FRONT LINE Candidate Questionnaire

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Congratulations on filing for public office. Citizens elected by fellow citizens are one of the high marks of a free and vigorous society. The Constitutional Coalition publishes *FRONT LINE* to help make the debate more open, informed, and civil. Your insights on the following questionnaire are very important. *FRONT LINE* has been providing this information since 1979 and is distributed statewide. Please answer the questions below and return to us ASAP, as our experience shows your time demands will only increase. If you wish to add your own comments please do so. However, due to space limitations, only the answers from the "key" will be listed on our charts. The chart will reflect by a symbol (+) that you made additional comments, and if our office receives a request for further information we will share your entire responses.

The answers will be published in the summer issue of *FRONT LINE*. To be included in this issue, we need your response by May 28, 2014. A "No response" will be indicated on our chart and means "contacted, but did not bother to answer." Thank you in advance for assisting us in ensuring a well-informed Missouri voter!

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Please **CIRCLE** your answers according to the following keys:

Strongly Agree (SA), Agree (A), Undecided (U), Disagree (D), or Strongly Disagree (SD)

Property Rights

1) Do you believe the local/state/federal government should be able to take private property through eminent domain for the use of another private party if it means increased government revenue?

SA A U D SD

2) Do you believe government is the best regulator of how you maintain your house/business/farm?

SA A U D SD

3) Do you believe that un-elected, appointed citizens be given the power to mandate non-health or non-safety zoning ordinances, which contain criminal penalties for disobedience?

SA A U D SD

Economic Issues

4) When faced with deficits, do you believe that the government should cut programs rather than increase taxes?

SA A U D SD

5) Do you believe government/teacher employee pensions should be based on what the employee contributes rather than a promised/fixed amount for life? (A defined contribution versus a defined benefit.)

SA A U D SD

Law/Culture

6) Do you believe that U.S. law/courts should defer to foreign law in order to accommodate other cultures?

SA A U D SD

7) Do you believe illegal immigrants should be provided with local/state/federal benefits such as medical care and education?

SA A U D SD

8) Do you believe calling a constitutional convention to reign in big government will succeed in re-establishing the rule of law?

SA A U

Family/Education

9) Do you believe that abortion is the taking of life?

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10) Do you believe that parental rights trump government concerns, except in clearly "dangerous-to-life situations" for the children?

SA A U D SE

11) Do you believe that parents and teachers should be **primarily** responsible for choosing school curriculum and assessments?

SA A U D SI

12) Do you believe that students at all levels have the right to disagree with teachings and mandates by instructors that are contrary to their conscience?

13) Do you believe that schools should only teach sex

education within the context of abstinence-only?

14) Do you believe that we should have national *izea* standards and assessments, such as those that come with

standards and assessments, such as those that come with Common Core?

Second Amendment

15) Do you believe that the right to own and carry guns is an individual right?

SA A U



Additional questions on back

Where do you go to seek further information, wisdom and advice? Historical analysis, internet, Directly to well-informal sources, What are your news sources? Ny Times, Wash. Post, St. Louis Pet- Dispatch, St. Louis Beacon, Crow, MSWBC, Politico, NPR, PBS	What is your favorite book and why? All the President's Men - extremely well-written narrative of power What do you think is the most important issue facing America, and what action would you put into place? (25 words or less) We lack a sense of group empathy for those who can least help themselves.
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