

# 2008 North Carolina Voter Guide

## Questionnaire for State Candidates

— Please return no later than March 31, 2008 —

P.O. Box 20607  
Raleigh, NC 27619

— or by Fax: (919) 807-0900 —

Dear Candidate:

**Please read this entire letter carefully.**

Enclosed you will find a candidate questionnaire for the North Carolina Family Policy Council's 2008 Voter Guide. In an effort to be fair and impartial, we are surveying all candidates in districts with primary opposition at this time. Even though you may not have primary opposition, your General Election opponent does. We believe it is important that candidates not feel advantaged or disadvantaged by being asked to respond to a questionnaire at a different time than their opponent in a Primary or General Election. **This is your only opportunity to be included in the North Carolina Family Policy Council's 2008 Voter Guide. Please complete and return the enclosed questionnaire with a postmark no later than the March 31, 2008 deadline.**

The questionnaire covers a broad range of topics of interest to families in North Carolina. Your answers to these questions will be listed on the North Carolina Family Policy Council's website at [www.ncfamily.org](http://www.ncfamily.org) prior to the May 6 Primary Election. Your responses will also be included in the North Carolina Family Policy Council's 2008 Voter Guide, which will be published and distributed before the November 4 General Election. We estimate that more than one million voters will reference our Voter Guide before the election.

You may provide additional comments and explanations for your responses to the questionnaire on a separate sheet(s) of paper if you desire. These additional comments and explanations will be made available to the public on the North Carolina Family Policy Council website at [www.ncfamily.org](http://www.ncfamily.org). Several prominent notices directing citizens to this information will be included in the 2008 Voter Guide.

**Failure to respond to this survey by the March 31, 2008 postmark deadline will result in a listing of "CANDIDATE DID NOT RESPOND TO QUESTIONNAIRE" in the Voter Guide.**

The North Carolina Family Policy Council is a nonpartisan, nonprofit research and education organization. As an independent 501(c)(3) organization, we are not associated with any political party, and we serve the citizens of North Carolina by providing research and education on matters affecting the family. One of our efforts is to ensure that every North Carolina voter—regardless of political affiliation—has the information they need to make an informed decision in the upcoming election. That is why we are producing an impartial, nonpartisan Voter Guide for the 2008 Elections.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (919) 807-0800 or through e-mail at [vote@ncfamily.org](mailto:vote@ncfamily.org).

Sincerely,

John L. Rustin  
Vice President & Director of Government Relations

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### Candidate Information

*(Please Print or Type)*

Candidate Name \_\_\_\_\_ Party Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Office Sought \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Campaign Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Campaign Phone/Fax \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Campaign Website \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
**(required)**

### Candidate Questionnaire

*Please indicate your position on the following issues by marking "Yes," "No," or "Undecided."  
You may provide additional comments and explanations for your responses on a separate sheet of paper.  
(Failure to answer a question will result in a listing of "No Response" in the 2008 Voter Guide.)*

1. Should state agencies and other entities that receive funds from the state be required to substantiate the need of all programs and services that receive those funds?  
 Yes     No     Undecided
2. Should the North Carolina Constitution be amended to include the definition of marriage as the union of one man and one woman?  
 Yes     No     Undecided
3. Should the North Carolina Constitution be amended to prohibit governmental entities from using eminent domain powers to take private property for economic development purposes?  
 Yes     No     Undecided
4. Should North Carolina's sex education law require instruction in the use of condoms and contraceptives in addition to teaching students that abstinence from sexual activity until marriage is the expected standard of behavior?  
 Yes     No     Undecided
5. Should contraceptives, including condoms, be made available on public school property?  
 Yes     No     Undecided
6. Should the North Carolina General Assembly increase the number of charter schools allowed in North Carolina?  
 Yes     No     Undecided
7. Should North Carolina public schools teach students that homosexuality is acceptable?  
 Yes     No     Undecided

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8. Should the law that authorizes a state sponsored lottery in North Carolina be repealed?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No    \_\_\_\_\_ Undecided
9. Should North Carolina law recognize an unborn child as a separate victim of a separate crime when the child dies as a result of a crime against the mother?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No    \_\_\_\_\_ Undecided
10. Should public prayer be allowed at meetings of governmental bodies in North Carolina?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No    \_\_\_\_\_ Undecided
11. Should parents who choose to educate their children in private, religious, or home schools receive a voucher or tax credit from the state?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No    \_\_\_\_\_ Undecided
12. Should state taxpayer dollars be used to pay for abortions?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No    \_\_\_\_\_ Undecided
13. Should North Carolina require abortion providers to supply women seeking an abortion with information explaining the risks of and alternatives to the procedure at least 24 hours prior to performing an abortion?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No    \_\_\_\_\_ Undecided
14. Should homosexuals have the right to adopt children?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No    \_\_\_\_\_ Undecided
15. Should the stem cells of a human embryo be used for research purposes when the act of obtaining the stem cells results in the destruction of the human embryo?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No    \_\_\_\_\_ Undecided
16. Should the act of assisting another person to commit suicide be illegal in North Carolina?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No    \_\_\_\_\_ Undecided
17. Should an individual's personal religious beliefs influence the decisions he or she makes while serving in a public office?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No    \_\_\_\_\_ Undecided

Candidate Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(required)

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