

IVI-IPO 2012 CONGRESSIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE – Section 1

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

None

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

None

C) What is your primary occupation?

Management consultant/Small Business Owner

D) Briefly list your civic activities of the past ten years.

I have been heavily involved in the community, including working with one of the largest non-profit social welfare institutions in the state, the Jewish United Fund/Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago. I am a Leadership Greater Chicago Fellow, a member of the Chicago Council on Global Affairs and a participant in the “In Good Faith” program at the Catholic Theological Union. I have also been a coach to my sons’ baseball and soccer teams for more than ten years.

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

I am a two-time graduate of Northwestern University, receiving my B.S. in Industrial Engineering in 1983 and my MBA in 1988. I have had a successful career in strategic management consulting, spanning more than 25 years. I worked at both national and closely-held firms and helped clients large and small succeed. Additionally, I owned and managed a life insurance agency from 1997 – 2003. In 2008, I founded Cadence Consulting Group, LLC. Through these experiences I developed a proven track record of bringing people together, exploring and analyzing options for progress, and getting things done. Congress has done little of late, and I hope to be part of the solution to that problem.

F) What candidates have you supported in past elections? Please be specific in describing your role in each campaign.

I have supported a number of candidates in the past, including Rep. Melissa Bean, Rep. Baron Hill, and Rep. Mark Kirk. I was one of Rep. Bean's earliest supporters, hosting a successful annual fundraiser for her. Through my past donations you will find a consistent support for candidates that stand strong with Israel and that support a sensibly moderate progressive agenda.

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

I am proud to have the endorsements of House Minority Whip, Congressman Steny Hoyer (Maryland), State Senators Susan Garrett and Jeff Schoenberg, former State Senators Howard Carroll and Arthur Berman, former State Representative Julie Hamos, former Lake County Commissioner Carol Spielman, Des Plaines Mayor Marty Moylan, and Jay Footlik – former senior advisor in the Clinton White House. I have also received the endorsement of IBEW Local 134.

H) 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?

As concisely as possible, I should be endorsed because my vision for the future is the right vision for the Tenth District and the Country, and I am on the only candidate in this race that can put together the broad-based coalition needed to beat Bob Dold.

I am running for Congress because Washington isn't getting it done for families across our district. We need people in Congress who are focused on creating jobs right here, setting smart priorities for investment in our children's future, helping our small businesses grow and working families thrive, and ensuring sustaining programs like Medicare and Social Security are secure for generations to come.

While much has changed in the 32 years since the 10th was last represented by a Democrat, too many of the challenges we face today are still the same as in 1979. Whether it is the economy and jobs, education, the environment, or energy independence, we need a new, better approach. We need innovative and practical solutions to help area businesses succeed and working families thrive.

I am running for Congress to bring new ideas, honest leadership and a "can-do" ability to the challenges we face as a country today and into the future.

For more than 25 years, I have worked with people and large and small businesses to overcome the obstacles blocking their paths to a more prosperous future. We succeeded by caring about how we would get things done and getting them right.

That's exactly the type of business sense that Washington could use.

I am running for Congress because I know I can make a difference for the better.

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

We have a one million dollar primary budget and have raised more than two thirds of the needed funds to date.

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

We have 9 full time paid staff, including my campaign manager, field director, volunteer coordinator, finance director, campaign treasurer, call-time manager, and additional field and finance operatives. We also have a number of full time fellows, dozens of interns and an expansive list of volunteers working for my campaign. A significant portion of my campaign operation is handled by grassroots volunteers that have come to me seeking to help elect a Democratic congressman in the Illinois 10th.

