tech, marketing and political strategy-focused small businesses.

**Statement:** As the 2021 National Legislator of the Year, a 100% rated constitutional conservative legislator, a champion of the family and taxpayers, an A+ defender of the Second Amendment, and fierce advocate for the freedom, opportunity, and prosperity that exists in Arizona, you can have confidence that I will always fight for you. At the Capitol I have been hard at work to secure our elections, authoring legislation to ban the private funding of elections, prohibit the mass mailing of ballots to voters who didn't request it, and require proof of citizenship to vote. I've fought to protect children by prohibiting sexually explicit material from being used in our schools. I've stood up against the tyranny of COVID by protecting small businesses from rogue government agencies, and this year, banning any Arizona government from requiring a COVID vaccine. I'm proud to be running as a team with an incredible conservative Republican, Neal Carter. I ask that you support both of us. You get ONE vote for State Senate and TWO votes for State House. If you want a conservative team that works together to get great things done, please vote for HOFFMAN for State Senate and CARTER for the State House!



### Evan Olson

**Party:** Independent **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [www.evanolsonforaz.com/](http://www.evanolsonforaz.com/)

**Biography:** I am a natural leader that denounces extremism. Born in MN, resident of Arizona for 12 years. I hold a Bachelor's Degree from GCU in Government w/ an emphasis in state and local government. After a successful 20 year sales career, I feel it is now time to be a public servant. I am here to be a voice for the people. For too long the parties have taken our money, given us lack-luster candidates, and continually fight culture wars instead of helping us with affordable healthcare, affordable housing, or our poorly performing schools. I am here to change that.

**Statement:** I'm running as an Independent because I do not want to WORK FOR THE PARTIES, I will only WORK FOR THE PEOPLE. I have common sense, forward-thinking, collaborative solutions to fix our broken education system, and end the corruption of money in politics. Visit: [evanolsonforaz.com](http://evanolsonforaz.com) to watch my videos and hear my solutions to our daily problems here in Arizona. I am here to UNITE LD15 under the Independent banner of compromise, collaboration, and inclusion.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 15



### Alan Smith

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating

**Website:** [www.alansmithforarizona.com/](http://www.alansmithforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** Alan Smith is married to Karen 43 years. He's a retired insurance auditor and dedicated community servant, is running for Arizona State Senate in District 15. With a history of community involvement—from teaching in local schools to supporting homeless veterans—Alan is committed to enhancing Arizona's education system, safeguarding women's rights, and ensuring responsible fiscal management. His platform focuses on critical issues like sensible gun laws, sustainable water use, and investing in clean energy, aiming to leave Arizona better than he found it. Alan plans to bring his expertise and integrity to the forefront of Arizona's future.

**Statement:** We all want Arizona to be a safe, welcoming, educated, happy, healthy, progressive state. Though we will not agree on all the issues, I will always welcome open discussion so we can do what is best for Arizona. Here are some examples of the Arizona Priorities I want to change or improve: -Fully funding our public schools, community colleges and state universities. Over 90% of our children attend public schools. -Stop universal vouchers that are defunding our public schools and subsidizing private schools. It is a fake school choice issue if the remaining tuition, after the voucher, is not possible. - Women's Reproductive Rights- Pro Choice. -Common Sense gun & weapon legislation. -Continue early and mail-in voting. Continue using vote tabulators. -Water use must be measured and used appropriately. Our aquifers are being depleted, wells are running dry and the ground is cracking and collapsing. My opponent, Jake Hoffman, is against all of these Arizona Priorities. He also is criminally charged with nine felonies for the "fake elector" scheme. He doesn't listen to his constituents with an open mind or even care how you vote. I will listen to you and do what is best for Arizona now and in the future.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 15



### Barbara Beneitone

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [www.barbbeneitone.com/](http://www.barbbeneitone.com/)

**Biography:** Barbara Beneitone an Arizona native, was an active community organizer, raising funds for the development of parks and recreation centers. She was chair of library, heart and cancer drives. Barbara has been an activist for many years working on several political campaigns, advocating for women's rights, human rights, public education and the environment to name a few. Barbara became a single mother of 3, at an early age and out of necessity, acquired a diverse employment history which gives her an

advantageous perspective of Main Street America. She was a real estate agent until 2022 when she retired her license.

**Statement:** I am an Arizona native who grew up in mining communities in our state. I am pro union, pro women's rights and human rights. I am appalled by the action of the Maga Republicans in our legislature to deny women bodily autonomy and vow to help defeat them in November and restore the right of choice. Women, their families and their doctors should be involved in those decisions, not politicians in suits. The attempt to privatize our public school system in Arizona is fraught with corruption. The flagrant abuse of school vouchers has blown a billion dollar hole in our budget because there is little to no accountability of how our tax dollars are being spent. We must fund our public schools. We must elect people who believe in the peaceful transfer of power and not give election deniers, who push fake electoral schemes, the ability to assault and destroy our Democracy. Arizona must push congress to find common sense, humane and legal solutions to a decades old immigration problem. Vote for change, truth and transparency.



### Neal Carter

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.nealcarterarizona.com](http://www.nealcarterarizona.com)

**Biography:** Neal Carter is a conservative Republican who believes in the values of the Constitution: faith, family and free economy. A District 15 homeowner since 2010, he is married to his lovely wife, Katy, an Arizona native and Gilbert High School graduate. Neal and Katy are proud parents of their daughters Clare and Monica. Neal volunteers locally with his church and adopts a segment of Hunt Highway. Neal works these past 7 years for a technology company called Nuix. Neal is honored to serve as your voice in the

legislature, a position he considers to be a sacred trust.

**Statement:** Neal Carter is a constitutional conservative we can trust. Just look at my voting record: with 100% scores with the American Conservative Union, ("CPAC") Arizona Free Enterprise Club, and Republican Liberty Caucus, I'm fighting for the conservative principles of limited government, rule of law, and lower taxes. I'm fighting at the state legislature to secure the border and reduce spending. I'm running for reelection to defend the values of the Constitution: freedom of religion, freedom of conscience, freedom of speech, economic freedom, freedom to bear arms, etc. A smaller government means a freer nation. The proper role of government is to defend life, liberty and property, not to guarantee happiness. I'm running for reelection because over the past several years I have understood that our country is in a crisis, beset by forces that intend to use the power of government to coerce ideologies on us. I'm known for standing up for what's right, and I prefer death over dishonor. Things I believe in include securing the border, defending school choice (parents raise children, not the government), defending life from conception to natural death because life has God-given dignity, fiscal responsibility, balanced budgets, and returning money to taxpayers.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 15

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### Michael Way

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.michaelwayforaz.com](http://www.michaelwayforaz.com)

**Biography:** Michael is a proud father to four beautiful children and devoted husband to his wife Raimee. After graduating from Arizona State University, he continued his education and obtained an MBA/JD from the University of Wyoming. He has spent his career in business and has played a pivotal role in leading the fight for education reform across the nation. Michael is not a politician; he is a family man and an accomplished businessman that you can count on to always put Arizona first.

**Statement:** I am not a politician; I have spent my career in business not government. I am fighting for We The People. To restore trust in our state and in our nation, we must first restore trust in our elections. It is essential that we hold our election officials accountable and demand full transparency. The government keeps finding ways to come after our constitutional rights, we cannot give an inch or else the power hungry bureaucrats in Washington will take a mile! I am fighting for Arizona and fighting for you.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 16



### Stacey Seaman

**Party:** Democratic **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:**

**Biography:** I grew up in rural Arizona and attended public schools. After graduating from the University of Arizona with a degree in Music Education, I taught music at Casa Grande Elementary School. I now lead the performing arts center at Central Arizona College. I have always been a strong community advocate and have been prominent in our community. I served on the Casa Grande Arts and Humanities Commission for nine years, and have been a Casa Grande "Voices" of the Future Honoree, named an Exemplary

Woman Leader for Pinal County, and a National Women in Business Week Honoree.

**Statement:** Every child deserves access to high-quality education regardless of their zip code. I support proper funding for public schools, competitive salaries for teachers, and enhanced support for educational staff. I am also concerned about rising costs. I will work to prevent out-of-state investment firms from inflating housing costs and will fight to provide tax relief for working families. The cost of housing is far too high, and I support measures to provide housing assistance, prevent homelessness, and ensure folks have a stable, affordable place to live. I am endorsed by labor unions because I will always fight to give working families a good quality of life. Everyone deserves to live in a safe and secure community. I support measures to improve police-community relations, increase funding for first responders, and address the root causes of crime such as poverty and lack of education. I support common-sense gun laws that protect children while respecting Second Amendment rights. Pinal is the fastest growing county in one of the fastest growing states in the country. We must make investments in our infrastructure in order to accommodate recent growth, and ensure that growth serves the best interest of the community.



### Thomas "T.J." Shope

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [tjshope.com/](http://tjshope.com/)

**Biography:** T.J. Shope has a diverse family background, rooted in community. His grandmother and grandfather, Luisa and Jesse, shaped TJ's work ethic and philosophy. Jesse worked as a miner and was a member of the United Steelworkers. T.J.'s other grandfather opened an independent grocery store sixty years ago. T.J. was recognized as the "Freshman of the Year" from the Arizona Mining Association, a "Tech Ten" legislator by the Arizona Technology Council, and has proudly been endorsed by police and fire. T.J.

is a proud ASU Sun Devil and lives with his wife, Melissa, in Coolidge.

**Statement:** This election is critical for Arizona. I am proud to fight for District 16 and rural Arizona as your State Senator. From funding law enforcement, to fighting to bring new jobs to Pinal County, to supporting our mines and rural interest, I am working on priorities that benefit hard-working families throughout our state. I am proud to have earned endorsements from first responders, including police and fire, as well as business groups from around the state. I have sponsored legislation to provide law enforcement with the tools and the funding they need to get the job done and keep criminals off our streets, including voting for harsher penalties against drug cartels, dealers, and human traffickers. From border security and funding law enforcement, to responsibly investing in our schools, protecting our water rights and rural way of life, to balancing our state budget while investing in the I-10 widening and SR 347, I will keep fighting for you at the State Capitol! For more information visit [www.TJShope.com](http://www.TJShope.com).

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 16



### Chris Lopez

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.LopezForAZ.com](http://www.LopezForAZ.com)

**Biography:** Born and raised in Casa Grande, Chris Lopez is a small business owner, dad, and husband. Chris and his wife chose to raise their five kids in Casa Grande because it provides a great sense of community and upholds Arizona values. Chris attended the University of Anchorage Alaska to pursue a marketing degree and put his education and lessons learned into starting his business, which has grown with Arizona - and even into neighboring states. Passionate about his faith and local charities, he serves on non-profit boards that support our community!

**Statement:** Born and raised in Casa Grande, I have dedicated my life to finding common sense solutions to the challenges facing our community. As a dad, I know the importance of safe neighborhoods, a secure border, and the ability to provide Arizona families with great schools. As a small business owner, I know how critical a thriving economy is to the hardworking men and women in District 16, which is built upon safe neighborhoods and an affordable cost of living. I am committed to defending our shared values at the State Capitol. Whether it's more funding for police and first responders, defending our neighborhoods and securing the border, or fighting for employers and job creators throughout our state, I am the candidate with the private sector experience and knowledge we need at the Capitol. My wife and I chose to raise our family in Arizona based on the values we learned in Pinal County because we believe this community offers great schools, strong neighborhoods, and safe streets - and I'm committed to fighting to protect it. Learn more at [LopezForAZ.com](http://LopezForAZ.com)



### Teresa Martinez

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [martinezforarizona.com/](http://martinezforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** Rep. Teresa Martinez was born and raised in Casa Grande, AZ. Teresa is a single mom of a 22 year old son. She is the oldest of 5 children, Rep. Martinez has a long history working in politics, holding multiple positions for two Members of Congress and for the former Republican Arizona Secretary of State. Before getting into politics, Teresa worked as long term substitute teacher at her alma mater Casa Grande Union High School for several years and at the Frito Lay factory in Casa Grande.

**Statement:** My priorities include protecting local businesses, developing the economy in the face of inflation, and help to bring high paying jobs to the district. Transportation infrastructure is an important point of focus, especially as it pertains to the I-10 expansion between Casa Grande and Chandler as well as improvements on State Route 347 and 238 for the town of Maricopa. I will support legislation that makes our schools and our community safer. I support law enforcement and the adequate funding they require to do their jobs effectively. My other priorities include school choice and empowering parents, election integrity, preserving rural communities, protecting our Second Amendment and water. I will always put you first!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 16



### Keith Seaman

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.seamanforarizona.com/](http://www.seamanforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** I moved to Arizona in 1974 to start my first teaching job in Lake Havasu City. Over the next 40 years, I dedicated my life to education while raising my daughter. I worked as a teacher, principal, and superintendent in Mohave County. My time in education showed me the problems that teachers and students face; I decided I wanted to be a part of the solution. In 2018, I ran - and won - a seat on the Coolidge Unified School Board. As a school board member, I worked to support local students, teachers, and the community. I was elected by voters in 2022 for a term in the state legislature, and have since represented the middle class of our district and continued my life's work of serving the public.

