

**IVI-IPO 2009 CONGRESSIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE – Section 1**

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

**Appointed Election Judge for the 2008 Presidential Primary and Equipment Manager for the 2008 Presidential General Election. Also served as an Illinois Voting Registrar.**

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

None

C) What is your primary occupation?

I am a School Teacher, teaching Kindergarten, at Kingsley Elementary School in the Evanston/Skokie School District 65.

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

Ran for U.S. Congress in Illinois' 9<sup>th</sup> Congressional District in 2006. Earned 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Republican Primary with 2400 votes, and third place in the final election as an Independent write-in candidate.

Trained in the U.S. Army's Reserved Officer Training Corps in 2000-2001 at Drake University. Competed in the Army's annual Ranger Challenge in 2001.

Served as an Election Judge, Equipment Manager, and Voting Registrar in 2008.

Volunteered for 39<sup>th</sup> Ward Aldermanic and Democratic Offices, and campaigned for State Rep. John D'Amico in 2004 as well as some other candidates..

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 have a B.A. in Political Science with concentrations in International Relations and Government. I have an A.A. in Liberal Arts. I have extensive credits in History and Mathematics. I also studied Economics, Accounting, Anthropology, Sociology, Linguistics, the natural sciences, and English, French, and Speech.

I traveled to 13 nations all over Europe and North America, and have made many of these trips numerous times. I was a candidate for the U.S. Diplomatic Corps for the State Department after passing the written exam in 2005.

I believe my studies and math abilities can help me make the right choices in budgeting and fixing the economy.

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

Ralph Nader's proposals were the most effective in solving the problems we have today. I had urged my friends to consider voting for him.

Back in 2004, I helped State Rep. John D'Amico win his seat.

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

Army Sergeant Phil Brown, a retired Infantry Iraqi Combat veteran.

**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?**

We need a single-payer healthcare system and a single-loaner bank system. We need to nationalize the central bank and the banking system as a whole.

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

None, I believe the image of impropriety in campaign funds should be avoided.

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

There are about 20 volunteers.

## IVI-IPO 2009 CONGRESSIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE – Section 2

<b>Foreign and Military</b>		
1.	ESSAY	What should be the US role in multi-national alliances such as the UN, NATO and the International Criminal Court?
The U.S. should be an active and supporting member of those international systems, but should never submit its sovereignty to any one of them.		
2.	ESSAY	What should be the policy of the IMF and World Bank toward countries that are essentially bankrupt?
Those nations should be allowed to file bankruptcy.		
3.	ESSAY	What should be Congress' role in formulating foreign policy?
Congress should be just as active in foreign policy as the Executive branch is. Congressional leaders should be able to visit nations and other world leaders and find out the best strategies in our foreign relations. We		

should analyze assets and liabilities more on the diplomatic front.			
	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	
4.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	If a Timetable for withdrawal from Iraq is not established, will this affect your votes on funding for the Iraq War? Please explain your answer.
Congressional War-Funding should be used as a tool on the check of executive power.			
5.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	Should the US wage war without a declaration from Congress?
Never			
6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support legislation giving Governors veto power over deployment of their National Guard units overseas?
Undecided			
7.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you agree with the current proposed level of funding for the military?
8.	ESSAY		If you agree, explain. If you disagree, how would you distribute the funds?
Undecided, I would have to review all the facts. I believe our military should be supreme, but we should make sure there is no waste.			
9.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support continued funding for WHISC (the re-named Army School of the Americas)? undecided
10.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support congressional investigations into government contractors that have participated in Human Rights violations such as the rendition/torture flights
11.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support legislation banning such activities in the question above?
12.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you support legislation guaranteeing the protections of the Geneva Conventions and the US Constitution to "enemy combatants" or others similarly detained by the US Government anywhere in the world?
13.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	Do you support the way the drug war is being carried on, both abroad and at home?
14.	ESSAY		What would you change? I would change it dramatically. I would legalize marijuana, and would provide free detoxification clinics to drug addicts and mandate their recovery. I would be stern on some hard-core drug dealers as well.
15.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	Do you support the way the drug war is being carried on, both abroad and at home?
I believe it has been a waste. We need to fix the problem as a medical addiction problem and less of a criminal enterprise.			
Do you support			
16.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	normalization of relations with Cuba?
17.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	the Helms-Burton Act? What is that....
<b>Energy &amp; Environment</b>			
	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	Do you support:
18.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	Oil drilling in Alaska and other protected wilderness?
19.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	Do you support any increased off-shore drilling? Explain
20.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lower National Carbon emissions goals?
21.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	National Energy Efficiency goals?
22.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Coal Liquification?
23.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Increasing use of Nuclear power for electric generation?
24.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	Mountaintop coal strip mining?

25.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Increase user fees for grazing, mining and lumbering on Federal lands?
26.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kyoto Protocols?
27.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Biodiesel mixture and agri-biodiesel production tax credits?
<b>Transportation</b>			
			Should the federal government have primary funding responsibility for
28.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	infrastructure improvements?
29.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	highways?
30.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	mass transit?
31.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	high-speed rail?
32.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Amtrak?
33.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Air transportation?
34.	ESSAY		Please comment on specific proposals
<b>Taxes and Economic Policy</b>			
			Do you favor
35.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	a more progressive income tax?
36.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	a flat tax?
37.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	a national sales tax?
38.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	reduction of the capital gains tax?
39.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	taxing capital gains at the same rate as earned income?
40.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	reduction or elimination of the estate tax?
41.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	elimination of the corporate alternative tax?
42.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	reduction of the tax on stock dividends?
43.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	taxing dividends at the same rate as earned income?
44.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	Increasing the Federal Minimum wage?
45.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	any other changes in our tax structure?
46.	ESSAY		Please explain. If we nationalize our bank system, we can eliminate taxes. Until then we should aim to reduce and simplify taxes.
<b>47. ESSAY</b> What changes, if any, do you support regarding Social Security? The retirement age should stand at 60 and be livable.			
48.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	Will you support "fast track" legislation for trade treaties?
49.	ESSAY		Please discuss your ideas for an economic recovery plan. Please be specific as to what criteria would be necessary for you to support such a plan. National the central bank, and make money without selling securities.
50.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support utilizing anti-trust laws against firms that are "too big to let fail?"

