P43 Liberty Candidate Survey
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Option 1
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Party affiliation and for how long?

Unaffiliated/Independent, switched lifelong Republican registration 12/20 due to lack of trust in the Rino republican leadership.

How long have you lived in Idaho?

15+ years. January, 2006

The position you are running for?

Unites States Senate - Mike Crapo's seat

What is your reason for running for office?

America is still great, but headed in the wrong direction. The career politicians are not serving the best interest of everyday average Americans. They are beholden to lobbyist and special interest groups. The only peaceful solution is to vote them out of office and implement term limits for all members of congress.

What experience do you have that would help you in office?

I have been a successful business leader for all of my life. In addition I have a good background in finance, taxation, starting and running a business, and working for a fortune 100 firm. I have served my church, my community, and been happily married for nearly 33 years.

Who do you most similarly pattern your policies after and why?

Ronald Regan for less government and Donald J Trump for America First

What is the greatest issue Idaho faces today?

Loss of State sovereignty. The federal government uses financial coercion to control events.

Who did you vote for for president in the last three elections? (Optional)

Donald J Trump, Mitt Romney, John McCain.

What is the proper role of the Federal Government?

To follow the United States Constitution. To uphold the rule of law and allow Americans to live their lives with the rights and freedoms given to them by god. To protect America from all enemies - both foreign and domestic.

If you could change one thing the current Idaho State administration has done this past year and a half, what would it be?

The current leadership of Idaho should not have accepted billions of federal dollars with all of the strings attached. The loss of freedom and liberty should not be allowed even under the worst of circumstances. Closing businesses, forced mask mandates, and restrictions on the right to assemble & worship are all wrong.

What is your stance on law enforcement?

I fully support law enforcement. I would not support attempts to brutalize citizens under the mantra of "we are just following orders".

How would you reduce taxes in Idaho? or From your elected office?

Idaho should reduce taxes across the board. I support the elimination of the grocery tax. The government always finds a way to spend first and reduce taxes rarely. At the end of the fiscal year (2021) Idaho had a \$900 million dollar surplus. Very little of this surplus was used to reduce taxes.

Idaho is a Right to Work State, do you support Right to Work?

Yes
No

How would you help Idaho grow it's economy and exports?

I would continue the concept of free and fair trade. In addition, I would support a diverse business community while maintaining the quality of life that Idahoans enjoy. Lower taxes and regulation can help. Nuclear energy research and development could make an important contribution to both national security and energy independence.

What is your stance on 2A, Assault Rifles, Constitutional Carry?

"Shall not be infringed" - period, hard stop. There is no such thing as an "assault weapon". This made up term refers to semi-automatic rifles used in both hunting and self defense. National constitutional carry should take precedence over local and state laws banning or restricting the right to carry a firearm. New York Cities highly restrictive bans should be repealed.

How would you best describe your stance on personal liberties such as: masks, vaccine mandates, freedom of speech, 2A etc...

I believe that our rights are given to us by our creator, not government. These rights are unalienable and should not be disregarded even in the event of a crisis. Medical treatment should be at the will and best judgement of the individual not an unelected medical board or bureaucrat. Forced vaccinations to freely participate in society is a form of medical tyranny and must not be allowed in a free society. The rights of Americans are set out in the United States Constitution.

What is your take on the current state of education in the state of Idaho?

The state of education in Idaho is in decline. Government/Public schools are not producing the best results. A school choice program would help force competition in education. Whenever competition is required the price of something goes down and innovation goes up. This economic principle applies to education as well. Our local school boards should be responsive to parents and not teaching critical race theory or similar nonsense. Higher education institutions should not be indoctrination camps for our young people.

What do you know about campaigning in Idaho? Are you prepared to work to be elected?

In order run a successful campaign you must do two main things:

- 1. Have a clear message that will resonate with voters.
- 2. Deliver that message to people that vote.

All of the above is a tremendous amount of work and commitment. There is only one reason to run and that is to win. My life experience is full of achievements that required hard work and determination to succeed.

Additional information you whish voters to know.

IMPORTANT: Please read.

I am running as an America First, Conservative candidate. I have chosen to brand my campaign as an "Independent - Republican" for the following two reasons:

- 1. My opponent is a thirty year plus career politician. As such, he benefits from both name recognition as well as an enormous financial advantage predominantly funded by out of state interests. Officially, I will be listed as unaffiliated on the November 2022 ballot as there is no "Independent" party recognized. This allows me to more time to introduce myself and my plans to Idaho voters.
- 2. While I am a lifelong republican I can no longer agree with the do nothing Rino (republican in name only) leadership of the party. This good old boy network is happy to go along with the status quo and does not truly stand up for conservatism and liberty when it counts the most. The party will always back the incumbent and it would be foolish to try and run against the establishment during the May, 2022 primary. If you are fully satisfied with the results coming from the Uni-party in Washington D.C. then I am not your man. If however, you believe that America would benefit from a new wave of competent, non career seeking leaders then I would be honored to represent all Idahoans to the best of my ability. Sincerely, Scott "Oh" Cleveland.

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