

END CITIZENS UNITED

2020 Senate Questionnaire

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ABOUT END CITIZENS UNITED PAC

End Citizens United PAC (ECU) is dedicated to ending the tidal wave of unlimited and undisclosed money that has reshaped our politics and damaged our democracy.

ECU is a community of more than 4 million Americans dedicated to reforming 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 campaign finance reform champions.

In 2018, End Citizens United helped elect 60 Democratic candidates to the House and Senate, including electing 34 new members who reject corporate PAC money, flipping 44 seats, and making campaign finance reform central to the movement that elected a Democratic majority to the House.

Our strength comes from the power of many individuals standing together to call for change. We're proud to be supported by more than 500,000 donors across America who helped create a groundbreaking model that proved there's a way for the grassroots to compete with corporate special interests and billionaires.

ABOUT THIS SURVEY

ECU takes a full and comprehensive approach to rectifying the severe consequences the Citizens United decision has had on our elections. There are many avenues to fixing our broken campaign finance system: Enacting a constitutional amendment to overturn the Citizens United decision, confirming federal judges and Supreme Court Justices who believe political donations do not equate to political free speech, and supporting legislation that will bring full disclosure of and limits to the money flowing into our elections.

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

Kindly return your completed questionnaire by sending an electronic copy to Lauren Karpinski at laurenkarpinski@endcitizensunited.org. Your answers to questions 1-12 in this questionnaire as well as any endorsements made by End Citizens United PAC will 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. 8 in the 115th Congress)?

The Democracy for All Amendment, introduced as S.J. Res 8 in the 115th Congress by Sen. Tom Udall (D-NM), is a constitutional amendment that would in effect overturn Supreme Court decisions including Citizens United, Buckley v. Valeo, and McCutcheon v. FEC.

YES NO

2. Do you support the *For the People Act*?

The For the People Act, to be introduced in the 116th Congress by Sen. Tom Udall (D-NM) and Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-OR), 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 *DISCLOSE Act* (S.3150 in the 115th Congress)?

The DISCLOSE Act, introduced as S.3150 in the 115th Congress by Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI), would require “dark money” groups, such as 501(c)(4) social welfare organizations and 501 (c)(6) organizations, to disclose their major donors when they engage in any political activity that mentions a candidate for federal office and/or is intended to influence a federal election.

YES NO

4. Do you support the *Fair Elections Now Act* (S.1640 in the 115th Congress)?

The Fair Elections Now Act, introduced as S.1640 in the 115th Congress by Sen. Dick Durbin (D-IL), would allow candidates for the Senate to earn grants and matching funds to incentivize them to run their campaigns seeking small-dollar contributions rather than donations from PACs and wealthy individuals.

YES NO

5. Do you support the *Honest Ads Act* (S.1989 in the 115th Congress)?

The Honest Ads Act, introduced as S.1989 in the 115th Congress by Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D-MN), 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 viewers to maintain public files of campaign ads 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

6. Do you support the *Anti-Corruption and Public Integrity Act* (S.3357 in the 115th Congress)?

The Anti-Corruption and Public Integrity Act, introduced as S.3357 in the 115th Congress by Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-MA), 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

7. Do you support the *Shareholder Protection Act* (S.1726 in the 115th Congress)?

The Shareholder Protection Act, introduced as S.1726 in the 115th Congress by Sen. Bob Menendez (D-NJ), would increase transparency and implement an SEC-enforced rule requiring companies to receive shareholder authorization of political expenditures in excess of \$50,000.

YES NO

8. Do you support the *Stop Super PAC-Candidate Coordination Act* (S.1838 in the 114th Congress)?

The Stop Super PAC-Candidate Coordination Act, introduced as S.1838 in the 114th Congress by Sen. Patrick Leahy (D-VT), would create a stricter definition of coordination to ensure that single-candidate Super PACs do not act as an arm of the campaign.

YES NO

9. Do you support the *Spotlight Act* (S.276 in the 116th Congress)?

The Spotlight Act, introduced as S.276 in the 116th Congress by Sen. Jon Tester (D-MT), would require 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5) and 501(c)(6) groups to disclose the names of donors who contribute more than \$5,000 to the IRS and to the public.

YES NO

10. Do you oppose the repeal of the *Johnson Amendment*?

The Johnson Amendment restricts 501(c)3 tax-deductible organizations, including churches, from engaging in political activity.

