

Questionnaire from the California Republican Assembly - 2018 Riverside Sheriff General Election

On behalf of the California Republican Assembly, we would like to invite you to participate in our endorsing process .

Sheriff Convention location: Merna's Cafe in Menifee: http://www.mernascafe.com/home.html

Date: September 22, 2018 Time: 9:30 am to 11:30 am

It is a closed meeting; there will be no media.

The meeting will be a closed meeting with just me and the $7 \times 2 = 14$ delegates and the $3 \times 2 = 6$ alternates. There will be no other persons except State CRA officers that may choose to come; I may allow a couple of members of each club other than the delegates but we'll see as things progress. There may be restaurant servers. We will have secret ballots. We will do 2 votes if necessary. We will have a secretary that is part of our group or picked from a possible invitee by me.

I will run the meeting but won't vote. 2/3 of the delegates present (14 or less if some don't show up which would include the alternate delegates) will endorse for the sheriff position.

I will make adjustments as necessary in order to make an orderly endorsing process.

This questionnaire is a survey of your views on topics important to California Republican Assembly members, Republican primary voters, and all Californians. We ask that you plan to fill out and sign your questionnaire and return it to me at: (BOBKOWELL@AOL.COM) by September 12th COB. Scanned copy sent by email is preferred. The questionnaire must be filled out and signed by you (the candidate); not a member of your staff, consultant, volunteer or anyone else.

Please answer all questions as best you can. Your signature on the bottom is very important. If you are neutral on a subject, or have no answer, please indicate that.

Please attach additional or add pages if there isn't enough room to write here. We want to hear everything you wish to say on each topic. You may type your answers within this word document.

This filled out questionnaire will be made available to delegates, club members, and the public after the deadline above. There will be no information leaks to anyone before that time; I will retain them and be confidential about them until the convention of delegates.

/s/ Bob Kowell, CRA State VP 8/30/2018 951-764-6720

Candidate Name:	Chad Bianco	

The following set of questions are specific to the nature of the job. Feel free to answer with full explanation or bullet points.

1. What is your current job?

Riverside County Sheriff's Department – Lieutenant assigned to the Hemet Station

2. Who are your top 3 financial supporters?

Riverside Sheriff's Deputies Association

California State Correctional Officers Association

Alex Haagen, Republican Business owner

3. What leadership and/or management skills are important to have as the Chief Operating Officer of the large law enforcement organization?

Caring about others more than yourself or your own personal agenda is the number one priority of a leader in Law Enforcement. Recognizing that leaders of other law enforcement agencies are also stakeholders in public safety is paramount to gaining the support of Police Agencies and other law enforcement professionals. Empowering others with the ability and skills they have developed in their professional lives is also a necessity if you expect to gain the support of a 4000 member department. These attributes are why the overwhelming majority of our Department and county Law Enforcement Agencies are supporting me. I understand that I am only a part, albeit key, in the overall public safety machine in Riverside County.

4. How do we solve CCW permit time to process?

My opinion is the CCW permit processing time is a fabricated tool to dissuade people from even applying for permits. The proof is that since losing in the primary election, the current sheriff claims to have eliminated 15 months off of the wait, while not increasing the total permits.

Under my leadership, this fabricated wait time will be eliminated. I believe that every person who is not prevented by law or mental illness that wants a permit should be allowed a permit. I also believe that a constitutional right delayed is a right denied.

I will operate our unit much like Orange County and San Bernardino counties in that the desire of the residents will be met with results from their elected leader. This will not take more money or

personnel, it simply takes a desire to allow citizens the ability to exercise their constitutional rights to protecting themselves. This topic is not about NRA endorsement, it is about factual numbers and employees signing non disclosure agreements to prevent the truth being exposed and the transparency of the current process. I will fix our broken system.

5. Is the current budget sufficient to allow for enough field deputies? If not, how would you solve that.

I believe it is sufficient but we are currently mismanaging our workforce. A 10 million dollar savings per year could be realized if we would eliminate sworn deputy sheriff's from corrections. We are one of the last departments to make this common sense switch of personnel. That 10 million dollar savings could substantially increase overall patrol staffing. By utilizing non sworn officers for certain calls for service also would free up field deputies. Thinking outside the box for solutions and savings instead of the same demands for more money is the only way to eventually solve our patrol shortfalls.

6. How do we staff the jail in Indio?

The priority must be placed on managing our workforce. Currently we have failed to hire the employees even though the board of supervisors provided the money. We can not have a "surplus" of over 10 million dollars; that is complete mismanagement. That money was meant to hire required staff.

Once the jail is available to open, we will transition our current jail staff into the new building and slowly increase inmates and staffing in phases. This should not even be an issue. That jail will open, and I will work with the board to open and staff it. Saying anything to the contrary is irresponsible and simply trying to shift attention away from real issues by scare tactics.

7. Could the county save money by privatizing the county jails and do you support the concept of privatize jails? Why or why not.

