



2020 General Election

VOTER'S GUIDE

MINNESOTA CITIZENS CONCERNED FOR LIFE

EVERY ELECTION YEAR since 1972, MCCL has polled those seeking to represent Minnesotans in public office on their views regarding right-to-life issues. The survey is an effort to help inform citizens so they may better participate in the democratic process by basing judgments on factual information about candidates' stands.

The survey results are presented in this Voter's Guide. Candidates were told that space would not allow printing of comments; all comments are kept on file at the MCCL office.

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How to vote in 2020

FOR MANY PEOPLE, voting will look different in 2020 than in previous years. Here's what you need to know.

Option #1: Vote on Election Day

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, many Minnesotans can still vote in person on Election Day, Nov. 3. **If you don't know your polling place, visit pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us.**

Option #2: Vote by absentee ballot

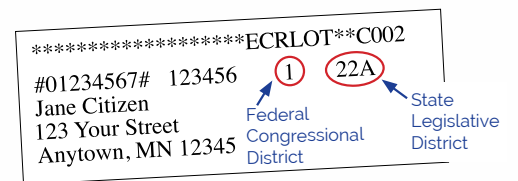
You can also vote early by absentee ballot. This can be done either in person at your local elections office or by mail.

To vote by mail, you must apply to have a ballot sent to you. When you receive the ballot, follow the instructions, fill it out carefully, and then mail the ballot and forms back as soon as you can. (They must be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the county within the next seven calendar days.)

You may apply for an absentee ballot online at mnvotes.org.

More information

More voting information is available at the Secretary of State's website at mnvotes.org. You can see your sample ballot, register to vote if you are currently unregistered, and more. **You may also request information by sending an email to [secretary.state@state.mn.us](mailto:state@state.mn.us) or calling 651-215-1440 (metro area) or 1-877-600-8683 (Greater Minnesota).**



Don't know your district number?

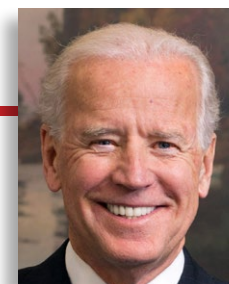
To see which candidates in this Voter's Guide will be on your ballot, you need to know your congressional district number (for U.S. House) and your state legislative district number (for Minnesota House and Senate). **You can find them by checking the mailing label on the back of your issue of MCCL NEWS (if you received this Voter's Guide in the mail)—see image above.** You can also find your district numbers online at pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us.

VOTE PRO-LIFE
on Tuesday, November 3
or by absentee ballot





U.S. PRESIDENT



Where Do the Candidates Stand On Abortion?

Donald Trump

Joe Biden

Donald Trump opposes abortion on demand and supports protections for unborn children and their mothers. He has implemented pro-life policies through executive action, promised to sign pro-life legislation if passed by Congress (such as a bill to protect pain-capable unborn children), and pledged to veto any legislation that would weaken existing pro-life laws or policies. Trump says, *“Let me be clear—I am pro-life.”*

Abortion on Demand

Joe Biden supports abortion on demand. He says he wants to “codify *Roe v. Wade*,” the Supreme Court decision that eliminated laws protecting unborn children nationwide. Biden says his Justice Department “will do everything in its power to stop” state laws protecting unborn children and their mothers—including such laws as parental notification requirements (for minors) and abortion facility health and safety standards.

Donald Trump opposes using tax dollars to pay for abortion. His administration issued regulations to prevent Title X funding from going to facilities that perform or refer for abortions. Trump also implemented the Protecting Life in Global Health Assistance policy to stop funding of groups that perform or promote abortion overseas, and he cut off funding for a U.N. agency because of its involvement in China’s forced abortion program.

Taxpayer Funding of Abortion

Joe Biden supports using tax dollars to pay for abortion. He wants to repeal the Hyde Amendment, the longstanding measure that prevents federal Medicaid funding of elective abortions. Biden promises to issue executive orders on his “first day in office” to restore Title X taxpayer funding to Planned Parenthood and to allow taxpayer funding of groups that perform or promote abortion in other countries.

Donald Trump has appointed more than 200 federal judges, including two Supreme Court justices. These judges are considered likely to faithfully apply the Constitution rather than strike down pro-life laws or impose abortion-expanding policies. In a 2020 case, both of the Supreme Court justices appointed by Trump voted to uphold a requirement that abortion practitioners obtain hospital admitting privileges.

Judicial Nominations

Joe Biden pledges that his judicial nominees would “support the right of privacy, on which the entire notion of a woman’s right to choose is based.” He said in a 2020 primary debate, *“I’m the reason why this right [to abortion] wasn’t taken away a long time ago because [while in the Senate] I almost single-handedly made sure that [President Reagan’s nominee] Robert Bork did not get on the Court.”*

Vice Presidential Candidates

Mike Pence

Mike Pence compiled a strong pro-life record in Congress and as governor of Indiana. As vice president, he cast the tie-breaking Senate vote for a bill to allow states to deny Title X funds to Planned Parenthood. Pence says, *“I believe the day will come in our lifetime when we’ll see Roe v. Wade sent to the ash heap of history and we’ll put the sanctity of life back at the center of American law.”*

Kamala Harris

Kamala Harris has a 0% pro-life voting record in the U.S. Senate, according to National Right to Life. She voted against protection for unborn children after 20 weeks (when they can feel pain) and against protection for babies who survive abortion. Harris says, *“Abortion is a fundamental issue of justice in America and we will never stop fighting for it.”*