**Statement:** During my 40 years in rural classrooms across the state, I saw firsthand the challenges faced by our public schools, teachers and students. I decided to run to ensure that we fully fund public schools, pay our teachers fair salaries, and ensure that every child in Arizona has access to quality public education, regardless of their zip code. I'm honored to serve as your representative in the state house, and am ready to continue listening to you. I strongly believe that our job at the legislature is to make the communities we represent more successful, safe, and affordable places for all to live and work. If re-elected, I will continue to fight for stronger schools, a long-term water supply that prioritizes Arizonans lower healthcare costs, reproductive freedom, and expediting road projects.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 17



### Venden "Vince" Leach

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** vinceleachforsenate.com

**Biography:** Vince Leach was elected to the State Senate to represent the people of Legislative District 11 in 2018. He had previously been elected to the Arizona House of Representatives in 2014 where he served 2 terms. Vince and his wife Charlene are natives of Wisconsin, and moved to SaddleBrooke, Arizona in 2007 in the heart of Legislative District 17. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin at St. Point with degrees in Political Science and History. After his service in the military during the Vietnam era, he began a career of over 35 years in sales and executive business management.

**Statement:** My goals: 1. Secure Border: - Ensuring a secure border is crucial for protecting a country's sovereignty, national security, and the safety of its citizens. - Implementing effective border control measures, such as border patrols, surveillance technology, and immigration policies, can help prevent illegal crossings and activities. - Balancing security with humanitarian concerns is essential, as countries must also consider the rights and well-being of migrants and refugees seeking asylum. 2. Strong Economy: - A strong economy is vital for providing opportunities, jobs, and a high quality of life for citizens. - Key factors for a strong economy include robust infrastructure, a skilled workforce, innovation, entrepreneurship, and a stable regulatory environment. - Governments can support economic growth through policies that promote investment, trade, education, and research and development. 3. Balanced Budget: - A balanced budget occurs when a government's revenues equal its expenditures, resulting in no deficit or surplus. - Maintaining a balanced budget is important for fiscal responsibility, avoiding excessive debt accumulation, and ensuring long-term financial stability. - Achieving a balanced budget often requires careful budget planning, effective allocation of resources, and sometimes making tough decisions about spending priorities and revenue sources.



### John McLean

**Party:** Democratic **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** www.mcleanforarizona.com/

**Biography:** John is a third-generation Arizonan and attended the University of Arizona before continuing to graduate school in California. When John and his wife started a family, they returned to Tucson to raise their children because of the good schools and outstanding quality of life. Shortly after returning to Tucson, John opened an office with Arete Associates to develop cutting-edge technologies for national security. John is a proven business leader who has brought nearly \$1B of economic activity to southern

Arizona over Arete's thirty-year history. He believes in true public service, where legislators put their communities' interests above their own.

**Statement:** I am a third-generation Arizona native, education advocate, and businessman. I know what Arizonans need and how we can better the lives of all Arizonans. My parents taught me the value of personal integrity, hard work, and community service. My mother was an educator, and I chose the Tucson region for my family for its remarkable public schools. The education I received in Southern Arizona set me up to succeed in my professional endeavors, and I know that good schools with outstanding teachers are the foundational building blocks to ensure future generations' success. I know the value of public service, and learned about true bipartisanship from my uncle Bob Wilcox, who served in the state Senate with Sandra Day O'Connor. I give back to the community through volunteer service, advocacy, and philanthropy in education, environmental sustainability, animal welfare, and quality of life in our community. I has served as an officer on the Board of four Arizona-based non-profits, and I am committed to making a positive impact.



## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 17



### **Rachel Jones**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.jonesforarizona.com](http://www.jonesforarizona.com)

**Biography:** Rachel Jones has been an active citizen of Arizona for 20 years. Rachel is a mother of five kids, three of whom were the blessing of adoption. Rachel's faith is her prime motivator in all that she does for her family and her state. As a mother of five, former teacher, and former business executive, Rachel knew that she could no longer sit by and let the elitist in Phoenix ruin her great state. That is why she decided to run for the AZ State House of Representatives in 2022 and was elected. She has successfully served in her first two legislative sessions and delivered on her promise to her constituents to be a representative of the people. She has also been a local leader on pro-life, Medical Freedom, and the border crisis. Rachel is an Authentic Conservative Fighter and she will not stop until we have restored Arizona's values.

**Statement:** I will continue to fight for constitutional legislation that is good policy for the constituents in my district. The status quo is no longer working and the people would like representatives who understand their needs and serve them instead of the special interest groups and lobbyists.



### **Cory McGarr**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.mcgarrforarizona.com/](http://www.mcgarrforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** Cory McGarr, a staunch constitutional conservative, is dedicated to expanding individual liberties while limiting government overreach. Disheartened by the lack of leadership among elected officials, Cory entered the political arena, running for the Arizona House in 2022 to uphold conservative principles. Since then, he has fearlessly championed conservative values, steadfast in his commitment to defending what's right, even when standing alone.

**Statement:** I stand as a beacon of hope for every American who's tired of empty promises and political games. In the State House, I fight tooth and nail to protect our rights, our values, and our way of life. From defending our freedoms to preserving our individual liberties, I'm in this fight for you! It's my hope to build a future where freedom reigns, government is limited, and every voice is heard.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 17



### Kevin Volk

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.kevinvolkaz.com](http://www.kevinvolkaz.com)

**Biography:** Kevin was born and raised in Tucson, where he attended neighborhood public schools and followed family tradition to attend Salpointe High School. After graduating college with a degree in Economics, Kevin served as a fifth-grade public school teacher with Teach For America, interned for Representative Gabby Giffords, and helped teach English in Mexico. Kevin came back home to Southern Arizona and joined Volk Company as a real estate agent helping small businesses find spaces. He is involved in the community as a volunteer for children's charities, and has founded a business to create affordable housing units for our community.

**Statement:** These days, it seems like all we get from the state legislature is extreme, divisive politics. We need to get back to public service - actually getting things done for people. I am proud to have been born and raised here in Southern Arizona. I'm running for the Arizona State House to address our most pressing challenges head-on and build a better future for our community and our state. I'm a small business owner - I will help us grow economic opportunities while addressing the high costs of living, including housing affordability. I'm a former public school teacher - I will fight to increase teacher pay and school funding so that all children have the opportunity to succeed. I grew up in our Sonoran desert - I will act with urgency to protect our water future for generations to come. I'm an Arizonan who values individual rights - I will help restore the Roe v. Wade standard for reproductive freedom. I'm willing to work together with anyone to improve life for Arizonans. I humbly ask for your vote - let's bring new leadership to the state legislature!  
Sincerely, Kevin

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 18



### Priya Sundareshan

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [priyaforarizona.com/](http://priyaforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** Born and raised in LD18, I love Tucson and the opportunities I had for an excellent public education and exploring the outdoors. Until recently, I taught natural resources law at the University of Arizona, and previously advocated for sustainable resource management. As a voting rights advocate, I have led voter protection efforts and engagement on redistricting. Having studied engineering at MIT and law and natural resource economics at the U of A, I know we need more science-based decision-making

in politics. As a mother of two small children, I want Arizona's future generations to inherit a sustainable world.

**Statement:** In my first term in the Arizona Senate after being elected in 2022, I have served as Ranking Member of the Senate Natural Resources Committee. In this role I have been able to lead on whether the bills we are hearing will serve Arizona's future, or whether they will increase depletion of our resources without benefit for the general public. I have introduced bills that will help Arizona lower greenhouse gas emissions and mitigate climate change, and manage our water resources more responsibly. I am also Ranking Member of the Senate Elections Committee. In this role I have been fighting against Republican attempts to take away voting rights and reduce voting access. Voting should be easy and accessible to everyone, and I will continue to fight to make sure our secure Arizona elections are kept that way. If Democrats take the majority, then we can be the chairs of these Committees and finally hear bills that would move Arizona forward and protect our future!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 18



### Nancy Gutierrez

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.nancyforaz.com](http://www.nancyforaz.com)

**Biography:** Representative Nancy Gutierrez was first elected in 2022. She serves as the House Democrat Minority Whip, the Education Committee and is Ranking Member on the Appropriations Committees. Nancy is a public school teacher and member of Tucson Education Association. Nancy works to pass gun sense legislation and protect our right to abortion and all other reproductive services. She has spent most of her life living in Arizona and has lived in Tucson since 2007. She has been married to her husband, Andy, since 1995 and they have two adult daughters. She has always been an active volunteer in the community and she has been teaching yoga in Tucson since 2008.

**Statement:** I am seeking reelection to serve another term as Representative for LD18 in the Arizona State House. I would like to continue my work to protect and fully fund our public schools, because, as a teacher, I have seen the devastating effects of the lack of funding and campaign of disrespect that has been happening for years in Arizona. As a union member, I will continue to work hard for all workers in Arizona that they have good pay and benefits. We must guarantee the right to abortion and all reproductive services for the people of Arizona and I will continue to do so. I will advance my work for gun sense legislation so that we are safer in our schools and communities. It has been my honor to serve on the Education and Appropriations Committees this session as well as be elected to leadership as the Democratic Whip for my caucus. It has been my mission to be communicative and present in my district and in Tucson. Serving LD18 has been an honor of a lifetime, and I would like to continue to do so.



### Chris Mathis

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.mathisforaz.com/](http://www.mathisforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Chris Mathis is a Democrat who lives with his wife, Colleen, in Tucson. He practices elder law, helping older Tucsonans and their families resolve issues related to long-term care, public benefits and passing on property to loved ones. He's a Professor of Practice at the University of Arizona's James E. Rogers College of Law and teaches classes on Health Care Law & Policy and Aging. Chris earned a Master in Public Administration from the Harvard John F. Kennedy School of Government and a Master in Public Health from the Harvard School of Public Health as well as law and undergraduate degrees from the University of Illinois.

**Statement:** Chris was appointed to the Arizona House of Representatives in 2021 and elected in 2022. He is running for re-election in 2024. In the Legislature, Chris has fought to restore reproductive rights, preserve Arizona's precious water resources, invest in public schools, protect voting rights and pass common-sense gun safety laws among other legislative and policy priorities. He is the ranking House member on the Natural Resources, Energy and Water Committee, the Rules Committee and the Ethics Committee. He also serves on the Health and Human Services Committee.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 18



### Leonard "Len" Rosenblum

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [vote.lenforhouse.info/](http://vote.lenforhouse.info/)

**Biography:** With 38 years of software and systems engineering experience, I'm ready to apply my expertise to serve our community. I hold both BS and MS degrees in Computer Engineering from University of Buffalo. I proudly call Tucson home since relocating from Long Island NY in 1997. I am happily married, and proud dad of a son, age 18, and a daughter, age 13. Community focused, I was a volunteer emergency medical technician (EMT), and Little League coach. I hold a current CCW permit, ham radio license

(N2KRW), and notary public commission. I am HOA treasurer, and CPR certified.

**Statement:** I support the Constitution, and protecting its 2nd amendment. Secure our border, collaborating with Border Patrol, to stop illicit activities (drugs, human trafficking, and unvetted immigrants). Keep criminals off the streets. Unpunished, small crimes lead to big crimes. Defeat high inflation. Eliminate waste, fraud, and abuse using fiscal responsibility and accountability. Use economies of scale statewide. Enhance our road infrastructure. Build I-11 to Hoover Dam. Maintain our beautiful nature, and hiking trails. Improve K-12 education, all choices. Attract high paying jobs, reduce crime, and enhance our next generation. I will fight to increase teacher salaries commensurate to their certifications and performance. I promote preventive medicine education, and support medical privacy. Close legal loopholes. Repeal squatter rights to protect homeowners. Implement a modern voting system offering great integrity using encryption, authentication, and non-repudiation algorithms. Inspire citizen confidence in the election process. Avoid rule changes during election season. Water resource development, fair allocation, and long-term planning will ensure sufficient water. I will bring my life experiences and community spirit to the legislature, through rationale. Collaboration with my counterparts at all government levels leads to comprehensive solutions of complex issues. The House needs Len Rosenblum, the Logical Choice. God bless Arizona.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 19



### David Gowan

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [gowanforaz.com](http://gowanforaz.com)

**Biography:** David holds a B.A. in Secondary Education/Social Studies from the University of Arizona. He has been married to his wife Jessie for 30 years and they have two sons. They've lived in Southern Arizona for over 30 years. David is an active member of his church. He has been active in BSA where he helped his son earn his Eagle. He sits on the Board for Veritas Christian Community School. He is a member of the ELKS Lodge #2065, is a committed martial artist, and is the Chairman of Tai Shin Ki Do Martial Arts

System founded by Hanshi Barnes.

**Statement:** I'm proud as always to be your State Senator and I remember each and every day why I ran for office and who I work for. Liberals up in Maricopa County don't like me because I don't cater to the establishment or the "powers that be." I work for you! And I'm as committed as ever to making sure rural Arizona has a strong voice to stand up to the Maricopa County majorities that dominate our State Legislature. I've been named Champion of the Taxpayer, Friend of the Family, earned an A+ from the NRA, turned our state's budget deficit into a surplus, and helped turn Arizona into the #1 pro-life state, #1 pro-2nd Amendment state, and #1 pro-school choice state in the country, all while cutting regulations and growing jobs! Your values are my values! I will continue to fight alongside State Representatives Gail Griffin and Lupe Diaz for election integrity, secure borders, high-paying jobs, quality schools and school choice, taking care of our police and veterans, and more. I ask for your vote and thank you for the trust you continue to show me. All the best from the entire Gowan family. God bless!



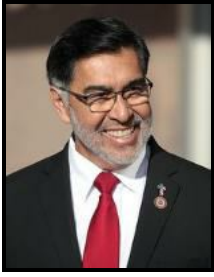
### Bob Karp

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [www.rwkarp.com/](http://www.rwkarp.com/)

**Biography:** Bob Karp ran for Arizona the old LD14 House of Representatives in 2018 and the State Senate in 2020. Bob, a graduate of UCLA, has owned and operated a small manufacturing aerospace company, a software development company, and after retirement here in Arizona a Real Estate brokerage. He moved to Cochise County in 2005 and lives in Sierra Vista. He was president of the Southeast Arizona Association of Realtors in 2015 and served on the Sierra Vista Planning and Zoning Commission in 2017.

**Statement:** I am running for Arizona State Senate legislative district 19 because I believe that democracy is best served by a vigorous discussion of the issues facing our state government. For too long opposing viewpoints are routinely ignored by our state elected officials. A strong multi-party system helps ensure that those in power are held accountable by the voters. Arizona state government must invest in public education that guarantees ALL students in Arizona outstanding schools, build a modern infrastructure; stop tax breaks to special interests; allow local governments to govern; support economic fairness; champion diversity and inclusion, create an environment for sustained economic growth that provides good jobs and good pay checks for workers in rural Arizona while protecting our precious natural resources and environment; protect a women's reproductive healthcare. If elected, I will work hard as your state senator to be a voice for southeastern Arizona counties of Cochise, Greenlee, Graham, Santa Cruz and Pima. I pledge to listen to everyone, respecting those that do not agree with me; representing all of you, ethically, honestly, effectively and professionally. Republicans have controlled the state legislature for over three decades. It is time for new responsible leadership in southeastern Arizona.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 19



### Lupe Diaz

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [lupediazaz.com](http://lupediazaz.com)

**Biography:** Grew up in Bisbee AZ. Worked at Fort Huachuca, where he saved and gained an intense interest in Biblical Theology and the Christian life. Eventually, he chose to pursue a calling as a full-time pastor. In 1988 he received a call to pastor a small rural church in Benson, AZ. Today, Grace Chapel Benson has grown considerably and he is still the lead pastor. In 1998 they opened Grace Christian Academy where he serves as the Administrator. Also served as President of the Benson/San Pedro Valley Chamber of Commerce for four years, and spent four years as a City Councilman.

**Statement:** I'm a native Arizonan and I'm doing my very best to fulfill my commitment to my faith, family, community, and country, by serving you all in the State House. Working alongside Senator David Gowan and Representative Gail Griffin, I am proud to defend the freedoms given to us by God and enshrined in our Constitution. I fight for, and will continue to fight for, a strong economy, border security, election integrity, water, freedom from medical tyranny, our 2nd Amendment rights, our mining and agricultural communities, religious freedom, and the rights of parents to direct the education of their children. I was born in Cochise County and grew up the son of a miner in Bisbee. I currently live in Benson with my wife of 50 years (and high school sweetheart) Mary. We are blessed with two children and eleven grandchildren. The work I do as your legislator, I do for you, so if you have something that needs attention, please contact my office directly at [ldiaz@azleg.gov](mailto:ldiaz@azleg.gov) or call (602) 926-4852. For campaign questions, please contact me through my website at [LupeDiazAZ.com](http://LupeDiazAZ.com). Thank you for your continued support, prayers, and vote.



### Gregg Frostrom Jr.

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [www.frostrom4azhouse.com](http://www.frostrom4azhouse.com)

**Biography:** I'm Gregg Frostrom, US Army veteran, and devoted family man with a small-town upbringing, now striving to serve as your State Representative. Anchored by 23 distinguished years in Military Intelligence, my career spanned from Afghanistan to Arizona and North Carolina to Kosovo. Since retiring as a Chief Warrant Officer Four, I earned an MBA and shaped a career in clinical research. Arizona has been home for a decade to me, my wife Caroline, and our three children who all thrived in public schools. I

stand for democracy, quality education for all, rural healthcare access, and safeguarding our precious water resources.

**Statement:** In Arizona, our most precious resources and values are at stake. I'm Gregg Frostrom, aiming to represent District 19 with integrity and dedication. My military career instilled in me a profound commitment to democracy and fair play. I seek to preserve the lifeblood of our state—our water—by advocating for transparency and sustainability, ensuring that no Arizonan doubts the safety of their tap. In rural healthcare, I will fight to bridge the existing gaps with incentives for healthcare providers, telehealth expansion, and robust broadband infrastructure. Education is the bedrock of our future, and I will staunchly oppose policies that erode public school funding, redirecting focus to where opportunity should be boundless—for every child in every classroom in Arizona. I invite skeptical voters to consider this an open invitation to dialogue and action. Whether you've always voted Democrat or are contemplating a change, know that in me you will have a representative who listens, cares deeply, and is unwavering in pursuing what's best for our community. This election, cast your vote for integrity, for accessibility, for education—and for an Arizona that remains bountiful and free. Vote Gregg Frostrom for Legislative District 19 State Representative.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 19



### **Gail Griffin**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** griffinforaz.com

**Biography:** Gail is serving as or has also served as Vice Chairman of the Rules Committee, as a member of the Appropriations Committee, the Land, Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee, the Governor's Water Augmentation, Innovation and Conservation Council and the Joint Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Oversight of Emergency Executive Powers. She has also served on the Water Banking Authority, the Water Protection Fund, and more. "Senator of the Year" from the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), "Legislator of the Year" from Arizona Rural Health Association and from the Arizona Mining Association. Realtor for 45 years. Lives in Cochise County.

**Statement:** Legislative District 19 needs a strong voice at the capital for Greater Arizona. I have the leadership skills and experience to continue to be that voice. JOBS and the ECONOMY of our state and local communities is a top priority. I believe we have a duty and responsibility to SECURE OUR BORDERS, enforce our laws and protect the citizens of Arizona. Border Security is National Security. I believe in LIMITED GOVERNMENT, LOWER TAXES, PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY, EDUCATION EXCELLENCE, and in the FREE ENTERPRISE SYSTEM. I will continue the fight for the Protection of Property Rights, Water Rights and Military/Veteran issues. I am PRO-BUSINESS, PRO-TAXPAYER, PRO-FAMILY and PRO-CONSTITUTION. I am a successful businesswoman, and a recipient of Legislator of the Year from the Rural Health Association and other similar awards from the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) and Arizona March of Dimes. I currently serve as Chairman of the Arizona House Natural Resource, Energy and Water Committee. I'm glad to be part of the Legislative District 19 Team of GRIFFIN, DIAZ and GOWAN because we work hard to ensure Southeastern Arizona is represented. We thank you for your vote.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 20



### **Sally Ann Gonzales**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

**Biography:** Senator Sally Ann Gonzales a member of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe. A former elementary teacher, she holds a B.A. degree in Elementary Education and an M.A. degree in Multicultural Education from the University of Arizona. In 1992, Gonzales was elected to the Pascua Yaqui Tribal Council. In 1996, became the first Indigenous woman elected to the Arizona House of Representatives, where she served until 2000 and again between 2010 and 2018 when she was elected to the State Senate. Currently, Senator Gonzales is

the ranking member of the Health & Human Services Committee and Co-Chair of the Indigenous Peoples Caucus.

**Statement:** I am Senator Sally Ann Gonzales. I've had the privilege and honor to serve you, my constituents for the past 18 years. It has been my mission to advocate and protect our most vulnerable citizens, our children, elders, disabled, and veterans. As Arizonans continue to recover economically from the pandemic and the housing crisis continues, it is crucial to work to provide a safety-net for all our citizens impacted. In the education arena, fully funding our public district schools means providing, competitive salaries and benefits for all teachers and support staff as well as smaller classroom sizes. Having full-time counselors and nurses at each school is vital for the social and emotional wellbeing of our students. I'm committed to expanding vocational opportunities and growing our workforce by funding and supporting programs like JTED. It is essential that our three universities/community colleges be recognized, treated, and funded as engines of economic development in Arizona. In closing, clean air and water are essential to the well-being of our citizens. Therefore, Arizona must have strong laws to ensure the protection and improvement of our environment. PROTECTING OUR VOTING RIGHTS IS FUNDAMENTAL! I humbly ask for your continued support on November 5, 2024.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 20

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### **Alma Hernandez**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

No Biography

No Statement Submitted.



### **Betty Villegas**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [bettyvillegasaz.com](http://bettyvillegasaz.com)

**Biography:** Betty Villegas is a third-generation Tucson native who worked in banking for 17 years before transitioning to public service. She retired as the Housing Program Manager for Pima County in 2016. In 2020, she was appointed to the Pima County Board of Supervisors following the passing of Supervisor Richard Elias. Betty is married to retired teacher Juan, and together, they have four children and five grandchildren. Betty is a passionate advocate for affordable housing, public education, environmental justice, and

improving the quality of life for vulnerable individuals in the community. She actively participates in various boards and commissions to promote equity, social justice, and healthy living.

**Statement:** I am a third-generation Tucsonan and have been a lifelong resident of Pima County. With 25 years of dedicated public service, I deeply understand our district's needs and am committed to serving LD 20, Pima County, and Arizona. My experience in government enables me to understand the structure of state government. As a housing professional, I can create equitable solutions for all. As a member of various boards and commissions focused on Southern Arizona's well-being and culture, I understand the importance of community representation. During my tenure on the Pima County Board of Supervisors in April 2020, amidst the pandemic, I prioritized protecting our employees and ensuring our public health department was well-funded and equipped to respond effectively. Upholding LGBTQ+ rights and advocating for women's and transgender reproductive healthcare freedom are integral to my values. I am dedicated to advancing legislation safeguarding our water, air quality, and natural resources. Supporting fully funded, safe, and well-maintained public education is paramount. My approach centers on solution-based policies aimed at enhancing the lives of everyone in our community. My qualifications and experience ensure I am ready to continue representing LD 20 effectively.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 21



### **Rosanna Gabaldón**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [votegabaldon.com/](http://votegabaldon.com/)

**Biography:** Rosanna Gabaldón is a dedicated public servant representing Arizona Legislative District 21 in the State Senate since 2021. She served as a State Representative from 2013 to 2021 and as a Sahuarita Town Council Member from 2009 to 2012. Her priorities include public education, economic development and water sustainability. Committed to community service, Gabaldón has held leadership roles in several non-profit organizations. She continues to advocate for her constituents.

**Statement:** Having served as a Town Council Member, State Representative and State Senator, I bring leadership, experience, and common sense to my office. I am guided by my commitment to Southern Arizona and my belief in collaboration; we are more successful when we listen to each other. Working alongside local stakeholders, educators, and business leaders, I've championed initiatives that foster growth and educational opportunities, particularly for our children. I want a future where all Arizonans can thrive, with a strong emphasis on supporting public education and economic development while safeguarding our environment and vulnerable communities. Together, we've achieved much, but there's more work ahead to shape the future of our state. With your continued support, I am ready to meet the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead, ensuring that our voices are heard and Southern Arizona's needs are met in the State Senate.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 21



### Stephanie Stahl Hamilton

**Party:** Democratic **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [www.stahlhamiltonforaz.com](http://www.stahlhamiltonforaz.com)

**Biography:** Stephanie Stahl Hamilton was born in Flagstaff and raised on Navajo Tribal Lands. She completed her Master of Divinity at Princeton Theological Seminary in 2003 and made Tucson her home. In 2018, Stephanie worked on the NO on 305 campaign, repealing the voucher expansion passed into law in 2017. In 2020 Stephanie was elected to the Arizona House of Representatives and re-elected in 2022. Stephanie is married to Derek Hamilton and they have three children ages 22, 19, and 16. They enjoy camping,

fishing, and walking their two dogs

**Statement:** In our lifetime, never has our state and nation's future depended on the outcome of an election. My name is Stephanie Stahl Hamilton, and I am running for re-election to the Arizona House of Representatives in District 21. I was first elected to the State House in 2020. Serving the public is my calling and vocation. The wife of a public middle school teacher and mom of three children, education has always been a top priority. I spent my personal and professional life advocating for the needs of children in my community. Through it all, I saw how the legislature has failed Arizona families, especially our most vulnerable populations. I know how to help constituents access the services they need and overcome the challenges they face. I have worked to protect our water and air, pushed for all people to be treated with dignity and respect, and led the effort to repeal the 1864 ban on abortion. With an eye to the future, I am committed to enacting policies that create opportunities for Arizona children and families while safeguarding resources so that generations beyond will have what they need to succeed. I promise that I will serve with justice, compassion, and common sense.



