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The following questions were prepared by The Arizona Republic's Editorial Board and distributed to candidates to provide voters with a better understanding of candidates' views on key issues in this year's Sept. 7 primary and Nov. 2 general election.

BIO QUESTIONS

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How long have you lived in Arizona?	Born in Phoenix, and will have lived in Arizona 48 years by election time.
In what district are you running?	2
How long have you lived in your district?	Never and I don't. I have plenty of good friends who live in Dist. 2, who need someone to represent them, better than Mr. Franks has.

What is your party registration? Libertarian

How long have you been registered as a member of that party? A decade or so afer Mr. McCain finally served up some piece of legislative crud that went without Republican criticism, and so I left the Repulsive Party for honest pastures.

Previous public offices you've sought/held:

Civic organizations in which you've been active: www.WesternLibertarian.org, www.theLfactor.org, www.azlp.org, www.fff.org, www.AntiWar.org, www.RationalReview.com, www.isil.org, www.free-market.net, www.reason.com

Do you have any sort of a criminal record or any outstanding civil judgments? Please be specific. No. But since 1 in 5 Americans either goes to prison, or one of their family members does in their lifetime, I am sure it will be my turn to be involuntarily interned in a government re-education camp at some point in my life.

GENERAL

1. How would you describe your core political philosophy?

Freedom good! Government bad, bad, bad. I will not initiate force, or fraud against any individual. I will resist those who do with all means at my disposal. What other political or personal philosophy do you need? And wouldn't the world be a more peaceful place if everyone learned to mind their own business.

2. Which members of Congress, past or present, do you most admire and why?

Rep. Ron Paul, M.D. (R-TX), <http://www.house.gov/paul/>, for his many years of consistently voting, 'No,' on every stinking bill that makes its way though CONgress.
Rep. Sam Steiger (AZ) and Sen. Barry Goldwater (AZ). I didn't agree with everything they had to say, but you knew where you stood with them, and they were mavericks (i.e., sons-of-bitches in the eyes of the Eastern Establishment).

ARIZONA ISSUES

1.What are the three most important congressional priorities you see for Arizona and how would you work to accomplish them?

1. Re-legalize drugs. Marijuana, coca trees and poppy fields will make valuable cash crops in Arizona. Why should South American drug lords and high ranking U.S. government officials get all the market? This also has the benefit of reducing our state prison and law enforcement budgets by about 80%.

2. Re-legalize immigration. You want to come to Arizona to work? Welcome; we are not stopping you.

3. Create a 'federal government free zone' encompassing the borders of Arizona. Within these borders the federal government will neither receive any taxes from us, nor enforce any laws. Arizona will neither receive any federal money, nor recognize any land as being under the control of the federal government. Then we will see if people want to come to, or leave, Arizona. Persuasion. Lets try this experiment in what amounts to an extremely small slice of the United States. If it doesn't work, people are free to try something else. Just ignore and be ignored by the government. It is not just a good idea, it is your Second Amendment right.

2. Do you support the Protect Arizona Now initiative? Why or why not?

No.

I understand the frustration of the people behind the 'Protect Arizona Now' movement. They want to make sure that non-citizens are not voting in our elections. But who cares?!

Elections are rigged anyway. How do I know this? It is simple. In Arizona, it is illegal to physically recount electronic ballot votes (ARS§16-664) by any means other than electronically. You do not need any further evidence beyond the fact that those who count the votes have made sure you do not get to examine their work. After Arizona soon goes to a paperless system, even this potential way of getting caught rigging the ballot boxes will no longer be a problem for the government. But who cares?

Voting does nothing more than elect thieves to power, and sanctify the tyranny of the majority in the looting of the taxpayer, and the rape of the property owner. But if you must participate, do not cast your vote into a vast sea where your vote is meaningless, and your choice is the evil of two lessers. Vote third party, where the two major parties must fish if they want to get your vote in the future.

As for non-citizens receiving welfare, this is the stolen property of the taxpayers, and should not be going to anyone in the first place.

3. What would your solution be for curbing unlawful immigration, and how would you deal with undocumented immigrants already here?

Easy. Repeal these ugly, racist immigration laws. All of them.