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Foreign and Military			
	YES	NO	
1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Should the US wage war without a declaration from Congress? The President needs to retain the authority to authorize short-term military actions when necessary, but Congress has constitutional authority to declare a state of war.
Do you support			
2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	closing WHISC (the re-named Army School of the Americas)? While this “school” is a black eye on American foreign policy, before I commit to closing the school, I need further study and input on this issue from our military and civilian leadership.
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	mandating release of the names of all those who have attended the WHISC? As above, I need further study on this issue.
Do you support			
4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	normalization of relations with Cuba? I support the desire and right of the Cuban people to live free of oppression and to have their fundamental rights recognized and respected, as postulated in the U.N.'s Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
5.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	the Helms-Burton Act? I support efforts by Cuba's civil society, including independent journalists, labor unions, LGTB activists, and human and civil rights defenders to be able to freely organize and express themselves without fear of persecution.
6.	ESSAY		What should be Congress' role in formulating foreign policy?
<p>As a member of Congress I will support policies that preserve the United States’ positive influence and leadership in bilateral and multilateral relations with our allies, in addressing challenges with our adversaries, and in setting international policies in global forums. Our goal in foreign policy must always be to keep America safe today, as well as work to craft a sustainable, forward looking policy that can ensure our security and prosperity for years to come.</p> <p>Such policy includes sensible defense spending that recognizes the changing realities of warfare and international relations. We can no longer rely on a Cold War mentality where foreign policy is a zero-sum game. Successful policy will combine the right balance of strong and soft power.</p> <p>As the international system continues to evolve from the bi-polar world of the last half-century to one of multiple influential powers, the U.S. must also continue to couple a strategic defense policy with diplomacy and development. At the same time, we must focus on sustaining and enhancing our economic power, as stability at home will translate into continued influence and investment overseas.</p> <p>I will also support legislation that supports Israel, an important ally in the rapidly changing Middle East, and seek the conditions that will allow Israel and her Arab neighbors, including the Palestinians, to pursue and achieve real, lasting peace.</p>			

7.	ESSAY	Comment on the necessity & effectiveness of our military deployment in Afghanistan
<p>I believe we have already achieved success in our initial mission in Afghanistan, specifically: (1) the removal of the Taliban; (2) the weakening of Al Qaeda; and (3) the death of Osama Bin Ladin.</p> <p>But, as in other wars, the war in Afghanistan has experienced “mission creep.” I believe that we are today in Afghanistan focusing on (1) nation building, (2) suppression of the opium trade and (3) intercession within Pakistan. None of these goals are likely to be fully achieved by the deployment of NATO forces, now or in the future. I therefore support President Obama’s plan and timetable for withdrawing American troops.</p> <p>That said, I also believe that we must stay engaged with Afghanistan, supporting the government and the Afghan people as they build their own nation in their own way. We must also work with Afghanistan and surrounding nations, to create economic opportunities to replace the attraction of opium trade to Afghan citizens. And we must work to reduce global demand at the same time. And we must work with the world to address the challenges in Pakistan, both in the short and the long term.</p>		

Energy & Environment		
		Do you Support
8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Oil drilling in Alaska and other protected wilderness?
9.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Cap and trade?
10.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Lower National Carbon emissions goals?
11.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Clean Diesel Program?
12.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> National Energy Efficiency goals?
13.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Coal Liquification? While I prefer finding new renewable energy technologies, if coal liquification is to proceed, it must include carbon dioxide sequestration or other technologies to keep its footprint smaller than the extractment and refinement of crude oil. At present, these processes keep liquification production costs significantly higher.
14.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Increasing use of Nuclear power for electric generation? (With necessary enhanced safeguards.)
15.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Mountaintop coal strip mining?
16.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase user fees for grazing, mining and lumbering on Federal lands?
17.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Opening more federal land for lumber exploitation?

18.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Support for Alberta Oil Sand exploitation?
19.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Incentives for business to develop alternative energy systems?
20.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tax credits for individuals to implement sustainable and renewable systems in their homes?
21.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support allowing states to adopt more stringent environmental standards than provided for in Federal law?
Transportation			
			Should the federal government have any funding responsibility for
22.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	infrastructure improvements?
23.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	highways?
24.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	mass transit?
25.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	high-speed rail?
26.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Amtrak?
27.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Air transportation?
28.	ESSAY		Please comment on specific proposals
<p>We must create many public/private partnerships to reinvest, rebuild, and reinvent our national infrastructure.</p> <p>We should start immediately rebuilding our national electrical grid to power both the homes and the cars of the future. We should accelerate reinforcing and rebuilding our bridges, highways, and streets. We should plan for, design and construct new high-speed rail networks, linked to modern mass transit systems that restore our world leadership in transportation. And we should start now, to produce good jobs today, and provide the framework for long-term growth and jobs for years to come. Towards this end, we need to create an infrastructure bank to accelerate investments in projects as soon as possible.</p>			

