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### 2008 Iowa Candidate Questionnaire

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1. Do you believe that the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution guarantees an individual citizen the right to keep and bear arms, or do you believe that the Second Amendment guarantees only a "collective" right that applies to state militias?

- a. I believe the Second Amendment guarantees an *individual* right.  
 b. I believe the Second Amendment guarantees a *collective* right.

2. Considering current Iowa state firearm laws, do you support any additional restrictive state legislation regulating firearms?

- a. Yes, on all firearms.  
 b. Yes, on some firearms. Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
 c. No, current state laws are sufficient.  
 d. No, current state laws should be reformed or repealed to benefit law-abiding gun owners and sportsmen in Iowa.

3. Do you support state legislation banning the lawful manufacture, private possession, ownership, purchase, sale and/or transfer of any firearms?

- a. All firearms. Please specify type of restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_  
 b. All handguns. Please specify type of restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_  
 c. Some firearms. Please specify types of firearms/restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_  
 d. No, I oppose banning the lawful manufacture, private possession, ownership, purchase, sale, and/or transfer of any firearm.

4. A doctrine in common law, known as the "Castle Doctrine," provides that a man's home is his castle, and hence, he may use any manner of force, including deadly force, to protect it and its inhabitants. Over the years, some courts have eroded this principle by establishing that there is a "duty to retreat" before meeting force with force. **Would you support reforming Iowa's "Castle Doctrine" laws so that: (1) a person would have the right to meet force with force to protect himself/herself and family members regardless of their location, and (2) a person justified in the use of force would be protected from criminal and civil liability?**

- a. Yes, I would support such legislation. *\* See letter*  
 b. No, I would oppose such legislation. Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Do you support the state licensing\* of individuals who own, possess, and use firearms?

- a. Yes, for owners of all firearms.
- b. Yes, for owners of all handguns.
- c. Yes, for owners of some firearms. Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_
- d. No, I oppose state licensing of firearm owners.

\* Licensing, as used here, refers to state legislation requiring firearm owners to obtain a license from a governmental official or agency to own and possess a firearm; as a general rule, firearm owner licensing laws require fingerprinting, photographing and a background investigation of the applicant.

6. Would you support state legislation requiring firearm owners to register their firearms in a centralized state file or computer?

- a. Yes, for all firearms.
- b. Yes, for all handguns.
- c. Yes, for some firearms. Specify: \_\_\_\_\_
- d. No, I would oppose a state registration system.

7. Several cities, towns, and counties have begun destroying confiscated sporting and self-defense arms as well as outdated department firearms because they feel it is "politically correct." This deprives law enforcement of critically needed funds. Previously, these firearms were sold or auctioned to Federally licensed firearms dealers to generate revenue for law enforcement. These firearms are legal products that could be sold to or through a licensed dealer to qualified individuals who have passed a background check, or provided to smaller law enforcement departments who are in need of additional equipment. **Would you support legislation requiring confiscated firearms be sold through licensed dealers or provided to other jurisdictions who are in need of equipment?**

- a. Yes, I would support such legislation.
- b. No, I would not support such legislation.

8. Iowa is one of forty-eight states that has some form of concealed carry handgun permit system for its citizens, enabling law-abiding citizens to carry a concealed firearm for defense of themselves and others. Currently the issuing Sheriff may use his or her own discretion in issuing a permit. **Would you support legislation requiring a Sheriff to issue a concealed carry permit if an applicant submits an application form, fingerprint, certificate of training and passes a criminal background check?**

- a. Yes, I would support such legislation.
- b. No, I would oppose such legislation. Please explain: \* See letter
- c. No, I think Iowa's concealed carry permit application process does not need to be changed.

9. Would you support legislation placing any additional restrictions on permit applicants or where permit holders may lawfully carry?

- a. Yes, I would support such legislation.
- b. Yes, I would support such legislation, but also think that Iowa's concealed carry law should be repealed.
- c. No, I feel Iowa's concealed carry law is fine as is.
- d. No, I would oppose such legislation and would make it easier for law-abiding citizens to obtain a concealed carry permit and ease restrictions on where license holders may lawfully carry a firearm for self-defense.

10. Iowa law requires a permit-to-purchase a handgun and imposes a statewide three-day "waiting period" to perform a background investigation. Many states are now successfully screening firearm purchasers in minutes via a toll-free telephone call to a state agency with computerized criminal history records. **Do you support state legislation to replace the current permit-to-purchase system with a point-of-purchase instantaneous criminal records check?**

- a. Yes, I would cosponsor such legislation.
- b. Yes, I would support such legislation.
- c. No, I would oppose such legislation.
- d. No, I support a \_\_\_\_\_ day "waiting period" between the purchase and delivery of firearms.