This used to be a free country. Anyone ought to be able to leave or to come here either to live, to work or to visit. If they cannot find work they will move on. Despite violent efforts, the government has historically been unsuccessful in keeping the Irish out, the Germans out, the Italians out, and the blacks out (strangely after mandating the later come here for so many years). They are having as much success keeping everyone else from around the planet out too.

What they are currently doing is having hordes of people stream through many private property owner's lands and forests, devastating the property, and endangering the lives of the immigrants. Worse, we see peoples rights to be safe in their persons and possessions, as well as to travel being violated daily, by identity demands, detentions and vehicle searches and delays.

And we have seen the explosion of organized crime devoted to human smuggling, and even slave labor factories operating within our own borders, because the victims have no access to judicial protection without themselves being punished by deportation.

4. What steps or measures need to be taken to ensure that Arizona has adequate water supplies?

Privatize all water supplies. Let the free market work. This will make water reflect its true cost. It will encourage people to conserve and recycle water, as well as encourage businesses to find or produce water for sale.

When government monopolizes and regulates, resources become artificially limited, and frequently wasted.

5. To which committees would you like to be appointed? Why?

Appropriations, or Ways and Means because here is where the fleecing of the public begins.

Health, Homeland Security, these latter two because I know something about each, and they represent both enormous amounts of the federal budget, and areas where devastation of our civil rights is being legislated daily without protest.

FOREIGN POLICY

1. Do you support the way the Bush administration has been conducting the war on terrorism?

President Bush has gone well beyond the act of a criminal in his reprehensible performance against 'terrorism.' Not only has he used the attack of terrorists on our most visible financial center to justify the attack on a country that was neither involved in terrorism against the USA, nor represented a threat against our country. He has placed our troops into harms way for selfish reasons.

He neglected to deal with the Saudi terror groups when he had been made aware of them, even after attacks against our embassies in foreign nations.

After the attacks occurred on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, and the hijacking of four airliners, the CONmander in Chief sent a paltry 11,000 troops into Afghanistan MONTHS later, to route the al-Qiada terrorist group responsible. We are still searching.

Worse, the FBI had a superb list of the al-Qiada network's leadership, complete with photographs in most cases. Instead of using the Constitution's provisions of Marks and Reprisals to capture or kill these men, Bush chose to eventually send in the troops.

On the homefront (Sounds kind of like a Fascist phrase doesn't it? Homeland Security sound any better?), Bush has passed 'anti-terror' laws that have literally stripped away any vestige of the Bill of Rights. We are in effect living under a tyrant, facilitated by his lackey Republican and Democrat CONgress and the black robes.

Why anyone votes for ANY incumbent is beyond understanding.

Lastly, he has opposed arming airline pilots. These pilots, usually former military aviators, entrusted with your life and a massive fuel laden jet, are deemed too incompetent to protect and defend their cockpit. His great plan on how to deal with future hijacked planes ... shoot them down with F-16's! If you are ever on a hijacked flight, you had better retake control quickly with ... whatever hasn't been confiscated by the dignity robbing TSA.

2. What would you consider to be the gravest security threat facing the United States today?

George Bush, for the reasons stated above. He has caused far more harm to the citizens of the USA in general than Osama bin Laden ever dreamed of, and caused more terror ('orange alert' anyone?) than Saddam Hussein. He has made the Office of the President into a tyranny; a dictatorship in waiting.

3. To what extent should the U.S. help Mexico improve its economy?

End NAFTA, and let goods flow across the border from Mexico without any tariffs or regulation. Let the free market demand decide what comes here. Ask Mexico for the same for our goods exported there. Government should stay the hell out of trading.

No foreign aid should go to Mexico, or any other nation. Keep our 'gooberment advisors and experts' to ourselves. Mexico is quite capable of finding and requesting assistance from anyone it considers useful without the US Government's 'ASSistance.'

End immigration laws.

DOMESTIC POLICY

1. What are the keys to growing the economy?.

End all taxation.

End subsidies (corporate welfare).

End foreign aid.

End government rule and regulation.

End government expenditures, except for those items explicitly called for in the Constitution.

Bring all troops home to U.S. soil.

End all government 'insurance' scams where bad business decisions are bailed out by the taxpayers.

Eliminate laws that have allowed Tort Lawyers to, in effect, rip off companies with bogus 'infractions.'