### Consuelo Hernandez

**Party:** Democratic **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [www.consueloforarizona.com/](http://www.consueloforarizona.com/)

**Biography:** Representative Consuelo Hernandez was born and raised in Southside of Tucson. She is a proud graduate from Sunnyside High School, earned her degree in Global Health from Arizona State University and went on to become the president of Sunnyside Union School District School Board and has dedicated her career to mentoring at-risk youth and fighting to improve her community. Consuelo earned a master's in law with a concentration in economics at the University of Arizona as well as a certificate in

education finance from George Washington University. Consuelo has dedicated her life to helping uplift her community.

**Statement:** Representative Consuelo Hernandez is in her first term, finishing up her second year as one of your legislators. Since her first term in office, she has championed fully funding public education, voting rights, reproductive rights, and better job opportunities. Her first bill was signed into law to require the families of the severely mentally ill to be part of the civil commitment and exit plan for their loved ones. She was recognized among the most successful legislators in the district, bringing 60 million in historic funding for homelessness, 7.5 million for OBGYN services, 8.6 million for I-19 and Ruby Road, and 2 million for Pima Community College. She is proud to have been recognized by the March of Dimes as legislator of the year for her work in maternal health and for bringing 7.5 million for OBGYN services for our community health centers. The Community Health Centers of Arizona recognized her as well as Legislator of the Year in her first year. She has proven to be someone that has proven to work on your behalf and fight for you and she hopes to earn your support to continue to help improve the lives of the people in our district.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 21



### **Christopher Kibbey**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [kibbeyforaz.org/](http://kibbeyforaz.org/)

**Biography:** I am a Tucson native, a husband, and father. I am a Christian. Professionally, I am an engineer. My family has been a part of southern Arizona for many decades. We have worked in the mines, helped bring water to our neighborhoods and farming communities, run local businesses, and invested in our pueblos. I attended both Pima Community College and the University of Arizona. During graduate school, I moved to Mexico to teach and learn. I returned home and continued working with folks from all walks of life. These experiences have taught me the value of investing in people.

**Statement:** People matter. What we do today, matters. With a long view of history in mind, we can easily discern our trajectory forward. The obvious question is – what do we need to now to provide every avenue of success to future generations? Our response to this question will determine how well we accomplish our mission. Our Arizona State Constitution declares (Article 2, Section 1) “A frequent recurrence to fundamental principles is essential to the security of individual rights and the perpetuity of free government.” As well as (Article 2, Section 2) “All political power is inherent in the people, and governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed, and are established to protect and maintain individual rights.” With this foundation established, put me to work. I will fight for educational freedom, to improve scholastic standards, regain control of our border, protect our citizens' liberties, and help restore our adherence to values embraced and required by our Constitutional Republic. It is our responsibility to teach future generations how to protect and keep a very rare gift – freedom.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 22

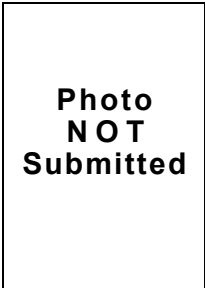


### Eva Diaz

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.EvaDiaz4AZ.com](http://www.EvaDiaz4AZ.com)

**Biography:** My name is Dr. Eva Diaz. I have served in the Arizona State Senate since 2022. I am a Democrat who is a tireless fighter for families in our community. I am a lifelong educator and prioritize effective public education, quality, affordable healthcare; and working families. While in the Senate, I have worked to champion women's rights and minority rights. I am now running for re-election to continue the work. We need a candidate who has integrity and respects democracy. I am committed to being just that.

**Statement:** As a lifelong educator, I will continue fighting for: • Public Education • Women's Rights • Minority Rights • Working Families • Affordable Housing • Affordable Healthcare • Our Latino community. In the past two years, I made strong relationships at the capitol and fought against bills that would hurt our communities. I fought for more funding for public schools and universities. With the support of my colleagues, I passed a bill unanimously in both chambers, SB1315. SB1315 ensures that there is a plan in place for special needs students in emergency situations. I am running for re-election to continue the work I have started at the Arizona State Senate and I ask for your vote on November 5, 2024. To learn more about my campaign and where I stand on the issues, please visit my website at [EvaDiaz4AZ.com](http://EvaDiaz4AZ.com).



### Steve Robinson

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

No Biography

No Statement Submitted.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 22



### **Lupe Chavira Contreras**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

**Biography:** My name is Lupe Chavira Contreras. I was raised in Cashion (Avondale) to Manuel and Oralia Contreras. I attended school at Littleton Elementary and Underdown Jr High. I graduated in 1993 with the first graduating class from Westview High School. I am the Director for New Business at Pomeroy & Associates, where I have worked for 26 years.

**Statement:** I was elected to the Arizona State Legislature in November 2012. I have served as State Representative and Senator. During my legislative tenure, my caucus has entrusted me in leadership as Assistant Minority Whip, Assistant Leader, and currently Minority Leader for the House of Representatives. I reside in Avondale with my wife, Sara and three children, Lupe Jr., Violeta, and Amalia. Our children attend Littleton School District and Tolleson High School District. My wife is a Board Member for Littleton School District and employed with Tolleson High School District. I'm grateful for my constituents and for their support. I take pride in representing LD22, it's home for me and my family. It's where I was raised and where I've chosen to raise my own family. It's not a place I claim, it's a place that claimed me.



### **Blaine "Bj" Griffin Sr.**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

**Biography:** I am Blaine C Griffin, a proud American, father, husband, Christian conservative. I have been a successful businessman in Arizona for more than 30 years. I have coached Pop Warner football for 24 years. I am the father of eight children, seven grandchildren. I Am pro Second Amendment, I am pro-life, freedom lover and constitutional loyalist. I retired from the state of Arizona (DBME) and was a licensed realtor in the state of Arizona. I am a Cancer surviving fighter which God has declared Won! Once I have

achieved many of my life's pursuits.

**Statement:** Arizona has provided myself and my family with many opportunities. I have nothing but the utmost respect and gratitude for the state for allowing me to be an intricate part of my community. I thank each and every one of my constituents for those opportunities. Arizona has been just amazing in my humble opinion as one of the greatest States to reside in, it's probably the greatest States in our country, and for that I am truly blessed to live here. Now, I'm seeking an opportunity to represent the people, my constituents, with responsible and accountable representation which I feel is lacking with some of today's politicians. Full disclosures; I'm not a politician and I don't think I would rather be, I am a businessman and I believe that Arizona needs businessmen to handle and take care of the business of Arizonians. I vow that I will make no decisions and no laws that will interfere with the 4F's in which I stand by and those are; my faith, my family, my freedoms and my ability to be fiscally responsible. This is what I will bring to the table as representative of District 22. Let's Make Arizona Great Again!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 22



### **Diana Jones**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

**Biography:** Diana retired from 25 years civil service and 20 years in the Air Force Reserves to be a stay-at-home mom to her adopted daughters. She has resided in Arizona since 2013 and in LD 22 since 2017. Her Amateur radio license became valuable when she was a volunteer with the Vacaville CA police dept. She was a member of the PTA, volunteered as a classroom parent, and at the high school library. She was founding member of the TEA Party in Yucaipa CA 2009–2012. She has been a PC since 2016.

**Statement:** E Pluribus Unum – Out of many one. We are a melting pot. I believe in legal immigration not illegal immigration. I am a strong supporter of the 1st and 2nd amendments. I do not support a gun registration because of what happened in Germany when Hitler was in power. Abortion is not to be used for birth control. It should only be used in extreme conditions (rape, incest, life of the woman). If you do not use birth control and get pregnant then take responsibility for your actions. Either keep the child and raise it or make an adoption plan. I am the recipient of two wonderful girls because two young ladies chose life. Kneeling for the flag does not solve the problem you are trying to showcase, actions do. If you are worried about the inner-city kids become a mentor to them.



### **Elda Luna-Najera**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:**

**Biography:** Dr. Elda Luna-Najera was born and raised in Arizona. The majority of her professional work has been with families and children in nonprofit settings and public education. She has worked as a school social worker and a school administrator overseeing school social work programming, supporting unhoused and foster care students. She has been a longtime resident of LD22 for over 22 years. Her children attend public school in LD22. Dr. Luna-Najera earned her undergraduate and graduate degrees

from Arizona State University. She holds a Doctorate in Social Work from the University of Southern California.

**Statement:** As your LD22 State Representative, I will work to ensure that our public schools receive full and equitable funding so that every student has access to a quality education. I am committed to expanding affordable housing options to make it easier for families to find a safe and stable place to live. Prioritizing the restoration and safeguarding of women's rights is essential to me. It is crucial to protect our precious water resources for future generations. I believe our community deserves fair, livable wages and I will actively advocate for small businesses and support unions to strengthen our local economy and workforce. I am committed to working tirelessly in the best interest of our community, being a voice for the collective whole, and prioritizing the community's needs over my own. I am driven by a passion to serve and make a positive impact in our community. As your LD22 State Representative, you can expect open communication, collaboration, and the leveraging of our collective efforts. I will work diligently for the betterment of our community, listen to your concerns, and implement inclusive solutions.



## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 23



### **Michelle Altherr**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [altherrld23.com](http://altherrld23.com)

**Biography:** My name is Michelle Altherr, I am a US Air Force Veteran and graduated from the USAF Community College with a degree in Applied Sciences. I am the Chairman of Legislative District 23, a Precinct Committeeman, State Committeeman, and a State Delegate. I was a National Delegate who cast a vote in support of Donald J. Trump as the Republican Presidential Nominee. I am married 35 years to Frank Altherr, and proud mother and grandmother of two grandsons.

**Statement:** I am a grassroots patriot who proudly stands alongside 'we the people.' I served 15 years in the Air Force and was consistently recognized for my leadership qualities and my ability to work with people to get the job done. I accomplished this without compromising my integrity. My journey into politics began with volunteering for Latinos for Trump in 2019, and since then I've remained actively engaged. As your Legislative District Chairman, I have made it a priority to help conservative candidates get elected as well as addressing critical issues within our election process. I am first and foremost a Disciple of Christ, determined to fight for policies that prioritize the well-being of our citizens and uphold the values that make America great. With a strong sense of duty and a commitment to servant leadership, I will work hard to bring back American patriotism, pride, and integrity to the office of our elected officials. That is why I am running to represent you in the Senate, and together, we can restore faith in our republic and build a brighter future for generations to come.



### **Brian Fernandez**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.briansfernandez.com](http://www.briansfernandez.com)

**Biography:** As a proud native of Yuma, Arizona, my roots run deep in this state for six generations. My educational journey began in Yuma's public schools and led me to Arizona State University, where I earned my degree. Following my university studies, I ventured to Washington, DC, to establish Symfodium, a company dedicated to developing CRM software. After experiencing success and eventually selling my venture, I returned to my home state of Arizona. Subsequently, I had the privilege of being selected to fill a

vacancy in the Arizona House. Two years following this appointment, I was deeply honored to be elected as a member of the Arizona State Senate.

**Statement:** My core philosophy aligns with mainstream views that resonate with the spirit and aspirations of many Arizonans. I am committed to fostering a thriving economy, ensuring our education system is top-notch, and maintaining strong and safe communities. My focus lies on bipartisan solutions that resonate with a broad majority of Arizonans, seeking common ground on pivotal issues such as healthcare access, because every person deserves the right to affordable, quality care. I support responsible fiscal policies that stabilize our state's budget while investing in critical sectors such as infrastructure, which spur job growth and sustainable development. Moreover, I prioritize protecting our environment and natural resources to ensure Arizona's beauty and biodiversity endure for future generations. I endorse policies that bolster public safety, promote fair and equitable law enforcement, and guarantee a legal system that respects the dignity of every individual. Another critical plank of my platform is education, where I advocate for appropriate funding, support for teachers, and programs that prepare our youth for the challenges of the 21st century. As your State Senator, my objective is to represent a pragmatic voice that genuinely reflects Arizona, and ensures a bright future ahead.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 23



### **Michele Pena**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** michelepena.com

**Biography:** Michele Pena, an administrative assistant for a farming company in Yuma, Arizona, rose up and won her seat as Representative this last term. Carrying her abundance of heart strengthening life experiences, she has exhibited great care and advocacy for the people of Arizona. Some of her accomplishments include protecting parental rights in their children's education, bills to support our people in their continuing struggle to provide for their families and increasing opportunities for our veterans. Against all odds, Michele looks to continue her pursuit to be a voice for our great state in pushing for a better living against intervening forces.

