

Why I Am Running for State Vice Chair

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Food for Thought Voter Tactics

I am running for State Vice Chair because times have changed, they are now hard and risky. To survive and conquer them, we must change too. What I write here offers intuitive election and voting perspectives for navigating the troubled waters ahead.

Today, citizens are in unrest. Their precious establishment is pummeled daily, and the good they remember is virtually gone. Anyone attempting to run for a public seat must realize and accept America's new realities. Public candidacy in a chaotic era instructs those that know the past is passé and the former things are no more. Relating this to elections, it may be comfortable to stick with what one knows. However, global enemies and power grabs have made that impossible. They reshaped the world while we basked in the glories of world dominance. Consequently, current force change upon us, demanding the new, true, and actionable. Beginning with disparaging narratives that must swap hostility for rationality. That is where I come in.

How I Assess and Elect a Leader

Traditionally, most of us are taught to know people and things by their fruit. That requires examining the final product of an effort or creation. Such wisdom should be commonplace for us today, but it has become a lost art. Suppressing judgments and setting aside immediate impressions is a thinker's greatest distinctive. Doing so involves curtailing impulses and distancing oneself from issues until all facts and factors are analyzed. This was early thinkers and voters' standard practice. Over the last several years, that safeguarding habit has been eclipsed by radicals bent on replacing wisdom with recklessness to insert untrustable people in high positions. Taking advantage of voter trust and perhaps naiveté, radicals sow doubt, misconstrue details and exaggerate incidents to distort facts with fault-finding. Standing on unfair harsh comparisons, they incite mistrust and inconfidence. The effect is voter paralysis. Misjudgment and panic that causes people to withdraw from the election process altogether. Can you see a multi-strand tactic at work here? If you elect a candidate on gossip, slander, and groundless misinformation, you could make yourself prey to devious campaign tactics. To prevent this, take the time to know those who labor among you, particularly those that lead you. Gather a group of friends and neighbors to join you in proving everything. Tell them you could use their experiences and acumen to separate truth from lies. Below is how I vet a candidate.

New, Unfamiliar, Designated

In the classic sense, I am new to our state and party leadership, although I have been a republican all my adult life. Nonetheless, I am in your future, waiting to show you how and why when we sit down together. In a way, though, it is good I wasn't in your past because you now

have something to compare me to as a candidate and elected official. When you compare the old with the new and the past with the present, think of this three-word acronym, ORE: **O**utcomes | **R**esults | **E**ffects. As a voter, you could use them to fortify yourself against political feuds, vicious slander, and personal revenges. None of these have anything to do with your crises or future. Resolve to be informed as a thinking electorate. Require your electees to educate and politically brief you on what party affiliation holds for you. With that, want to be advised on ways your vote interacts with its future. For example, how well it enacts or averts what is coming for or upon you. You should not be weaponized against your best interests for what you know little to nothing about or tricked into taking up others' failed causes. Our national and state battles are more than enough to contend with right now. Besides, neither resolves your dilemmas or impending world crises. Besides you deserve better.

Human & Voter Dignity

Throughout my campaign and as your state vice chair, I will dignify you as a voter, a delegate, and a citizen. I will not diminish your years of faithfulness or cheapen your hopes and dreams with second- and third-party animosity. On the contrary, I so want you to be powerful that I created strategies, tactics, tools, and initiatives to make it happen. So do not expect me to insult your intelligence by inciting you to vote for anything except what heals your despair and faith in this party and your nation.

Your Enduring Promise

I am also running for state vice chair to position you for Jeremiah 29:11's promise to give you a future and a hope, which takes work. It takes vision, determination, wisdom, substance, and skill. All abilities I bring to the state vice chair seat. That said, I will not insult or inflame your anxieties with finger-pointing, character assassinations, or hearsay hatred to earn your vote. Nor will I exploit your hurts just because I have your ear and attention. Instead, I will guide your recovery and help you rebuild what was torn down. Most importantly, I will equip you to rise and stand. These are why, my platform focuses on your good fortune, and your confidence in your tomorrow.

