

IVI-IPO 2018 COMMISSIONER QUESTIONNAIRE

Part I: Instructions and Candidate Details

Instructions: From within your word processor, click within the gray rectangle to type your answer. The rectangle will expand to accommodate the length of your entry. For essay questions, you may use a double return to designate paragraphs. Please answer essays with the length you deem sufficient. For yes/no questions, click within the yes or no square. If you wish to add comments to a yes/no question, a text entry box has been provided at the end of each question clause. It is OK if your comments cause tables, etc., to shift pages. When you complete your questionnaire, please "Save as" a PDF file named using this form: YourLastNameFirstName_YourElectoralOffice2018. Submit via e-mail attachment to: iviipopac@gmail.com. *Please answer all questions! Thank you for your participation!*

Candidate Details			
DATE:		PARTY:	
NAME:			
VOTING ADDRESS:			
HOME PHONE:		BUSINESS PHONE:	
CAMPAIGN ADDRESS:			
CAMPAIGN PHONE:		CAMPAIGN FAX:	
EMAIL:		WEBSITE:	
CAMPAIGN MANAGER:			
NUMBER OF PETITION SIGNATURES FILED:		NUMBER OF PETITION SIGNATURES REQUIRED:	

A) Elective or appointive, public or party, offices previously held (including dates).
B) Other elective offices for which you have been a candidate.
C) What is your primary occupation?
D) Briefly list your civic activities of the past ten years.
E) What experience have you had which will be most helpful to you in the office you seek?
F) Please list any candidates have you supported in past elections and specify your role in each campaign.
G) Please list all endorsements you have received.
H) Please concisely state (a) why you feel you should be endorsed over the other candidate(s) and (b) what goals for the office you seek are most important to you personally?
I) (a) What is your campaign budget and (b) how much have you raised to date?
J) (a) How many paid staffers and (b) how many volunteers do you have on your campaign?

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Part II. Issue Questionnaire

A. General: please mark the appropriate box. You may add additional comments, if needed, directly below each question.

	YES	NO	
1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you accept, or have you accepted campaign donations from current or potential suppliers, employees or outside contractors of this office?
2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you accept, or have you accepted contributions from officers and employees of banking institutions?
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you employ, or have you employed staff in your office who hold other public-sector jobs concurrently?
4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you employ, or have you employed staff in your office who have either outside employment or contracts with entities which do business with the Cook County?
5.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support patronage in hiring and/or promoting public employees?
6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would you support a requirement that all jobs in Cook County government be posted on the county website, and applications be submitted to the Human Resources Department for vetting, before being forwarded to individual offices and departments?
7.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you employ, or have you employed staff in your office who are related to you?
8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support a ban on executive hiring of relatives?
9.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support affirmative action?
10.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you favor restructuring the wage scale of Cook County employees to correct disparities based on gender by instituting equal pay for jobs of comparable worth?
11.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support drug testing of either potential or current County employees?

B. County Policy

	YES	NO	
12.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Should County Board approval be required prior to the creation of TIF districts in Cook County?
13.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you support equitable geographic distribution of affordable housing throughout the county?
14.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support creation of an Office of Taxpayer Advocate/Ombudsman reporting directly to the Cook County Board of Commissioners, to facilitate taxpayer requests for information and assistance by helping individuals navigate the numerous offices involved?
15.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support increased use of home monitoring or other alternatives to incarceration

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	YES	NO	
			for pre-trial detainees?
16.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support separating violent from nonviolent offenders at Cook County Jail?
17.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support a more user-friendly website containing a searchable database of proposed legislation and all votes taken by the Board?
18.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support public financing of campaigns for this office?
19.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support a campaign expenditure limit?
20.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you be a fulltime Commissioner?
21.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you open an office in your district?

B. County Policy: Essay	
22.	Do you support making permanent the independent Health and Hospital Systems Board? Why or why not?
23.	Does your district need additional health care facilities? Please elaborate.
24.	How will you ensure that health and other basic human services will continue to be provided?
25.	What should be done by the County Board to foster affordable housing, including subsidized housing?
26.	Please explain your position on the sale, transfer, or lease of forest preserve land to private interests or to other government entities?
27.	What proposals do you support to reduce overcrowding at Cook County Jail?
28.	What needs to be done to guarantee that the physical and mental health needs of detainees are being met?
29.	What should be done to eliminate patronage abuse in County government?
30.	In what circumstances should the County contract for outside professional services?
31.	In what circumstances should competitive bidding for contracts be required? Please comment on any existing abuses.

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B. County Policy: Essay

32. Is the County Ethics Ordinance adequate? Why or why not?

33. Should there be limits on the types of other employment that Commissioners should be allowed to hold? Please explain the limits you would support, or explain why you do not support limiting Commissioners' other employment.

34. What will you do to ensure community involvement in identifying the concerns of the residents of your district?