Y	Yes
N	No
NR	No Response – did not respond to the questionnaire, did not respond to the question so designated, or informed MCCL that he or she chose not to respond.
C	Comment – responded to the question so designated with comments only; such comments are kept on file.
VR	Voting Record – incumbents’ pro-life voting record. Minnesota House and Senate incumbents’ record covers the period since their last election (2019-20 for House and 2017-20 for Senate); percentage is determined from votes cast in agreement with MCCL’s pro-life position divided by total votes cast on life-related legislation (votes missed were not counted). U.S. House and Senate incumbents’ record covers the period since their last election (2019-20); percentage is determined by the National Right to Life Committee. Congressional candidate percentages marked with an asterisk (*) are voting records from previous time in public office as scored by MCCL or NRLC.

VOTER'S GUIDE RESPONSE KEY

Political Party Abbreviations

DFL	Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party	G	Green Party
R	Republican Party	VP	Veterans Party
GLC	Grassroots-Legalize Cannabis Party	IP	Independence-Alliance Party
LMN	Legal Marijuana Now Party		

Minnesota Senate candidate answers, continued

District	Candidate	Party	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	VR
35	David L. Nelson	DFL	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
	Jim Abeler	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
36	John Hoffman	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	25%
	Karen Attia	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
37	Brad Sanford	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
	Jerry Newton	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
38	Justin Stofferahn	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
	Roger Chamberlain	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
39	Karin Housley	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
	Josiah Hill	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
40	Chris Eaton	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Robert Marvin	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
41	Mary Kunesch-Podein	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Lucia Marina Vogel	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
42	Ben Schwanke	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
	Jason Isaacson	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
43	Doug Daubenspeck	GLC	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
	Chuck Wiger	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Bob Zick	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
44	Greg Pulles	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
	Ann Johnson Stewart	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
45	Ann Rest	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Andy Schuler	LMN	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
46	Ronald Latz	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Bryan P. Bjornson	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
47	Julia Coleman	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
	Addie Miller	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
48	Steve Cwodzinski	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Jeff Jiang	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
49	Melisa Franzen	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Julie Dupre	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
50	Dean Mumbleau	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
	Melissa Halvorson Wiklund	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
51	Jim Carlson	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Douglas Willetts	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	

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52	Matthew Klein	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Tomas Settell	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
53	Mary Giuliani Stephens	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
	Susan Kent	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
54	Karla Bigham	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Leilani Holmstadt	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
55	Sahra Odowa	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
	Eric Pratt	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
56	Dan Hall	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
	Lindsey Port	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
57	Greg Clausen	DFL	Y	Y	N	C	Y	C	Y	Y	0%
	Jose Jimenez	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
58	Matt Little	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Zach Duckworth	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
59	Paul Anderson	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
	Bobby Joe Champion	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
60	Karen Dziedzic	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Mary Holmberg	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
61	Jennifer Zielinski	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
	Scott Dibble	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
62	Omar Fateh	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
	Bruce Lundeen	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
63	Patricia Torres Ray	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Dianne Napper	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
64	Chris Wright	GLC	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
	Erin Murphy	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
64	Patricia Jirovec McArdell	LMN	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
	Sharon Anderson	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	C	Y	Y	
65	Sandy Pappas	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Paul Holmgren	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
66	Greg Copeland	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
	John Marty	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
67	Foung Hawj	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0%
	Alexander Deputie	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	

How MCCL is making a difference

FIFTY-TWO YEARS AGO, in 1968, a small group of Minnesota citizens formed an organization to oppose the killing of unborn children through abortion and defend the equal dignity and right to life of every human being.

MCCL has been working ever since to protect human life from abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia. We've grown to include 70,000 members with chapters all across the state. As Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life, we make a difference in numerous ways.

Education, legislation, political action

MCCL educates the public about humanity of the unborn child and the inhumanity of abortion. We use

pro-life literature, speaking presentations, social media, booths at fairs and conferences, and much more to share the pro-life message. **MCCL events like Student Day at the Capitol and Life Leadership Camp help train the next generation of pro-life leaders.**

MCCL participates in the legislative process by shaping pro-life legislation and lobbying elected officials to support protective bills and oppose anti-life measures. MCCL events like the March for Life and Legislative Dinner raise awareness and generate support for our pro-life legislative initiatives.

Through the efforts of MCCL lobbyists and grassroots pro-lifers, **many pro-life bills have become law in Minnesota, and these laws have helped support and empower women and reduce the number of abortions.**

MCCL's two political action committees (PACs) actively

support pro-life candidates for public office. That's because the success of pro-life candidates is necessary in order to enact pro-life laws and policies. (The PACs are separate from other MCCL funds.)

Success in Minnesota

Through the work of MCCL and our supporters, many citizens have been informed and persuaded, many laws have been enacted, many pregnant women have received support and assistance—and the number of abortions has dropped significantly. **But about 10,000 unborn Minnesotans are still killed each year, and assisted suicide has emerged as a growing threat.**

You can join our efforts to protect the most vulnerable. To learn more about MCCL, become a supporter, or find upcoming pro-life events, **visit our website at mccl.org, call 612-825-6831, or email mccl@mccl.org.**

Together, we can save lives! **MCCL**