While I am open to future discussions, I am currently not in favor of privatizing our jail system. I am in favor of changing how we do business to save millions of dollars per year. The legal liability and requirements of facilities used for incarceration requires the ability of the sheriff to control them, not an outside agency. However, I do believe that we must extensively look into all ways to save tax payer money while providing a better law enforcement service.

8. What can be done to improve enforcement in the unincorporated area of the county?

We must change the culture of our department getting away from "that's the way we have always done it" mentality. We absolutely must change from a reactive agency to a pro-active community oriented policing philosophy in order to address quality of life issues in our cities. This will not only take a change of policy, it will take a change in leadership to ensure the mission and the goal is realized.

Also, by actively managing our jail staffing and our contract city staffing we can increase the amount of deputies in our unincorporated areas without increasing our budget.

9.	Do you think the unincorporated areas of Riverside County should consider adding additional sales taxes to support law enforcement like many cities? Yes NoX Explain
	I know for a fact that for the last 12 years we have not done what we should be doing in respect to responsibly managing tax payer dollars. We have never been directed by sheriff's administration to have a concerted effort to save money. Our budget process involves spending every bit of money in the budget, whether there is a need or not, in order to demand it again the next year. Before anyone considers raising taxes, there should have already been an all out effort to save money and cut waste. So far, there has not been that effort.
10.	Would you consider banding together with other county sheriffs to challenge pro-criminal laws such as Sanctuary cities that are against the United States Constitution? YesX No Explain
	Riverside, San Bernardino, and Orange counties represent a major percentage of California with a demographic that leans toward conservative Republican principles. Having a concerted effort with the leaders of these counties represents a direction that has not been realized in politics in this region. I intend to bring together not only our neighboring Sheriffs', but also our District Attorneys', to increase public awareness of pro-criminal laws plaguing our justice system. We also represent a major voting block that should be lobbying in Sacramento against these ridiculous laws.
11.	Do you have the support of the Riverside County police departments and who are they? YesX No Explain
	For the first time in the history of our county, the current sheriff is running an election without the support of one current law enforcement agency or law enforcement leader. Not one current Chief of Police currently supports the sheriff. This is a very alarming fact. I will mend that relationship to better serve our residents.
	I currently have the support and endorsement of Riverside County Deputies and all of our Riverside County Police Officers from our county police agencies.

CRA Principles

Our principles in what we believe are posted at the end of the document. The following set of questions seek to determine which areas you are aligned with our values, realizing that most candidates differ on some degrees of interpretation. Your honest answers are necessary.

1. How many years have you been a registered Republican voter? Circle one

	1-2 years	3-6 years	7 or more years	
2.	Please describe Then, define w	76 20 CEN	\$1 P. 100	beral, moderate, conservative, etc.
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3.	What do you co	onsider the P	rimary Function of Government is a	>
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4.	be legitimately	granted or re		ights of life, liberty, and justice cannot at our country is founded on Jude-
5.			nstitutional originalism? Is it a living ally as written?	g document subject to interpretation or
	Constitution wa	as drafted. T		is not the same as it was when the by coffee table proves it. I believe our inion or political interpretation.
6.	If elected, wou YesX No		to not vote for nor endorse the rany?	ising of any other taxes or fees?
	I believe we sh	ould do more	with what we have, not simply co	ntinue to ask for more.

7.	Do you support Proposition 13? Yes_X_ No
8.	Are fair elections a concern to our sovereignty and if so, should all states enact voter I.D. laws to ensure one vote per person of only registered citizens? If not, what considerations do you have about voter ID laws?
	I do believe it is a major concern and I fully support voter ID laws.
9.	Please describe your philosophy concerning the extent to which the government should involve itself in the affairs of the Business community.
	I believe that businesses are the driving factor of our economy, not our government. Governments roles should be limited but I do recognize the need for the government and businesses to work together to ensure stability.
	Do you believe the following? Check agree or disagree. Explain your response to any statement in which you disagree in the large space below.
10.	The unborn child deserves legal protection under the Constitution beginning at conception? χ agree $_$ disagree
11.	Government should not fund institutions who provide abortion services. _ disagree
	Employers should be able to choose private healthcare plans that support their religious beliefs X
Explair	n any disagreement:
13.	Many politicians talk about "family values." Is that part of your campaign and if so, what is meant by it?
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To me, family values means the high standard of morals and discipline that I was raised with and how I raised my kids. I believe that raising a family teaches you that there are other people just as important, and more important than you are. It teaches honesty, respect, love, and compassion for others.

I wholeheartedly believe that family values are a part of my campaign. This is not about me, it is about doing what is best for the Riverside County Sheriff's Department and the residents of Riverside County. It is my belief that these family values are what is missing from the current leadership of our department and why morale has suffered, and confidence and trust from the public has eroded.