**Statement:** In this last term, we have had the opportunity to get to know each other. However, in this one, I would like you to know more about what I carry in my heart and what drives me to want to continue this battle; Love. The majority of my life was taken over by a high controlled organization that restricted my family's lives and freedoms. We were able to break the bounds and finally experience life through the freedoms of this great nation. With my experiences, I come to see the impending control of BIG government, similar to what I've known. That is what bares the fruit of my passion to fight the small battles, starting with our beautiful state of Arizona. I love Arizona. I love our people. I love you. Call it boring or childish, but Love for one another is what will help us all improve the concerns over the current economy, preserve and grow the minds of our children, and bring safety to our neighborhoods. As a mother, I reserve the patience and strength to fight these battles through the everlasting example of Love.



### **Matias Rosales**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** www.matiasrosales.com/

**Biography:** Matias Rosales has called San Luis, AZ, home for two decades. A loving husband and proud father of four, Matias balances his roles as a real estate professional and a respected councilmember within his community. With over 12 years of service to the city of San Luis, including a tenure as Vice Mayor, Matias has demonstrated a profound commitment to public service. He finds fulfillment in giving back to his community and volunteers his time as a wish granter for the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Matias knows the meaning of public service and plans to take his expertise to the state legislature.

**Statement:** I moved with my wife, my middle school sweetheart, to San Luis two decades ago. We have built a beautiful life here and raised our four children. As a realtor, there is nothing more gratifying than connecting with former clients and hearing their stories, from the joy of purchasing their first home to the memories created in their backyard with their kids and pet. On the City Council, I have served our community for 12 years and brought hundreds of millions of dollars to complete projects in our city. We funded an expansion of the port of entry, improvements to our roads, a new fire station, and renovations to our park. Today, San Luis is one of the safest cities in the state. As your representative in the state house, I will continue the great work we've done in San Luis at the state level. With consultation of the people I represent, I am committed to growing economic opportunities, strengthening our public schools, and addressing critical issues such as high housing costs and water scarcity. Additionally, I will champion freedom: politicians have no business getting involved in the personal healthcare decisions of women.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 23



### **Mariana Sandoval**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.sandovalforaz.com](http://www.sandovalforaz.com)

**Biography:** Representative Mariana Sandoval graduated with a degree in Interdisciplinary and Paralegal Studies from Los Angeles Mission College. Rep. Sandoval believes education is the great equalizer because it empowers our community to create sustainable futures. A safe and quality education should be affordable and accessible to all people, regardless of socioeconomic or immigration status. She has dedicated her career to public service as a paralegal in both nonprofit (legal aid) and government (Arizona Attorney General's Office) sectors. From January 2017 to December 2020, she served on the Agua Fria Union High School District Governing Board, and she continues her service as Ex-Officio Member on the Arizona Latino School Board Association Board. She was elected to serve in the Arizona State House of Representatives for Legislative District 23 in November 2022 and has remained in that role since January 2023.

**Statement:** We've had the same party leading Arizona since the Vietnam War; this is simply not working for families today. We continue to face challenges in education, affordable housing, healthcare, living wages, voter suppression and prolonged drought. Our district needs someone with the experience and commitment to tackle these challenges. These challenges will continue to be ignored until we elect a majority that puts people before party. Arizona needs trusted servant-leaders with values and integrity that reflect our working class. We need representatives who understand and put the needs of the voters above their own interests. If re-elected, I commit to continuing to advocate for you and your family like I do for mine. I will continue to advocate for public education funding, educator pay increases, affordable housing, healthcare access for all, our environment and all issues currently affecting Arizonans. I hope to be able to earn your vote once again on July 30, 2024 and in the November general election. Together, we can build a better Arizona for all!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 24



### **Analise Ortiz**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.ortizforaz.com/](http://www.ortizforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Rep. Analise Ortiz lives in Maryvale and represents West Phoenix and South Glendale in the Arizona House of Representatives. Ortiz is a native Arizonan, a small business owner, and a former journalist and civil rights activist. As our representative, Ortiz doubled investments into affordable housing and homelessness. As the lead Democrat on the Judiciary Committee, she defended reproductive rights. Ortiz's experience in the Legislature and her record of taking action for our community make her

the best choice for State Senate District 24. She will continue working to make housing more affordable, invest in public schools, and strengthen civil rights.

**Statement:** Thank you to the voters of Maryvale and Glendale for choosing me to be your Democratic nominee for the State Senate. As your State Representative, I've delivered on my promises by securing more money for affordable housing, investing in public schools, and fighting for our civil rights. Growing up in Arizona, my parents were both educators who taught their six kids the importance of giving back. I graduated summa cum laude from the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism at ASU and became an investigative reporter. After uncovering government corruption, I decided to get involved in politics to make a change. I worked at a civil rights organization before the people of Maryvale and Glendale elected me to the Arizona House of Representatives in 2022. I am humbled to have been recognized as the Best Political Rising Star by the Capitol Times, Legislator of the Year by the professional OBGYN association, and the recipient of the Cartwright School District Award of Excellence. I would be honored to earn your vote so I can take my experience, compassion, and dedication to the State Senate and continue fighting for our community.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 24



### Anna Abeytia

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [linktr.ee/abeytiaforaz](https://linktr.ee/abeytiaforaz)

**Biography:** Anna Abeytia, a sixth-generation Arizonan from Maryvale/Glendale, serves as President of the Cartwright School Board and is running for Arizona House of Representatives in Legislative District 24. Raised in activism, she mobilized peers against Sheriff Joe Arpaio. Committed to youth empowerment, she organizes young voters and champions public education, drawing from her experiences as a daughter of a teacher and former special education assistant. As a mother, she advocates for fully funded schools, free meals, mental health services, and reproductive rights. Abeytia's mission is to create a future where all children thrive in a supportive community.

**Statement:** I am a sixth-generation Arizonan, from the Maryvale/Glendale area, President of the Cartwright School District Governing Board. She has championed the needs of Cartwright students now she looks to champion the needs of District 24. From a young age, my roots in activism were nurtured by my grandparents, fostering a deep commitment to social justice. As a teenager, I organized peers to mobilize against Sheriff Joe Arpaio, igniting my passion for community engagement. Today, as President of the Cartwright School Board, I continue my advocacy, empowering scholars and addressing the pressing issues facing my district. My dedication to public education is deeply personal, with my mother being a public school teacher and myself being a former education assistant for special education. Witnessing firsthand the challenges educators face, I am steadfast in my mission to ensure they have the resources they need to thrive. As a mother, my aspirations extend to future generations. I envision a world where every child has access to quality education, nutritious meals, mental health support, and reproductive rights. Through my candidacy, I seek to build a brighter future for my daughter and all children in LD24, fostering a community where everyone can thrive.



### Lydia Hernandez

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [VoteLydiaHernandez.com](https://VoteLydiaHernandez.com)

**Biography:** Lydia Hernandez is the daughter of migrant farmworkers, Moises and Maria Hernandez, and was born in Rio Grande Valley, Texas. It was at an early age that her father taught his children the value of keeping their word and having a strong work ethic. She is a graduate of Baylor University-Political Science-Pre-Law. Lydia has dedicated her adult life to community service at the local/state/national level; she has served on Maryvale YMCA board of directors, neighborhood Block Watch, City of Phoenix's; Maryvale Village Planning Commission &; Weed and seed, and on the Human Services Commission as Chairwoman.

**Statement:** Lydia Hernandez is the daughter of migrant farmworkers, born in South Texas. Her resilient path began at a young age as a migrant coupled with her parents'; insistence on the importance of education are the key components that created Lydia's hunger for knowledge. She is a graduate of Baylor University. In Arizona, (1993), she grew into a leadership role with Valley Interfaith Project as a grassroots leader, organizing public actions. Her involvement & leadership led to the birth of the Arizona Coalition for Immigrant Rights, an effort to civically engage families in public discourse which ultimately culminated in the massive marches that encouraged over 300,000 families to advocate for immigrant rights. This exposed Arizona nationally, and for the first time, our state was engaged in the conversation with national groups regarding training, civic engagement, citizen workshops, voter registration, and get-out-the-vote efforts. Currently, Mrs. Hernandez serves on the Cartwright School District Governing Board #83 where she has served since 2003. In 2010, under her leadership, turned the District academically around. Mrs. Hernandez is a former State Legislator for LD29 with over 30 years of experience in public service! EDUCATION! JOBS! HOUSING! HEALTH CARE! BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 25



### Timothy "Tim" Dunn

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.timdunnaz.com/](http://www.timdunnaz.com/)

**Biography:** Tim is a lifelong resident of Legislative District 25, growing up in a conservative farming family built on Christian values. He graduated from the U. of A. with a B.S. in Agriculture and has been married to Eileen for 23 years. Together, they raised their two sons- Kirk and Timothy Dunn. Tim as elected in 2018 to the AZ House. He currently serves as the Chairman of the Government committee and is on the Natural Resources, Energy & Water and appropriations committees. These leadership positions have helped him protect the land, water, and agricultural interests of District 25.

**Statement:** I stand with President Trump on the border and immigration. For years, I have advocated for a wall to secure our Border. I support the HCR on the ballot to make illegal entry a state crime I am avid hunter, gun owner, and strong 2nd amendment advocate. In the State Senate, I will fight anti-gun advocates' efforts to limit our freedoms and will always support our constitutional rights. I am PRO LIFE, strongly oppose any public funding for abortion, and will oppose the pro-abortion ballot initiative titled "The Abortion Access Act." #itgoestoofar I support choice in education. Parents should choose the right education for their kids. I am dedicated to ensuring every child gets a great education and Universal ESA remains Arizona's drought has been devastating to our agricultural economy. Lake Mead is the key driver in Arizona water policy. Those areas that do not use surface water will be under scrutiny as we plan for future growth. The beneficial use of water for Agriculture and smart growth are among my top priorities. I have legislation to strengthen voter ID laws, stop ballot harvesting and properly maintain our voter rolls to make it easier to vote and harder to cheat.

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## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 25



### Michael Carbone

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [carboneforaz.com](http://carboneforaz.com)

**Biography:** I'm a husband, dad, small business owner, and someone who has been involved in education issues for years, both in a professional capacity, and as a conservative activist who wanted to make sure that our tax dollars were being properly spent and that parents had a strong voice in the process. I'm originally from Illinois but my wife and I took our kids and escaped to Arizona, where individual liberties and common-sense conservative values were valued and celebrated. In my spare time I like to hunt, fish, shoot, and root for the Diamondbacks and Phx Rising FC.

**Statement:** I've just finished my first term and I can tell you that the battles being fought at the national level between left and right are very real at the state level too. I promised you I'd be a strong conservative voice and I kept my word. I defend the taxpayers, fight for election integrity, vote for school choice, and fight to end illegal immigration. I've written bills to secure our elections and provide real transparency and accountability. I've voted for efforts to secure our borders in the face of this unreal Biden Border Crisis. I've championed agriculture issues for Yuma and the West Valley in Maricopa County, and Arizona's long-term water future. And I've battled the left on a host of issues ranging from taxes to public safety to protecting girl's locker rooms to school choice to fighting for your medical freedom. I'm grateful for the support I've gotten from veterans, cops, doctors and more, and I'll keep fighting the swamp right here in Arizona. As Chairman of our local district GOP I worked hard to re-elect President Trump, Congressman Gosar, and others, and I'm doing the same today as your Representative. Together, we will do great things for Arizona!



### Nickolas "Nick" Kupper

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [www.nickkupper.com](http://www.nickkupper.com)

**Biography:** Nick Kupper grew up in Oregon and joined the United States Air Force in 2003, one year before marrying his high school sweetheart, Crystal. After 20 years spent traveling the world as a military electrician, recruiter and manager, he retired in 2023 while stationed at Luke AFB in Maricopa County. Nick has degrees in human resource management and aviation maintenance technology and is currently working as a paralegal. He and Crystal have four children, including one daughter adopted from

Armenia. He has made appearances on American Ninja Warrior, Tucker Carlson Tonight, Newsmax and Firebrand with Matt Gaetz.

**Statement:** Though I have long been politically conservative, I had little interest in running for office before 2020. But then the Air Force unsuccessfully tried to kick me out after a stellar 19-year career, simply for refusing an emergency-use COVID-19 vaccine I was not legally required to take. That experience, combined with overt tyrannical actions of countless "leaders" nationwide, convinced me that quietly transitioning into civilian life after the military was not in the cards. Since then, I have made dozens of media appearances and worked with Congressmen Matt Gaetz, Jim Jordan and Thomas Massie to find redress for thousands of servicemembers unjustly impacted by vaccine mandates. The experience has shown me how much we need courageous political leaders who are unafraid to stand against a popular tide of tyranny — not just about medical freedom, but also border security, gun rights, gender confusion, free speech, water issues, election integrity, the unborn and so many others. I am asking for your vote as the only veteran running in Legislative District 25 for state representative. I was willing to risk losing everything during COVID for what I knew was right — and I'll keep doing the same as your elected official.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 25



### **William "Bill" Peter Olear**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [www.billolearforaz.com](http://www.billolearforaz.com)

**Biography:** I live in Surprise AZ with my wife Lynn. I hold a BS in finance from the University of Connecticut. I have over 20 years of corporate experience with Exxon Mobil and was an independent ExxonMobil Franchisee. In Surprise, I opened NY Flavor, which won Best of Phoenix. I held Board positions including The Vista and WHAM Art Center. My son Michael, who had cerebral palsy, led to years of Board Service with United Cerebral Palsy. Now a local realtor, and running for State House LD 25, I'm committed to

improving public education, safeguarding people's rights, health choices and enhancing quality of life for all Arizonans.