11. Currently, long gun purchases require only a Federal "instant check" instead of the "permit to purchase" required for handguns in Iowa. **Do you support a state law requiring a permit-to-purchase for all firearms, including hunting rifles and shotguns?**

a. Yes, for all firearms.

b. No.

c. Other. Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

12. **Do you support levying a fee on a permit-to-purchase firearms?**

a. Yes, for handguns.

b. Yes, for all firearms.

c. No, I do not believe a tax or fee should be imposed to obtain a permit for law-abiding Iowans to exercise their constitutional right to purchase a firearm.

13. Recently, some employers have extended their "gun-free" workplace rules to employees' private, locked vehicles in parking lots. Such policies effectively disarm law-abiding citizens, including concealed weapon license holders, from the time they leave their house in the morning, while running errands on their lunch break, to when they return home in the evening. **Would you support "Worker Protection" legislation that would allow law-abiding citizens to keep lawfully transported firearms locked in their personal vehicles while parked on publicly accessible, privately owned parking lots?**

a. Yes, I would co-sponsor such legislation.

b. Yes, I would support such legislation.

c. No, I would not support such legislation. Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

14. Currently, forty-seven states have some form of firearms preemption law. This law guarantees that the state has the sole occupation of the field of firearms regulation, keeping counties and municipalities from passing a "patchwork" of confusing and conflicting laws throughout the state. **Do you support Iowa's firearm preemption law?**

a. Yes, I support Iowa's firearm preemption law.

b. No, I believe Iowa's firearm preemption law should be repealed.

15. Iowa is one of forty-seven states with some form of range protection, to protect long-established shooting ranges from being forced to close or curtail activities due to court actions or local noise standards imposed on them by a growing and shifting population. **Do you support Iowa's range protection law?**

a. Yes, I support Iowa's range protection law.

b. No, I oppose Iowa's range protection law and think it should be repealed.

16. Many .50 caliber firearms are used in big game hunting and target competition, and the .50 caliber BMG cartridge has been used for nearly 100 years. **Would you support legislation prohibiting the ownership and/or sale of any .50 caliber firearms or ammunition in Iowa?**

a. Yes, I would support such legislation.

b. No, I would not support such legislation.

17. In recent years, the term "assault weapon" has been inappropriately applied to semi-automatic firearms commonly used for hunting, target shooting, and protection. Semi-automatics fire only one shot each time the trigger is pulled. These firearms are not fully-automatic machine guns, which have been strictly regulated since 1934 by the National Firearms Act. In 1994, the federal Omnibus Crime Control Act imposed a 10-year ban on various semi-automatic firearms that resemble fully-automatic firearms, redefining them as "assault weapons." The law also prohibited the manufacture of ammunition magazines capable of holding more than 10 rounds of ammunition for sale to private citizens. These federal provisions expired in 2004 and were not renewed by Congress. However, proponents of restrictive firearm laws are still advocating similar bans at the state level. **Would you support state legislation restricting the private possession, ownership, purchase, sale, and/or transfer of any semi-automatic firearms?**

a. Yes, I would support such legislation. Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

b. No, I would oppose such legislation.

18. Federal law requires licensed gun dealers to conduct a criminal records check prior to the sale of any firearm, whether the sale occurs at their retail store or at a gun show. Access to the FBI-run "instant check" system is limited to licensed dealers only. Under federal law, individuals attending gun shows who are not "engaged in the business" of selling firearms are: (1) not required to be licensed; (2) not required to conduct records checks prior to transferring a firearm; and (3) not permitted to access the records check system used by licensed dealers. **Would you support legislation restricting firearms sales by individuals at gun shows?**

- a. Yes, I would support such legislation. Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
 b. No, I would oppose such legislation.

19. **Would you support legislation restricting or regulating the sale or transfer of all firearms between private individuals or family members?**

- a. Yes, I would support such legislation. Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
 b. No, I would oppose such legislation.

20. Anti-gun groups are promoting legislation that would require ammunition manufacturers to serialize each cartridge of ammunition by imprinting a unique serial number on the cartridge case and the base of the bullet. The ammunition would then be registered to the purchaser at the time of sale and information about the purchaser would be maintained by the seller or forwarded to the state for entry into a state centralized database. The possession or sale of ammunition that does not include a serial number would be prohibited. **Would you support legislation requiring ammunition manufacturers to serialize/encode ammunition before it could be sold in Iowa?**

- a. Yes, I would support such legislation for all ammunition.  
 b. Yes, I would support such legislation for handgun ammunition.  
 c. No, I would oppose such legislation.

