

IVI-IPO 2006 GENERAL ASSEMBLY QUESTIONNAIRE – Section 1

DATE July 24, 2006 **DISTRICT:** 70th Representative **PARTY:** Democratic

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NUMBER OF PETITION SIGNATURES FILED: Caucused by party to fill ballot vacancy. **NUMBER REQUIRED:**

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

- A) Elective or appointive public or party offices previously held including dates.
- B) Other elective offices for which you have been a candidate.
- C) What is your primary occupation?
- D) Briefly list your civic activities of the past 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?
- F) What candidates have you supported? Please be specific in describing your role in each campaign.
- G) Please list all endorsements you have received so far.
- 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?
- I) What is your campaign budget? How much have you raised to date?
- J) How many people are on your campaign staff? How many volunteers are on your list?

- A) None
- B) DeKalb County Board, District 4, 1994
- C) Executive Director, National Pharmacists Association

D) ORGANIZATIONS

Weekly Volunteer, DeKalb County Meals on Wheels
Secretary, Illinois Pharmacists Association Foundation 2002—2005
Director, Health and Disability Advocates Medicaid Leadership Group 2003—present
Member, American Pharmacists Association 1999 - present
Member, Illinois Pharmacists Association 1986 - present
Member, Illinois Bar Association 1988 - present

APPOINTMENTS

Adjunct Clinical Instructor, Dept. of Pharmacy Practice, Midwestern University 2004—present
Delegate, American Pharmacists Association House of Delegates 2000—2004
Methamphetamine Advisory Group, Office of the Attorney General 2004—present
Executive Board, Medicaid Leadership Group, Health and Disabilities Advocates 2003—present
Illinois Advisory Council on Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency,
 Illinois Department of Health and Human Services 2002—2004
Delegate, Illinois Pharmacists Association House of Delegates 1996—2004
Board member, IPhA Foundation 2002—present
Trustee, Illinois Pharmacists Political Action Committee 2002—present
Chair, Bylaws Committee, Illinois Pharmacists Association 1999—2004
Pharmacist of the Year, Illinois Pharmacists Association 2000

ENVIRONMENTAL WORK: C.H.I.P.S. Tree preservation campaign, Sycamore 1999

- E) My study and training as an attorney and healthcare professional, and my experience, particularly as Investigator and Prosecutor for the Illinois Department of Regulatory Compliance and as Executive Director of the National Pharmacists Association, a labor organization, give me a solid background to serve effectively.
- F) Individual contributions of less than \$150 each to the following Illinois candidates: Dawn Clark Netsch, 1994; George Ryan, 1998; John Schmidt, 2002; Lisa Madigan, 2002 & 2005
- G) DeKalb County Democratic Central Committee; Ogle County Democratic Central Committee; LaSalle County Democratic Central Committee; Ruth Anne Tobias, Chair of the DeKalb County Board; Frank Van Buer, Mayor of the City of DeKalb; Bobbie Colbert, Ogle County Board, District 2 (Rochelle)
- H) In the three years since my opponent was appointed by the Republican Party to fill a vacancy due to the untimely passing of Dave Wirsing, he has done little or nothing for the district, other than get his picture in newspapers passing out checks written on budgets he voted against. A recent four-page tabloid, taxpayer-funded, propaganda sheet extolling his supposed accomplishments opened by stating: "There were hundreds of bills passed into law this spring that will affect citizens from childhood to senior years." It didn't state the fact that my opponent was the chief sponsor of exactly ONE of those bills, a piece of "feel-good" legislation that benefits, at most, a dozen people in our district.

I believe the 70th District deserves an effective representative who will protect the rights and fight for the needs of the people who live and work here. My training as an attorney and healthcare professional, and my experience, particularly as Investigator and Prosecutor for the Illinois Department of Regulatory Compliance and as Executive Director of the National Pharmacists Association, a labor organization, give me a solid background to serve effectively in the Illinois House.

Education Funding Reform and Property Tax Relief are critical issues for the 70th District and for the entire state. Illinois' ranking as 47th in funding to schools is a disgrace. Many school districts can no longer (and should no longer) pass referenda to increase property taxes. I supported Education Funding Reform in 1997 when Pate Phillips was the only thing standing in the way of real reform. I will fight for it now, against members of my own party if necessary, as Representative of the 70th District.

