

# CANDIDATE SELF-REVIEW: REPUBLICAN PARTY OF TEXAS PLATFORM

This form is NOT required by state law to file for a place on the ballot.

A full version of the RPT Platform can be found at [www.TexasGOP.org](http://www.TexasGOP.org).

## Pursuant to Rule No. 43 - Candidate Platform Review:

Any candidate running as a Republican for any public office on any ballot in the State of Texas shall be provided a copy of the Texas Republican Party Platform by the Republican Party of Texas. The Republican Party of Texas shall make an electronic copy of the platform available to each candidate upon request. The County or State Chairman shall distribute a copy of the Texas Republican Party Platform to each candidate along with all other candidate application papers. The candidate may indicate for each bullet item of the Party Principles included in the Preamble of the Texas Republican Party Platform, whether the candidate agrees, disagrees, or is undecided, as to each item, with comments if desired. The County or State Chairman shall also request that each candidate read the entire Texas Republican Party Platform and choose at least ten (10) line items from the Texas Republican Party Platform that the candidate strongly supports. The SREC shall also have the newest platform available to the candidates within two (2) months after the adoption of the Texas Republican Party Platform by the Republican Party of Texas Convention Delegates. Candidates for federal or state at-large office should file the completed platform containing the candidate's responses at the time of filing for office with the Republican Party of Texas. District and local candidates should file the completed platform containing the candidate's responses at the time of filing with their SREC member(s) or County Chairmen of the districts, or counties, respectively, in which they are running. The candidate's completed platform response shall be made available by the appropriate party official for one (1) year from the date of filing at reproduction costs to any person requesting such.

## PRINCIPLES

1. Strict adherence to the original intent of the Declaration of Independence and U.S. and Texas Constitutions.

☒ Agree ☐ Disagree ☐ Undecided

Comments: Judicial activism has done much harm to the republic of the United States

2. Preserving American and Texas Sovereignty and Freedom.

☒ Agree ☐ Disagree ☐ Undecided

Comments: I authored the platform plank entitled "Protection From Extreme Environmentalists" found in the 2012 RPT Platform.

3. Limiting the expanse of government power.

☒ Agree ☐ Disagree ☐ Undecided

Comments: I strongly oppose President Obama's unconstitutional circumvention of the U.S. Senate by the use of so-called recess appointments and by the appointment of "czars."

4. The sanctity of human life, created in the image of God, which should be protected from fertilization to natural death.

☒ Agree ☐ Disagree ☐ Undecided

Comments: I am 100% pro-life and have been a frequent financial supporter to Midland's The Life Centers.

5. Personal accountability and responsibility.

☒ Agree ☐ Disagree ☐ Undecided

Comments: I strongly support drug tests for all of those receiving a government check other than retirement

6. Self-sufficient families, founded on the traditional marriage of a natural man and a natural woman.

☒ Agree ☐ Disagree ☐ Undecided

Comments: I strongly support the idea that any recognized marriage by the laws of the United States should only be those marriages between one man and one woman.

7. Having an educated population, with parents having the freedom of choice for the education of their children.

☒ Agree ☐ Disagree ☐ Undecided

Comments: My wife and my mother were public school teachers. I believe that all funds spent by parents for private education should be deductible.

8. Americans having the right to be safe in their homes, on their streets, and in their communities, and the unalienable right to defend themselves.

☒ Agree ☐ Disagree ☐ Undecided

Comments: I have a CHL and I train on a regular basis how to defend myself and my family.

9. A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies.

☒ Agree ☐ Disagree ☐ Undecided

Comments: I have worked hard on educating the public on differentiating subsidies and legitimate tax deductions for the oil and gas industry.

10. Restoring American sovereignty and leadership, and we honor all of those that serve and protect our freedom with peace through strength.

☒ Agree ☐ Disagree ☐ Undecided

Comments: Two of the biggest threats to America's sovereignty are America's dependence on foreign oil and America's debt.

### PLATFORM REVIEW

Please list at least 10 line items from the Party Platform that you strongly support:

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| 1. <u>Protection of the unborn</u>               | 6. <u>Immigration Reform</u>             |
| 2. <u>Right to bear arms</u>                     | 7. <u>Protection from Gov. intrusion</u> |
| 3. <u>Reducing dependence on foreign oil</u>     | 8. <u>Dom A</u>                          |
| 4. <u>Reducing deficit</u>                       | 9. <u>welfare Reform</u>                 |
| 5. <u>Supporting military and their families</u> | 10. <u>Reduction of Exec. orders</u>     |

Nelson Spear  
Printed Name

Nelson Spear  
Signature

Please return to the County Chairman