



## Basic Rights Equality PAC Candidate Information Questionnaire 2008

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If you have questions or want an electronic questionnaire please call (503) 222-6151. Return the completed questionnaire to:

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*I request that Equality PAC consider my candidacy for endorsement and/or support.*

Type of request (Check those that apply)

Public Endorsement   
Campaign Assistance

Candidate Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Questionnaire due by: **FRIDAY, MARCH 28.**

### Election Information

Office Sought: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Election Type

Filing Deadline

Date of Election

Opponents

Primary

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General

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### Campaign Information

Campaign Committee Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Campaign Email: \_\_\_\_\_ PAC ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Campaign Website: \_\_\_\_\_ Campaign Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

Campaign Manager: \_\_\_\_\_ Campaign Mgr Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_



**Candidate Information (General)**

Candidate's current occupation/profession: \_\_\_\_\_

Party Affiliation: Democrat  Republican  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Status: Incumbent  Challenger  Open Seat

Date Candidacy Announced: \_\_\_\_\_ (Include press release and any relevant articles.)

**Candidate Information (Personal/Political Background)**

Please answer the following questions or provide a brief biography, which includes information about previous offices held and prior electoral experience.

- 1) Summarize your personal background/history (attach additional materials/bio if necessary):
  
- 2) List the elected offices you have sought, held and/or campaigns on which you have worked, including dates:
  
- 3) List the election results from past races (data relevant to redistricting appreciated):
  
- 4) List the appointed offices you have held:
  
- 5) List your community/volunteer experience:
  
- 6) Have you ever endorsed an openly gay candidate? If you have, please list their names.
  
- 7) Do you have any family members or close friends whom you know to be lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender? (optional) Yes  No

The following questions relate to Basic Right Oregon Equality PAC's bottom-line criteria for endorsement. Please respond to the following questions and attach additional pages or related information if necessary.

If you approve of Basic Rights Oregon making public your answers to the issue questions found on this page, please sign here. This is not a factor in the endorsement process and not signing will not count against you.

Candidate signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Glossary of terms in Oregon Revised Statutes:**

**Sexual orientation:** actual or perceived homosexuality, heterosexuality or bisexuality, including **gender identity** which encompasses an individual's actual or perceived sex, including but not limited to the individual's identity, appearance, expression or behavior, regardless of whether that identity, appearance, expression or behavior differs from that traditionally associated with the individual's sex at birth.

**A) EQUAL PROTECTION**

Senate Bill 2 "The Oregon Equality Act" went into effect on January 1, 2008. The law covers: Housing, public accommodation, employment, public services and education. Would you vote to maintain and protect these important legal protections to keep all Oregonians working and living free from the sting of discrimination? Yes  No

**B) DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP**

House Bill 2007 "The Oregon Family Fairness Act" went into effect on January 1, 2008. Would you vote to maintain and protect this important new law in order to provide all Oregon couples with the legal framework they need to keep each other safe, especially in times of crisis? Yes  No

**C) IMPLEMENTATION OF NON-DISCRIMINATION / DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP LAWS**

As these new laws are implemented we are likely to discover areas of the law that need more clarification or modifications in order to ensure the laws are working as intended (e.g. PERS or federally-qualified pension plans). Would you commit to working with BRO on possible changes that would need to be considered in the 2009 session? Yes  No

**D) BALLOT MEASURES**

Several groups in Oregon have vowed to file initiatives to repeal the non-discrimination and/or the domestic partnership laws passed last session. If they moved forward with this, signatures would be due in July 2008 and would appear on the November 2008 ballot.

- Would you oppose these initiatives publicly? Yes  No
- Would you endorse our anti-ballot measure campaigns publicly? Yes  No

**E) HIV/AIDS**

- 1) Do you support continuation of state and federal non-discrimination laws relating to those with HIV/AIDS? Yes  No
- 2) Medically accurate sex education has been proven to significantly reduce the rate of transmission for HIV.
  - Do you support maintaining or increasing funding for HIV education? Yes  No
  - Do you support funding medically accurate sex education programs designed to reach teenagers? Yes  No
  - Do you support funding school-based health clinics that provide HIV/AIDS education counseling and prevention services? Yes  No

**F) LEADERSHIP**

In working with Basic Rights Oregon, would you like to be someone who *Supports*, *Sponsors* or *Champions* legislation important to the LGBT community during the 2009 session? Support  Sponsor  Champion

*Basic Rights Oregon is committed to ending discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity. Now that we have laws in place that cover both sexual orientation and gender identity, BRO is interested in increasing awareness about gender identity and how it differs from sexual orientation. Would you be interested in attending educational forums that address gender identity and sexual orientation issues?* Yes  No

Signature of person filling out this questionnaire: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_