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## W.C.F.O.A. 2024

### Voter Information Guide

#### **COPY THIS LIST AND DISTRIBUTE TO EVERY GUN OWNER**

Welcome to W.C.F.O.A.'s 2024 Voter Information Guide. 2024 is a **major** election, with the election of President and Vice President, major national Senatorial and Congressional races taking place. It is a pivotal and critical election and will determine the future course of the nation. Since this election will decide the fate of the nation, and in particular the fate of firearm ownership, voter turnout will be significant. The transformed "Socialist/Progressive" Democrat Party has again fielded candidates who literally have modified America's very system of government into an alien, far-left nightmare. Gun owners in particular would be subjected to **Kamala Harris' all-out war on gun ownership as a continuation of Joseph Biden's past 4 year attack**. Harris has proposed the literal disarmament of ALL firearms from American citizens, and a Democrat-controlled U.S. House and Senate will support that aim.

*It is extremely important that every gun owner in Westchester get out and vote only for pro-gun candidates.* The National Rifle Association estimates that only 15 – 20% of gun owners vote. THIS MUST CHANGE! In New York State we have a radical, extreme Governor, Kathy Hochul, and a radical Attorney General, Latitia James. The most extreme result was the so-called "Concealed Carry Improvement Act" which is the exact opposite of its name. This illegal and unconstitutional abomination was covered in depth in a previous Newsletter. It has spawned numerous lawsuits which will be covered as they are decided.

A number of races may have candidates that are all unacceptable to the gun-owning community. Where no alternative, acceptable candidate exists, voters can simply **skip that line** or vote for a third-party candidate, if one is running and is viable. This results in low numbers of major party votes, or high numbers of third-party votes in certain races; a clear message to both of the major candidates and their parties that the voters were very unhappy. On some electronic voting machines you may see an "under vote" message. This only means that you have skipped some races. **Disregard it – the rest of your ballot will count.** It is still very important to vote for other acceptable candidates in other races even if you must skip the race in your Legislative district.

#### **KEY TO GRADE LISTINGS:**

- A - Staunch supporter of firearm rights. Holds office and sponsors pro-gun legislation and initiatives.
- B - Supports firearm rights, votes for pro-gun legislation, or has stated that intention if elected.
- C - Usually votes for firearm rights but has voted incorrectly in the past. Not a solid supporter.
- D - Opposes firearm rights or ownership. Votes consistently against firearm rights.
- F - Outspoken opponent of firearm rights and ownership. Sponsors anti-gun legislation and initiatives.
- R – Recommended as an alternative to an anti-gun candidate in a race.
- ? - No information available position - did not respond to requests for interview - no previous track record.
- + - A plus sign after any letter grade indicates the candidate appears to be moving up in the ratings.
- \*- Incumbent seeking re-election.

Keys to Parties: (D) Democrat, (R) Republican, (CON) Conservative, (WOR) Working Families

#### **PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES**

GRADE	PARTY ENDORSEMENTS	CANDIDATE NAME	COMMENTS
F	(D)(WOR)	*Kamala Harris, Pres. Tim Walz, V. Pres	<b>Dedicated foes of the Second Amendment.</b> Advocates re-instituting an “Assault Weapon Ban” and other expansive restrictions; supports the United Nations Treaty to ban private ownership of all firearms. Harris, as L.A. D.A., filed a U.S. Supreme Court Amicus Brief stating that personal firearm ownership IS NOT a guaranteed right. Says law enforcement should enter private homes at will to inspect firearm ownership.
A	(R)(CON)	<b>DONALD J. TRUMP, Pres.</b> <b>J.D. VANCE V.Pres.</b>	<b>ENDORSED.</b> Donald Trump and J.D. Vance are strongly pro-gun, and have been vocal about it. The Trump-Vance ticket is NRA Endorsed. The choice for gun owners between Trump and Harris could not be more stark. Moreover, the next president will be nominating possibly several U.S. Supreme Court Justices. Harris will increase the number of seats on the court and then pack them with Marxist Progressives who will rescind the Heller and McDonald decisions, as well as confirm severe restrictions against firearm rights. Trump on the other hand has appointed constitutionalist Supreme Court Justices and they are all pro-gun and pro-America. <b>Gun owners must turn out in force and re-elect the Trump/Vance team.</b> Only 15 – 20% of gun owners historically vote. Those who do vote must get the non-voters out to vote Trump/Vance.

