# Clark County voter guide

# The Sun's endorsements for the 2020 general election

Editor's Note: The following is a list of Sun endorsements for contested races on the ballot. We began publishing expanded versions of our endorsements in the Oct. 4 edition. We invite voters to refer to this list when filling out their mail-in ballots or to take it with them when they go to the polls for early voting or for balloting on Nov. 3.

D — Democrat

R — Republican

IA — Independent American Party

L — Libertarian

N/A — No party Incumbent

Sun's endorsements are marked in bold and are preceded by this symbol .

#### NATIONAL / FEDERAL

#### President and vice president

☑ Joe Biden/Kamala Harris — D

Don Blankenship/William Mohr - IA Jo Jorgensen/Jeremy "Spike" Cohen — L Donald Trump/Mike Pence (I) — R

A vote for Biden and Harris puts the nation on a path to repairing four years of wreckage, chaos and dysfunction brought on by the Trump administration and his supporters.

#### Congressional District 1

☑ Dina Titus (I) — D

Kamau Bakari — IA Joyce Bentley — R Robert Van Strawder Jr. - L

Titus has established herself as a staunch and effective protector of Nevadans' interests, and further distinguished herself during her current term as a watchdog against Trump's corruption.

#### Congressional District 3

Susie Lee (I) — D

Ed S. Bridges II - IA Steve Brown - L Dan "Big Dan" Rodimer - R

Lee, who was elected to Congress in 2018, brought a bipartisan approach to her work on Capitol Hill. After four years of venom and partisanship in Washington, Lee is the kind of across-the-aisle healer we need going forward, while her main opponent promises nothing but more Trump-inspired anger and incompetence.

#### Congressional District 4

Steven Horsford (I) − D

Jonathan Royce Esteban — L Jim Marchant - R Barry Rubinson — IA

Horsford stands out in this race for his years of experience in Congress and the Nevada Legislature, as well as his moderate and measured political sensibilities.

### STATE LEGISLATURE

Senate District 4 ☑ Dina Neal (I) — D

Esper M. Hickman - R

Senate District 5

Carrie Ann Buck - R

Tim Hagan - L Senate District 11

☑ Dallas Harris (I) — D Joshua Dowden — R

Senate District 18 

Scott T. Hammond (I) - R Senate District 19

 □ Pete Golcoechea (I) — R Tiffany "Gholson" Seeback - IA

Assembly District 2 Radhika "RPK" Kunnel — D Heidi Kasama — R

Garrett LeDuff - N/A Assembly District 4 □ Connie Munk (I) — D Richard McArthur - R

Assembly District 5 ☑ Brittney Miller (I) — D Mack Miller - R

Assembly District 6 Shondra Summers-Armstrong — D The Sun endorses both candidates.

**BALLOT QUESTIONS** 

Assembly District 7

Anthony "Tony" Palmer — R

Assembly District 8 Edward "Eddie" Facey - R ✓ Jason Frierson (I) — D

Assembly District 9 Steve Yeager (I) — D Barbara Altman - R

Assembly District 10 ⊠ Rochelle Nguyen (I) — D Jonathan Friedrich - IA Chris Hisgen - R

Assembly District 11 Beatrice A. Duran (I) — D Eric Krattiger - R

Assembly District 12 Susan Martinez (I) — D John Cardiff Gerhardt — N/A Jeremy A. Graves - R

Assembly District 14 Maggie Carlton (I) — D Robert Wayerski — R

Assembly District 15 Stan Vaughan - R

Assembly District 16 Reyna "Alex" Sajdak — R

Assembly District 17 Jack Polcyn - R

Question 1: Removing the Nevada Board of Regents from the state constitution, allowing legislators and the

Question 3: Inserting the Board of Pardon Commissioners into the constitution, requiring it to meet more

**Assembly District 18** 

☑ Venicia Considine — D Heather Ann Florian - R

Assembly District 21 Cherlyn Arrington - R

Assembly District 23 Glen Leavitt (I) — R Brent Foutz - D

Bill Hoge - IA

Assembly District 28 Edgar Flores (I) − D Natasha Bousley - L

Assembly District 29 ■ Lesley Elizabeth Cohen (I) — D

Steven E. DeLisle - R Assembly District 34 Shannon Bilbray-Axelrod (I) — D Jay Thomas Carlson - R

Assembly District 35 Michelle Gorelow (I) − D Jay Calhoun — R

Assembly District 37 Shea Backus (I) → D Andy Matthews - R

Assembly District 41 Sandra Jauregui (I) — D Victoria K. DaCosta — IA

Erika Smith - R

Note: There is no Question 5 this year. Supporters of a proposed

Question 5 did not submit enough signatures to get it on the ballot.

