

IVI-IPO 2004 US SENATE QUESTIONNAIRE – Section 1

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NUMBER OF PETITION SIGNATURES FILED: **10,000** NUMBER REQUIRED: **5,000**

Please use an additional sheet to complete the following background information:

A) Elective or appointive public or party offices previously held including dates.

Elected “Student Coordinator for Academic Affairs” during undergraduate studies at Brown University.

B) Other elective offices for which you have been a candidate.

None.

C) Principal business, education, professional and civic activities of the past ten years.

Please refer attached biography.

D) What subjects have you studied and what experience have you had which will be most helpful to you in the office you seek?

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E) Activities for other candidates. Please be specific.

Volunteered for Ravi Singh for State Representative, District 42, in 1998. Financially contributed to Bush for President 2004.

F) Please list all endorsements you have received so far.

Terry Miller, who has been Republican County Chairman in Jo Daviess County since 1986. From 1996-2000, Miller was elected by his peers to the position of President of the Illinois Republican County Chairman's Association. See attached press release.

Chad Koppie, previously a candidate for Governor of Illinois and U.S. Senator from Illinois.

Ray Wardingley, candidate for 1st district Congress. Wardingley won the Republican nomination for Mayor of Chicago in 1995 in a decisive primary victory and has also been nominated by the Republican Party for both the U.S. Congress and Alderman from the 19th Ward. See attached endorsement letter.

Susan Kelsey, 39th Ward Republican Committeeman in Chicago.

G) As concisely as possible, please state why you feel you should be endorsed over the other candidate(s). What goals for the office you seek are most important to you personally?

- **Independent from political ties**
- **Owes no favors to special interests**
- **Committed to reform and integrity in Republican Party**
- **Encourages small jobs and businesses and associated employment**
- **Expertise and experience in use of technology**
- **Focus on American security**

H) Please outline the place of patronage, personnel codes, race, gender, and sexual orientation in establishing criteria for hiring and promoting public employees.

We believe that patronage, race, gender, sexual orientation, etc. should not be used as criteria while making hiring or promotion decisions of any kind.

I) What is your campaign budget? How much have you raised to date?

We plan to spend \$ 3 mm in the primary and a further \$ 3 mm in the general election. With several local and national fundraisers already scheduled by our well organized finance committee, we are on course for raising the monies to meet our campaign targets for the months of January and February.

J) How many people are on your campaign staff? How many volunteers are on your list?

About 250 people are involved in different aspects of this campaign, some as staff and others as volunteers.

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Foreign and Military

1. a. What should be the US role in multi-national alliances such as the UN, NATO and the International Criminal Court?

International alliances such as those listed above can provide great aid for humanitarian and charitable missions around the globe. At the same time, it is important the U.S. does not act as an aggressor towards far-flung nations because various individuals in these organizations want us to be the world's policeman. The UN was a wise and prudent creation that must return to its roots. The United States should continue to fund the UN if they work towards noble goals. However, when the UN errs and does harmful actions like throwing the U.S. off the human rights panel in favor of Sudan, we should respond accordingly. We must also ensure all major nations pay appropriate shares. I am dismayed at various European countries that jeer the U.S. for not paying "dues" when we are providing far more overall funding than they are. NATO also needs to return to its roots. The organization was created purely as a defense organization but in recent years has been acting as aggressor in nations like Yugoslavia. I support NATO's policy of "an attack upon one is an attack upon all"—their proper place should be finding those who directed terrorist acts against the U.S. I also believe NATO would function more effectively if split into two organizations at this point—one of North America and one for Europe (NATO has expanded greatly in recent years). Our NATO would encompass the U.S., Canada, Greenland, and Iceland.

- b. What should be the policy of the IMF and World Bank toward countries that are essentially bankrupt?

Such policies must be decided on an individual basis given the size of the country and the conditions that lead to bankruptcy. I am a compassionate individual and would be willing to help the IMF/World Bank create programs to sustain such countries but a long-term solution to get them back on their feet would have to be planned out first.

2. What should be Congress' role in formulating foreign policy?

The constitution gives congress the sole power in regards to most foreign policy issues, including the grave decision to declare war. For this reason, I oppose many of the initiatives Presidents have taken over the years to upsurge congress or have them rubber stamp an earlier decision by the executive office. I believe the duty of Congress should be to put the interest of American workers first, and only then provide additional help for foreign nations. For this reason, I oppose my party's efforts to give permanent normal trade relations to China. As I noted, I also oppose policies where the U.S. acts as aggressor.

3. Should the US wage war without a declaration from Congress?

No. Congress should always authorize military action.