14. Do you support CPS removing children from biological parents for any reason? If so, what reason(s)?

That is a very tough question. While I am not a huge fan of CPS, there are definitely times when the welfare of a child must be considered and action taken. In this line of work, we often find children in unsafe living conditions they have no control over. Also, a child being emotionally, physically, and sexually abused must be protected.

Immigration

1. Will you support the federal law or the state law when it comes to working with ICE and border patrol? Note "The Supremacy Clause of the United States Constitution (Article VI, Clause 2) establishes that the Constitution, federal laws made pursuant to it, and treaties made under its authority, constitute the supreme law of the land. ... Even state constitutions are subordinate to federal law."

While my wife really doesn't want me to go to jail, I believe it is my moral obligation to protect Riverside County residents. I will do everything in my power to deport illegal criminals before I release them into our neighborhoods.

- Do you support Trump's merit-based immigration system? Yes _X_ No _ any thoughts
 I think it needs a little bit of work to be fair to families desiring to immigrate.
- 3. Do you support prosecuting U.S. businesses that knowingly hire illegal aliens?

Yes X No

4. Should cities and counties prohibit non-citizens (whether here legally or not) to run for city council or work as a city or county board member? Yes _X__ No __ Explain:

I believe our elected officials, charged with the operation and running of our government should be U.S citizens.

Crime and Punishment

5.	Do you support the death penalty? Yes_X_No
6.	What should be done to mitigate problems or address citizen concerns with marijuana dispensaries and/or grow houses?
	Marijuana grows and dispensaries are currently illegal and we must do everything in our power to eliminate them, and prevent them from returning. I have proven in the Anza Valley that if we think outside the box we can eliminate illegal grows without the need for additional personnel and funding. It's about doing our job!
7.	Would you support repealing the pro-criminal laws below. If not, explain below:
	Prop 47 yesX no maybe
	Prop 57 yesX no maybe
	AB109 yesX no maybe
	AB1810 yesX no maybe
<u>Gun Ri</u>	<u>ghts</u>
8.	Do you believe that Americans have the right to own guns under the 2nd Amendment of the U.S. Constitution's Bill of Rights? Yes _X_ No
9.	Do you support interstate recognition of CCW's? yes_X_ no Explain if desired.
10.	If states or cities pass a gun law that is counter to the US constitution, will you enforce that law? Yes No _X_ Thoughts: This is a very fine line and probably subject to more specifics.

	nave them in their possession?
	They should be exempt from that law.
12.	Would you support electronic "instant" background checks using our current electronic databases instead of a form-driven process that requires multiple staff to process paperwork Yes _X No Explain if desired.
13.	Should teachers who have CCW's be allowed to store a gun in their vehicles at school and/or carry it on themselves in the classroom? Yes _X No _X Explain if desired.
	I think this is too simple of a question. I am in favor of teachers being allowed to carry on school grounds. However, this must be a highly regulated policy on a case by case basis. Simply allowing teachers to carry is not a good policy. My kids had some teachers that in no way would be capable and should not be allowed.
14.	Do you support laws to make California a "shall issue" state regarding the issuance of concealed weapons permit? No permit required. Yes _X_No
	I believe it should be "shall issue." Making the state a no permit required state allows gang members, drug dealers, and others to carry guns. I believe only law abiding residents not prevented criminally or mentally should be allowed to carry.
15.	Are you member of the (NRA) Yes_X_ No_ for how longAs long as I remember – life member
16.	Are you member of the (CRPA) Yes_X_No_ for how long_unknown but for many years – life member
17.	Are you member of the (GOA or GOC) Yes_X_ No_ for how longunknown 5+
•	believe the following? Check agree or disagree. Explain your response to any statement in which you e in the large space below.
18.	Government should only recognize biology of individuals when issuing identification such as driver's license and birth certificates and <i>not allow</i> for subjective interpretation of gender preferencesX_ agree disagree
19.	Federal government should allow states to make their own laws with regard to what constitutes a civil marriage even if states choose to disallow homosexual marriageX_ agree disagree
20	No government has the right to ban religious-based homosexual conversion therapy, nor should they be allowed to ban doctrine from willfully being shared or advertisedX_ agree disagree

11. What should happen to normal law-abiding citizens who have guns that may become illegal and they

Do you believe the following? Check agree or disagree. Explain your response to any statement in which you disagree in the large space below.
21. Parents should have the right to home school their children without government oversightX_ agree disagree
22. Parents should be able to opt out of having their student learn lessons about sexual relations, sex, or religious doctrine that goes against their core values. _X_ agree disagree
23. Government should allow for portability of some funds for education to support school choice for parents, whether it's a redirection of funds for a public charter school option or voucher to be applied to private school _X_ agree disagree
Explain responses of disagreement:
CERTIFY THESE ARE YOUR ANSWERS

I certify that these are answers are my answers. My staff or consultants DID NOT SIGN FOR ME. I have read and

_____ Date:_____9/12/18_____

reviewed these answers to the questions and they are accurate:

Printed Name ___

Explain responses of disagreement: