

STATE QUESTIONS

STATE QUESTION NO. 744 INITIATIVE PETITION NO. 391

The measure repeals a Section of the State Constitution. The repealed section required the Legislature annually to spend \$42.00 for each common school student. Common schools offer pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade. The measure also adds a new Article to the Constitution. It sets a minimum average amount the State must annually spend on common schools. It requires the State to spend annually, no less than the average amount spent on each student by the surrounding states. Those surrounding states are Missouri, Texas, Kansas, Arkansas, Colorado and New Mexico. When the average amount spent by surrounding states declines, Oklahoma must spend the amount it spent the year before. The measure deals with money spent on day-to-day operations of the schools and school districts. This includes spending on instructions, support services and non-instruction services. The measure does not deal with money spent to pay debt, on buildings or on other capital needs. The measure requires that increased spending begin in the first fiscal year after its passage. It requires that the surrounding state average be met in the third fiscal year after passage. The measure does not raise taxes, nor does it provide new funding for the new spending requirements.

STATE QUESTION NO. 746 LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NO. 347

This measure amends statutes relating to voting requirements. It requires that each person appearing to vote present a document proving their identity. The document must meet the following requirements. It must have the name and photograph of the voter. It must have been issued by the federal, state or tribal government. It must have an expiration date that is after the date of the election. No expiration date would be required on certain identity cards issued to person 65 years of age or older. In lieu of such a document, voters could present voter identification cards issued by the County Election Board. A person who cannot or does not present the required identification may sign a sworn statement and cast a provisional ballot. Swearing to a false statement would be a felony. These proof of identity requirements also apply to in-person absentee voting. If adopted by the people, the measure would become effective July 1, 2011.

STATE QUESTION NO. 747 LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NO. 348

This measure amends sections 4 and 23 of Articles 6 and section 15 of Article 9 of the State Constitution. It limits the ability of voters to re-elect statewide elected officers by limiting how many years those officers can serve. It limits the number of years a person may serve in each statewide elected office. Service as Governor is limited to 8 years. Service as Lieutenant Governor is limited to 8 years. Service as Attorney General is limited to 8 years. Service as Treasurer is limited to 8 years. Service as Commissioner of Labor is limited to 8 years. Service as Auditor and Inspector is limited to 8 years. Service as Superintendent of Public Instruction is limited to 8 years. Service as Insurance Commissioner is limited to 8 years. Service as a Corporation Commissioner is limited to 12 years. Service for less than a full term would not count against the limit on service. Years of service need not be consecutive for the limits to apply. Officers serving when this measure is passed can complete their terms. All such serving officers, except for the Governor, can also serve an additional 8 or 12 years.

STATE QUESTION NO. 748 LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NO. 349

This measure amends Sections 11A and 11B of Article 5 of the Oklahoma Constitution. These provisions deal with how the Legislature is divided into districts. This process is known as apportionment. The Legislature must make an apportionment after each ten-year federal census. If the Legislature fails to act, an Apportionment Commission must do so. The measure changes the name of this Commission. It removes all three existing Commission members. It removes the Attorney General. It removes the Superintendent of Public Instruction. It also removes the State Treasurer. The measure increases the number of members from three to seven. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate appoints one Democrat and one Republican. The Speaker of the House of Representatives appoints one Democrat and one Republican. The Governor appoints one Democrat and one Republican. The measure provides that the Lieutenant Governor chairs the Commission and is a nonvoting member. It requires orders of apportionment to be signed by at least four members of the Commission.

STATE QUESTION NO. 750 LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NO. 350

This measure amends a section of the State Constitution. The section deals with initiative petitions. It also deals with referendum petitions. It deals with how many signatures are required on such petitions. It changes that requirement. "Initiative" is the right to propose laws and constitutional amendments. "Referendum" is the right to reject a law passed by the Legislature. The following voter signature requirements apply:
18% must sign to propose law
15% must sign to propose to change the State Constitution.
5% must sign to order a referendum.
These percentages are based upon the State office receiving the most total votes at the last General Election. The measure changes this basis. The measure's basis uses every other General Election. General Elections are held every two years. The Governor is on the ballot every four years. The measure's basis only uses General Elections with the Governor on the ballot. The President is on the ballot in intervening General Elections. The measure's basis does not use General Elections with the President on the ballot. More votes are usually cast at Presidential General Elections. Thus, the measure would generally have a lowering effect on the number of required signatures.

STATE QUESTION NO. 751 LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NO. 351

This measure amends the State Constitution. It adds a new Article to the Constitution. That Article deals with the State's official actions. It dictates the language to be used in taking official State action.

It requires that official State actions be in English. Native American languages could also be used. When Federal law requires, other languages could also be used. These language requirements apply to the State's "official actions." The term "official actions" is not defined. The legislature could pass laws determining the application of the language requirements. The Legislature would also pass laws implementing and enforcing the language requirements. No lawsuit based on State law could be brought on the basis of a State agency's failure to use a language other than English. Nor could such a lawsuit be brought against political subdivisions of the State.

STATE QUESTION NO. 752 LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM 352

This measure amends a section of the Oklahoma Constitution. It amends Section 3 of Article 7-B. The measure deals with the Judicial Nomination Commission. This Commission selects nominees to be appointed judges or justices, when a vacancy occurs. The Commission selects three, sometimes four, qualified nominees. The Governor must appoint one of the nominees. The amendment adds two at-large members to the Commission. At-large members can come from any Oklahoma congressional district. The Senate President Pro Tempore appoints one of the new at-large members. The Speaker of the House of Representatives appoints the other. At-large members cannot be lawyers. Nor can they have a lawyer in their immediate family. Nor can more than two at-large members be from the same political party. Six non-at-large members are appointed by the Governor. They cannot be Oklahoma lawyers. The measure adds a new qualification for non-lawyer members. They cannot have a lawyer from any state in their immediate family. Each congressional district must have at least one non-lawyer member. Six lawyer members are elected by members of the Oklahoma Bar Association. Each congressional district must have at least one lawyer member.

STATE QUESTION NO. 754 LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NO. 354

This measure adds a new section to the Oklahoma Constitution. It adds Section 55A to Article 5. The Legislature designates amounts of money to be used for certain functions. These designations are called appropriations. The measure deals with the appropriation process. The measure limits how the Constitution could control that process. Under the measure the Constitution could not require the Legislature to fund state functions based on:
1. Predetermined constitutional formulas,
2. How much other states spend on a function,
3. How much any entity spends on a function.
Under the measure these limits on the Constitution's power to control appropriations would apply even if:
1. A later constitutional amendment changed the Constitution, or
2. A constitutional amendment to the contrary was passed at the same time as this measure.
Thus, under the measure, once adopted, the measure could not be effectively amended. Nor could it be repealed.

STATE QUESTION NO. 755 LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NO. 355

This measure amends the State Constitution. It changes a section that deals with the courts of this state. It would amend Article 7, Section 1. It makes courts rely on federal and state law when deciding cases. It forbids courts from considering or using international law. It forbids courts from considering or using Sharia Law. International law is also known as the law of nations. It deals with the conduct of international organizations and independent nations, such as countries, states and tribes. It deals with their relationship with each other. It also deals with some of their relationships with persons. The law of nations is formed by the general assent of civilized nations. Sources of international law also include international agreements, as well as treaties. Sharia Law is Islamic law. It is based on two principal sources, the Koran and the teaching of Mohammed.

STATE QUESTION NO. 756 LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NO. 356

This measure adds a new section of law to the State Constitution. It adds Section 37 to Article 2. It defines "health care system." It prohibits making a person participate in a health care system. It prohibits making an employer participate in a health care system. It prohibits making a health care provider provide treatment in a health care system. It allows persons and employees to pay for treatment directly. It allows a health care provider to accept payment for treatment directly. It allows the purchase of health care insurance in private health care systems. It allows the sale of health insurance in private health care systems. The measure's effect is limited. It would not affect any law or rule in effect as of January 1, 2010. Nor could the measure affect or negate all federal laws or rules. The United States Constitution has a Supremacy Clause. That clause makes federal law the supreme law of the land. Under that clause Congress has the power to preempt state law. When Congress intends to preempt state law, federal law controls. When Congress intends it, constitutionally enacted federal law would preempt some or all of the proposed measure.

STATE QUESTION NO. 757 LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NO. 357

This measure amends the State Constitution. It amends Section 23 of Article 10. It increases the amount of surplus revenue which goes into a special fund. That fund is the Constitutional Reserve Fund. The amount would go from 10% to 15% of the funds certified as going to the General Revenue fund for the preceding fiscal year.



THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF BARTLESVILLE



2010 CANDIDATE INFORMATION

NON-PARTISAN ELECTION INFORMATION

Membership in the League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan organization dedicated to the principles of self-government in the Constitution of the United States, is open to all citizens at least 18 years of age who subscribe to the purpose and policy of the League. The purpose of the League is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government.

GENERAL ELECTION November 2, 2010

**NOTICE
READ CAREFULLY**
The League of Women Voters neither endorses nor opposes any candidate. It believes the strength in our system of government lies in the ability of the people to understand the issues and questions in an election, and to judge as fairly as possible the records and qualifications of all candidates.

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READ CAREFULLY**
All answers, including spelling, punctuation, and capital letters are exactly as written and are not edited or deleted except where excess wordage made deletion necessary. Dots(...) at the end of a response indicate the answer exceeded the word limit.

ANOTHER VOTER SERVICE...LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF BARTLESVILLE
Candidate and voting information can also be found at the League of Women voters of Oklahoma website: lwvok.org/voting



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Candidates for Attorney General

Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

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No response.

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No response.

Candidates for State Auditor and Inspector

Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

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I graduated from OU with a degree in accounting. I am a CPA with a permit to practice and take my yearly required continuing education classes. I have over 30yrs of accounting and financial experience. I am running so that I can remain your State Auditor and continue using my over 30yrs of business experience and practices to make the office as effective and efficient as possible. My top priority as State Auditor is protecting your hard-earned tax dollars and making sure they are being spent properly, free from all waste, fraud, and abuse.

One of the most important issues in my office is having a highly qualified and professional staff. Since my appointment as State Auditor in July 2008, I now only have qualified professionals working in the office. I by dissolving non-essential administrative staff positions I was able to cut the administrative overhead, by 1.2 million dollars. In-turn I have been able to hire more Auditors, who are essential to providing a quality product to the taxpayers. Another important issue is providing quality audits. As State Auditor, I have been providing quality audits that make sure your tax dollars are being spent properly and free from all waste, fraud, and abuse. When waste, fraud, or abuse is found, the audits help provide the evidence needed to prosecute and punish those who wronged the tax payers. These quality audits also provide the leadership of each agency with suggestions on how to improve their accounting and spending practices to better protect the taxpayer dollars. As State Auditor, I have also made it a priority to publish the audit reports on my office's website so the taxpayers can see the findings and results and better understand how their tax dollars are being spent and protected.

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B.S. Business Administration/Accounting; Certified Public Accountant, certified fraud examiner, farmer, rancher, uncovered more corruption than last 3 auditors combined.

Public corruption, wasteful government spending, insufficient use of tax dollars, misuse of public funds.

Candidates for Commissioner of Labor

Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

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Mark Costello graduated from the University of Kansas and is a native of Bartlesville. In 1991, He founded AMCAT (American Computer & Telephone). Mark currently serves as Chairman of USA Digital, a telecommunications company licensed in 40 states that he founded in 1997. Habitat for Humanity has been a long time favorite where he has spent numerous hours. Mark is seeking the office of Labor Commissioner because he believes Oklahoma can do better in job creation. Mark wants to create a job friendly business environment for all our children. Mark has over twenty-vive years of business experience in forming businesses...

Mark Costello is the only candidate for Labor Commissioner who has created real private sector jobs and has met a multimillion-dollar payroll. If elected, Mark will promote the well being of wage earners by advancing identifying those burdens to job creation and seek their removal. In other words, Mark will aggressively fight for reforms necessary to create an environment for more and better paying jobs. He strongly supports workers' compensation reform and transparency in government. Please visit Mark's web site, www.markcostelloforlabor.com to learn more about his twelve-point plan to promote job creation in Oklahoma. Mark believes that bureaucratic overhead is a major problem resulting in waste and duplication. In order to eliminate one area government waste and duplication in state government, Mark has proposed the merging of four agencies into one streamline body. Mark proposes to merge the Department of Labor, Department of Mines, Construction Industries Board and Oklahoma Employment Securities Commission into one agency, which he proposes to be called The Oklahoma Department of Employment and Safety, which can provide greater service at a lower cost to citizens of Oklahoma. In order to move Oklahoma towards a better economic future, vote Mark Costello for Labor Commissioner.

Major Changes to the City Charter

Bartlesville residents will vote on November 2nd whether to change the Bartlesville City Charter. The ballot issue allows only a single vote - to approve all the changes, or to disapprove all of them.

What key things will NOT change?

- Bartlesville retains the Council-City Manager form of government.
- The mayor will continue to be appointed by the Council instead of being elected by the people.

What are the major changes?

- 1) Reduce Council term to 2 years. NOM: Currently 4 years.
- 2) All Council members elected at same time, not staggered. Nom: Currently staggered.
- 3) Elections to be held first Tuesday in November, starting in 2012, and every other year after that (evennumbered years). NOTE: Currently elected in April.
- 4) Requirements for Councilors:
 - a) Must be qualified electors of city and residents of respective wards at least 6 months prior to election.
 - b) Must have primary residence in his ward throughout tenure in office. "Primary residence" means place of abode over half of time and, if owned, qualifies for homestead exemption.
 - c) No felony convictions.
 - d) At least 25 years old. NOTE: Currently no minimum age.
- 5) Council appoints mayor and vice mayor with at least 3 affumative votes and can remove mayor or vice mayor with at least 3 affirmative votes. NOTE: Currently no specified provision for removal.
- 6) Mayor's powers are limited to what is outlined in charter: Presides at Council meetings; Recognized as head of city government for all ceremonial purposes; Recognized as head of city government for purposes of military law; Signs all warrants, checks or other orders for disbursement of money, etc. NOTE: This eliminates mayor's power of appointment, which in the past has been assigned through ordinance.
- 7) Council will establish Board/Committee appointment process within 60 days of approving Charter. NOTE: There is currently no board/committee appointment process. Subsequent Councils can change the process.
- 8) Council will establish meeting rules of procedure within 60 days of approving Charter. NOTE: Not one of the Charter changes but addressed at the Committee meetings was to have the Council also consider broadcasting rules. NOTE: There are currently no meeting rules of procedure or broadcasting rules. Subsequent Councils can change the meeting rules of procedures.
- 9) Council will develop and adopt Code of Ethics for all elected officials, employees and Board members within 60 days of approving Charter. Nom: There is currently no Code of Ethics. Subsequent Councils can change the Code of Ethics.
- 10) Recall procedure: Petition signed by 20% of registered voters in ward of Councilor sought to be recalled. NOTE: Currently entire City can sign petition, and it requires 25% of voters who voted in last general election.
- 11) City Manager must reside within 10 miles of City limits. NOTE: Currently requires City Manager to reside in City.
- 12) Ten or more taxpayer residents are required to bring claim or charge against city for fraudulent, illegal or unauthorized contract, disbursement, or transfer of property. City has 30 days to respond before citizens can initiate action. "This provision shall be the exclusive procedure available to taxpayers seeking to bring a qui tam action against any city officer or employee." NOM: Currently requires only one taxpayer resident, and there is no delay in taking action.

What other consequences are there if voters approve the Charter changes?

> If Charter signed by Governor in time (by January 2011), all 5 Council seats will come up for election in April 2011. Otherwise, only Wards 1,3 and 5 will come up for election.

Candidates for Washington County Commissioner, District 3 (continued from page 9)

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Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

I have a degree in Business Administration (Magna Cum Laude) and three Associates degrees plus a teaching credential in Accounting. In spent 6yrs in the Marine Corps. attaining SSGT E-6 in 4 years and I am presently a Bartlesville Police Reserve officer and a member of the American Legion. I have had many leadership roles in my life, including being a middle manager with Verizon with responsibly for a large call center. I am running in order to give representation for the south end of the county and give people a choice in this election.

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

The most important issue facing any government entity today is the economy, which affects every other issue that must be dealt with, both in the public sector and in our own private lives. I believe there are some opportunities to bring jobs into the county and if we can convince businesses to relocate here it will help benefit everyone. Another issue that needs addressed is the county's roads and infrastructure. Additionally, I would look at ways to assist the County Sheriff in having more deputies available to do patrol duties. In my experience, I have learned that I need to understand what the people I serve or lead want to see done. I will get input from the voters of the county to develop action plans and work together to accomplish them. I do not have all the answers but as a whole, we as the citizenry of the county do have ideas and some of those ideas will lead to the solutions we are all striving to accomplish.

Candidates for Court of Civil Appeals

Deborah Barnes

District 2, Office 1

Question #1

What do you believe would be your most important contribution to the court?

My most important contribution to the court is my diverse legal background — 27 years in public service, private practice and as corporate counsel. I bring a broad blend of skills, experiences and knowledge in areas of family, corporate, employment, energy, regulatory, property, commercial, contracts, intellectual property, and tort law. My broad background uniquely prepared me for a civil appellate judicial position and instilled in me a critical appreciation of high quality and responsive legal work. As a wife, mother, and lawyer, my independent judgment and understanding of a wide range of issues benefit my service as an appellate judge.

John Fischer

District 3, Office 2

The use of my training, experience, education, energy, judgment and intellect to carefully, fairly and thoroughly consider the arguments and positions of each party involved in the cases I am called on to decide, regardless of their means, circumstance or station in life, in order to render a judgment in every one of those cases, without prejudice or delay, that is consistent with the applicable law and while not always resulting in the outcome desired by a particular party will, nonetheless, convince that party that they were given a full and just consideration of their case.

Doug Gabbard II

District 3, Office 1

I am committed to the concept of equal justice for all. I also believe that the law can, and should be, applied strictly and in a commonsense manner. I work hard and have consistently been one of the top three judges on our appellate court in terms of case production. I work hard to complete cases in a timely manner because justice delayed is justice denied.

Larry Joplin

District 4, Office 2

Having been an appellate judge for 16 years, and having taught the subject at the OU College of Law, I fully understand the relationship between the legislature and the courts. It is the role of democratically elected representatives to make law and for courts to decide cases by interpreting that law rather than making new law. Serving on an intermediate court of appeals, our primary role is as an error-correcting court. I am dedicated to performing that role in a fair and impartial manner.

Candidates for Supreme Court

Steven Taylor

District 2

Question #1

What do you believe would be your most important contribution to the court?

My contribution is based upon life experience and dedication to the law and public service. My first job was a Department of Defense bomb assembly line during Vietnam War. After college and law school, I joined the U.S. Marine Corps and was trained as an infantry platoon commander. Returning home, I was elected the youngest Mayor in McAlester history; then served as a trial judge for 21 years and on the Supreme Court for the past 6 years. All this experience and service prepares me for the everyday test of reaching a just decision in every case before the Court.

J. Winchester

Chief Justice

On a daily basis, I believe my most important contribution to the Court is in exercising independent judgment. The Oklahoma judiciary is the only branch of government unburdened by the influence of party politics. My decisions are based on the facts of each case and the rule of law. A majority of five decides the outcome of each case, even when in the minority, my differing opinion is valuable in the pursuit of justice.

Candidates for Commissioner of Labor (continued from page 2)

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Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

I am a graduate of Charles Page High School in Sand Springs, Oklahoma. I am a certified Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning Contractor. I was also the first Labor Commissioner in the nation to obtain certification as a NARSO Amusement Ride Inspector. I am running for reelection to continue giving the Oklahoma taxpayer the maximum benefit of the funds appropriated to the ODOL. Under my leadership, the ODOL is considered a model agency for numerous state programs including implementation of HB1804 which ensures all positions licensed by the state go to legal workers. ODOL programs have enhanced workplace safety resulting ...

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

One of the most important issues facing the Oklahoma Department of Labor is the economic downturn, resulting in increased wage disputes between employers and employees. Under my leadership, the ODOL has earned a reputation for fairness in working with both parties to resolve these issues. Another important issue for the ODOL is the safety of our children. For the first time, all boilers and hot water heaters in public schools are inspected. I want to maintain Oklahoma's standard of amusement ride safety, which is recognized as among the best in the nation. Business profitability in an economic downturn is another issue facing Oklahoma employers. ODOL is enhancing the potential for business profitability by increased workplace safety, resulting in lower workers' compensation rates and fewer lost-time accidents. The ODOL has expanded its' role as part of the economic development team to assist new business. Budget constraints are an issue facing all agencies. Program adjustments may be required during the coming year. The Oklahoma Department of Labor has adopted a zero based budget which allows the agency, and the public, to view the cost of each unit of service; therefore the agency has weathered the severe budget cuts without having to furlough...

Candidates for Governor

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Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

I want to put my experience and ability to work for Oklahoma. These are tough times and I want to help the state I love with all my heart-I think~my experience as a judge, legislator, head of the Pardon and Parole Board and Lt. Governor gives me the right background to lead. I also believe we need a governor who can work with both parties and bring them together in the best interest of all Oklahomans. That is what I did as a legislator and that's what I will do as governor.

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

The list is long, beginning with crafting a budget that preserves vital services while recognizing the reality that state revenues won't recover to previous levels for quite sometime. State government must become more efficient. That's why I have long advocated a constitutional amendment requiring every-other session of the legislature to be dedicated to the budget and the budget only. I'll fight for that reform. If the legislature won't send it to a vote of the people, I'll lead an initiative petition~drive to put it on the ballot. Oklahoma must make better and smarter investments in education, protection of children, care for the elderly and roads and bridges. I believe that can best be accomplished by a thorough examination of where our tax dollars are spent so waste and duplication can be eliminated. That's not going to happen when spending decisions are made at the last minute without the thorough deliberations a budget-only session can provide. I also believe Oklahoma can become a leader in medical research, green energy and aerospace. In order to accomplish those goals, we must become a national leader in government reform and in both parties working together.

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With Oklahoma facing a recession and a budget crisis, we need a leader who is going to focus on job growth, responsible spending and transforming government to be more efficient and effective. With my private and public sector experience and my long record of public service, I am the most qualified candidate to lead this state and to build a more prosperous Oklahoma. In addition to being a successful manager at a national hotel chain, I have served as a state representative, lieutenant governor and a United States Congresswoman. I'm an OSU alum and I attend Crossings Church in Edmond.

The biggest issue for the next governor will be creating jobs. We need more and better jobs in this state if we are going to generate tax revenue for essential services and increase the quality, life for our citizens. One of my first acts as governor will be to create a task force to look into Oklahoma's tax code, our rules, our regulations and our government bureaucracy to find out he we can encourage job creation. I'll also tackle the rising cost of worker's compensation costs and revisit lawsuit reform. Finally, I'll lead the charge to improve our education system, so that we can produce the kind of highly educated workforce that attracts good jobs. The next issue will be to balance the budget without raising taxes. To do that, we need to be committed to fiscal restraint. We'll also need a modern, efficient and effective state government. We are currently operating under state agencies that operate like 8-track players in an iPod age. They are out of date and inefficient. When I'm governor, we will immediately move to modernize our agencies, consolidate resources where we can, and trim our operating costs.



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Candidates for Insurance Commissioner

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Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

Bachelor of arts degree from the University of Oklahoma, Norman. With more than 20 years of experience in the insurance industry (as both an agent and an executive) and as the parent of a child who has survived three open-heart surgeries, I am uniquely qualified. My diverse experience will allow me to work with legislators and insurance providers to identify and implement health care solutions at the state level to lower Oklahomans' insurance premiums and to protect them from irresponsible rate increases and federal mandates. Former board member of the Tulsa Ronald McDonald house and the Dillon International Adoption...

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

1) The Obama health care "Patient Protection and Affordable Health Care Act of 2010"; 2) The need for meaningful workers' compensation reform to help reduce the cost of maintaining jobs in Oklahoma; and 3) Reducing costs at the department in the face of declining state tax revenue collection.

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Candidates for Lieutenant Governor

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No Response

No Response

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Oklahoma State University, B.A. Oklahoma City University School of Law, JD General Counsel, CLS Group Lifetime Member, NRA . Association of Former Agents of the United States Secret Service; Deacon; Sunday School Teacher, Quail Springs Baptist Church; Little League Sports Coach. I believe that Oklahoma's best days are ahead of us; however, to fully capitalize on the future, we must have an economic climate that allows for job creation and the flourishing of the entrepreneurial and pioneer spirit. As Lt. Governor, I will be an advocate for investment in the state, both from companies finding places to relocate and more...

The most important issue facing the state is our competition for jobs. We must realize that we are in a national and international competition for job-creating capital. I have been to numerous countries on economic development missions when I served with Governor Keating, and as a member of the Secret Service, I have seen how Oklahoma is viewed around the world. We have to make fundamental changes to our tax structure, our education system and even our own self-image in order to compete for 21st century jobs. It is not about handouts, I,mt rather improving our overall business climate that will Improve our economy. We can compete, if we just put our mind to it. In football, we don't accept losing to Texas, and we should not accept it when it comes to job creation. This will be my priority.

Richard Prawdzienski

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Vocation: maximize freedom, minimize government in a responsible way, a Libertarian

Master of Business of Administration from Oklahoma City University. Worked for Dept of Air Force as an Acquisition Logistics Manger, planned support of systems and life cycle costs. Created and managed a Real Estate Investment Company. Travel to 47 state and observed how people live. As a neighborhood association President competed contracts and lowered costs and increased service. Post's Boy State Chairman, Edmond Post 111 American Legion, in six years I raised funds and sent 179 area boys to week training camp.. My wife is a Southern Gal, I a Yankee, we are together since 1978, prove I can work...

We have a legislature sending mixed messages. Example: They say they are for more jobs and wanting to bring new businesses to Oklahoma. But then they write laws that keep business away. An example: Liquor industry. If you want to buy a bottle of wine you can't buy the corkscrew or glass in the same store. If we want someone like Trader Joes (www.traderjoes.com) and others to come here our legislators need to think again. Another example: Title 26-1-108 on how a new political party can enter. They restrict new parties thus stops business for media, printing, hotel, restaurants and more. Legislators build barrier to keep people out. Let's stop the double talk. Let's stop begging people and businesses to come, instead let's create a great state so people will come without tax credits and other gifts.

Candidates for Washington County District Attorney

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Vocation: Attorney

Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

I am running for the position of District Attorney to restore trust, effectiveness, and a sense of service to the offices in Washington and Nowata counties. I have 26 years of extensive experience in criminal and civil litigation that I will use in the courtroom to serve the citizens of our counties. I have a keen sense of responsibility to preserve and use your tax dollars wisely in this difficult economic climate.

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

The greatest task I have ahead of me is restoring trust and confidence in the District Attorney's office with county government offices, law enforcement, and our citizens. I will restore lines of communication with County officials and develop procedures to promptly and competently provide legal advice and action responsive to their needs which will enable them to serve the public's best interest. My staff and I will restore trust with law enforcement by being accessible to officers. We will be available for trial preparation, consultation for arrest and search warrant preparation, and generally converse professionally and promptly with these men and women on whom we daily depend. Finally, I will restore an attitude of service in the office of District Attorney, particularly with respect to victims and their families. Being in a law practice for 26 years, I understand that the office and its staff ultimately exist and are compensated to serve our citizens, earning their confidence. This includes jealously protecting our tax dollars, especially during these difficult economic times.

Alan W. Gentges

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Vocation: Attorney

I am running for District Attorney because I want to build for you, the people of Washington and Nowata Counties, a professional, fair, effective and accessible District Attorney's office. Some of my qualifications include: BA, SMSU, 1980; Juris Doctor, University of Tulsa, 1985; TU Law review, Published 1983. Adjunct professor TU Law School, Rogers State, Claremore; 25 years of law practice; Managed both large and small law offices; Conducted complex litigation and trials. Tulsa and Bartlesville offices; Ramona Town Attorney; Practice before various Oklahoma and Federal courts and agencies; Church Council Chairman, FUMC, Bartlesville; Helped raise six great kids.

If you honor me with your vote for District Attorney, I will work hard to earn your trust, 918-337-1472confidence and respect. I will join with law enforcement, the Department of Human Services and child advocacy agencies to effectively investigate, evaluate, and timely file and prosecute cases. Each case will be thoroughly prepared to ensure that the guilty are convicted and the innocent protected. Those who injure our citizens will know that justice will be swift and sure. Our office will be accessible and responsive to the public and especially to victims and their families. You will know that my assistants and I will answer your calls and your questions. You will see that we are working to protect children, people with disabilities and our seniors by bringing wrongdoers to justice. My staff and I will represent the Nowata and Washington County Commissioners and other county officers with zeal and professionalism. Each will have our attention and respect. We will serve each community in the district and listen to all of our citizens. Most importantly, we will never forget that the District Attorney's office belongs to and serves you, the people of Washington and Nowata Counties.

Candidates for Washington County Commissioner, District 3

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Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

Bartlesville Sooner high School 1971; University of Oklahoma BBA Marketing 1976; Roads Scholar Program Graduate offered by Oklahoma State for County Commissioners President of Daybreak Rotary; Past President of Big Brothers and Sisters of Bartlesville; Chairman Tri-County Tech Business Incubator Committee; Grand Gateway Director; Community Action Resource Director.

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

The issues facing District Three in the next few years will be using the existing resources to re-surface as many miles of our roads as can be done. Our goal of building one new bridge every year continues to be on track as we will begin replacing the bridge on road 3200 in the fall and the bridge on road 2700 is programmed for 2011. The biggest challenge we face may be something that we have no control over, if the economy continues to falter we will be faced with even more daunting decisions. My priorities will always be based on those which protect our citizens and position us for growth in the future. Safe and reliable roads are essential as we get our agricultural products to market and our energy resources to where they can be refined. I would appreciate your support in the November General Election.



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Candidates for United States Senate

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Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

No Response

Candidates for Washington County Court Clerk

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Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

I currently hold the position of first deputy with six years experience all in the court clerk's office. As Cost administrator, a fines and costs docket was implemented in 2005, increasing collections 35 percent from 2006-2009. I've worked the felony, misdemeanor and civil desks, done deposits and helped with monthly reports and now working as a minute clerk. I've had 10 years experience in bookkeeping and payroll with a large food service corporation with an annual payroll and budgets of \$2 million. Involved as 4-H youth leader and member of First Baptist Church.

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

No Response

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

Our budget is one of the most important issues. With the State cuts and the current budget constraints, we have no room for excessive expenditures. That is why we must be aggressive in collection and pursuing monies owed for fines and costs to the court system; cross-training is paramount in the court clerk's office. With our limited staff we are roughly 80 to 85 percent cross-trained. The court clerk is not only a facilitator but also has to do other duties where needed in the office; paper work must be filed correctly and in a timely manner; prompt and effective customer service as it relates to our Judge's, District Attorney's office and the attorneys we serve. We must serve the public in anyway possible, from filing paperwork, to researching old records. We are blessed here in the court clerks office to have a staff that works well together and is willing and able to help each other. That is why the cross-training is important, so that if the need arises for any reason the job gets done. As a leader, you are only as good as the employees you have working for you and we have a fine group of employees.