### UNITED STATES SENATOR:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
F	(D)(WOR)	* Kirsten E. Gillibrand	Gillibrand’s anti-gun activities and initiatives are extensive. She is nothing but a clone of Charles Schumer and supports any and all anti-gun legislation. <b>Vote against Gillibrand.</b>
R	(R)(CON)	<b>Michael D. Sappraicone</b>	<b>RECOMMENDED</b> as an alternative to Democrat candidate.

### JUSTICE OF THE STATE SUPREME COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

(Westchester, Rockland, Putnam, Dutchess and Orange Counties) **TEN** candidates are running for **FIVE** Supreme Court Seats. This cycle none of the new Supreme Court Justices contacted W.C.F.O.A to make their positions known. As a general rule of thumb, voters can either skip these races *or* vote party line Republican/Conservative to seek to balance the profile of the court. Although judicial candidates’ positions were sought, none of the candidates responded to W.C.F.O.A. as of printing.

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
R	(R)	Thomas Humbach	<b>Recommended</b> as alternative to Democrat Candidates
R	(R)	Edward R. Mevec	<b>Recommended</b> as alternative to Democrat Candidates
R	(R)	Karen A. Ostberg	<b>Recommended</b> as alternative to Democrat Candidates
F	(R)	Mark T. Starckman	<b>DO NOT VOTE FOR STARKMAN</b>
R	(R)	Leslie Kahn	<b>Recommended</b> as alternative to Democrat Candidates
R	(D)(CON)	Colleen D. Duffy	Vote as an alternative on the CONSERVATIVE line
R	(D)(CON)	Brett Broge	Vote as an alternative on the CONSERVATIVE line
R	(D)(CON)	Kyle C. McGovern	Vote as an alternative on the CONSERVATIVE line
R	(D)(CON)	Mary Anne Scattaretico-Naber	Vote as an alternative on the CONSERVATIVE line
R	(D)(CON)	Rachel E. Tanguay	Vote as an alternative on the CONSERVATIVE line

### UNITED STATES CONGRESS, DISTRICT 16:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
B	(R)	<b>MIRIAM L. FLISSER</b>	<b>ENDORSED</b> Flisser has unwavering support for firearm ownership. Personal experience reinforces her support.
D	(D)	George S. Latimer	Closed County Center Gun show. Generally anti-gun.

**UNITED STATES CONGRESS, DISTRICT 17:**

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
B	(R)(CON)	*MIKE LAWLER	<b>RECOMMENDED.</b> Stated full support of firearm rights. Previously worked for Rob Astorino.
F	(D)	Mondaire L. Jones	Leftist candidate. Supports "Assault Weapon" ban and all other anti-gun positions

**NEW YORK STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 34:**

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
R	(R)(CON)	Edwinna Herrera	<b>Recommended</b> as alternative to Democrat Candidate
?	(D)	Nathalia Fernandez	No information available

**NEW YORK STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 35:**

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
B	(R)	KHRISTEN M. KERR	<b>RECOMMENDED</b> Stated strong support of firearm rights and sought WCFOA's recommendation.
F	(D)(WOR)	*Andrea Stewart-Cousins	Since being elected to the NY Senate, Cousins has supported the Democrat party line anti-firearm agenda. She is not an independent representative. Voted for EVERY anti-firearm proposal.

**NEW YORK STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 36:**

F	(D)	*Jamaal T. Bailey	Opposes private ownership of firearms.
R	(CON)	Irene Estrada	<b>Recommended</b> as alternative to Democrat Candidate

**NEW YORK STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 37:**

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
F	(D)(WOR)	*Shelley B. Mayer	Anti-gun incumbent who has voted for every firearm restriction.
R	(R)	Tricia S. Lindsay	<b>Recommended</b> as alternative to Democrat Candidate

**NEW YORK STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 40:**

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
B	(REP)	GINA M. ARENA	<b>RECOMMENDED.</b> Stated strong support for firearm rights.
D	(D)(WOR)	*Peter Harckham	Was reasonable as a County Legislator but as a Senator has espoused the Democrat leftist agenda. Was key in passage of "no cash bail" bill. Has voted for every anti-firearm bill since being elected, but did vote to kill adding semi-auto shotguns to require a license to purchase.

**NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 88:**

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
R	(R)(CON)	Thomas H. Fix Jr.	<b>Recommended</b> as alternative to Democrat Candidate
F	(D)(WOR)	*Amy Paulin	Extreme anti-gun incumbent. Consistently sponsors and promotes Draconian gun ban bills and any other restrictions of gun ownership. Voted for the New York SAFE ACT. Her aim apparently is to disarm all lawful citizens. Seeks to destroy small firearm dealers.

**NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 89:**

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
F	(D)	*Gary Pretlow	Extreme anti-gun incumbent. Voted for the New York SAFE ACT. Supported every anti-firearm proposal. <b>SKIP THIS RACE.</b>

**NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 90:**

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
R	(R)(CON)	John Isaac	<b>Recommended</b> as alternative to Democrat Candidate
F	(D)(FD)	*Nader J. Sayegh	Anti-gun incumbent. Consistently votes to remove firearm rights.

**NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 91:**

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
F	(D)(WOR)	*Steve Otis	Anti-gun incumbent.
R	(R)	Katie Manger	<b>Recommended</b> as alternative to Democrat Candidate

**NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 92:**

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
R	(R)(CON)	Alessandro Crocco	<b>Recommended</b> as alternative to Democrat Candidate
F	(D)(WOR)	MaryJane Shimsky	As a County Legislator was reliably for all firearm restrictions. While a County Legislator Shimsky sponsored the “home rule” request to allow Westchester to raise pistol license fees, then as an Assembly member authored the bill that passed.

**NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 93:**

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
F	(D)(WOR)	*Chris Burdick	Has been anti-firearm and voted for all anti-firearm proposals. <b>UNOPPOSED – SKIP THIS RACE.</b>

**NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 94:**

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
?	(D)	Zachary C. Couzens	No information available
B	(R)(CON)	Matthew J. Slater	<b>RECOMMENDED.</b> Expresses support for firearm rights.

**NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 95:**

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
?	(D)(WOR)	Dana Levenberg	No information available
B	(R)(CON)	Michael L. Capalbo	<b>RECOMMENDED.</b> Expresses support for firearm rights.

**WESTCHESTER COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

A	(D)	SUSAN CACACE	<b>ENDORSED.</b> As a Westchester County Court Judge, Judge Cacace was fair and balanced in her pistol licensing duties. Each application was judged on facts, not with bias or prejudice as seen from some other Democrat Judges. Judge Cacace has focused on prosecuting criminals, not using lawful gun owners as scapegoats
?	(R)	John A Sarcone III	No information available.

**WESTCHESTER COUNTY COURT JUDGE**

R	(R)(CON)	Richard S. Fava-Pastilha	<b>Recommended</b> as alternative to Democrat Candidate
?	(D)(WOR)	Sheralyn Pulver-Goodman	No information available.

**PROPOSITION 1**

Prop 1 would add new constitutional protections to the state constitution’s equal protection clause, prohibiting discrimination based on “ethnicity, national origin, age, disability and sex, including sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy, pregnancy outcomes, reproductive health care and autonomy.”

This Proposition is vague and dangerous and would codify biological males competing in women’s sports, using women’s locker rooms and other facilities. It will open the door to non-citizen voting and more.

**VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION 1**