Leaderdrift to Leadership

For the last several years, I looked forward to and labored for this moment in my life. Expecting to enter public service prepared for it by developing vitally applicable rebuilding products and paths, Hence, I need little lag time to launch what will take us from leaderdrift to leadership, from floundering to rebounding. So, I resist politically stoking your emotions and sentiments to compensate for possible lack of implementable strategies and projects. My **Retake – Regain – Return VIVAS** plan is designed to inspire and motivate full engagement of the greatest machine ever made, humankind. Because voting power rests in your hands. To these ends, I will lead you to thrive as a party member, officer, leader, and servant with materials that draw on your life experiences and wisdom. Carefully and skillfully, I will show you how pain, sorrows, losses, and suffering need not be in vain. Without dishonoring your journey or endurance, I aim to boost your voter capacities with practical tools, tips, tactics, and techniques.

Fighting as One for Our Country

As your state vice chair, I'll pray we blend and work to unite and fuse us to do what is most crucial to our country. That is, to fight for its life. Our collaboration can rekindle its light in the world and rescue it from the doom decreed upon it. But it all starts with every precinct's delegates, chairs, vice chairs, members, and recruiters, starting with reconnecting you to why you became republicans in the first place. Conservatism and republicanism have many synonyms that all point to overcoming evil with good. To achieve that, you surrendered your individuality to our party. You entrusted your votes to those whose views, values, faith, and beliefs are most like yours. Not strictly for religious reasons did you do this, but also for conservatism that stabilizes and secures the land. You envisioned America's prosperity, posterity, and perpetuity as a legacy to pass on to your heirs. To assure it, you relied on and still rely on your most potent device, your vote. Considering all you withstood, you deserve political and party officials that cherish every vote you cast. In the face of what looms ahead for our country, you should be commended for courageously casting ballots when it seems futile. Not riled up with vague, unverified suppositions and criticisms. Loyalty ought not usurp intelligence, and both are worth much more than that; to repeat, you deserve better.

Time and Chance are Inevitable

Times and change are inevitable: In good times, we reign; in bad times, we restrain and retain. As convention delegates, your votes decide the best representative to switch us from restraining evil to reigning over it. That's why you want to flatly reject questionable private ambitions and personal grudges that cloud your thinking. Supersede infighting with the bigger picture and the greater prize. Strengthen your objectivity by withdrawing from the fuming and mudslinging. Step back from inflammatory situations' murky hearsay hatred to discover what you want to vote on and why. Contest the seething that seems to dictate all elections. Be curious about who and what your vote will reward. Ask who gains from it and what that gain means to you in the end. Jumpstart all these suggestions by first tapping into that something inside that keeps you in the fight. Recall the ways it convinced you to become a conservative. As you and your voting conscience go through this process, engage more than your emotions in your voting decisions. Don't choose favorites just because... Remove whiners and complainers with painful pasts from your voting ideals and shed their indifference to the real enemies and atrocities stalking us today. Make truth sway your vote.

Your Vital Treasure

Treat your vote as a vital and unexploitable treasure and your faith in it as dear. Guard both with sound wisdom and due diligence. Listen for realities and not just rants or suspicions to confirm your vote is not a candidate's revenge or hindrance. Judge with the righteous judgment that exposes rumors and contradicts baseless assertions. Shield yourself from overly introspective souls that clutter your good sense with warped feelings. Stop allowing your heart to do the work of your head and forbid your emotions from hijacking your intelligence.

In closing, my primary objective for seeking this position is to increase the precinct's overall population by 30-50%. Should we get the opportunity to meet, I can tell you how. Let's schedule

a time for me to do so. After all, voters are the real change agents, so let's lock arms to turn this around. I am confident that with your vote and expertise we can get it done. But you have to elect me first.

God Bless,

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