



**EQUALITY NC PAC 2018 FEDERAL CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE**

**Candidate's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Office Sought:** \_\_\_\_\_

**District Running In (if applicable):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Candidate's Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Candidate's Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Candidate's Committee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Campaign Manager:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Campaign Manager's Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Campaign Manager's Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Campaign Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Campaign Website:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Campaign Social Media:**

**Facebook:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Twitter:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Instagram:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Party:**     **Democratic** \_\_\_\_\_     **Republican:** \_\_\_\_\_     **Other:** \_\_\_\_\_



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### **1. Equal Rights**

- A. I believe that all citizens, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) people, are deserving of equal treatment under the law, access to the same opportunities, and subject to the same responsibilities, regardless of their age, race, nationality, immigration status, ability, gender, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or other inherent characteristics.

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:

- B. Describe in detail your relationship to the LGBTQ community in your district.

### **2. Non-Discrimination**

- A. Do you support the Federal Equality Act to provide federal protection for LGBTQ people from discrimination in employment, housing, public accommodations, education, credit, federal funding, and jury service?

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:



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- B. Do you believe that in North Carolina transgender and gender non-conforming individuals should be able to use the restroom that best conforms with their gender identity and expression?

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:

- C. The 2003 Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) standards require that a transgender inmate's own views with respect to their safety shall be given serious consideration in making safety determinations in correctional housing. While in police custody, many transgender people are placed in solitary confinement for months or years just because of who they are, or are housed with a gender that does not conform with their gender identity and expression. Would you support efforts to give controlling weight to house transgender people according to their gender identity, unless they object based on concerns for their safety?

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:

- D. Do you support open military service for transgender people?

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:



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### 3. Relationship Recognition & Parenting Laws

- A. Will you work to protect full access to marriage equality for same-sex couples in your community and across the country?

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:

- B. Magistrate Recusal in NC

Federal Court appeals notwithstanding, NC Senate Bill 2 allows for magistrates and registers of deed to “opt-out” of performing marriages if doing so would violate their religious beliefs. This NC bill is discriminatory not only to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer individuals, but is also harmful to all North Carolinians. Do you support federal legislation allowing civil servants to opt out of portions of their job based on their religious beliefs?

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:

- C. Do you support the Federal Every Child Deserves A Family Act to prohibit any public child welfare agency from discriminating against potential foster or adoptive families on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status?

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:



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### 4. Hate Crime Laws

- A. Do you support anti-bullying efforts such as the Federal Safe Schools Improvement Act?

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:

- B. Would you support Federal legislation that would prohibit the use of a defense based on a “gay panic” or “trans panic” claim: that the victim’s sexual orientation or gender identity caused the defendant to lose control and would thus excuse the defendant’s violent act?

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:

### 5. Youth & Education

- A. Sex Education

Do you support the Federal Real Education for Healthy Youth Act and the requirement that sex education include content that affirms LGBTQ youth?

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:



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**B. Discriminatory Schools**

Would you support reintroduction of the Federal Student Non-Discrimination Act?

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:

**C. Reducing the School-to-Prison Pipeline**

How would you work, on a federal level, to address the disproportionate number of young people of color and LGBTQ young people who are pulled out of school for disciplinary violations and end up in the adult prison system?

**D. Anti-Conversion Therapy Measures**

Do you support the Federal Therapeutic Fraud Prevention Act, which would deem 'conversion therapy' for minors to be fraudulent or deceptive? Conversion therapy is a program that tries to change an individual's sexual orientation and/or gender identity using psychological or spiritual methods.

Circle Yes or No:

Please explain your answer:



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### 6. Healthcare

- A. Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis, commonly called PrEP, is the use of anti-HIV medications to keep HIV negative people from becoming infected. PrEP is approved by the FDA and has been shown to be safe and effective at preventing HIV infection. Would you support efforts to increase the number of locations where PrEP is available in the state?

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:

- B. Paid Family Leave: Do you support the Federal Healthy Families Act to provide employees the ability to earn a minimum of seven (7) paid sick days per year to recover from short-term illness or to care for sick family members?

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:

### 7. Sponsorship of Legislation

- A. Would you be willing to sponsor or co-sponsor measures as it applies to your office addressing any or all of the issues outlined above?

Circle: Yes or No

Please explain your answer:



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Thank you for completing our questionnaire!

**I request that Equality NC endorse my candidacy in the 2018 elections.**

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Candidate Signature

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Date

**Please return this questionnaire by **March 19, 2018** to: Maddie Majerus  
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