

2024

SENATE QUESTIONNAIRE



END CITIZENS UNITED +
LET AMERICA VOTE

ABOUT END CITIZENS UNITED AND LET AMERICA VOTE PAC

End Citizens United/Let America Vote (ECU/LAV) is dedicated to fixing and strengthening our democracy by ending the flow of unlimited and undisclosed money in politics and protecting and expanding the right to vote. We take a full and comprehensive approach to rectifying the severe consequences the *Citizens United* and *Shelby County v. Holder* decisions have had on our elections: enacting a constitutional amendment to overturn the *Citizens United* decision; supporting comprehensive legislation like the ***Freedom to Vote Act*** that reforms our campaign finance laws to curb the influence of Big Money flowing into our elections, tackles corruption, and expands and protects voting rights; and confirming federal judges and Supreme Court Justices who will uphold the sacred right to vote for all Americans and who believe political donations do not equate to political free speech.

ECU/LAV is a community of more than 4 million Americans dedicated to reforming and strengthening our democracy, protecting voting rights, fixing our nation's broken campaign finance system, and ending *Citizens United*. Our supporters are active and engaged in the political process as a progressive grassroots community dedicated to electing democracy reform champions.

Our strength comes from the power of many individuals standing together to call for change. We're proud to be supported by more than 1,000,000 donors across America who helped create a groundbreaking model that's proven the power of the grassroots to compete with corporate special interests. We help everyday Americans fight against the influx of Big Money in our politics that is trying to drown out their voices and suppress their votes.

ABOUT THIS SURVEY

ECU/LAV will use this questionnaire and past votes, statements, and actions on campaign finance and voting rights issues to guide our process for selecting candidates to endorse. We take a holistic approach that emphasizes a candidate's overall commitment to reforming and strengthening our democracy; ECU/LAV encourages, but does not require, 100% support of the included questionnaire items as a prerequisite for endorsement.

Kindly return your completed questionnaire by sending an electronic copy to Milan Patel at milan@endcitizensunited.org. Your answers to questions 1-17 and your answers in the campaign fundraising and reform commitments section of this questionnaire may be released to the public.

STATEMENT OF AUTHENTICITY

I, _____, a candidate for office of _____

in _____, certify that the answers in this questionnaire represent my own views.

SIGNATURE

DATE

CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Do you support the *Democracy for All Amendment*? (S.J. Res. 25 in the 117th Congress)

The *Democracy for All Amendment* is a constitutional amendment that would in effect overturn Supreme Court decisions including *Citizens United* by affirming the right of states and the federal government to pass laws that regulate spending in elections.

YES NO

2. Do you support the *Freedom to Vote Act*? (S. 2747 in the 117th Congress)

The *Freedom to Vote Act* is a comprehensive set of anti-corruption, government, and election reforms aimed at making it easier for people to vote, ending the dominance of Big Money in politics, and ensuring officials are working in the public interest.

YES NO

3. Do you support the *John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act*? (S. 4 in the 117th Congress)

The *John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act* would establish new criteria for determining which states and political subdivisions with a recent history of voting rights violations must obtain federal preclearance before changes to voting practices in these areas may take effect.

(Preclearance is the process of receiving preapproval from the Department of Justice or the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia before making legal changes that would affect voting rights.)

YES NO

4. Do you support the *Washington, D.C. Admission Act*? (S. 51 in the 118th Congress)

The *Washington, D.C. Admission Act* would grant Washington, D.C. statehood, finally giving its citizens full representation in Congress and ensuring that the citizens and elected leaders of the District of Columbia have full authority over local affairs, including crucial safety and security matters.

YES NO

5. Do you support the *Voter Empowerment Act*? (S. 954 in the 117th Congress)

The *Voter Empowerment Act* is comprehensive voting rights legislation originally authored in the House by civil rights icon Congressman John Lewis. It would modernize voter registration, including providing every voter with automatic, same-day, and online registration options; improve access to voting for vulnerable Americans; prohibit voter caging, deceptive practices, and voter intimidation; require adequate early voting periods and absentee voting options for every voter; restore federal voting rights for individuals who have finished their sentence; and reauthorize the Election Assistance Commission.