<b>Consumer Rights</b>			
51.	ESSAY		What regulations would you support to safeguard consumers from being harmed in situations such as the recent sub-prime lending credit crisis? More oversight.
52.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support a moratorium on mortgage foreclosures?
	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	Do you support
53.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	federal legislation to cap interest rates on mortgages?
54.	Yes		federal legislation to cap interest rates on credit card interest?
55.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	federal legislation to regulate ATM fees and service charges on credit cards and other consumer loans?
56.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	allowing states to enact consumer laws which go beyond the protection of federal legislation?
<b>Government and Ethics</b>			
57.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support term limits? Undecided....
			Do you support
58.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	public financing of Congressional campaigns?
59.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	spending limits?
60.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	abolition of PACs?
61.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Elimination of earmarks?
62.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	All earmarks being made available in a searchable format on the internet?
63.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support increased Congressional oversight of federal contracting?
64.	ESSAY		Why or why not?
65.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support Congressional investigations of wrong-doing under the Bush administration?
66.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support legislation forbidding all Senate, House, and White House staff from engaging in any political activity on government time?
<b>Health &amp; Human Services</b>			
67.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support comprehensive, universal, single-payer health care?
68.	ESSAY		If not, how would you address the need for healthcare for the uninsured and underinsured?
69.	Y	<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?
70.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support funding of comprehensive age appropriate sex education programs?
71.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support increased funding for HIV/AIDS research, education, prevention, and services?
72.	ESSAY		Please discuss compulsory licensing of essential drugs where needed, in the US,

		Africa, Asia and elsewhere. I need more information to answer this.
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	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	Do you support
73.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	federal funding for stem cell research?
74.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	legislation prohibiting stem cell research?
			Do you support
75.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	the Human Life Amendment? What is this....
76.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The Freedom of Choice Act? What is this....
77.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	parental or spousal notification or consent to obtain an abortion?
78.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	restoration of Medicaid coverage of abortion?
79.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	a ban on so-called partial birth abortions?
80.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	insurance coverage for abortions for federal and military employees and their dependents?
			Do you favor increased funding for:
81.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	supplemental food programs for Women, Infants and Children (WIC)?
82.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	food stamp allowances?
83.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Head Start?
84.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	school lunch programs?
85.	ESSAY		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? Extensions on welfare should be provided.
			Do you support
86.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	increased funding to develop affordable housing?
87.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	restrictions to ensure development of low-income rather than market rate housing?
88.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	a National Affordable Housing Trust Fund to build, rehabilitate and preserve at least 1.5 million units of housing, 75% of which would be rental housing for households with income below the poverty level?
89.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	protection against housing discrimination for holders of Section 8 housing vouchers?
			Do you favor
90.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	increased federal aid to public education?
91.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	vouchers, tuition tax-credits or other any direct public support for parochial or private schools?
92.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	Are the provisions of the No Child Left Behind Act the most effective way to advance student achievement?
93.	ESSAY		If not, what plan would you propose? We need dramatic change in curriculum and structure of schools, this act does not address that need.
<b>Law, Justice, and Correctional System</b>			
			Do you support:
94.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	admissibility of illegally obtained evidence?
95.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	electronic eavesdropping?
96.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	roving wiretaps?



120.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	halting deportations of immigrants until final determination of residency status has been made and appeals have been exhausted?
121.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	amnesty for undocumented immigrants currently in the country?
122.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	building a US-Mexican border fence or "wall"?
123.	ESSAY		What immigration reforms do you support?
	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	Do you support
124.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	federal legislation to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation in housing, employment and education?
125.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	repeal of the Defense of Marriage Act?
126.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	a Constitutional amendment prohibiting states from recognizing gay marriage or civil unions?
127.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	Federal recognition of all state marriages for federal benefit purposes?
128.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support legislation allowing gays and lesbians to serve openly in the military?
129.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	Do you support prior government restraint of the press?
			Do you support
130.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	prayer in public schools?
131.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	moment of silence?
132.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	faith-based initiatives?
			Do you support mandatory drug testing
133.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	in private employment?
134.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	in public employment?
135.	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	Do you support mandatory AIDS testing for insurance or employment?
136.	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support legislation to redress inequities in pension benefits for women?
137.	Y		Do you support the Equal Rights Amendment to the US Constitution?
<b>Labor</b>			
			Do you support
138.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act? <span style="float: right;">What is that?</span>
139.		N	a prohibition on permanent replacement of strikers?
140.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	giving federal employees the right to strike?
141.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	the Employee Freedom of Choice Act?
142.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	a federal public works program to ensure full employment?
143.	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	Do you support Affirmative Action with specific goals, targets and timetables for federal employment, grants and contracts?
144.	Yes	<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?

145.	Yes	<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?
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