James Weaver

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Vocation: Director of Information Technology, Washington County

I'm the IT Director and Administrative Coordinator for the Commissioners in Washington County, manage the IT staff, the commissioners' direct reports and an annual budget in excess of \$350,000. I'm a certified CLEET trained police officer and a volunteer in the Washington County Sheriffs Reserve. In addition to the continuous training required during my 19 years of law enforcement service, I have also completed 36 hours of continuing education towards completing the Court Clerks Certification program. I work extensively with the Sheriffs office and the court clerk's office. I'm a member of Bartlesville Southern Baptist Church and the Bartlesville Pedalers.

Just like the families and individuals in our community, the court clerk's office has also faced reductions during these economic times. The number of staffed positions in the court clerk's office is at an all time low while the number of judicial staff requiring support and the mandated work processes have remained constant or increased. I will work with the staff to identify potential opportunities to streamline existing processes and procedures. I will use available technologies to enable employees to perform their duties more efficiently while also improving the publics' access to records. I will cross train staff to not only improve the over all function of the office but also to improve both the working environment and the customer experience. I will make effective use of the publics' money by maintaining a tight budget and continuing to seek better solutions to keep up with advancing technologies being used by the State of Oklahoma. I intend to lead by example and believe the court clerks office is here to be of service to the public.

Candidates for State House of Representatives, District 10

Nick Brown

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Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

I completed a BS in Agricultural Education from OSU, a Master of Public Administration at OU and am currently a PhD candidate in Agricultural Education at OSU. City Manager Memberships: International City/County Management Association, Oklahoma Municipal League, City Managers Association of Oklahoma, BDC Board of Directors (non-voting), Bartlesville Regional Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors (non-voting), Grand Gateway Board of Directors, Dewey Civic Association, National Rifle Association, Washington County Historical Society Board of Directors (non-voting). Teaching Memberships: Association for Career and Technical Education, National Association of Agricultural Educators, Oklahoma Agricultural Education Teachers Association, Oklahoma Association for Career and Technology Education.

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

I look forward to the privilege of serving the people of Oklahoma's House District 10. The people of this region of Oklahoma have become very important to me during the time I have served as Dewey's city manager. I welcome the opportunity to continue to make positive contributions, particularly in the areas of agriculture, urban and rural community development, economic growth and education. As a result of the experience in agricultural education and city management I have the unique qualifications to address the issues that are critical to the people and communities of district 10. I will actively participate in developing projects that will enhance the quality of life in this district and give my constituents a strong voice in our state's future.

Steve Martin

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Vocation: State Representative and retired real estate broker

I seek election to my 4th term as District 10 Representative. During my service in the Oklahoma House I have chaired, vice-chaired and served on numerous committees as well as serving 4 years as a Deputy Majority Whip. I plan to use my experience and my status as a senior member of the majority party, along with the many valuable relationships I have formed, to continue to effectively represent the conservative values of the majority of District 10 voters. Community involvement includes Bartlesville Economic Development Authority, Bridges out of Poverty, Dewey Civic Association, Bartlesville Rotary, Theater Bartlesville, Chambers of Commerce.

The most important issues facing the members and staffs of Oklahoma legislators in the 53rd Legislature will revolve around budgetary shortfalls brought about by the international economic downturn. Budgetary shortfalls in the FY2010 and FY2011 budgets were plugged, to some extent, by Oklahoma's Constitutional Reserve (rainy day) Fund and by approximately \$1.2 Billion in federal stimulus funds. The budget agreement for 2011 left only \$100 Million of our \$600 Million rainy day fund available to alleviate shortfalls for FY2012. While current revenue certifications give cause for modest optimism, there is little doubt that cuts to state agencies will be greater in FY2012 than in FY 2011. For the first time in many years Oklahoma government will begin a new legislative session with a new Governor, State Treasurer, Speaker of the House, and President Pro Tempore of the Senate. These officials will work toward a budget agreement, under great pressure from agency heads and others dependent on state appropriations, to increase revenues through increased taxes and fees rather than seeking our constitutionally required balanced budget through agency consolidation and other advances in government efficiency. I will work to reject those tax and fee increases in favor of agency consolidation and efficiency.

Candidates for State Treasurer

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Question #1

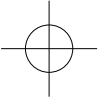
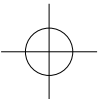
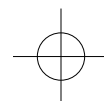
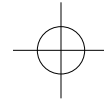
List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

I am the only Certified Public Accountant for Treasurer. I will take care of your hard-earned money. My primary duty is to pay the bills and to not set law and policy. The Oklahoma Constitution and the law limit my duties as State Treasurer. I'm not a policy maker. I can only carry out laws already in effect. These are the laws and policies that are that have currently been set by the Legislature. My opponent does not understand this concept and talks about making policies and laws if he were elected.

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

I have a duty to keep the laws and policies made by the Legislature and to protect your hard-earned money and keep it safe in Oklahoma. I have control over the deposits and dispensing of Oklahoma funds. I plan on giving smaller banks the opportunity to have availability to state monies so that our money will stay in Oklahoma. Over time I will endeavor to bring back the money from Wall Street and put the money back on Main Street Oklahoma. I have control over the Link Program as established by the Legislature. The Link Program is a way to help small businesses in Oklahoma obtain loans. I plan on using the federally funded Small Business Administration (SBA) to guarantee loans. Other nonprofit organizations as designated by Oklahoma banks will actually complete the SBA applications. My goal is that Western Oklahoma will have wind power with the required generators being produced in Eastern Oklahoma. I need the support of Jari Askins to negotiate with OG+E to buy this energy. I plan on fully funding the Education Fund. I will not tolerate any mumble jumble with your money. I have been a part-time Accounting Professor for an extended period of my...