Taxes and Economic Policy			
		Do you favor	
29.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	a more progressive income tax?
30.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	a flat tax?
31.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	a national sales tax?
32.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	taxing capital gains at the same rate as earned income? I recognize that there is a difference between earned income and returns on invested capital and that it appropriate to treat each separately in our tax code. But we also must recognize the difference between speculation and investment. I also believe the 20% capital gains rate we used during the Clinton administration did not limit our economic development, and believe it appropriate to consider raising the capital gains rate toward reducing our fiscal deficits.
33.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	taxing dividends at the same rate as earned income? Dividends taxation is another complex issue that will be influenced by how we address the inherent unfairness of our corporate tax policies, policies that allow for GE to pay no taxes last year! Consequently, I cannot give a simple yes or no answer to this question. For example, I would be willing to consider allowing for a lower tax rate on dividends if the result was a more fair effective corporate rate.
34.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	reduction/elimination of the estate tax?
35.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	any other changes in our tax structure?
36.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Elimination of mortgage interest deduction?
37.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Elimination of income tax credit for dependent children

38.	ESSAY	What would you do to create jobs, specifically address communities with historically high and lingering unemployment rates
<p>My strategy for growth includes five key elements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Incentives for Jobs Now: While smart policy will help us grow long-term, I will also seek to provide immediate incentives for companies, states and local communities to invest in people and equipment today. We must emphasize existing programs and develop new, targeted tax incentives for companies to hire and train new workers, purchase new production equipment, and develop new products and processes. We must continue to invest at the local level to help cities, towns and villages retain teachers, police, firefighters and other community-enhancing service providers.2. Investment in Infrastructure: We must create many public/private partnerships to reinvest, rebuild, and reinvent our national infrastructure. We should start immediately rebuilding our national electrical grid to power both the homes and the cars of the future. We should accelerate reinforcing and rebuilding our bridges, highways, and streets. We should plan for, design and construct new high-speed rail networks, linked to modern mass transit systems that restore our world leadership in transportation. And we should start now, to produce good jobs today, and provide the framework for long-term growth and jobs for years to come. Towards this end, we need to create an infrastructure bank to accelerate investments in projects as soon as possible.3. Creation of Quality, Long-Term Jobs: We must create incentives for companies presently holding trillions of dollars in cash accounts to deploy that capital in people and long-term investment. We can do so with comprehensive, common sense laws and regulations that protect people and the environment, while at the same time providing entrepreneurs and managers the policy certainty they need in order to take prudent risks in their businesses.4. Investment in People Today and in the Future: Concurrently, we must invest in education and training programs for workers, young and old, to hone the skills necessary to compete in the 21st Century global economy. By reinforcing our workers skills, we create further incentives for companies to bring high quality, value-producing jobs back to America.5. Investment in New Technologies, Including Clean Energy, Health Care, and Information: We must create public/private partnerships in new technologies to develop and implement innovative solutions to many of the future challenges we can see facing us on the horizon, including energy security, environmental sustainability, and affordable health care. <p>These investments will not only create jobs today, they will create wealth for our nation long into the future.</p>		

39.	ESSAY	What changes would you propose for the Social Security System?	
<p>In the years since Ida May Fuller received the very first Social Security check on January 31, 1940, the generational promise of security and dignity for our senior citizens has been a foundation of our social contract. In no small part, the promise of Social Security has been a source of our economic growth and development. I believe this must continue. Social Security has helped us dramatically reduce the percent of seniors living below the poverty line. This is a goal started, but not yet completed.</p> <p>As with any long-term, large-scale program, Social Security needs to evolve over time. I am committed to making sure that the promises made under current law are fulfilled, while at the same time I recognize that we will need to consider long-term changes to address our long-term needs.</p>			
40	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Do you support repeal of the Commodity Futures Modernization Act?</p> <p>Like other issues above, we need to address the abuses within the derivatives markets with smart, sensible, effective and enforced regulations. Whether we can achieve this by amending or repealing the CFMA is something that will require further study based on the circumstances.</p>
41.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Will you support “fast track” legislation for trade treaties?</p> <p>I support giving the President broad authority to negotiate trade agreements but I also support limits that ensure we have treaties that foster fair trade, reflect the rights of workers, and protect our global environment.</p>
Consumer Rights			
42.	ESSAY	What legislation or regulation would you support to safeguard consumers harmed in the recent sub-prime lending credit crisis?	
<p>I believe consumers deserve transparent, coherent and comprehensible language in dealing with financial institutions. With respect to the sub-prime credit crisis, I support the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB), as created in the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. Before this landmark legislation was signed into law by President Obama, many non-bank mortgage lenders were not scrutinized by federal regulators and regularly sold mortgage products to consumers regardless of their ability to meet the terms of the agreements.</p> <p>With President Obama's recent appointment of Richard Cordray as CFPB's Director, this agency now has the ability to monitor and enforce fair and lawful lending practices. I support effective oversight of this industry so that consumers will not again face the kinds of predatory practices that became standard operating procedure over the last decade.</p>			

