

## ORG 2017 Candidate Questionnaire

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<b>In your view, what are the three most important problems facing the Bahamas today?</b>	Economic inequality Lack of technical, vocational and creative skills development Lack of sufficient civil society participation
<b>If the next government could enact only one major law, it should be:</b>	Anti-corruption reform
<b>Do you believe that Ministers should be accountable for the performance and efficiency of their government Ministries?</b>	Yes, strongly
<b>Do you support the Freedom of Information Act 2016?</b>	Yes, but with revisions (List any below)
<b>Do you support strong legislation to protect “whistleblowers”?</b>	Yes, strongly
<b>Do you support The Public Disclosure Act of 1977 requiring elected officials, parties, and candidates to submit regular reports on their election expenses, to be made available to the public?</b>	Yes, the most recent report must be gazetted
<b>Do you support the proposed Interception of Communications Bill allowing government to conduct surveillance on the public for reasons of national security, subversion, public morality, public safety and public order?</b>	Neither support nor oppose
<b>Do you believe that the Privy Council should remain the highest court in the nation?</b>	Neither support nor oppose
<b>Do you support the independence of the Judiciary and an independent Prosecutor’s Office?</b>	Yes, strongly

**Do you support passage of a legislation which would require regular publication of data on the performance of government agencies and their use of public resources?**

Yes, strongly

**Do you support standards and regulations for Political Party Constitutions that ensure the greatest level of democracy?**

Yes, strongly

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this is a repeat of a previous question

**Do you support requiring all secondary schools to offer civics education that provides theoretical and political and practical aspects of citizenship, its rights and duties; the Constitution, the Westminster system of governance, democracy, and the electoral process?**

Yes, strongly

**Do you support requiring curriculum in all schools that focus on social and emotional skills, such as conflict resolution and decision making?**

Yes, strongly

**Do you support legislation making it easier to create new learning environments, such as charter schools, designed to provide students and families alternate approaches and resources than currently exist in the public education system?**

Neither support nor oppose

**Do you support requiring all secondary schools to offer job-related apprenticeship programs?**

Yes, somewhat

**Do you support making regular teacher evaluations mandatory?**

Yes, strongly

**Do you support public-private partnerships and the outsourcing of certain government functions for greater efficiencies?**

Yes, but with conditions (List any below)

**Do you support a Fiscal Responsibility Act that would limit government spending and provide more accountability?**

Yes, strongly

**Do you support removing exchange controls and the free circulation of both Bahamian and US Dollars?**

Neither support nor oppose

**Do you support government intervention to lower banks' prime interest rates?**

Yes, but with conditions (List any below)

**Do you support the reduction or elimination of work permits and fees for firms that pledge to engage in industry-recognized workforce development training?**

Neither support nor oppose

**Do you support reforming immigration policies to balance employment needs with skills, and to improve coordination among government agencies?**

Yes, strongly

**Do you support legislation and administrative changes to improve collections and compliance within the current tax code?**

Yes, strongly

**Thank you for completing the questionnaire! If you would like a profile photo posted with your response, please upload one here. (optional)**



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