YES NO

CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE CONT'D

6. Do you support the *DISCLOSE Act*? (S. 443 in the 117th Congress)

The *DISCLOSE Act* would require organizations spending money in federal elections—including “dark money” groups such as 501(c)(4) social welfare organizations and 501(c)(6) organizations—to disclose their major donors, as well as implement a number of other important safeguards against special interest influence.

YES NO

7. Do you support the *Spotlight Act*? (S. 215 in the 117th Congress)

The *Spotlight Act* would repeal former President Trump’s damaging rules that allow politically active nonprofit groups—including those with foreign ties—to shield their major donors from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The legislation also would strengthen transparency rules for a range of 501(c) groups by requiring them to disclose their major donors.

YES NO

8. Do you support the *Honest Ads Act*? (S. 5054 in the 117th Congress)

The *Honest Ads Act* would require digital advertisements to be subject to the same disclosure rules as television, mail, and radio advertising. It would also require digital platforms with at least 50 million monthly views to maintain public files of campaign ads on those platforms and require online platforms to make reasonable efforts to ensure that foreign individuals and entities are not purchasing political advertisements designed to influence the American electorate.

YES NO

9. Do you support the *Anti-Corruption and Public Integrity Act*? (S. 5315 in the 117th Congress)

The *Anti-Corruption and Public Integrity Act* is a comprehensive anti-corruption package that would reduce conflicts of interest; close the revolving door; reform lobbying rules; improve judicial integrity; reform agency and administrative rule-making; strengthen enforcement of anti-corruption, ethics, and public integrity laws; and boost government transparency.

YES NO

10. Do you support the *Ban Congressional Stock Trading Act*? (S. 3494 in the 117th Congress)

The *Ban Congressional Stock Trading Act* would ban Members of Congress and their immediate families from trading stocks, preventing them from benefiting from insider information.

YES NO

CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE CONT'D

11. Do you support the *Restoring Integrity to America's Elections Act*? (S. 416 in the 117th Congress)

The *Restoring Integrity to America's Elections Act* would reform the Federal Elections Commission (FEC) and enable it to more effectively carry out its mission. The bill would reduce the number of members of the FEC from six to five, with two members from each major party and one independent, to end the deadlock.

YES NO

12. Do you support the *Supreme Court Ethics, Recusal and Transparency Act*? (S. 4188 in the 117th Congress)

The *Supreme Court Ethics, Recusal and Transparency Act* would expand federal recusal law, ensuring Justices' and judges' participation in cases is fully ethical. The legislation would also require the Supreme Court adopt a code of conduct.

YES NO

13. Do you support closing the revolving door to limit the influence of lobbyists in Washington?

YES NO

14. Do you support creating stricter rules to ensure that Super PACs do not coordinate with candidates?

YES NO

15. Do you support a fair process for drawing congressional districts that creates truly representative districts?

YES NO

16. Do you support reforming the filibuster to pass voting rights and democracy reform legislation?

YES NO

17. Will you support judicial nominees who believe in the importance of a transparent and fair campaign finance system and who will uphold voting rights for all Americans and oppose those who don't?

YES NO

CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE CONT'D

18. Why are campaign finance and anti-corruption issues important to you? How have you already demonstrated your commitment to these issues?

19. Why are voting rights issues important to you? How have you already demonstrated your commitment to these issues?

CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE CONT'D

20. How do you plan on engaging your voters on money in politics and voting rights issues during your campaign?

21. To you, how are democracy reform issues related to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion? How have you shown a commitment to DE&I practices in the past and how will you incorporate DE&I practices into your campaign this cycle?

CAMPAIGN FUNDRAISING AND REFORM COMMITMENTS

Note: ECU/LAV does not consider the rejection of the following sources of campaign contributions as a requirement for endorsement.

Do you accept contributions from PACs registered with the FEC as corporate PACs?

YES NO

Do you accept contributions from PACs registered with the FEC as trade associations?

YES NO

Do you accept contributions from federally registered lobbyists?

YES NO

Do you accept PAC contributions?

YES NO

Will you and your immediate family members refrain from trading individual stocks while you serve in Congress?

YES NO

CONTACT INFORMATION

Candidate Email: _____

Candidate Phone Number: _____

Campaign Manager Name: _____

Email: _____ Cell: _____

Finance Director Name: _____

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Direct Mail: _____

Polling: _____

TV/Media: _____

Digital: _____

Finance: _____

Other: _____

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