- I) Campaign Budget: minimum \$60,000 Raised to Date (Since May 22 filing): \$13,607.00
- J) Paid Staff: 2 Volunteers on Current List: 120

IVI-IPO 2006 GENERAL ASSEMBLY QUESTIONNAIRE – Section 2

	YES	NO	Elections & Ethics
			Do you support:
1.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	moving the primary election date?
	ESSAY		If so, to what month? To avoid lengthy and costly campaigns that unfairly advantage the incumbent, I would support moving the primary election to three to four months prior to the general election.
2.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	keeping voters' political party preferences in the primary elections secret?
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	reestablishing straight party voting in general elections?
4.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	any other changes in Illinois' election laws?
	ESSAY		Please explain. I would recommend that every voter be provided, or at least strongly urged to read, Robert Penn Warren's <u>All the King's Men</u>.
5.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support restoration of cumulative voting for the Illinois House of Representatives?
	ESSAY		If so, please describe the plan you support.
6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Should Illinois institute instant run-off voting?
7.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support changes in the way judges are selected?
	ESSAY		If so, please give a brief description of the system you support. I would support merit appointment based on local bar association ratings.
8.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you believe that appointments to judicial vacancies should be based on nominations from local review panels?
	ESSAY		If not, would you recommend any changes in the current system? Please explain.
			Do you support:
9.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	public financing of election campaigns?
10.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	limits on campaign contributions and political committee transfers?
11.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	restricting campaign fundraising during legislative sessions?
12.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	limiting contributions to political campaigns by dollar amount or source?
			Do you support
13.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	legislation to prohibit incumbency and political affiliation as criteria in the mapping process for Congressional, Legislative and local government electoral districts?
14.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	creation of a non-partisan Commission to draw maps instead of the General Assembly?
15.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do you support permitting state employees to hold other public sector jobs concurrently?
16.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do you support patronage?
	ESSAY		Please explain your position. Government must be effective in serving its citizens. To do that, merit must be the primary criteria in hiring.
Taxes and Economic Policy			
			Do you support:
17.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	instituting a graduated income tax?
18.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	increasing income taxes to relieve or replace local property taxes and increase state funding

			of education?
19.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	maintaining the current corporate/individual ratio in income taxes?
20.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support casino gambling in Cook County?
	YES	NO	
21.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you support legislation requiring citizen referenda at the state or local level before casino gambling is expanded?
	ESSAY		If so, at which level and why? Both. State-wide referenda should be used to determine whether there will be overall expansion. Local communities should have the referenda option as specific projects are proposed.
			Do you support legislation to
22.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	prohibit confession of judgment clauses in consumer contracts?
23.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	allow expanded private rights of action?
24.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	allow expanded rights of litigation?
25.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	mandate attorney fees to be awarded to successful plaintiffs?
26.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	provide for any other changes? Please specify.
			Do you support legislation
27.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	banning Pay Day loans?
28.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	banning or restricting ATM fees?
29.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	capping credit card interest rates?
Education			
30.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you vote to increase state funding to at least 50% of public education costs?
31.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do you support vouchers or other means of public funding for private or parochial schools?
32.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do you support public funding of charter or contract schools?
	ESSAY		Please explain your position. Tax dollars should be used to improve quality at all public schools, not some over others.
Civil Rights & Civil Liberties			
33.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support Affirmative Action?
34.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you vote to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment?
			Do you favor legislation
35.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	legalizing civil marriage between two people of the same gender?
36.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	providing legal recognition of domestic partnerships?
37.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	prohibiting discrimination in housing against unmarried individuals residing together?
38.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do you support mandatory AIDS testing for insurance or employment?
			Do you support mandatory drug testing
39.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	for public sector employees?
40.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	for private sector employees?

	ESSAY		Under what circumstances?
41.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Should state police be allowed to stop vehicle operators to test for DUI on grounds other than probable cause?
42.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support legislation to include data on pedestrian, as well as motor vehicle, stops by police for the purpose of gathering statistics on racial profiling?
	YES	NO	
43.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support amending current racial profiling legislation to add collection of data on persons of Middle Eastern origin?
44.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support repeal of legislation that permits employers to eavesdrop on the telephone conversations of their employees?
45.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do you favor detention of suspects and material witnesses without charges and/or probable cause?
Labor			
46.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you favor restructuring the wage scale of state employees to correct disparities based on gender by instituting equal pay for jobs of comparable worth?
47.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do you support privatization of state services?
	ESSAY		If so, which services?
48.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support contracting for outside services with companies located outside Illinois? Why or why not? ONLY if quality services are not available from Illinois companies.
49.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support the right of public employees to strike?
50.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support legislation banning the replacement of strikers in private employment?
51.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support family leave legislation for employees of private companies not currently covered by federal law?
			Do you support
52.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	raising the minimum wage to establish a living wage for Illinois workers?
53.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	establishing a lower minimum wage for minors?
54.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	including farm workers and household employees under existing labor laws?
Health & Human Services			
55.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you support a single-payer health plan for Illinois?
	ESSAY		If so, how would Medicaid be incorporated into the program you support? Through coordinated managed-care programs.
56.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you support sufficient funding to provide community based services for discharged mental health patients?

			Do you support:
57.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	legislation which would guarantee that abortion remains legal in Illinois, to the extent it is currently available, in the event of Roe v. Wade being overturned or diminished?
58.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medicaid funding for abortions?
59.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	insurance coverage of abortions for state employees?
60.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	parental consent/notification for minors seeking abortions?
61.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	banning so-called partial-birth abortions?
62.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	any other restrictions on abortions? Please specify.
	YES	NO	
63.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support increasing appropriations to the Department of Children and Family Services to increase the number of caseworkers?
64.	ESSAY		What services, if any, would you offer to those whose time on Welfare has run out and do not have adequate income to support themselves and their families? Emergency and required maintenance should be provided through extension of welfare benefits, coupled with mandatory job training and job placement assistance for those who are able.
Housing			
65.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you favor legislation banning housing discrimination against holders of Section 8 vouchers?
			Would you support legislation
66.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	mandating that landlords give tenants notice prior to entering their units?
67.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	assessing penalties against landlords who engage in illegal or retaliatory evictions?
Energy & Environment			
68.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support an elected ICC?
69.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Should Illinois institute a Renewable Portfolio Standard requiring all energy providers in Illinois to sell minimum amounts of their energy from renewable sources?
70.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Should Illinois adopt the International Energy Conservation Code for residential buildings?
71.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you support ratification of the Great Lakes Annex Compact if it restricts out-of-basin diversion of Great Lakes waters?
72.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support legislation that would provide state technical assistance funds to local communities to help them prepare and implement comprehensive smart growth plans to avoid the costs of rapid unplanned growth and urban sprawl?
73.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support legislation requiring registration and monitoring of confined feedlot waste treatment/disposal and licensing of third party waste haulers?
			Do you support
74.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	expansion of O'Hare airport?
75.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	expansion of other regional airports? If so, which? Rockford
76.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	building a new airport in Peotone?

			Do you support
77.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	inter-city high speed rail?
78.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	the current formula for allocation of funds to CTA, Metra and PACE?
			Criminal Justice
			Do you support state legislation to ban the manufacture, sale and possession of
79.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	handguns?
80.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	assault weapons?
	YES	NO	
			Do you support
81.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	legislation increasing penalties for illegal resale of weapons?
82.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	legislation permitting the licensing of concealed weapons?
83.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	legislation mandating background checks of purchasers of weapons at gun shows, through the internet and through print advertisements?
			Do you support:
84.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	capital punishment?
85.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	criminal prosecution of juveniles as adults?
86.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	mandatory sentencing?
87.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	work release, home monitoring, other alternative sentencing?
88.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	admissibility of illegally obtained evidence?
89.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	electronic eavesdropping? without court order based on probable cause
90.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	roving wiretaps?
91.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you favor continuation of the current moratorium on capital punishment in Illinois?
	ESSAY		If not, how would you address the inequities enumerated in the report of the Commission on the Death Penalty?