Assembly District 42 Liz DelSignore - L Sayed "SM" Zaidi - N/A

## STATE & LOCAL

Nevada Board of Regents District 2

Lois Tarkanian Bret Whipple

The Sun offers no recommendation in this district. The voters will be well-served by either candidate.

Nevada Board of Regents District 3 

Byron Brooks

Nevada Board of Regents District 5

Patrick Boylan Nick "Doc" Spirtos

The Sun urges voters not to choose either candidate. This is a perfect example of why voters should vote yes on Question 1, to make sure only qualified candidates are selected to serve in this important capacity. **County Commission** 

District A

 Michael Naft (I) — D Michael Thomas — R

District B

 Marilyn Kirkpatrick (I) − D Warren R. Markowitz - IA

Kevin M. Williams - R

District C Ross Miller − D

Stavros Anthony - R District D

 William McCurdy II — D David L. Washington — N/A State Board of Education

District 1 ▼ Tim Hughes

District 4 Mark Newburn (I)

Rene Cantu

Clark County School Board District A 

∐ Liberty Leavitt

Angelo Casino

The Sun endorses both candidates.

District B ■ Jeff Proffitt

District E ■ Lola Brooks (I)

Katie Williams Alexis Salt

Tameka Henry

#### JUDICIAL Note: In Supreme Court and appeals court races, voters have an option to select none of the candidates.

Supreme Court Justice D 

■ Douglas Herndon

The Sun endorses both candidates.

Court of Appeals Judge 3 ■ Bonnie Bulla (I) Susan Bush

**District Court** Department 1 ☑ Bita "Marie" Yeager

The Sun endorses both candidates.

Department 2 ☑ Richard Scotti (I) Carli Lynn Kierny

Department 3 ☑ Monica Trujillo Adam Ganz

Department 4 Phil Aurbach Nadia Krall

Department 5 ▼ Terry Coffing Veronica Barisich Department 6

□ Jacqueline Bluth (I)

Todd M. Leventhal

Department 19 William "Bill" Kephart (I) Crystal Eller

Mary Kay Holthus (1)

Department 20 Dawn Allysa Hooker Department 21

Department 17

Michael Villani (I)

Anna Albertson

Department 18

John A. Hunt

Tara Clark Newberry Department 22

 Susan Holland Johnson (I) Ben Nadig Department 23

 ✓ Jasmin Lilly-Spells Karl W. Armstrong Department 24

Erika D. Ballou

Dan Gilliam

District C

Department 8 Department 29 □ David M. Jones (I) Jessica K. Peterson David Lopez-Negrete

> Department 31 Gary W. Call

Department 32 Christy Craig

**Family Court** Division E Thomas G. Kurtz

Division G ☑ Rhonda K. Forsberg (I) Benjamin Boone Childs Sr.

Division I ■ Soonhee "Sunny" Bailey Michelle O. Tobler The Sun endorses both candidates.

Division J ☑ Dedree "Dee" Butler Scott MacDonald Division M

Lynn Hughes

Division P Mary Perry Sara Dayani

Division T **IX** Nadin Cutter Division U

 Bill Gonzalez □ Dawn Throne The Sun endorses both candidates.

Division W Stacy Michelle Rocheleau Adriana Rincon White

Division X Heidi Almase

Division Z □ Romeo Perez Michele "Shell" Mercer

Justice of the peace Las Vegas 12 ☑ Diana L. Sullivan (I)

Shanon Clowers-Sanborn North Las Vegas 3 Chris Lee (I) Belinda T. "BTH" Harris

#### Question 4: Enshrining a Voters' Bill of Rights into the constitution — Yes Question 6: Establishing a constitutional requirement for electric utilities to generate or acquire at least 50% of power from renewable sources by 2030 — **Neutral**

governor to restructure the problematic board - Yes

often and establishing procedural and rules changes - Yes

Question 2: Removing same-sex marriage ban from the constitution — Yes