

2022 Gubernatorial Voter Guide



Mark Ronchetti	ISSUES	Michelle Lujan-Grisham
Candidate is pro-life and seeks to find a middle ground with our legislature to end the practice of late-term abortion. ✓	Opposes Abortion without Restrictions	✗ 1.As Governor, candidate signed and praised the repeal of "antiquated abortion bans" leaving NM with no laws restricting abortion. 2. "In 2021, Gov. Lujan Grisham enacted legislation repealing an antiquated state law that would have criminalized abortion providers upon the overturning of Roe v. Wade, ensuring continued abortion access throughout New Mexico" 3. Signed Executive order in August 2022 to increase funding from taxpayer dollars, decrease wait times, and further protect Abortion in NM.
Candidate considers late-term abortion "barbaric" ✓	Opposes Abortion after 15 weeks	✗ Candidate defends up-to-birth abortion policies
Candidate's stated position, "Mark is a gun owner and strong supporter of our Second Amendment rights. Mark will oppose efforts of those who seek to criminalize law-abiding gun owners rather than focus on prosecuting criminals." ✓	Opposes Restricting Gun Rights	✗ Candidate promotes gun restriction legislation
No Response	Opposes Men in girls' bathrooms/locker rooms	✗ While representing NM in Congress, candidate co-sponsored Equality Act that would allow men to use girls bathrooms and locker rooms.
No Response	Opposes Men in Women's Sports	✗ While representing NM in Congress, candidate co-sponsored the Student Non-Discrimination act that would let males participate in female sports based on their gender identity.
Regarding Freedom as a whole candidate states, "We need to restore the balance by putting government back in its place and allowing freedom to flourish once again." ✓	Supports Religious Freedom: Individual and Professional	✗ During COVID-19, candidate used emergency powers to restrict places of worship and individual's ability to worship.
Candidate recognizes the NM oil and gas industry as a valuable resource for NM and has plans to initiate process in which all New Mexicans can benefit from the industry. ✓	Supports NM Oil & Gas	✗ Candidate's history shows a heavy focus on the theory of climate change and thus proposing regulations that are detrimental to oil and gas producers. These detrimental effects result in higher energy bills and prices at the pump; ie. NM's Mini Green New Deal.
Candidate's stated position, "There is a reasonable expectation that students will be taught the basics at school, not be subjected to political agendas. Parents should have access to course materials, curriculum, and books. Parent concerns should be addressed respectfully." ✓	Supports Transparency in education	✗ Candidate's PED curriculum pushes political agendas and ignores parental concerns.
Candidate states, "Parents are critical partners with their child's classroom teacher, and they have every right to be aware of and participate in the education of their child." ✓	Supports Parents Rights: in the classroom	✗ Candidate's PED has implemented a new social studies curriculum that includes CRT and LGBTQ material. Over 3,000 comments were received regarding the new Curriculum, most of them opposing, but the criteria will be implemented anyway regardless of parents concerns.
Based on Candidates stand on parent's rights regarding education, this is an indication that he supports parents rights across the board, however; candidate did not respond to questionnaire regarding parental notification before an abortion on a minor. No Response	Supports Parents Rights: Parental notification before an abortion on a minor	✗ New Mexico does not require parental consent or notification for minors seeking abortion services. Candidate has celebrated her achievements in repealing abortion laws, increasing access to abortion and has never addressed the lack of requirement for parental consent.
Candidate's stated position, "In Bernalillo County alone, police officers arrest two offenders every day, on average, who have been released from jail and are committing new crimes. And every other day, they arrest a released-from-jail criminal for committing a new violent crime. Mark will shut down the revolving door of criminals by ending catch and release." ✓	Supports Stricter Guidelines for Repeat Offenders	✗ Candidate has signed a bipartisan crime bill in recognition of the rising crime problem, "However, the bill did not include rebuttable presumption – something district attorneys in the state were asking for to make it harder for defendants charged with violent crimes to stay out of jail before trial."
Candidate's stated position, "Mark believes in a very simple approach to COVID – follow the science. That is something our current Governor has not done. Top-down government mandates forced on the people of this state are not the way forward. Mark will take COVID very seriously, but the one-size-fits-all/government-knows-best policy with no regard for emerging science is a mistake." ✓	Supports Less Government Restriction on Individual Rights	✗ Candidate consistently signed Executive orders that allowed Public Health Orders to restrict individuals, business and organization (including religious organizations).