4. a. Do you support funding to assist conversion of the defense industry to civilian applications? **America's military strength must be maintained and enhanced in as effective and efficient a manner as possible, while keeping in mind both the country's security needs and its taxpayers' interests. If there is demonstrably broad and tangibly beneficial utility for a few and particular military applications in civilian life, then some funding could be considered as appropriate on a case-by-case basis.**

- b. Do you agree with the current proposed level of funding for the military? If you agree, explain. If you disagree, how would you distribute the funds?

I believe the increase in military funding was justified given the actions of September 11th. I do not believe Congress acts in the best interests of this country if they actually increase the amount of defense funding to more than the President requests. Such actions are pure posturing. I support streamlining the nation's military and removing or downgrading funding for projects that are no longer in active use or funding that is not being put to use (example: defense contractors that haven't delivered the goods yet)

5. Do you support

- a. continued funding for WHISC (the re-named Army School of the Americas)? **No.**
b. fast-track authority? **Yes.**

6. Do you support the way the drug war is being carried on, both abroad and at home? What would you change? **No. The Drug War on the national level is not working because the way funds are being distributed and lax attention to our borders. We should refocus our efforts to border control and not on minor drug offenses against citizens. More local control and state powers should be authorized instead of relying on the feds.**

7. Do you support

- a. normalization of relations with Cuba? **Not at this time.**
b. the Helms-Burton Act? **No.**

Environment

8. Do you support the environmental policies of the current administration? **The scope of environmental policies makes it impossible to answer yes or no in general. I support initiatives on an individual basis. I will be happy to take a yes or no statement regarding individual policies.**

9. How do we balance the need to protect the environment with our need for economic development? Your comments should include water resources, air quality, wetlands, coastline development, deforestation, use of public lands, and pesticides and herbicides.

Many of the problems stem solely from us. I disagree with those in my party who were eager to overturn the clean water and clean air acts in 1995 without even a moment's study. Another problem is "not in my backyard" scenario where officials in one area blame officials in another area for pollution and demand they take care of cleanups. For example, Lake Michigan is shared by four states, and as a Senator, I will lobby intensely for them to share the costs. I will also ask the President to tell Americans they must conserve more. The conflict between economic need/environmental concerns is often due to citizens finding themselves unable to rely on environmentally sound policies without

giving up their way of life. The best solution is finding long-term alternative energy solutions, such as solar-power and wind-power. Sometimes power interests have stood in the way of this, but I had received no donations from such groups, and therefore, my loyalty will be solely to the needs of Illinoisans.

10. Do you support oil drilling in Alaska and other protected wilderness? **Yes.**

11. So you support pollution credit schemes? **No.**

Transportation

12. What transportation policy do you favor regarding

a. infrastructure improvements? **Yes.**

b. highways? **Yes.**

c. mass transit? **Yes.**

d. high-speed rail? **No.**

e. Amtrak? **No.**

f. Air transportation, particularly the proposed O'Hare expansion and third airport?

I support reasonable O'Hare expansion. I also support the efforts to create a third airport, although not necessarily in Peotone. There are many possible locations of prudent use for air traffic that should be investigated, such as Rockford.

Taxes and Economic Policy

13. Do you favor

a. a more progressive income tax? **No.**

b. a flat tax? **No.**

c. a national sales tax? **No.**

d. reduction of the capital gains tax? **Yes.**

e. reduction or elimination of the estate tax? **Yes.**

f. elimination of the corporate alternative tax? **No.**

g. tax cuts on stock dividends? **No.**

h. any other changes in our tax structure? **Yes.**

14. Do you favor a roll-back of the Bush tax cuts? **No.**

15. Do you support total or partial privatization of the Social Security fund? Please explain. **I strongly oppose efforts to completely privatize the social security trust fund. Social Security was our promise to seniors that they would have fiscal stability in their old age, and we need to make sure social security remains viable in the future. We all need to make sure social security is available to all future generations. I support efforts to reform social security but I oppose all efforts to change the current status of social security benefits for today's seniors.**

16. What is your position on federal deficit spending vs. balanced budget? **Increased federal spending must be done at responsible levels. Funds should be directed towards services that benefit the public instead of pork barrel initiatives that benefit elite politicians. As a businessman, I am not part of the political insiders and will represent the people and work towards returning Congress to the kind of balanced budget we had in the 90s.**

17. Do you support unfunded mandates to local government? **No.**

Consumer Rights

18. Do you support

a. granting consumers the right to an annual free copy of their consolidated credit report, including credit score? **Yes.**

b. banning the use of Social Security numbers as identification in consumer transactions? **Yes.**

c. federal legislation to cap interest rates on consumer loans? **Yes.**

d. federal legislation to regulate ATM fees and service charges on credit cards and other consumer loans? **Yes.**

e. federal legislation to give banks and finance companies priority over other unsecured lenders in bankruptcy proceedings? **No.**

f. allowing states to enact consumer laws which go beyond the protection of federal legislation? **Yes.**