**Statement:** I've learned that successful enterprises are built on forward planning and investing in both people and priorities. Just like a business, our state can only thrive if we plan, prioritize and invest in our communities. I will work across the aisle to make life better and affordable for all Arizonans. Our residents living in LD 25 deserve to have their personal freedoms and health restored. They also deserve fully funded public schools so our children can get a world class education to prepare them for a very competitive world. I will work with stakeholders, to build affordable and accessible housing, so families and individuals can live in safe desirable neighborhoods. Together we can eliminate homelessness. I will work to strengthen existing statutes and regulations to protect our underground water sources/ aquifers from contamination and pollution including monitoring water supplies to meet safe yield standards. We need to monitor how much water is coming out of the ground and how much water is going back in. We must preserve this precious resource for future generations. Please vote for me for the House of Representatives and send me to work for you and Arizona's future!



## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 26



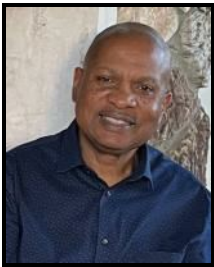
### Flavio Bravo

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [flaviobravo.com/](http://flaviobravo.com/)

**Biography:** Senator Flavio Bravo is a fifth-generation Arizonan, born and raised in the 26th district. He serves on the Senate Elections, Judiciary, and Rules committees. He also serves on the Board of Directors for Open Hearts Family Wellness in Central Phoenix and the Kino Border Initiative in Southern Arizona. He is an alumni of Valle del Sol's Hispanic Leadership Institute (HLI) and was recently honored as the 2024 Senator of the Year by the Arizona Chamber of Commerce & Industry. A graduate of Brophy College

Preparatory, Senator Bravo holds degrees from Loyola University Chicago and the University of San Francisco.

**Statement:** My name is Flavio Bravo, and I have the great privilege of serving as your State Senator. I was first elected to the Arizona State Legislature in November 2022, and currently serve on the Senate Elections, Judiciary, and Rules committees. Two years ago, I ran on a platform of supporting public education, expanding affordable housing, and improving healthcare outcomes across our community. I am proud to share that I have since introduced and passed multiple legislative proposals out of committee and out of the Senate chamber. Recognizing the need to support our neighbors facing homelessness and living on the streets, during the 2023 legislative session, I helped secure state funding for emergency shelter programs. This year, I worked with our educators to improve teacher contracts statewide and I led legislation in support of Arizonans with autism, which was included in a bipartisan bill signed by Governor Hobbs. That said, I realize that our district and our state continue to face great challenges. I humbly ask for your support, so that I can continue to fight for a more just and livable future for all Arizonans.



### Victor "Vic" Harris

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [harris.vote](http://harris.vote)

**Biography:** I was born in Oakland CA, raised by two parents, with four sisters and two brothers. I joined the military in February 1974 and retired February 1994. I have been married to the same wonderful woman since 1978, and we have two boys and one granddaughter. I have worked for the City of Phoenix as a Police Officer, Section 8 Inspector and retired from Neighborhood Services as an Inspector in 2015. I am a proud Christian and a leader in my church.

**Statement:** I'm a candidate for State Senate because I'm tired of the political games being played and the high price that our district pays as a result. We deserve the same clean, safe streets and quality schools that other districts have, but until the political nonsense stops, we won't get them. We deserve jobs, good roads, and all the rest, but we get none of it. When voters tell me that I'm not a politician I agree wholeheartedly, and I think that's a good thing. We need to elect more people who will do the right thing for the right reason and who are looking out for others, not themselves. I'm a retired veteran who was proud to serve his country and I think we need that same sense of public service in our elected officials. I'm also a proud retiree of the City of Phoenix, which is where I learned so much about how government does and does not work. And of course, I've been active in my church and our community. I ask for your vote and hope that you will talk to your friends and neighbors and spread the word about my campaign. Thank you!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 26



### Cesar Aguilar

**Party:** Democratic **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [www.aguilar4az.com/](http://www.aguilar4az.com/)

**Biography:** Cesar Aguilar was born and raised in Phoenix, Arizona from a working-class family. Cesar's mom was an English Language Learner teacher, and his dad is still today a Union Heat & Frost Insulator in Local #73. Cesar graduated from Northern Arizona University with a bachelor's in political science and after graduating in 2016, Cesar went off to work for the Arizona Democratic Party. Cesar today focuses his time at the Arizona Students' Association, where Cesar works on advocating for college accessibility and affordability. Cesar truly believes that education is the greatest equalizer, and our communities are strengthened by working-class values.

**Statement:** My name is Cesar Aguilar, and I have the great privilege of serving Legislative District 26 in the House of Representatives. I was first elected to the Arizona State Legislature in November 2022, and currently serve on the House Elections committee. I am the ranking member of the Commerce Committee. As the son of immigrants who came to this country and have been workers and entrepreneurs, the values taught to me by my family have always been to promote commerce and respect workers. Both rely on each other for a strong economy to prosper and as the ranking member of the Commerce Committee, I am proud of what we have been able to accomplish for Arizonans. As I enter my reelection I plan to continue to advocate for the same values of expanding medicaid to working families, properly funding education across the board, and getting rid of Right-To-Work in Arizona, so families can have good healthcare, a livable wage, and a pension so they can retire comfortably. Too many families are just getting by and I continue to stand up for the most vulnerable in my district. I humbly ask for your vote for another term to accomplish even more.



### Quantá Crews

**Party:** Democratic **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [quantaforaz.com/](http://quantaforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Rev. Quantá Crews is a property appraiser and associate minister at Historic Tanner Chapel A.M.E. Church in Phoenix. She leads the Special Needs and Young Adult Ministries. Her work revealed inequitable legislation and policies that caused harm to Arizonans. Quantá seeks to target opportunities for revolutionary change. In June 2023, she was appointed to the Arizona House of Representatives, serving Legislative District 26. She serves on the Ways & Means and Regulatory Affairs Committee where she is ranking member. Apart from serving humanity and appraising real estate, Quantá enjoys her amazing sons, and writing poetry in her spare time.

**Statement:** I'm honored to serve LD26 as State Representative and proud of the great work we're doing! I'm fighting for an Arizona where all can thrive. The housing, education and healthcare costs go up, while pay remains the same. My passions include housing security, education and workforce development, protected public education and natural resources, and equitable property tax policy. I've seen how inequitable legislation has been weaponized to harm Arizonans. I'm committed to championing the issues that matter most to our community like housing and shelter. Access to safe and affordable housing is a right. I'll work diligently with allies to protect and expand reproductive rights, ensuring that individuals and their doctors can decide what is best. I am committed to collaborating with educators, parents, and community stakeholders to strengthen our public school system. Sustainable water management is key to a thriving Arizona. I'll continue to advocate to protect water resources while ensuring fair and equitable access for all. Engaging in constructive dialogue, I've sought innovative solutions that balance the needs of our community. I implore you to join our movement and VOTE QUANTÁ on July 30th and November 5th 2024!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 26



### Skyla Edwards

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [skylavote.com](http://skylavote.com)  
No Biography

**Statement:** I am committed to safe neighborhoods, excellent schools, good jobs, and prioritizing the needs of our community over the special interests that seem to dominate our political system. Crime is out of control, even though we all know safe neighborhoods are the foundation of thriving communities. I'll work with public safety groups to ensure our streets are safe so our families and children can walk without fear. A strong education system means everything to our children's future, which is why I will advocate for increased funding for teachers and staff, get more dollars into the classroom instead of the administration, and promote policies that ensure that every kid gets access to a high-quality education, regardless of their zip code. Good jobs are how we provide for our families now and our retirement later, but too many of us are stuck living paycheck to paycheck. That's why I'll work to attract new businesses and provide training opportunities to equip our workforce with the skills they need for high-paying jobs now. Our incumbent lawmakers prioritize special interests over our well-being. We deserve better. I ask for your vote and thank you for your support!



### Frank Roberts

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [www.frank4az.com/](http://www.frank4az.com/)

**Biography:** I've lived and worked in our district for over 25 years. I have a degree in Business Administration and I'm a small business owner of a company that produces "Private Label All Natural Progesterone and Hormone Balance Creams." I'm also a real estate investor, which is how I get to talk to so many people in our neighborhoods. I'm an aircraft pilot and certified flight instructor, and own thoroughbred racehorses that I race at Turf Paradise and Santa Anita racetracks. I also earned my Eagle Scout while in Boy Scouts of America.

**Statement:** Do you wish our State Representative was working to stop crime, secure our border, end the fentanyl epidemic, and improve our schools? I do, which is why I'm running for office. I'm an ordinary citizen with an extraordinary work ethic, and I am ready to get this job done. Today's politicians don't care about working-class families anymore – they're too busy collecting checks from big donors and special interests. Not me. I'm a 4th generation Arizonan and small business owner who is running using Clean Elections, which means I'm not taking a dime from special interests, their PACs, or their lobbyists. Not one cent! And because I work for you, and just you, I'll put all my energy into cleaning up our streets, improving our schools, helping our state to deal with illegal immigration and the problems it has brought to our neighborhoods, and more. We know this isn't complicated and we know things can be better because things used to be better. We just have to change who is in charge and put regular working people back in charge. If you agree, I ask for your vote!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 27



### Kevin Payne

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.electkevinpayne.com](http://www.electkevinpayne.com)

**Biography:** US Navy Veteran 8 years (honorably discharged), married over 35 years, 4 children and 8 grandchildren. 4 years as Electrical Engineer, 3 years Aerospace Technical Consultant, 22 years Information Technology, Small Business Owner/Operator, former GOP District Chairman.

**Statement:** I'm the same working Joe who ran for office to make government work better. Doing what is right and looking after our great state is what still motivates me every day. I'm a Veteran (US Navy) fighting for everything from secure borders (finish that wall ASAP), to elections that every voter, regardless of party or outcome, can trust. I'm voting for low taxes, safe neighborhoods, Term Limits for Congress, increased education funding and teacher pay, school choice options for our kids and parents, and more. As Chairman of the House Military Affairs and Public Safety Committee, I've led efforts to Back The Blue, support first responders, and look after our military bases and veterans. I'm running as a team with TONY RIVERO and LISA FINK because they share my commitment to this positive pro-Arizona agenda. It seems like most candidates these days are loud and angry and would rather fight than get things done. Not us! Vote for your common-sense solutions team of Payne, Rivero and Fink. Thank you!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 27



### Lisa Fink

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Participating **Website:** [www.lisafinkaz.com](http://www.lisafinkaz.com)

**Biography:** Lifelong Republican. Board President of Choice Academies. President, Protect Arizona Children Coalition, which advocates for protecting both kids and parental rights, while educating the public and lawmakers on radical efforts to target kids with sexually explicit material, gender ideology programming, and more. Served as Chairman of the Arizona State Constitutional Commemoration Committee. Active member of Mommy Lobby AZ, which advocates for school choice, data privacy for kids, and parental rights.

Chairman of Hometown Christmas Parade in Glendale. Involved in local charities and was a high school volleyball coach. Lisa and her husband Larry are the proud parents of six children.

**Statement:** After a lifetime of community involvement, I stepped up when asked to run for office. I'm eager to work with other Legislators to meet Arizona's challenges. Start with obvious stuff like fighting illegal immigration, improving our economy, and trying to bring down high inflation rates, prices on gas and food, and housing costs. We need to protect school choice from far-left efforts to shut down Arizona's amazing charter schools and ESAs – they are working and doing great things for our kids. We need to support our law enforcement and fight the scourge of fentanyl that is killing hundreds of thousands of Americans each year. Then we get into other critical issues like health care, infrastructure, long term water planning, agriculture, looking after our veterans, and an abundant energy supply. I'm running with Kevin Payne and Tony Rivero and we will work as a team to do what is best for Arizona. If you want someone who looks for common-sense solutions, and who works well with others, please cast your TWO State House votes for FINK AND RIVERO. Thank you!



