

NOW-NYC 2009 PAC Questionnaire

Please type or neatly print answers to all questions and add any comments or questions you have on the last page. Please also attach a sample of your campaign literature. Fax to our office at 212-627-9861 or mail to: NOW-NYC PAC, 150 W. 28th St. Ste. 304, NY, NY 10001

Candidate's name: _____

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A. CIVIL RIGHTS

1. Do you support the passage of an Equal Rights Amendment to the United States and New York State Constitutions?
2. Do you support affirmative action programs in employment and education for women and minorities?
3. Do you support increased funding for anti-discrimination agencies? (U.S. Equal Employment Opportunities Commission; NYS Division for Human Rights; and NYC Commission on Human Rights)
4. Do you support laws that
 - a. Ban discrimination based on sexual orientation?
 - b. Recognize domestic partnerships or civil unions?
 - c. Legalize same-sex marriage?

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5. a. Please describe or list any actions you have undertaken in support of any or all of the civil rights described above:

b. Briefly describe the results of the actions you took:

6. What strategies would you put in place, if any, to ensure that women are 50% of all boards or commissions appointed by public officials?

B. REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS & HEALTH CARE

Yes No

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| 1. | Do you support reproductive freedom for all women, including: | | |
| | a. The right to safe, legal abortion? | | |
| | b. Access to birth control without restrictions? | | |
| | c. Teenagers' right to safe, legal abortion without parental consent or notification? | | |
| | d. Medicaid funding for abortions? | | |
| | e. Access to emergency contraception at all pharmacies without a prescription for those under 18? | | |
| | f. Do you support the Healthy Teen Act? | | |

2. Please describe or list any actions you have undertaken in support of women's reproductive rights:

3. What strategies would you put in place at the federal or state level, and city, if any, to secure universal health coverage and, in particular, to ensure that there are no restrictions placed on access to abortion and birth control in universal health coverage?

NYS LEGISLATION

Yes No

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| 4L. | a. Do you support the Reproductive Health Act which would ensure the right to abortion in this state if <i>Roe v. Wade</i> is overturned? | | |
| | b. Do you also support the provisions of this bill that ensure the right to an abortion in the second or third trimester of pregnancy in cases where a woman's life or health is at risk? | | |

C. ECONOMIC ISSUES

Yes No

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| 1. | Many private employers require employees and job applicants to sign agreements requiring all complaints to be settled by mandatory arbitration, preventing them from filing discrimination complaints with agencies or the courts. Do you support legislation to eliminate this practice? | | |
| 2. | Do you support the Fair Pay Act (A3911/S955)? | | |
| 3. | Do you support legislation to permit individuals on public assistance to complete their education, including 4-year college, in lieu of work requirements? | | |

NYS LEGISLATION

4L. Current state law allows for no-fault divorce where both parties have agreed to the disposition of marital assets, support, and child custody. Would you support legislation which would allow for granting of a no-fault divorce to one party before both parties have reached a mutual agreement on these issues?

Yes	No

5L. Would you support legislation that requires:
 a. Joint custody of children, even over the objections of one parent?
 b. Mandatory mediation in domestic relations cases?

D. VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

1. Do you support increased funding for the NYS Anti-Human Trafficking Law?

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2. Domestic violence shelters in the city can help only a fraction of women and their children who need to be protected from further violence. What strategies would you put in place to solve this problem?

F. EDUCATION

1. Do you support the use of taxpayer-funded vouchers to send students to private and religious schools?

Yes	No

2. Do you support single-sex and single-race public schools?

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3. What strategies will you or have you put in place to provide more team sports for girls in NYC public schools?

G. GENERAL

What strategies at the city, state or federal level would you implement to improve the lives of women and/or girls in New York City? Please provide examples of only three strategies (could be programs, legislation, more funding, etc.)

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Thank you for completing this questionnaire, which will be used in the endorsement process of the Political Action Committee of the New York City Chapter of the National Organization for Women. Based on your answers, you may be asked for a face-to-face interview. Please return this questionnaire with a one or two page sample of your campaign literature. Both can be faxed to Sonia Ossorio, NOW-NYC PAC Treasurer (212-627-9861) or mailed to NOW-NYC PAC, 150 West 28th Street, Suite 304, New York, NY 10001. Call the NOW-NYC office during the day at 212-627-9895 to confirm receipt of your completed questionnaire and campaign literature.

Additional comments or questions, if any: