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Voter Information Guide

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Welcome to W.C.F.O.A.'s 2022 Voter Information Guide. 2022 is a “mid-term” election, with major national Senatorial and Congressional races taking place. It is a pivotal and critical election and will determine the future course of the nation. Usually in a mid-term election voter turnout is moderate, but this election will decide the fate of the nation, and in particular the fate of firearm ownership.. The transformed “Socialist/Progressive” Democrat Party has fielded candidates who literally have modified America’s very system of government into an alien, far-left nightmare. Gun owners in particular are being subjected to **Joe Biden’s all-out war on gun ownership.** Biden has proposed the literal disarmament of ALL firearms from American citizens, and his Democrat-controlled U.S. House and Senate are in lockstep with that aim.

It is extremely important that every gun owner in Westchester get out and vote only for pro-gun candidates. 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.

Hochul is being challenged by current Congressman Lee Zeldin, and even in New York State where Democrats hold a 2 to 1 enrollment edge, Zeldin is in a dead heat with Hochul. *Hochul must be booted out of office* if lawful firearm ownership is to survive. Zeldin has stated his strong support of lawful firearm ownership and his intention of opposing the Hochul-James disarmament agenda.

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.
- ? - 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, (FD) Fair Deal

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK:

GRADE	PARTY ENDORSEMENTS	CANDIDATE NAME	COMMENTS
F	(D)(WOR)	*Kathy C. Hochul	A dedicated foe of the Second Amendment. Hochul’s knee-jerk response to the U.S. Supreme Court decision, <i>New York State Rifle and Pistol v. Bruen</i> , was to work with far-left New York Attorney General Letitia James to directly disobey the ruling and seek to end concealed carry in NY.
A	(R)(CON)	<u>LEE ZELDIN</u>	W.C.F.O.A. ENDORSED. A STRONG supporter of firearm rights. ZELDIN has pledged to oppose any restrictions on lawful firearm ownership and stop further infringements. Gun owners must support him.

LT. GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
?	(D)(WOR)	Antonio Delgado	As the running mate for Hochul Delgado is suspect
?	(R)(CON)	Allison Esposito	No information available. Preferable to Dalgado/Hochul.

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
F	(D)	*Letitia A. James	A far-left extremist dedicated to banning private firearm ownership. Was key in crafting and defending the illegal, unconstitutional “Concealed Carry Improvement Act”..She must be defeated
B	(R)(CON)	MICHAEL HENRY	<u>RECOMMENDED</u> Has confirmed strong support for firearm ownership.

UNITED STATES SENATOR:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
F	(D)(WOR)	* Charles E. Schumer	Schumer’s anti-gun activities and initiatives are too numerous to list. While claiming to be a supporter of gun owners and the Second Amendment, and even posing for photo ops at gun ranges, his virulent anti-gun record speaks for itself. <i>Vote against Schumer.</i>
B	(R)(CON)	JOE PINION	RECOMMENDED. Joe Pinion has stated support for firearm rights. Certainly he is a vast improvement over Charles Schumer.

JUSTICE OF THE STATE SUPREME COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

(Westchester, Rockland, Putnam, Dutchess and Orange Counties) **FOURTEEN** candidates are running for **SEVEN** Supreme Court Seats. **Vote ONLY for the SEVEN RECOMMENDED/ENDORSED CANDIDATES BELOW.** Several Republican candidates not listed are not actively campaigning and are mere “place holders”.

	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
A	(D)(CON)	ANN E. MINIHAN	<u>ENDORSED Judge Minihan</u> has a track record of unbiased and fair handling of pistol licensing duties. As Administrative Judge she has implemented many reforms and structural improvements to the Pistol Licensing System. Last time Minihan ran she had the Republican Line (which was presented at the NRA Dinner). But due to petty Republican politics she was not given the Republican line this time. <u>VOTE FOR JUDGE MINIHAN ON THE CONSERVATIVE LINE. SHE MUST WIN!</u>

A	(D)(CON)	ELENA M GOLDBERG-VELAZQUEZ	ENDORSED Judge Velazquez has confirmed unbiased, fair and expeditious handling of pistol license duties. VOTE FOR JUDGE VELAZQUEZ ON THE CONSERVATIVE LINE.
B	(D)(CON)	SHERRI EISENPRESS	RECOMMENDED Judge Eisenpress has confirmed her intention of fair, unbiased and expeditious handling of pistol license duties. VOTE FOR JUDGE EISENPRESS ON THE CONSERVATIVE LINE.
B	(D)	AMY S. PUERTO	RECOMMENDED Judge Puerto has confirmed her intention of fair, unbiased and expeditious handling of pistol license duties. She is familiar with the Pistol Licensing system.
B	(D)(CON)	DAVID J. SQUIRRELL	RECOMMENDED Judge Squirrell has confirmed his intention of fair, unbiased, expeditious handling of pistol license duties. VOTE FOR JUDGE SQUIRRELL ON THE CONSERVATIVE LINE.
B	(D)(CON)	DAVID S. ZUCKERMAN	RECOMMENDED Judge Zuckerman has been fair, unbiased and expeditious in his discharge of pistol license duties. VOTE FOR JUDGE ZUCKERMAN ON THE CONSERVATIVE LINE.
B	(D)	KERI A. FIORE	RECOMMENDED Has confirmed her commitment to fair, unbiased and expeditious in handling pistol licensing duties.

Endorsed Judges have pledged to be fair and unbiased in their capacity as pistol license signing Justices. Supreme Court Justices have to volunteer to sign pistol licenses. Endorsed Judges have pledged to consider each application on its own merit and sign full-carry licenses when appropriate. Note: Judicial candidates are only able to make limited statements on their positions due to state law.

UNITED STATES CONGRESS, DISTRICT 16:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
B	(R)	MIRIAM L. FLISSER	ENDORSED Flisser has unwavering support for firearm ownership. Personal experience reinforces her support.
F	(D)(WOR)	*Jamaal Bowman	Anti-gun leftist who aligns with Alexandria Ocasio Cortez

UNITED STATES CONGRESS, DISTRICT 17:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
B	(R)(CON)	MIKE LAWLER	RECOMMENDED. Stated full support of firearm rights. Previously worked for Rob Astorino.
F	(D)(WOR)	Shawn Patrick Maloney	Unceasing, obnoxious opposition to lawful firearm ownership.

NEW YORK STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 34:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
?	(R)(CON)	Samantha Zherka	No information available
?	(D)	Nathalia Fernandez	No information available

NEW YORK STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 35:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
B	(R)	KHRISTEN M. KERR	RECOMMENDED 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. unopposed-SKIP THIS RACE
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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.
B	(R)	FRANK F. MURTHA	RECOMMENDED Stated strong support for firearm ownership.

NEW YORK STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 40:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
B	(REP)	GINA M. ARENA	RECOMMENDED. Stated strong support for firearm rights.
F	(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.

NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 88:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
?	(R)(CON)	Thomas H. Fix Jr.	No information but certainly preferable to Paulin
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 SKIP THIS RACE
?	(WOR)	Andreae L. Mitchell	Unknown but party endorsement may indicate anti-firearm position
F	(D)	*Gary Pretlow	Extreme anti-gun incumbent. Voted for the New York SAFE ACT. Supported every anti-firearm proposal.

NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 90:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
B	(R)(CON)	Michael J. Breen	RECOMMENDED Has stated strong support for firearm ownership.
F	(D)(FD)	*Nader J. Sayegh	Anti-gun incumbent.

NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 91:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
F	(D)(WOR)	*Steve Otis	Anti-gun incumbent. UNOPPOSED - SKIP THIS RACE.

NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 92:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
?	(R)(CON)	Carlo Valente	Unknown but certainly preferable to Shimsky
F	(D)(WOR)	MaryJane Shimsky	As a County Legislator was reliably for all firearm restrictions. Shimsky beat incumbent Tom Abinanti in the primary and now will get to appoint her successor in the County Legislator.

NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 93:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
?	(R)(CON)	Gary N. Lipson	No information available but is preferable to Burdick
F	(D)(WOR)	*Chris Burdick	Has been anti-firearm and voted for all anti-firearm proposals.

NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 94:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
?	(D)	Kathleen M. Valletta	No information available
?	(R)(CON)	Matthew J. Slater	No information available

NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 95:

Grade	Party Endorsements	Candidate Name	Comments
?	(D)(WOR)	Dana Levenberg	No information available
?	(R)(CON)	Stacy Halper	No information available