### Deborah Howard

**Party:** Democratic **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [www.deborahhowardaz.com/](http://www.deborahhowardaz.com/)

**Biography:** I was born in California and am a graduate of U.C. Berkeley. My professional career began in Washington D.C. as a Reagan Republican where I served as a political appointee at the U.S. Department of Labor. I worked for AARP in both the national office and the California state office in communications, programs, and advocacy positions. For more than a decade I was an independent public affairs consultant. Today, I am running to be your Representative at the State Capitol. To this role I will be fully committed to

serving the best interests of the families and communities of LD27 and all Arizonans.

**Statement:** For over forty years, I have been at the forefront of public policy, fiercely advocating for workers and families. My extensive experience across government levels has equipped me with the knowledge and determination to effect genuine change. As an unwavering champion for affordable healthcare, women's reproductive rights, voting rights, and quality public education, my commitment to these causes is uncompromising. My support for issues like the Arizona Abortion Access initiative underscores my dedication to safeguarding personal rights against political or religious intrusion. The current legislature has failed us—neglecting our educational system and mishandling our budget. It's time for change. I am running because I believe in accountability and progress. As your State House Representative, my pledge is to be a listener and collaborator who transcends political boundaries for the betterment of all Arizonans. The people of LD27 deserve a leader who not only listens but acts with conviction on the issues that significantly impact their lives. Elect me as your voice in the State House; together we will restore focus on what truly matters—creating a fairer, more prosperous Arizona for us all.

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 27



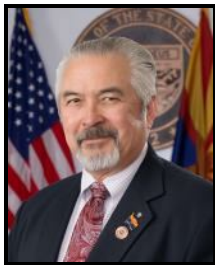
### **Tony Rivero**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.tonyriveroforhouse.com](http://www.tonyriveroforhouse.com)

**Biography:** I grew up right here in Peoria, attended Peoria High School, Glendale Community College, and ASU where I earned a Bachelor's in Education and a Master's in Public Administration. As a Peoria City Councilman, I led the crusade against wasteful spending and high taxes. I was elected 3 times to the Arizona Legislature where I won awards from taxpayer and family groups. Then I returned to the private sector where I'm a successful small-business owner. I'm happily married, blessed with five great kids, and the only thing missing from my life is the Phoenix Suns winning an NBA championship.

**Statement:** Several years ago, I served in the Arizona State House where I built a real record of achievement on economic issues, jobs, public safety, and fighting illegal immigration. After that, I returned to the private sector and my family. This year, I was asked to return to public office by people who wanted a legislator who they knew would get the work done without wasting time on partisan games. So I agreed, and I'm once again asking for your vote so we can solve issues that are hurting our state – like securing our border and enforcing our laws against illegal immigration. We have a crisis on our hands with the fentanyl epidemic, we need to ensure the West Valley gets its fair share of transportation and infrastructure funding, and we need to fight inflation and high interest rates and make Arizona an affordable state that works for everyone again. I won awards from family, small business, and law enforcement groups for my record before and I'm ready to fight for you again. I'm running as a team with Lisa Fink and Kevin Payne and hope you'll support our team, because we care deeply about our state and its people!

## CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 28



### Frank Carroll

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [myvotecarroll.com/](http://myvotecarroll.com/)

**Biography:** Moved to Arizona thirty years ago. My wife Joanne and I recently celebrated twenty-six years together. My career has always centered around the technology of ground transportation vehicles from the muscle cars of the '60-'70's era through today's alternative fuel vehicles. My GOP resume includes Precinct Committeeman, Precinct Captain, Area Director, and State Delegate. I also served as past President of the Sun City West Republican Club. I'm active in various 2 nd Amendment groups and an activist

with Americans for Prosperity in pursuit of smaller government and lower taxes.

**Statement:** As your State Senator, I am working hard on the issues that make the most difference in our lives – Election Integrity, Ending Illegal Immigration, Public Safety, Improving Transportation, Jobs, Quality Schools and School Choice, and Protecting Our Constitutional Rights. I'm running with David Livingston and Beverly Pingerelli as your Proven Conservative Team because, like me, they are award-winning champions of taxpayers and families, and we are extremely effective as a team. I spent my career in the automotive industry, on the mechanical and technological side, so my heart is with the working men and women of this country who want their government to do its job and to otherwise leave them alone to live in peace. Within the GOP, I've served as Precinct Captain, State Delegate, District 2nd Vice Chairman and then 1st Vice Chairman. I was also President of the Sun City West Republican Club. I'm a member of the NRA, AZCDL, the Surprise Tea Party, and also work with Americans for Prosperity and other conservative groups. I'm honored to serve you and hope you will support your conservative team of Carroll, Livingston & Pingerelli. Thank you!

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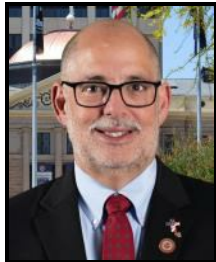


### Barbara Jean Fike

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** fike4az.com

**Biography:** Barbara is a second-generation native of Arizona who has lived and worked in northwest Phoenix her entire life, except for six years in Flagstaff and two in Parker. She is a semi-retired teacher, having taught English, History, and Government/Economics in Deer Valley District and at Glendale Community College. She received her B.S: Honors and M.A from NAU. Her husband is an architect in a Phoenix firm and her son and daughter graduated from Sandra Day O'Connor High School and NAU. She spends her time being very active in her church and with her family (and dogs and cat!)

**Statement:** I love Arizona. I don't love the divisiveness of the past few years. We need to work together to preserve the history and beauty of our great state while protecting the future for the next generations. We need to stop playing politics and need, instead, to prioritize policies that manage our resources wisely. There are better uses for our tax dollars than pursuing attacks on our elections. More children could be assured a quality education if vouchers were more carefully managed. We can attract more businesses to Arizona, and strengthen current businesses, with policies that provide a stable workforce - education, healthcare, and housing. We need to follow science in making decisions about water and land usage, instead of following those whose voices are loudest or whose donations are biggest. We need to ensure a free press and truthfulness of information. Ultimately, we need to choose whether we will hand over our country to autocratic, self-serving oligarchs and hope that they will be benevolent dictators, or whether we will stand up for and protect the fragile idea called democracy. I choose the latter.



### David Livingston

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** davidlivingston.vote/

**Biography:** Moved to Arizona in 1983. Bachelor's Degree in Finance (ASU). Financial advisor and franchise owner of Ameriprise Financial in Peoria from 1992 – 2012, where he guided his clients toward their financial and retirement goals. After 20 years of hard work building his highly successful business, David sold the business in 2013 and semi-retired. Later ran for office and has served as Majority Whip, as well as Chairman of several critical committees, including the Finance and Transportation Committees in the Senate,

and both the Appropriations and Finance, Insurance & Banking Committees in the House. Married with two kids and three grandkids.

**Statement:** Why am I considered one of Arizona's most reliably conservative legislators? Because I keep my promises and put taxpayers and families first. I have a 100% voting record FOR secure elections, a strong border (including a border wall), and an end to illegal immigration. I have a 100% pro-life and pro-2nd Amendment record. I've earned the "Friend of the Family" and the "Hero of the Taxpayer" awards and helped lead the fight for real school choice and parental rights. I vote for medical freedom and am opposed to government mandates. As part of your Proven Conservative Team of Carroll, Livingston & Pingerelli, we are once again being challenged by those who want to pull Arizona hard to the left, so we ask you to make your voices heard loud and clear on Election Day! Pushing back against liberals like Katie Hobbs and Kamala Harris will take a strong team, so cast your TWO State House votes for Livingston & Pingerelli. Thank you!



## CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 28



### **Beverly Pingerelli**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [beverlypingerelli.org](http://beverlypingerelli.org)

**Biography:** First person in my immediate family to graduate from college. Former school board member. Served as a Republican precinct committeeman since 2014. I received my B.S. in Biological Sciences from Wayne State University and hold an American Society for Clinical Pathology Cytogenetics Certification, CG(ASCP)CM for Laboratory Personnel. I currently work full-time at Grand Canyon University as a Science Program Coordinator. I've also worked as a cytogenetics technologist at St. Joseph's Hospital's Molecular Medicine Laboratory. My husband Peter and I were married for 35 years before he recently passed, and we're blessed with two beautiful daughters, Kayla and Angela.

**Statement:** My conservative beliefs remind me problems are best solved by applying the principles of limited government, and our solutions must respect our Constitutionally guaranteed rights. That's how I campaign and that's how I vote as your Representative. I've won awards for my conservative voting record -- improving accountability in educational spending and academic standards, promoting school choice and parental rights, defending the sanctity of life, vigorously fighting against governmental overreach and mandates, and strengthening the Second Amendment and religious freedoms guaranteed by our Constitution. I continue to fight for secure elections, strong borders, and full restoration of our medical and individual liberties. You get TWO votes for State Representative -- please cast them for BOTH me and David Livingston. We're running as your Proven Conservative Team with State Senator Frank Carroll because we share conservative beliefs and are no-nonsense lawmakers who do what is right, no matter how powerful the special interest is on the other side. Turning back the Biden/Harris and Hobbs Administrations is not easy, but with your prayers and support we will continue this battle and keep Arizona a great place to live, work, and raise a family. Thank you!

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### **Janae Shamp**

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [voteforshamp.com/](http://voteforshamp.com/)

**Biography:** I have been blessed to call Arizona home for over 30 years. I am a pro-life constitutional conservative, a happily married rancher's wife, bonus mom and Nana, a cowgirl, and a registered nurse. I answered the call to public service in 2022 because I knew we needed elected officials with backbone to safeguard and restore our liberties. My degrees include a B.S. in Molecular Biosciences & Biotechnology cum laude from Arizona State University and a B.S. in Nursing magna cum laude from Grand Canyon University. I

have kept my promises and will continue to fight for you!

**Statement:** I'm a true constitutional conservative, wife, bonus mom, cowgirl, and Registered Nurse, serving my first term in the State Senate. I am delighted to be part of the team of Shamp, Montenegro & Taylor and I want you to know that we have kept our word and worked hard on the issues that matter to you and our great state. Secure borders, secure elections, good jobs, trying to reverse the damage the Biden/Harris and Hobbs administrations are doing to our economies, fighting inflation and high prices, protecting private property rights, school choice, doing right by our veterans and first responders, restoring your medical freedom, looking after our water supply, and more. I wrote the Senate version of the "Arizona Border Invasion Act" and led the Legislature's investigation into pandemic abuses and how to do better in the future. I also wrote legislation to target child traffickers and protect our kids from those seeking to exploit them. We know the battle is long and we will keep working hard for you until the battle is won. And we thank you for your continued prayers and support!



### **Eric Stafford**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [www.stafford4az.com/](http://www.stafford4az.com/)

**Biography:** Eric Stafford is a young Arizona native whose friends and family span the political spectrum; thanks to this, he's learned to appreciate apple-pie conservatism AND the pursuit of progressive policies supporting working class Arizonans. Technical school has helped him become an Airplane Mechanic, and later a Vet Tech; with this experience, he has learned to serve our state and our people. Through his own struggles, Eric understands how poor policy is crushing the middle class and stopping Arizonans from

being able to own a home, start their own family, or take up a continuing education for a brighter future.

**Statement:** Every time I worked on an airplane engine, conducted an inspection, or signed off on a repair, I understood that one mistake was all it took. Every job I did, I did as if my family was on that plane. Every time I drew up a puppy's vaccines, scrubbed in for surgery, or took notes on a checkup, I made sure to do so with diligence, because the voiceless need someone to advocate for them and show them compassion. Politics are no different. I embody the lessons I've learnt - the experiences that made me - and aim to represent you as a fellow member of your community and as a friend on the inside. By running clean, I take no money from corporations, pacs, or businesses - no dark money. I work to serve you, not them. Every bill is a signature that could end a life, weaken our children's educations, or even prevent you from getting life saving medical care. I am fighting for your vote this year, so I can legislate for you, your families, and our community's future. It's time to bridge the party divide and break the barriers holding Arizona back.

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### Steve Montenegro

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [stevemontenegro.com](http://stevemontenegro.com)

**Biography:** Steve serves as Ministry Pastor at Catalyst Church. He has served as Executive Director for Desert Reach, an organization helping inner-city high school students graduate high school and succeed in life. He has also worked with national groups to improve the integrity and accuracy of our elections. Steve is a frequent guest on national TV news shows on topics related to Arizona and border security. He and his wife Melissa will celebrate their 13th Anniversary this year. Melissa is a Charter School Administrator and they have two beautiful daughters (Addy and Emmy).

**Statement:** On behalf of our great Shamp, Montenegro & Taylor team “THANK YOU” for this opportunity to serve you! Janae Shamp and I have been keeping our campaign promises to you. We have won recognition and awards from pro-taxpayer and pro-family groups, like the Friend of the Family we each won. We have 100% voting records on issues like public safety, fighting illegal immigration, protecting life, our 2nd amendment rights, school choice and more. I wrote the House version of the “Arizona Border Invasion Act” that mirrors the bill Senator Shamp ran in the State Senate, I wrote the bill to designate drug cartels as terrorist organizations so we could better combat them and their tactics, I wrote legislation to protect our kids, and also a ballot initiative to do away with Affirmative Action and get government out of the discrimination business once and for all. We are joined by James Taylor, a first-time candidate but longtime community leader who stepped up to serve our district at this critical time. We’ll keep doing what is right and on behalf of our team, as well as my incredible wife and two wonderful girls, thank you for your prayers, support, and vote!