			Do you support
43.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	federal legislation to cap interest rates on credit cards and other consumer loans? I support legislation that fully protects the rights of consumers and require credit card and loan companies to fully and fairly disclose all terms, fees and conditions in a simple and understandable way.
44.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	federal legislation to regulate ATM fees and service charges on credit cards and other consumer loans?
45.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	allowing states to enact consumer laws which go beyond the protection of federal legislation?
Government and Ethics			
			Do you support
46.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Constitutional amendment to regulate campaign financing? I support increased regulation and completely agree that changes to campaign financing are needed, but I do not know that a constitutional amendment is the best method to achieve this.
47.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Constitutional amendment to reverse the Citizens United case? As above, I disagree with the Supreme Court's decision in the Citizen's United case, but I do not know if a constitutional amendment is the best method to solve this problem.
48.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support increased Congressional oversight of federal contracting?
	ESSAY		Why or why not?
I believe that effective governance requires both oversight and accountability. It is the responsibility of Congress to ensure that monies spent on behalf of our citizens is honestly and effectively allocated and utilized.			

Health & Human Services			
49.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Do you support “Single Payer” or “Extended Medicare”?
	ESSAY		Why or why not?
<p>Good health care should be a competitive advantage allowing us to grow our national prosperity, our national security, and our national wellbeing.</p> <p>With that in mind I think we need to move the debate from focusing only on “who pays” for a system we all know has too much waste and inefficiency, to a discussion about achieving optimal outcomes at affordable costs for all Americans.</p> <p>We must also figure out how to address the burden of our health care costs without putting crushing burdens upon working people, companies or the government.</p> <p>We need a system with more well care, preventative care, and curative care to begin to reduce the rate of health care inflation.</p> <p>At the same time, I believe we can reduce what we spend as a country on health care by reducing avoidable emergency room care, unnecessary redundancies in care, and unwarranted defensive care, lowering our total system costs.</p> <p>Progress will come through exploiting new technologies and innovations that enhance effectiveness and improve outcomes, while also streamlining processes and reducing systemic costs.</p> <p>We must also continue with insurance market reform, increasing the affordability of coverage for small businesses and individuals.</p>			
50.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support authorizing Medicare and other government insurance programs to negotiate lower prices for prescription drugs?
51.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Should the FDA approve importation of drugs from countries whose manufacturing and safety standards are equal or superior to those in the US?
52.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support funding of medically accurate, age appropriate, sex education programs?
53.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support increased funding for HIV/AIDS research, education, prevention, and services?
54.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Do you support the Human Life Amendment?
55.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support the Freedom of Choice Act?

56.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	parental notification to obtain an abortion?
57.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	a ban on so-called partial birth abortions?
58.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Repeal of the Hyde Amendment?
59.	ESSAY		What other changes would you support in the area of reproductive health?
<p>I believe in a woman’s fundamental right to make her own decisions about her body and her health, free from intrusion by the government. We must diligently protect women’s access to comprehensive health care, including family planning, birth control, and safe, legal abortion.</p> <p>As a member of Congress, I will oppose any legislation that limits women’s access to full and comprehensive health care. I will also oppose any legislation that seeks to place limits on the full spectrum of health decisions between a woman and her doctor.</p> <p>I believe we can reduce the number of unwanted pregnancies, and subsequently the number of abortions, by enhancing access to family planning and birth control. As well, we should promote effective, age appropriate sex education programs to teach about abstinence, birth control options, sexually transmitted diseases, and other information to help young adults make good decisions now and throughout their lifetimes.</p> <p>We should also expand ways that we support women and their families who choose to carry their pregnancy to term. We can support these women by improving access to quality prenatal care, as well as creating more pathways for adoption, including for same-sex couples and single parents.</p> <p>I will also support and will work to promote US sponsorship of international family planning efforts to reduce the number of unwanted pregnancies and abortions worldwide.</p>			
			Do you favor increased funding for:
60.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	supplemental food programs for Women, Infants and Children (WIC)?
61.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	food stamp allowances?
62.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Head Start?
63.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	school lunch programs?
			Do you support
64.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	reauthorization of TANF in 2012?
65.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	raising TANF benefits to at least equal the poverty level?
66.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reestablishing federal regulation of statewide programs?

