

2012 General Election Values Voter Guide

DELAWARE STRONG

An affiliate of Delaware Family Policy Council



Delaware Strong Families (DSF) is pleased to present the 2012 Values Voter Guide. DSF, an affiliate of Delaware Family Policy Council, is a 501c3 non-profit organization. DSF does not endorse or oppose candidates for elective office.

All candidates were provided a questionnaire and given an equal opportunity to respond and to provide explanations or comments concerning each question. Any additional explanations or comments that were made by candidates are noted with an asterisk (*) next to the answer and can be found on our website.

For your convenience, the Voter Guide includes phone numbers for all candidates if you wish to call those who failed to respond. Position statements for non-responding candidates are based on voting records, public statements, and/or campaign literature.

A printable version of the Voter Guide is available on our website www.delawarestrong.org. Please Facebook and share the Voter Guide and encourage your friends and family to vote on November 6th.

Remember, this Voter Guide does not address a candidate's character, only their position on issues. It should not take the place of your effort to personally evaluate a candidate.

The stakes couldn't be higher this election. Our hope is that on November 6th, this Voter Guide will help you choose candidates who best represent your values.

Nicole Theris

President

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FEDERAL QUESTIONS: Do you Support or Oppose?

1. Taxpayer funding of abortions.
2. Giving tax dollars to Planned Parenthood.
3. The federal funding of embryonic stem cell research.
4. Federal legislation prohibiting human cloning of all kinds, both "therapeutic" and "reproductive."
5. The repeal of the federal estate tax.
6. Parental rights in education (educational choice).
7. The state constitutional amendments preserving natural marriage.
8. Enforcement of the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA).
9. A marriage protection amendment to the U.S. Constitution that defines marriage as the union of one man and one woman.
10. The Federal Employment Non-Discrimination Act.
11. Strict constructionist judges.
12. Open homosexuality in the military.
13. The healthcare law known as "Obamacare."
14. Protection for institutions, organizations, and individuals from having the government force them to violate their moral or religious beliefs.

Federal Candidates			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Senate	(202) 905-6706	Pires, Alexander (I) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	O	O	O	-	-	S	-	-
Senate	(202) 224-2441	Carper, Thomas (D) X	S	S	S	-	-	-	-	O	O	-	-	S	S	O
Senate	(302) 339-1763	Wade, Kevin (R)	O	O	O	S	S	S	S	S	S	O	S	O	O	S
US Congress	(302) 536-9495	Kovach, Tom (R) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
US Congress	(302) 654-1718	Carney, John (D) X	S	S	-	-	-	O	-	O	-	-	-	-	S	-

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Statewide Races			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Governor	322-8800	Jack Markell (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
Governor	521-3761	Jeffrey Cragg (R)	S	S	S	U	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
Lt. Governor	Not Listed	Matthew Denn (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
Lt. Governor	563-2655	Cheryl Valenzuela (R)	S	S	S	U	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
Insurance Com.	559-1434	Karen Stewart (D) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance Com.	690-2403	Benjamin Mobley (R) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Sussex County: Clerk of the Peace			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
604-4925		Brooks Witzke (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
542-5189		John Brady (D) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O	-	-	O

Sussex County: State Senate			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
703-9090 No Opponent	6	Andrew Staton (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
703-2243		Ernesto Lopez (R)	S	S	O	S	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	O
422-3460 No Opponent	18	Gary Simpson (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
856-6534		Jane Hovington (D)	S	U	S*	-	S	S	O	O	-	S	O	O	S	U	S
858-0694 Write-in	19	Brian Pettyjohn (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
436-4633		Richard Eakle (D) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
539-4140	20	Gerald Hocker (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
744-4298		Robert Venables (D)	S	U*	S	O	S	S	O	O	O	S	U*	O	S	O	S
629-9788	21	Bryant Richardson (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	U	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S

Sussex County: State Representative			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
227-6252 No Opponent	14	Peter Schwartzkopf (D) X	O	-	-	S	-	O	S	O	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
231-2202		Margaret Melson (L)	S	S	S	S	S	O	O*	S	S	S	S	O	S	O	O*
684-1602		Marie Mayor (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
684-4577	20	Stephen Smyk (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	O*	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
422-3454		David Wilson (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
349-5122	35	Ronnie Fitzgerald (L)	S	S	O	S	S	O	S	S	U	S	S	O	S	O	O
422-6155 No Opponent	36	Harvey Kenton (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	O	S	S*	S	O	S	O	S*
947-2984		Elizabeth McGinn (D) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
856-2772	37	Ruth Briggs King (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	U*	O	S	S	S	U*	S	O	S*
539-6738		Shirley Price (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
436-7024	38	Ronald Gray (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
628-5222 No Opponent	39	Daniel Short (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	S*	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
875-5736		Benjamin Lowe (D) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
235-9806	40	Timothy Dukes (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	S	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
745-1587		John Atkins (D)	S	S	S	O*	S*	S	O	O*	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
381-1610	41	Richard Collins (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S