Government and Ethics

19. Do you support term limits? Describe briefly. **I would support legislation that would limit the number of terms Senators may serve (perhaps two) and the number that Representatives may serve (perhaps six or so).**

20. Do you support

a. public financing of Congressional campaigns? **Yes.**

b. spending limits? **Yes.**

c. abolition of PACs? **No.**

21. Would you support increased Congressional oversight of federal contracting? Why or why not? **Congress should ensure that federal contracts are in accordance with what is beneficial for all taxpayers of his nation. They must also take into account the views of the administration and its cabinet departments before making a final decision.**

Health & Human Services

22. Do you support comprehensive, universal, single-payer health care? If not, how would you address the need for healthcare for the uninsured and underinsured? **No. Illinois and the U.S. need another Senator who is a physician, with policy-making experience to solve one of the most important issues - affordable high-quality health care. While at Stanford University, I worked on the Medical Managed Care proposals. From his experiences in working on health care policy the best way to address this issue is by finding ways for every American to afford high quality private health care. We must reduce the cost of prescription drugs for the elderly. As a Medical Doctor and a person who has built health care related businesses, I have experience in improving delivery systems. I helped rebuild the Medical system in Sweden and I have helped make it easier for seniors in America to access more affordable, but safe, prescription drugs from Canada. We need to make sure our children and seniors have good health care coverage. We have to make family health care more affordable and realize that dollars spent on prevention will return benefits many times over in the future with savings on more expensive operations. We should expand COBRA so that laid off workers will always have the option to continue coverage at their employer's rate. More dollars must be released for Medicaid so that our senior citizens, whose money has run out, still have adequate funding for skilled nursing home care. Small businesses are paying higher premiums for their employees. Ways must be found to pool small businesses into larger buying groups, thereby bringing down the cost of insuring employees. The commencement forum I gave at Brown University was on how to make healthcare simple using technology, streamlining that, putting patients and insurance in a healthcare database because that's the biggest issue. I believe that everyone has a right to healthcare. By using the tax credit vouchers or giving them assured the right to buy private health insurance, that's the way to move them into the system.**

23. Do you favor funding changes for the following:

- supplemental food programs for Women, Infants and Children (WIC)? **No.**
- food stamp allowances? **No.**
- Head Start? **Yes, increased.**
- school lunch programs? **No.**

24. Do you support

- increased funding to develop affordable housing? **Yes.**
- restrictions to ensure development of low-income rather than market rate housing? **No.**
- a National Affordable Housing Trust Fund to build, rehabilitate and preserve at least 1.5 million units of primarily rental, primarily deeply targeted housing? **Yes.**
- Protection against housing discrimination based on source of income? **Yes.**

25. What services, if any, should be offered to those whose time on Welfare has run out and do not have adequate income to support themselves and their families?
Basic human services and dignity should of course be provided, including access to food, shelter, and clothing. Emergency medical care would also be provided on a needed basis. I would work to ensure every effort was made to move individual from welfare to workfare under these circumstances. I also believe it's important that state and local agencies chip in on the costs of basic provisions.

26. Do you favor

- increased federal aid to public education? **Yes.**
- vouchers, tuition tax-credits or other any direct public support for parochial or private schools? **Yes.**

27. Are the provisions of the No Child Left Behind Act the appropriate way to advance student achievement? **Yes, but more needs to be done to help inner-city schools and minority students.**

28. Do you support

- the Human Life Amendment?
Yes. Although I would allow abortion in cases of rape, incest, and to save the life of the mother.
- parental or spousal notification or consent to obtain an abortion?
Yes, except in cases of rape, incest, and to save the life of the mother.
- restoration of Medicaid coverage of abortion?
Yes, except in cases of rape, incest, and to save the life of the mother.
- a ban on so-called partial birth abortions? **Yes.**
- insurance coverage for abortions for federal and military employees and their dependents? **No.**

29. Do you support increased funding for HIV/AIDS research, education, prevention, and services? Please discuss compulsory licensing of essential drugs where needed, in the US, Africa, Asia and elsewhere.
I support President Bush's efforts to increase funding for AIDS relief. More AIDS funding should go towards areas where the AIDS epidemic has reached crisis proportions, for example, sub-Sahara Africa. As a medical doctor I am keenly aware of the problems of the AIDS epidemic. But I also believe that while money is being spent trying to cure AIDS, more money and effort should also be considered to prevent and cure such diseases as sickle-cell anemia, leukemia, cancer, Heart Disease, and Alzheimer's.