67.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	TANF work requirement?
68.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Support the further extension of unemployment benefits?
69.	ESSAY		What are your proposals to help people who do not qualify for TANF or for unemployment benefits?
I have not yet developed such proposals, but as state above, I believe we must as a nation lend a hand to help those unable to help themselves.			
			Do you support
70.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	increased funding to develop affordable housing?
71.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	restrictions to ensure development of low-income rather than market rate housing?
72.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	adequate funding for the National Affordable Housing Trust Fund out of the premiums paid for Fannie Mae and Ginnie Mae loans?
73.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	protection against housing discrimination for holders of Section 8 housing vouchers?
			Do you favor
74.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	vouchers, tuition tax-credits or other any direct public support for parochial or private schools?
75.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Are the provisions of the No Child Left Behind Act the most effective way to advance student achievement?

ESSAY	If not, what plan would you propose?
<p>Great education starts with teachers. We owe it to our children to stop vilifying teachers and instead help them lead us to a prosperous and secure future. We owe it to our children, and to ourselves, to fill all of our schools with fully qualified and fairly compensated teachers. And we must strive to give all our teachers the best technologies, with the best available tools and resources.</p> <p>As a member of Congress, I will work to push forward four key education goals:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Have more students graduating high school. We must reduce the percentage of students who drop out of high school before graduation.2. Better prepared for a 21st Century world. We must increase the percentage of students who graduate high school prepared to enter the world and achieve a lifetime of success.3. With the skills and tools to succeed in college. We must increase the percentage of students graduating high school prepared to succeed in college curricula, including math and sciences, as well as the liberal arts.4. And the resources and support to complete their degrees. We must increase the number of students completing undergraduate degrees, particularly students of color, and from economically challenged communities. <p>I believe we can make immediate progress on all four goals by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ending the unfair and unproductive attacks on teachers, and instead recognizing that they are the key to securing our national future through teaching and inspiring our greatest national treasure...our children.• Increasing our investment in early learning programs.• Helping states transform their most challenged schools to ensure every child has access to quality education.• Developing shared educational standards that help ensure we provide all young people the lessons, skills and tools to succeed in an increasingly competitive and interconnected global economy.• Identifying and developing effective measures of learning and academic performance to create high, and realistic, expectations and accountability for educating our children.• Expanding programs, like “Race to the Top,” that allow states to opt in and compete for federal investment in innovative, transformative educational ideas.• Refining “No Child Left Behind” to retain those aspects that are helpful and address the issues that create confusion or unnecessary burden.• Developing affordable pathways to technical, undergraduate and graduate education, encompassing community colleges, colleges and universities.	

Law, Justice, and Correctional System			
		Do you support:	
76.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	admissibility of illegally obtained evidence?
77.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	electronic eavesdropping? With proper due prior court authorization and oversight.
78.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	roving wiretaps? Our surveillance capabilities must, of necessity, reflect changes in technologies but also, and even more critically, must always be within our constitution. I would support roving wiretaps, but again require court authorization and oversight.
79.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	capital punishment?
80.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	criminal prosecution of juveniles as adults?
81.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	mandatory sentencing?
82.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	criminalization of hate crimes?
83.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Congressional oversight of the NSA?
84.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Real ID program?
85.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	detention of suspects and material witnesses without charges and/or probable cause?
		Do you support	
86.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	repeal of the Military Commissions Act? I think we need to review the act in the context of our full legal strategy for addressing the challenges of 21st century conflicts, including non-state combatants, terrorism, and insurgencies. I think Congress must take the lead on addressing these legal challenges in an open and complete debate, sooner rather than later.
87.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	a statutory ban on the use of extraordinary rendition and secret prisons?
88.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	creation of a special committee to learn the truth about unlawful and inappropriate activities by government officials in the post-9/11 era?
89.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	repeal of the FISA Amendments Act of 2008?
90.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support legislation prohibiting racial profiling in law enforcement?