Go back on the gold standard, which has been the policy of our country for most of its existence, which would eliminate inflation. Then eliminate the Federal Reserve.

Auction off all federal land not belonging to the State's (i.e., non-BLM) to pay off the federal debt. Return all BLM land to the respective States.

Eliminate the Departments of Internal Revenue, Commerce, Agriculture, and the Small Business Administration for a start.

2. Do you support making President Bush's tax cuts permanent?

I support eliminating all taxes completely and immediately, not those worthless "cuts" that mainly effect the special interest buddies of Bush.

3. Do you support the Medicare prescription drug benefit enacted by Congress? Or does this issue need to be revisited?

The Medicare prescription drug benefit, does little to benefit anyone but a few large drug companies, and allows the government ever more control over the pharmaceutical companies.

Bush's prescription drug policies has already caused a dozen Arizonans, including 66 year old Raymond Lindell, their freedom in Mexico.

And with his deciding vote, Mr. Trent has added an additional \$135 billion in debt to our half a trillion dollar hemorrhaging red ink. This is simply the incumbent politicians attempting to yet again buy your vote by promising you the world for free, while delivering little except poverty and misery for your offspring. All while repeating the mantra that Franks is the most fiscally conservative CONgressman in Arizona ... sadly, maybe he is.

4. What would you consider to be the biggest achievement of the 108th Congress? The biggest mistake?

Biggest accomplishment: Adjourning. Worst failure: Opening. If there is a large body of people besides the federal bureaucracy that we can do without, it has to be CONgress. I'd sure like to try. Wouldn't you?

5. Would you support a constitutional amendment banning gay marriages?

Government should stay the hell out of marriage! A marriage license is nothing more than a tax upon marriage.

If two (or more) adults want to enter into a ceremony, in which a church or anyone else, recognizes them as being bound to each other in a special relationship, who is anyone to stick their nose into it?

And if two mutually consenting adults want to enter into a contractual agreement with one another, other than examining the contract in a court at some future date should a breech be claimed, what business does government have? Government has no business in marriage.

Certainly the federal government has no such business.

6. Do you support the No Child Left Behind education law and, if so, do you believe it is adequately funded?

Bush's 'No Child Left Behind' law sounds so nice. Kind of like the PATRIOT act. Who could possibly vote against a law with either of those titles?

Regrettably, this law centers on the premise that all children can be uniformly taught at a uniform rate, and that achievement levels can be realistically measured with a uniform exam. Any parent knows this to be untrue. Different children achieve at different rates, in different amounts and ultimately at different skills.

Bush's plan specifies that States receiving federal money for education MUST perform many tasks. Did you know the vast bulk of your state taxes goes to pay for education. That the feds only contribute about 6% to your State's educational budget. Yet for this paltry amount the feds call the tune. Why?

It is better to eliminate ALL federal education money, and let the States decide on their education programs, rather than some gooberment OAFicial in Wash. D.C. If you can't live without 6% for the deal of being free of federal mandate, you are too far gone.

THE LAST QUESTION

What additional issues will you work on if elected to Congress?

250 years ago, some slave holders met in Philadelphia to hammer out a new form of government. These were the Federalists. A representative democracy in which individual sovereign governments existed, within a sovereign government that was build around explicit and very limited powers.

The majority of the people and states residing within this 'country's' territory, unfortunately for the federalists, didn't support this document. These folks are referred to now as the anti-Federalists.

They feared that no piece of paper or government, no matter how craftily organized, could ever be kept from eventually overwhelming and ruling its populace. Having just deposed the most powerful kingdom at the time, they weren't to keen on becoming serfs to new Medieval lords.

Eventually, adding the Bill of Rights onto the Constitution persuaded enough to eventually adopt the Constitution.

Sadly, time has proven the anti-federalists correct. No piece of paper can prevent the eventual enslavement of the people by its government. The federalists had forged the chains of our current dilemma.

Oh sure, things don't seems so bad. So every year I seem to have less money, and have to work more, and put up with more government indignities and intrusions into my life. But I am not a slave. I can tell the government 'no,' right? Riigggght:-)

Assuming my 'federal government free zone' proves popular, I will propose expanding it to the U.S. borders by simply eliminating the U.S. Constitution. What people do with their State governments is then up to them.

In the mean time, I suggest honing your marksmanship, and hoarding ammo.