30. Do you support
- federal funding for stem cell research? **Yes, except in cases of embryonic stem cell research.**
 - legislation prohibiting stem cell research? **No, except in cases of embryonic stem cell research**

Law, Justice, and Correctional System

31. Do you support:
- admissibility of illegally obtained evidence? **No.**
 - electronic eavesdropping? **No.**
 - roving wiretaps? **No.**
 - capital punishment? **I would allow it in certain circumstances such as executing terrorists.**
 - criminal prosecution of juveniles as adults? **Yes.**
 - mandatory sentencing? **No.**
 - criminalization of hate crimes? **Yes.**
32. Do you support legislation prohibiting racial profiling in law enforcement? **Yes. As a minority I am well aware of the problems of racial profiling.**
33. Do you favor detention of suspects and material witnesses without charges and/or probable cause? Do you favor giving such detainees access to counsel? **I do not. I would support giving them council.**
34. Would you support legislation authorizing or prohibiting secret military tribunals? **Please explain your position. No. However, I do support strong public criminal justice proceedings against alleged terrorists.**
35. Do you support legislation to ban the manufacture, sale and possession of
- handguns? **No.**
 - assault weapons? **Yes.**
 - ammunition for handguns and assault weapons? **No.**
36. Do you support legislation
- mandating background checks of purchasers of weapons at gun shows, through the internet and through print advertisements? **No.**
 - increasing penalties for illegal resale of weapons? **Yes.**
37. a. Should funding for the Legal Services Corporation be increased? **Yes.**
b. What restrictions, if any, should Congress enact or repeal regarding the scope of federally funded legal services for the poor? **Services should be accessible to U.S. citizens.**

Civil Liberties and Civil Rights

38. a. Do you favor repeal of the Patriot Act or any of its provisions? **Yes, it needs reform. The Patriot Act has gone too far with some it's present provisions and unfairly targets some minorities and religious groups.**
b. Would you vote for Patriot Act II? **No, not in it's current form.**
39. Do you support
- federal legislation to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation in housing, employment and education? **Yes.**
 - repeal of the Defense of Marriage Act? **No.**
 - a Constitutional amendment prohibiting states from recognizing gay civil unions or same sex unions? **Yes. We are open to and agreeable to gay civil unions.**
40. What is your position on gays and lesbians in the military?
I support the existing policy but believe there must be massive changes in the way it is being promoted and carried out. Under the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" system, we are unfortunately removing more gays and lesbians from the military than we were under the old system of banning them. It is important that gays and lesbians understand how the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy works so that they may serve their country.
41. a. Do you support prior government restraint of the press? **No.**
b. Do you support State censorship of the arts? **No.**
c. What should be the guidelines in determining government support for the arts? **Guidelines should reflect what prevailing community standards are at the time the work is commissioned and released.**
d. Should funding for the NEA be increased, decreased or stay the same? **Stay the same.**
42. Do you support
- prayer in public schools? **No.**
 - moment of silence? **Yes.**
43. Do you support mandatory drug testing in private and public employment? Briefly state the reasons for your answers. **No, should be**

voluntarily.

44. Do you support mandatory AIDS testing for insurance or employment? **No, should be voluntarily.**

45. Do you support legislation to redress inequities in pension benefits for women? **Yes.**

46. Would you support the acceptance of completed ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment? **No.**

Labor

47. What changes, if any, in the Taft-Hartley Act would you work for? **I believe some of the exemptions provided by the Taft-Hartley Act are unnecessary. For example, the act specifies that major league baseball does not have to abide by anti-monopoly rules that other sporting conglomerates must obey. These provisions should be thrown out.**

48. Do you support a prohibition on permanent replacement of strikers? **No.**

49. Do you favor giving federal employees the right to strike? **Yes.**

50. What is your position on Affirmative Action with specific goals, targets and timetables for federal employment, grants and contracts and as a requirement for federal contractors and grantees? I believe in equal opportunity and oppose all forms of discrimination. **I support the position of the Supreme Court that makes race and economic status factors in employer and school decisions. I believe a person should not be denied any opportunity due to economic status. This is where the private sector and faith based groups can assist by choosing to offer assistance to the economically disadvantaged.**

51. a. Do you support comparable worth legislation? **Yes.**

b. What steps, if any, should the government take to monitor pay equity between men and women?

A program should be set up to monitor the median wages earned in various careers (from entry level to management) around the country (including hundreds of different careers). Any female employee could online or go to the Dept. of Labor to see what the median was for the current month. If they noticed a large discrepancy between what she is earning and what the average person earns, she could file a complaint and the government would conduct an investigation into the matter and take action.

52. Do you support a federal living wage law? Please explain why or why not.

Yes. It is important that our hardest working Americans are given enough to provide for themselves. I also support a minimum wage increase, if it increased slowly in a reasonable and prudent manner that allows people to adjust to the changes. We need to get Americans workers to do American jobs.