91.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support legislation restricting the sale and possession of assault weapons?
			Do you support legislation
92.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	mandating background checks of purchasers of weapons at gun shows, through the internet and through print advertisements?
93.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	increasing penalties for illegal resale of weapons?
94.	ESSAY		What restrictions, if any, should Congress enact or repeal regarding the scope of federally funded legal services for the poor?
This is an issue that requires further study.			
Civil Liberties and Civil Rights			
			Do you favor
95.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	repeal of the Patriot Act? The Patriot Act, while unpopular, has many provisions and components I believe necessary for our law enforcement and counter terrorism operations in the 21st Century. I do not support a full repeal of the Act, but do support revisions and amendments to several areas where I believe there is potential for governmental abuse and infringement of individual rights.
96.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	amending the NSL provisions to expand court oversight, require a mandatory showing of a connection to terrorist activity and rescind unconstitutional gag restrictions?
97.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	any other changes to the Patriot Act?
98.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Do you support repeal/revision of the Posse Comitatus Act?
		ESSAY	Please explain. The Posse Comitatus Act has limited Presidential authority in using federal troops on U.S. soil since 1878. The amendments of the Insurrection Act of 1807 included in the John Warner National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007 (H.R. 5122) were repealed in their entirety.
			Do you support
99.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	prioritizing family reunification as criteria in granting visas and processing citizenship and permanent resident applications?
100.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	halting deportations of immigrants until final determination of residency status has been made and appeals have been exhausted?
101.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prohibiting deportation of undocumented immigrants arrested for misdemeanors or traffic violations?

102.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	A pathway to citizenship for undocumented immigrants currently in the country?
103.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The DREAM Act?
104.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recognizing same sex marital or union status when determining immigration status?
105.	ESSAY		What other immigration reforms do you support?
<p>From our earliest days, immigrants have been an essential part of the fabric of American society and our prosperity. We would not have, could not have achieved the great successes of the American story, here at home and throughout the world, without the continuous influx and influence of new citizens from around the world.</p> <p>Still, our current immigration system needs comprehensive reform. We have a process that has unacceptably long wait times and often overwhelming bureaucratic challenges. Combined with imperfect border security and strong incentives to enter this country, we have had an unprecedented influx of undocumented immigrants. The result is over eleven million people living in the shadows of our economy, and often our communities.</p> <p>As a member of Congress, I will support comprehensive immigration reform that effectively secures our borders, while at the same time creating a clear, fair and equitable path for legal residency, and ultimately citizenship, for those already living in the United States. People who are productively contributing to their communities and our country.</p> <p>I will also strongly advocate for the DREAM Act. This important legislation will provide undocumented immigrant students who graduate from US high schools the opportunity to pursue university educations, to fully develop their talents and skills, and contribute throughout their lifetimes to their new country.</p>			
106.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support DC statehood?
			Do you support
107.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	federal legislation to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation in housing, employment and education?
108.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	repeal of the Defense of Marriage Act?
109.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	passage of the Respect for Marriage Act?
110.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support legislation allowing gays and lesbians to serve openly in the military?
111.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Do you support prior government restraint of the press?

112.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support separation of church and state?
			Do you support
113.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	prayer in public schools?
114.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	moment of silence?
			Do you support mandatory drug testing
115.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	in private employment?
116.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	in public employment?
117.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Do you support mandatory AIDS testing for insurance or employment?
118.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support legislation to redress inequities in pension benefits for women?
119.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support the Equal Rights Amendment to the US Constitution?
Labor			
120.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support Affirmative Action with specific goals, targets and timetables for federal employment, grants and contracts?
121.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support legislation to restructure the wage scale of federal employees to correct disparities based on gender by instituting equal pay for jobs of comparable worth?
			Do you support
122.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act?
123.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	a prohibition on permanent replacement of strikers?
124.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	giving federal employees the right to strike?
125.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	the Employee Freedom of Choice Act?

126.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support a federal living wage law to guarantee that a person working forty hours a week would be able to afford housing, food, utilities, transportation and health care? Although I support a living wage, I believe it should be set at the state level.