YES NO

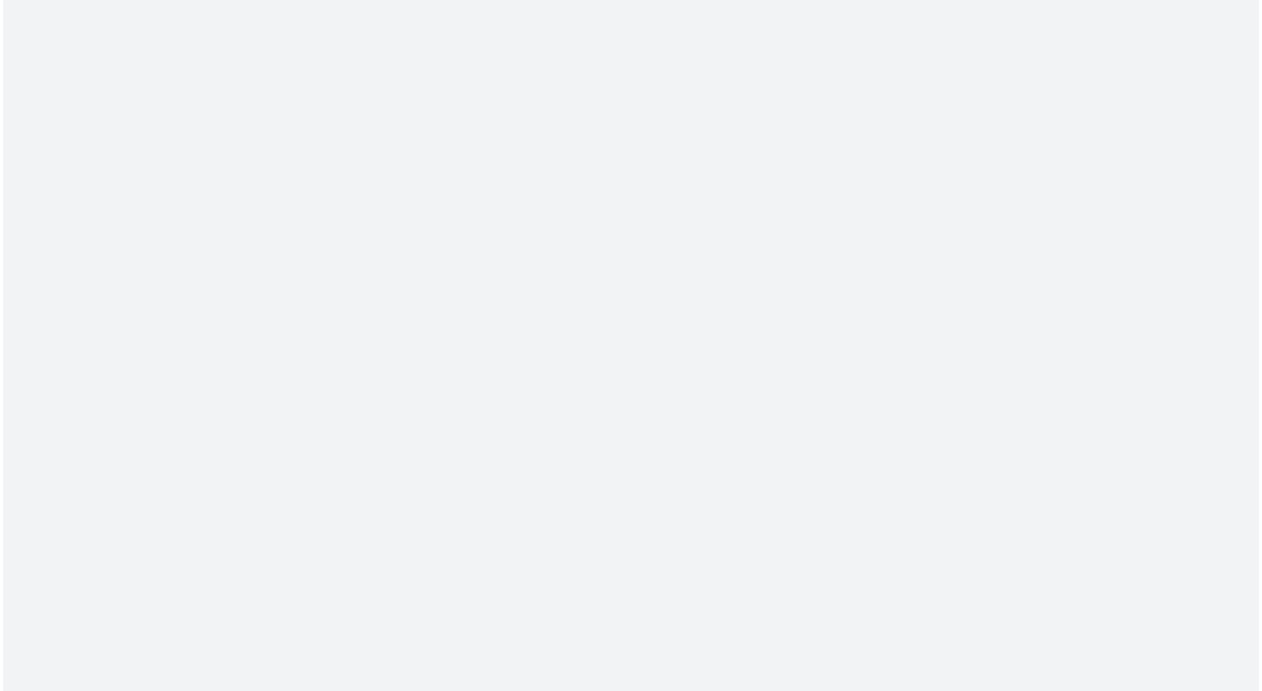
11. Will you support nominees to the FEC, IRS, FCC, and SEC who understand and uphold the role of their agencies in creating a campaign finance system that is fair to every American?

YES NO

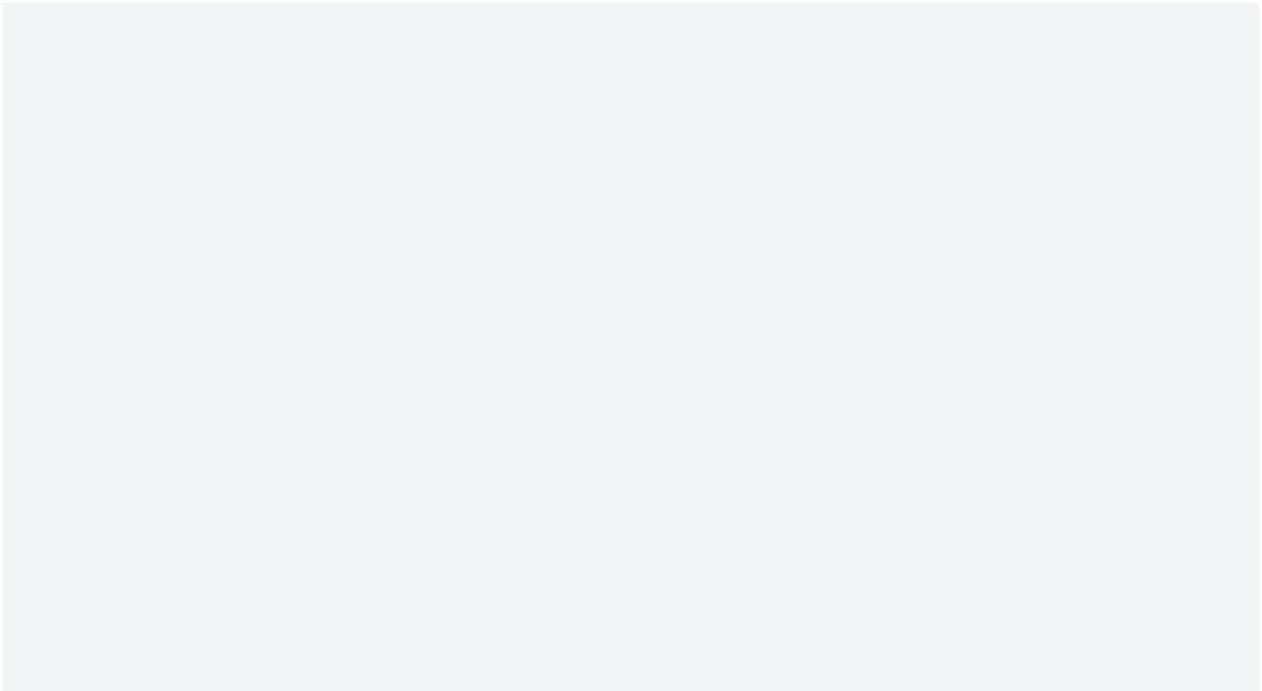
12. Will you support judicial nominees who believe in the importance of a transparent and fair campaign finance system with caps on how much individuals can donate to campaigns and stricter limits on independent expenditure groups?

YES NO

13. Why is campaign finance reform important to you?



14. Please provide a brief overview of the dynamics of your individual race/state (information on your primary, general elections, etc).



YOUR CAMPAIGN FUNDRAISING

Note: ECU 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 a corporate PAC?

YES NO

Do you accept contributions from federally-registered lobbyists?

YES NO

Do you accept PAC contributions?

YES NO

Please provide a candidate bio:

CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact Info:

Candidate Email: _____

Candidate Phone Number: _____

Campaign Manager Email: _____

Campaign Manager Phone Number: _____

Finance Director Email: _____

Finance Director Phone Number: _____

Consulting Team (if applicable):

Direct Mail: _____

Polling: _____

TV/Media: _____

Digital: _____

Finance consultant: _____

Other: _____

Mailing Address:

Street: _____ Suite: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____