### Tanairí Ochoa-Martínez

**Party:** Democratic **Campaign Funding:** Participating **Website:** [www.votetanairi.com/](http://www.votetanairi.com/)

**Biography:** Tanairí Ochoa-Martínez, a political leader and PhD candidate at Arizona State University, specializes in Economic Development. Growing up in poverty and facing odds, she persevered to graduate as Valedictorian from Alhambra H.S. Her educational journey continued with a BA in Political Science and International Relations and a Master’s in Public Administration. Elected to the Alhambra ESD Board in 2016, she topped the polls. For the past 15 years, she has supported individuals and organizations in her community. Tanairí manages three businesses. With her husband José Martínez they raise two children, embodying her commitment to family and community.

**Statement:** As a dedicated public servant and champion for economic development, I, Tanairí Ochoa-Martínez, am honored to run as the Democratic candidate for State Representative in LD 29. In 2016, while at a significant personal milestone (9 months pregnant), I was elected to the Alhambra ESD Board, receiving the highest number of votes. This achievement underscores my commitment to education and public service—even under the most challenging circumstances. As the Director of Fuerza Local, I have led initiatives that significantly bolster Latino small business owners, enhancing our local economies and fostering sustainable development across Arizona. Under my leadership, the program has empowered over 600 entrepreneurs, contributing to the prosperity of our community. My journey from an immigrant to a community leader exemplifies the American dream—persevering through adversity and striving for excellence. My commitment extends beyond my professional endeavors, as a spouse to a U.S. Army Captain and a mother, instilling values of service and education in our children. I pledge to bring the same resilience, dedication, and passion for community service to the office of State Representative, ensuring that our district’s voice is heard, and its potential fully realized. Let us move forward together, building a brighter future for Arizona.

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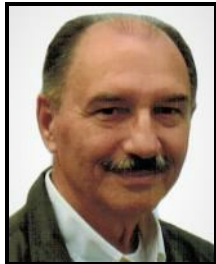


### James Taylor

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [www.votejamestaylor.com](http://www.votejamestaylor.com)

**Biography:** My wife and I have lived in Arizona for decades and love this great state. I'm a dad, grandpa, and recently a great grandpa, so I've got a lot of reasons to work hard and keep Arizona on the right track. After a successful career in the energy sector I was ready to enjoy retirement – then the call came asking me to step forward and run for office. We are active in our community and look forward to giving back through public service.

**Statement:** After a long and successful career in the energy sector I was ready to enjoy retirement when the phone rang and I was asked if I'd consider running for State House. Frankly, as much as my wife and I love this great state it was an easy decision. Arizona is an amazing place and compared to most states we're doing well, thanks to good policy decisions that have been made over the last 10-15 years. The hundreds of thousands of new people who move here each year are a testament to that. But there is a new faction of more radical left-wing politicians who want to turn us into California, and we need to protect what is working: Low taxes, low regulations, strong schools and school choice, job growth, long-term water and energy planning, infrastructure (roads etc) plans, strong support for our law enforcement, and continued partnership with our military bases and veteran population. Add to that list secure borders and an end to the flow of fentanyl, trafficking and violence coming across our southern border, and the team of Shamp, Montenegro & Taylor have a full plate. I ask for your vote and promise to do my best!



### Tom Tzitzura

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [www.tzitzuraforaz.com/](http://www.tzitzuraforaz.com/)

**Biography:** Born in Chicago 1952 to Ukrainian refugees. B.S. Degree, University of Illinois Chicago 1975. Enlisted U.S. Navy 1977. Commissioned Ensign 1978. Completed flight training 1979 and retired a Commander 1999. As an Electronic Warfare Officer flew over 150 reconnaissance missions. Electronic Warfare Director Atlantic Defense Analysis Center. In the Naval Reserves served as Commanding Officer NR CV-62 Unit. Completed 3 six-month Middle East deployments. Married to Theresa for 44 years. We have 2 children

and 3 grandchildren. We moved to Arizona in 2001 where I served the people and community over ten years as a high school science teacher.

**Statement:** Preserving Democracy The popular vote, one citizen - one vote, should determine the outcome of elections. I support open primaries/ rank choice voting. Eliminates partisan primaries, voters may vote for whoever they want regardless of party. Prevents any candidate from being "primaried out". A Woman's Right With all the debates between Pro-Life and Pro-Choice it comes down to one truth, it is the pregnant woman who must endure all that comes with a pregnancy. Carrying a fetus to term should be her decision and hers alone. No government, no community, no institution has the right to force her to have a baby. The right to life, liberty, and freedoms are afforded to all in our country. To force a woman to bear a child against her will is slavery. We abolished slavery over 150 years ago. I am and have always been for a woman's right to choose and that choice should be unconditional. A woman's body, her domain, Her Choice. Amend the constitution for all women to have unconditional freedom of Choice. I run to secure our Democracy and the right of every woman to make their own decisions about their health without obstacles.

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### Hildy Angius

**Party:** Republican    **Campaign Funding:** Traditional    **Website:** [hildy4az.com/](http://hildy4az.com/)

**Biography:** Originally from New York, Hildy moved to Arizona in 2005. With a background in marketing and communications, Hildy worked for Showtime/The Movie Channel, the Society for Computer Simulation and LG Wireless. In 2002 she opened an Art Studio called "Masterpieces, Paint your Own" and developed a profound understanding and respect for small business owners. After moving to Bullhead City with her late husband, Sam, Hildy combined her life-long passion for politics and her desire to help others into her current position as a three term Mohave County Supervisor.

**Statement:** As Chairman of the Mohave County Board of Supervisors, I cut the tax rate and balanced our county budget. Today, our tax rate is lower than when I took office because I demand fiscal responsibility and govern with a steady hand. I led the charge to declare Mohave County a 2nd Amendment Sanctuary County, the first in Arizona. Because of our work, Arizona is now a 2nd Amendment Sanctuary State. After learning the Arizona State Legislature passed a bill that was aimed at Mohave County, I worked with our Republican Attorney General to have the law declared unconstitutional, saving taxpayers \$800,000. In 2014, when federal bureaucrats illegally ended a 50-year trout stocking program that would have destroyed our economy, I battled the unelected bureaucrats - and won! - which earned me the top award from Arizona Game and Fish. I brought drug, alcohol, and mental health treatment services to Bullhead City, and helped secure millions of dollars for community facilities and housing. Today, Bullhead has a 16-bed women's treatment facility named Hildy's House, which has helped hundreds of women recover to live happy, productive lives. I am the only candidate with proven, conservative experience and record of accomplishment. Learn more:[hildy4az.com](http://hildy4az.com)



### J'aime MorgAine

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:** [www.realchange4ld30.com/](http://www.realchange4ld30.com/)

**Biography:** J'aime MorgAine is a first time property owner concerned about water sustainability (and her property value dropping to zero when the Hualapai aquifer runs dry, possibly in 40 years), she is a US Army veteran fighting for homeless veterans and veterans caught in dysfunctional guardian/conservatorships, and she is a woman who is more than just angry that her 19th Amendment voting rights are the only constitutional protections afforded women by the US Constitution.

**Statement:** Water is life. Without water, nothing else matters. And the current "local control" of our groundwater (with legislative pressure for "Rural Management Areas") only serves to protect interests of developers and corporations, NOT the interests of individual property owners. I run to protect our water for people and property owners. As a veteran living with PTSD, I fight for homeless veterans who fall through the cracks because I know what living with undiagnosed and untreated PTSD does to a life. I run to fight for legislation that protects veterans' rights and mandates veteran resources in every county. And yes, women's right have come a long way, but our constitutional protections have not. And while a women's right to abortion access and access to purchase firearms may seem disconnected, they are actually two sides of the same coin of equal constitutional protection. FACT: The US Constitution applied to white, male, property owners. FACT: The 2nd Amendment applied to men. FACT: The only amendment that explicitly protects women's rights is the 19th Amendment. I run to fight for the same constitutional protections for women that rich white men have enjoyed since the United States was founded. I ask for your support and your vote.

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### Leo Biasiucci

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [www.leobiasiucci.com](http://www.leobiasiucci.com)

**Biography:** Leo Biasiucci is a small business owner born & raised in Lake Havasu City, Arizona. After graduating from Lake Havasu High School, Leo obtained his bachelor's degree in Business Administration & Management from UofA, and his Masters in Legal Studies from UofA Law. Since being elected, Leo has been named Legislator of the Year in 2019, 2021 and 2023. He served as the Republican Majority Whip before serving as your current Republican Majority Leader. He is endorsed by the NRA, Free Enterprise Club, Center for Arizona Policy, Realtors, Arizona Police Association, and FOP. Leo is married to his beautiful wife Taylor, welcoming their daughter in 2022.

**Statement:** Too often people run for office and make promises that they never keep. In just 6 years in office, I have followed through and protected our Conservative Values: From making Arizona a 2nd Amendment Sanctuary State, to adding life in prison for child sex crimes, to allowing Arizona law enforcement to arrest and prosecute human smugglers, to making Arizona a flat income tax state, to banning government from shutting down businesses during a pandemic, I have delivered. When Lake Havasu and Bullhead City needed Highway 95 repaved, I got it done. When Wickenburg needed money to help with their Fire Station, I got it done. When the Mohave County Sheriff's Department needed to replace 40+ year-old substations, I got it done. When Kingman needed a bypass at Highway 93/I-11 and Beal St., I got it done. When Lake Havasu needed a second bridge, I got it done. I'm Pro-Life, Pro-2nd Amendment, Pro-Veterans, Pro-Law Enforcement, Pro-Border Wall and Pro-America First! Vote Straight Republican Ticket in November to Save Arizona and America! Visit [Leobiasiucci.com](http://Leobiasiucci.com) to keep Arizona red!



### John Gillette

**Party:** Republican **Campaign Funding:** Traditional **Website:** [electgillette.com/](http://electgillette.com/)

**Biography:** John Gillette has a proven track record of delivering results for LD 30. In the House of Representatives, he has worked tirelessly to expand rural healthcare options, address election integrity, water issues, and secure pay for DPS officers. With 35 years of military experience, rising to Command Sergeant Major, John brings leadership and decision-making skills to the legislature. His background in law enforcement, real estate, and legal expertise qualifies him to navigate legislative issues. Committed to upholding traditional values, John, alongside his wife and fellow army veteran, is dedicated to making a positive impact in his community and LD 30.

**Statement:** I am grateful for the opportunity to continue representing the hardworking residents of LD 30. Over the past term, I have fought tirelessly to address critical issues facing our community, such as expanding access to quality rural healthcare and supporting our law enforcement officers who put their lives on the line every day to keep us safe. With my military experience as a Command Sergeant Major, I bring a strong sense of duty, leadership, and commitment to upholding our conservative values. My extensive background in law enforcement, real estate, and legal expertise uniquely positions me to navigate complex legislative challenges and advocate for policies that uphold the Constitution and defend the freedoms and rights of all Arizonans. I remain dedicated to preserving our traditional values and making LD 30 a place where families can thrive and communities can flourish. Together with my wife, Jamie, a veteran and doctor, we are committed to leading by example and showing the importance of faith in guiding our decisions and actions. Let's work together to build a brighter future for all the residents of LD 30. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

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### **Monica Timberlake**

**Party:** Democratic    **Campaign Funding:** Participating    **Website:**

**Biography:** Monica Timberlake is a valued member of the Quartzsite community, a local Realtor, and the senior most governing board member for Quartzsite Elementary District, with over 14 years of service. She was chosen by leaders across Arizona to be the current President of the Rural Alliance for the AZ School Boards Association, amplifying her commitment to education and community development. As a Flinn Brown Fellow and a Project Centrl Alum, she advocates for our entire state. She was a Quartzsite town

council member, chaired various town and community boards, and was a Director for the Quartzsite Area Chamber of Commerce.

**Statement:** I decided to run because representation matters and rural Arizona needs strong leaders to advocate for the needs of our local communities. I'm a current school board member and have seen our education funding be stripped year after year. Our students do not have the same access and opportunities as their urban counterparts. As a rural community leader, I have seen water issues be ignored for decades. It's time for our water to be protected for our children and our children's children. Lack of access to health care and other critical services effect the quality of life for many. Our rural communities fundamentally need resources: a foundation, and support system that creates sustainable growth for the future. You zipcode shouldnt determine your quality of life. As a proud mother of two incredible young adults, and a grandmother, I think about our future generations every day. It's important to protect our families and their choices by supporting policies and resources that protect women's health, and establish wrap-around services for our rural communities. I'm passionate, dedicated, and actively involved. I am fully committed to improving the lives of all Arizonans. I respectfully ask for your support and your vote.

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