21. Anti-gun groups are promoting legislation that would mandate firearm manufacturers incorporate unproven technology that would supposedly "microstamp" identifying information about the firearm on a cartridge case upon firing. This information would include the make, model and serial number of the firearm. Since approximately 65 million handguns are already in circulation, such a mandate would require *de facto* registration of guns, even though the technology is easily defeated by defacing the gun with common household tools. **Would you support legislation mandating "microstamping" in Iowa?**

- a. Yes, I would support such legislation for all handguns.  
 b. Yes, I would support such legislation for all firearms.  
 c. No, I would oppose such legislation.

22. Following Hurricane Katrina, various law enforcement agencies and military units confiscated firearms from the law-abiding residents of New Orleans. Those citizens were effectively denied their basic right of self-defense at a critical time--when law enforcement was unable to provide public safety. **Would you support legislation to prohibit state and local law enforcement agencies or their agents from confiscating firearms from law-abiding citizens during a state of emergency?**

- a. Yes, I would support such legislation.  
 b. No, I would oppose this legislation. Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

23. In the United States, the number of privately owned firearms has risen by more than 4.5 million annually. Meanwhile, according to the National Center for Health Statistics, firearm accident deaths have been decreasing for years and have fallen to all time lows. This trend is due in part to an increasing use of NRA firearm safety training programs by tens of thousands of NRA Certified Instructors, schools, civic groups, and law enforcement agencies. Nevertheless, several states have recently considered legislation to mandate the placement of locking devices on firearms kept in the home, or even more restrictive storage standards. These devices greatly restrict access to firearms for self-defense purposes and potentially increase the risk of a firearm accident. **Would you support legislation mandating the use of locking devices or other locking procedures for firearms stored in the home?**

- a. Yes.  
 b. No.  
 c. No, I would not support such legislation and would instead support a resolution encouraging Iowa public schools to adopt NRA's Eddie Eagle firearms safety program as part of its curriculum.

24. Which of the following best describes your attitude toward hunting?

- a. Hunting is a valuable tool for wildlife management, a positive use of natural resources, and an American tradition that teaches young people responsibility and respect for the outdoors.
- b. Hunting should be made illegal.
- c. Other. Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

25. The mourning dove, hunted in 40 states, including Missouri, Minnesota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Illinois, and Wisconsin, is the most popular and abundant game bird in the United States. Would you support legislation classifying the mourning dove as a game bird, thus being able to create a dove hunting season in Iowa?

- a. Yes, I would cosponsor such legislation.
- b. Yes, I would support such legislation.
- c. No, I would oppose such legislation.

26. Iowa has thousands of acres of public hunting lands that provide a valuable resource to Iowa hunters by providing them an affordable place to hunt, as well as to pass on the heritage of hunting to future generations. In recent years, several states have protected public hunting lands with "No-Net-Loss" legislation. This legislation requires that if an area currently open to public hunting is closed to hunting, the same number of acres of public land must be opened to hunting elsewhere. In other words, it guarantees that there will never be fewer acres of public land open to public hunting than exists today. Would you support "No-Net-Loss" legislation in Iowa?

- a. Yes, I would support such legislation.
- b. No, I would oppose such legislation. Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

27. A small number of states, including Iowa, prohibit the use of centerfire rifles for deer hunting. These "public safety" restrictions were enacted based upon the common assumption that centerfire rifle bullets travel farther than slugs fired from shotguns, especially when fired from the ground as opposed to from an elevated position such as a tree stand. New research commissioned by the Pennsylvania State Legislature and tests conducted by the U.S. Army's research center show that a 12 gauge shotgun slug, when fired from the ground (zero degrees of elevation) actually travels about 10% farther than a common 150 grain bullet fired from a .30-06 rifle. This research has caused many to reconsider the wisdom of shotgun-only hunting regulations. In light of this information, would you support legislation allowing deer hunters to use centerfire rifles in Iowa?

- a. Yes, I would support this legislation allowing the use of rifles by all hunters.
- b. Yes, but I would only support this legislation for some hunters including the physically disabled.
- c. No, I would oppose this legislation. Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

28. Are you a member of the National Rifle Association or any other firearm/shooting sports/sportsmen's organization? Your response to this question will not affect your grade.

- a. Yes. NRA. Membership #: 0577 88034 Other Organization: \_\_\_\_\_
- b. No.

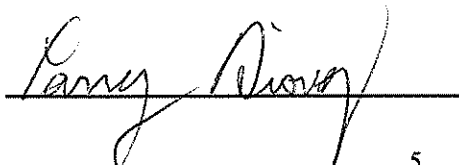
29. (For non-incumbents only) Have you ever run for or held state or local elective office?

- a. Yes. Please Specify State Representative 95-97
- b. No.

Please feel free to attach another page for additional comments. If your campaign has released a position paper on firearms issues, please feel free to include it as well. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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