New Castle: State Senate			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
656-2921		Harris McDowell (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
764-2309	1	Robert Clark (I)	S	S	S	U	S	S	U	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
Not Listed		Brian Lintz (L)	S	S	O	S	U	O	O*	S	U*	U*	S	O	U	O	O
425-4148 No Opponent	2	Margaret Henry (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
656-7261 No Opponent	3	Robert Marshall (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	S	S	O	-	-	-	-	S	-	S
598-3194	4	Michael Katz (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
478-6128		Gregory Lavelle (R) X	S	-	-	O	S	-	-	O	-	S	-	-	-	-	-
439-0992	5	Christopher Counihan (D)X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
478-9616		Catherine Cloutier (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
994-4843	7	Patricia Blevins (R) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
Not Listed		James Christina (L) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
239-2193	8	David Sokola (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	-	-	-	O	-	O
894-4591		William Stritzinger (R) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
999-7522 No Opponent	9	Karen Peterson (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	O	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
378-8386 No Opponent	10	Bethany Hall-Long (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
709-1516	11	Bryan Townsend (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
754-1787		Evan Queitsch (R)	S	S	S	O*	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
562-2106	12	Nicole Poore (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
328-8944		Dorinda Connor (R) X	-	-	-	O	-	-	-	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
322-6100 No Opponent	13	David McBride (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
653-7566	14	Bruce Ennis (D)	S	S	S	O	U	S	U	S	U	S	S	U	S	U	S
378-6036		Scott Unruh (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
New Castle: State Representative			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
762-8322 No Opponent	1	Charles Potter (D) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
428-1269 No Opponent	2	Stephanie Bolden (D) X	O	-	-	S	O	-	S	S	-	S	-	-	-	-	-
655-7071 No Opponent	3	Helene Keeley (D) X	O	-	-	S	-	O	S	O	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
655-1373 No Opponent	4	Gerald Brady (D) X	O	-	-	S	S	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	S	-	O
832-1956 No Opponent	5	Melanie Smith (D) X	O	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
Not Listed	6	Debra Heffernan (D) X	O	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
478-4754		Eric Taylor (R) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
475-2252	7	Bryon Short (D) X	O	-	-	S	-	O	S	O	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
798-0960		Daniel Lepre (R)	S	S	O*	S	S	O*	S	O	S	S	S	O	S	O*	U*
378-2681	8	Quinton Johnson (D) X	S	-	-	S	O	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
919-900-0401		Matthew Brown (R)	S*	S	U*	U*	S*	S*	O	S*	S	S	S	O	S*	O	S
293-2356 No Opponent	9	Rebecca Walker (D) X	S	-	-	S	O	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
373-0115	10	Dennis Williams (D) X	O	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
478-4763		Robert Rhodunda (R) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
653-8247	11	Lynne Newlin (D) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
526-2267		Jeffrey Spiegelman (R) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
651-9571 No Opponent	12	Deborah Hudson (R) X	S	-	-	O	S	S	S	O	-	S	-	-	S	-	S
995-1803 No Opponent	13	John Mitchell (D) X	O	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
562-6640	15	Valerie Longhurst (D) X	O	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
Not Listed		Amy Merlino (L) X	U	-	-	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
322-3521	16	James Johnson (D) X	O	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
985-7025		John Machurek (L) X	U	-	-	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
322-1249	17	Michael Mulrooney (D) X	O	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
395-1998		Laura Brown (R) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
368-7257 No Opponent	18	Michael Barbieri (D) X	O	-	-	S	O	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
633-1289	19	Kimberly Williams (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
999-8191		Dennis Cini (R) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
584-8601 No Opponent	21	Michael Ramone (R) X	S	-	-	S	S	-	-	S	-	S	-	-	S	-	-
983-2622	22	David Ellis (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
454-1840		Joseph Miro (R)	S	S	U*	O*	S*	S	S*	S*	S	S	S	O	S*	O	S
562-4546	23	Paul Baumbach (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
731-9766		Mark Doughty (R) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
292-8903 No Opponent	24	Edward Osienski (D) X	O	-	-	S	O	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
547-9351 No Opponent	25	John Kowalko (D) X	O	-	-	S	O	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
832-2209 No Opponent	26	John Viola (D) X	O	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
834-9231 No Opponent	27	Earl Jaques (D) X	S	-	-	S	S	O	S	O	-	O	-	-	-	-	O

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335-3392		Loretta Wootten (D) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
730-0454		Mary McVay (L) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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378-6036		Scott Unruh (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
270-2012	15	Kathleen Cooke (D) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
492-1155		Dave Lawson (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
698-0960	16	Colin Bonini (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	S	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
697-1740		Michael Tedesco (I) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	S	-	S
674-5442 No Opponent	17	Brian Bushweller (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
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653-8642	28	William Carson (D) X	S	-	-	O	-	S	-	S	-	O	-	-	S	-	S
242-4253		Christopher Sylvester (R) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
659-5850	29	Charles Paradee (D) X	-	-	-	S	-	O	S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O
659-3436		Lincoln Willis (R)	S	S	U*	O	S	S	O*	S	S*	S	S	O	S	O	S
Not Listed	30	William Outten (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O*	O	S	S	S	O	S	O	S
272-1373		Gordon Smith (L)	S	S	S	S	S	U	S	U	S	S	O	O	S	U	U
735-1781	31	Darryl Scott (D) X	O	-	-	S	O	O	S	S	-	O	-	-	-	-	O
222-2577		Samuel Chick (R)	S	S	U*	O*	S	O*	O	O*	S	S*	S*	O	S*	O*	O*
545-0198	32	Andria Bennett (D) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
697-8271		Ellis Parrott (R)	S	S	S	O	O	S	S	O	S	S*	S	O	S	O	S
335-5633	33	John Robbins (D) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
335-4261		Harold Peterman (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	S	U	S	S	U	U	O	S
697-2554	34	Theodore Yacucci (D) X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
697-6723		Donald Blakey (R)	S	S	S	O	S	S	S	S	U	U	U	O	S	U*	S

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