

ARIZONA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE 2008 Survey Questions for Candidates

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I refuse to answer circle or check the answer survey questions. My written responses are posted on my web site for your interested members to read, and included here:

1. Allowing parents to use tax credits, vouchers or education savings accounts to enable children to attend any public, private or high school.

The federal government has **no** business in education. All expenditures must cease, the U.S. Department of Education should be closed and all its assets auctioned off, and all laws and bureaucratic dictates regarding education repealed.

Parents should be free to take care of their children without bureaucrats looking over their shoulder, and they should be able to keep ALL of their earnings to do with as they wish, including sending **their** children to a school of their choice.

2. Prohibiting all forms of human cloning.

I know of no authority granted the federal government in the U.S. Constitution that permits the federal government to have the power to ban human cloning. Certainly they have no power to ban it beyond our borders, so the research will continue.

I support **zero** federal research funding for human cloning.

3. Legalizing physician assisted suicide.

I know of no authority granted the federal government in the U.S. Constitution that permits the federal government to regulate medicine, including someone contracting the services of a third party to assist them in their committing suicide.

4. Excluding newborn children conceived while their mothers were receiving welfare from the calculation of family's welfare cash payment.

Government produces nothing of its own. It cannot give anyone anything, until it robs it from someone else first. Government looting of the productive must stop. I will try to end ALL welfare. Its purpose is to make people dependent upon the federal government with no hope or incentive to get off welfare – unlike private charities.

5. Prohibiting state and local government agencies, including police departments from accepting *matricula consular* cards as a form of identification.

I know of no authority granted the federal government in the U.S. Constitution that permits the federal government to tell the States what identification they must accept or deny. I oppose requiring identification at the federal level. I support open borders – immigration being historically reserved to the States..

6. Amending the United States Constitution to define marriage as the union of one man and one woman.

The federal government should not be in the marriage business. That is between consenting adults and their churches or other private institutions to form a contract. All government does is tax the relationship by charging a license fee.

There is something un-American in hearing the phrase, “by the power **vested** in me by the state” at the end of your ceremony. Who the heck gave the state the power to decide who can and cannot enter into the contract of marriage?! Would not you rather hear “by the power vested in me by God”, or “this church” or “the Holy Order of Rome,” *et cetera*?

The Constitution of this nation is not about restricting **your** choices, it is about **restricting** the federal government to an **explicit** set of very limited powers. Do not support adding a limitation on yourself. That was tried once with prohibition and look how well that worked out.

7. Requiring informed consent for abortion to inform a woman considering an abortion about the medical and psychological risks, fetal development, and abortion alternatives and to include a 24-hour period for the woman to review the information.

I oppose ALL government spending for abortion.

I know of no authority granted the federal government in the U.S. Constitution that permits the federal government to regulate medicine.

I recognize a U.S. Constitutional claim to protecting the life of an individual, but after great internal struggle, I cannot allow a fetus' life to supersede everyone's right to do with **their** own body what **they** will. The federal government DOES NOT own people. I oppose **any** federal government prohibitions on abortion.

8. Establishing and maintaining a statewide public defender's office to provide adequate legal representation to those facing the death penalty.

I know of no authority granted the federal government in the U.S. Constitution that permits the federal government to tell a State what it must do in regards to its justice system. I oppose the death penalty and support its repeal in all circumstances AT THE federal level. What States do is up to them.

9. Making the presence of undocumented immigrants in Arizona a felony.

What Arizona does is not the business of the federal government or your Representative. If you cannot keep drugs out of prisons, what makes you think you can keep Mexicans out of Arizona?

Stop the damaging trespass through private property encouraged by current policy.

Eliminate the official corruption.

Eliminate the organized criminal gangs, hidden money and unreported crimes.

Lower the costs of your purchased goods and services. Keep more money in your wallet.

Open the borders.

10. Mandating healthcare providers to facilitate the distribution of "emergency contraception" (i.e., the morning after pills).

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11. Exempting nonprofit religious organizations from any contraceptive mandates that may violate the tenets of their faith.

I know of no authority granted the federal government in the U.S. Constitution that permits the federal government to regulate medicine, or reproduction.

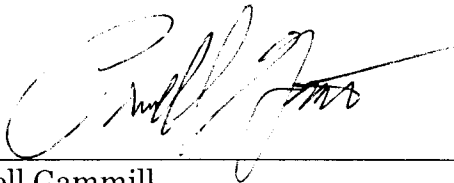
12. Simplifying the existing tax credit for donations made to nonprofit charitable organizations serving the working poor so that people who do not itemize their taxes are eligible to participate.

Eliminate all taxes, and you encourage massive investment of foreign held wealth into our nation. The poor get to keep ALL that they make. There is more money in everyone's pockets including those who routinely give to charities so donations would increase. There would be zero government mandates placed upon the charities.

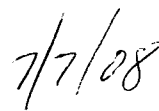
Imagine how much more money you would have without government's hand in your wallet. Imagine what a \$1 hamburger would look like if the paper dollar were **still** worth a one ounce silver dollar.

13. Creating a temporary guest worker program to provide foreign workers to Arizona employers experiencing a labor shortage.

Immigration is a State's issue, not a federal one – even though the federal government grabbed it from the States over a century ago – therefor it is up to the states to decide who may come into their state. This was historically done by requiring sponsorship of immigrants, including temporary laborers. Many states had no rules whatsoever (i.e., open borders).



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