Candidates for State Treasurer (continued from page 5)

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Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

I have a bachelor's degree in economics and finance from Lipscomb University, a master's degree in business administration from Pepperdine University and a doctorate through the department of economics at the University of Oklahoma. I serve as a member of the Edmond Economic Development Authority Board of Trustees, the Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence Board of Trustees, the Southern Economic Association and the Christian Business Faculty Association. I began my professional career in banking and corporate finance and was first elected to the Oklahoma House of Representatives in 2004. After two years in the Legislature, I was appointed vice-chair of the House...

Candidates for Superintendent of Public Instruction

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 Vocation: Former Educator, retired dentist

Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

I have a BA in Education from OU, a MS in Speech & Language Disorders from OUHSC, and a DDS from OU College of Dentistry. As a business woman, educator and education reformer of 15 years, I will bring a unique perspective to the Superintendent's office. I will apply to the state the lessons learned from my two public charter schools, one of which is ranked 68th on Newsweek's list of the nation's top high schools. Those lessons are local control of schools, accountability and transparency of finances and performance, increased teacher effectiveness, and a focus on teaching and learning.

Richard E. Cooper

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No Response

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 Vocation: State Senator, District 13

Bachelor of Science in Education from the University of Colorado and a Master of Education Degree in Secondary Education from East Central University. Currently State Senator, District 13. Prior to election as State Senator, the Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence employed Susan for nine years as their Director of Local Education Foundation Outreach. Before joining the Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence, Susan was employed as a secondary science teacher in middle and junior high schools in Texas, Colorado, and Oklahoma. She also served as an adjunct faculty member for East Central University's Education Department.

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

The job of the state treasurer is to provide sound financial services that generate income and savings for the state, promote job creation opportunities in a fiscally responsible manner and manage more than 10 billion in deposits annually. As treasurer, my priorities will be to protect and maximize taxpayer dollars by investing wisely and safely, attack government waste, promote job creation, provide fiscal discipline to agency management, scrutinize revenue certifications and put the state's checkbook online. With the slow economic recovery facing our state and our nation, it is more important than ever to ensure that state dollars are being used efficiently. I have led efforts in the Legislature to reform government spending practices by improving transparency and accountability and I will continue to pursue such reforms as treasurer.

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

The most important reason I am running is to prepare Oklahoma's children for the demands of the 21st Century and to provide the children of this state the best opportunity to be successful. I believe we have a moral obligation to do so. As such, I want to bring my experience in creating schools, involving parents, and using data-proven practices to improve our state's education system. We must realize that we can do better. We can accomplish more. We simply must refocus our goals. But our children are not the only reason I am running for this position. I also believe that our economy demands it. We all know that we must have a well-educated workforce that can think critically in order to attract and retain the job providers we all need and want. I believe I can work in conjunction with business leaders and educators to ensure that we have an educational system that will prepare our students for their careers.

No Response

The most important issue facing the office of State Superintendent is making sure that every child receives the best education possible that prepares him or her to go to work, technical training, or college. Now that resources are limited, we must fine tune our priorities to ensure that every dollar is benefiting the child's education directly. "I was the first person in my family to receive a college degree." "My father started work as a lineman with the telephone company and my mother was a stay at home mom. Neither was able to go to college, but they knew the importance of it and encouraged me to further my education." Susan believes a good education allows each individual to reach his or her goals and to be successful in life. Education is the way that people achieve the American Dream. Through hard work and a quality education, every person is able to be what he or she wishes to be. Education is also at the heart of our country's democratic form of government. Each person must be educated to carry out his or her duties as a citizen.

Candidates for United States Representative, District 1

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No Response

No Response

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I am a fourth generation Oklahoman. I graduated from Northeastern State University. Before my election to Congress in 2002, I worked as a small businessman in Tulsa in the fields of energy, transportation, real estate and investments. My prior experience in the Tulsa business community gives me a unique understanding of the major legislative issues facing the First District. I was proud to serve the Tulsa area in the Oklahoma House of Representatives for seven years, including acting as minority whip.

The number one issue on the mind of Oklahomans is the economy. Right now, our economy is stagnate – Oklahoma is already facing our highest unemployment rate (7%) in 22 years and the threat of the largest tax increase in American history has businesses and individuals frozen with uncertainty from Washington. American families and small business owners can't plan for future stability without the reassurance that they will not see their taxes raised – that is why it is so critical for tax relief to be extended for all Americans and small businesses so they can begin hiring again.

Candidates for United States Senate

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 Vocation: Medical Doctor

Question #1

List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

Education: Muskogee Central High, Oklahoma State University (Accounting), and the University of Oklahoma (M.D.). Professional Experience: Manager, Ophthalmic Division of Coburn Optical Industries; Family Doctor, delivered thousands of babies; Member of the U.S. House of Representatives (1995-2001). As a U.S. Senator since 2005, I have led the fight against reckless spending and lack of transparency. I have offered more amendments to cut wasteful spending than any other senator and have blocked billions in new spending. I am seeking a final term to continue the fight to rein in federal spending and to champion the principles set forth in our Constitution.

Question #2

What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

The national debt, \$13.4 trillion, is projected to double in five years and triple over the next decade. This is not sustainable under any circumstance and if left unchecked will result in a dramatic loss of liberty and opportunity. We cannot be the first generation of Americans to leave our children a nation worse off than the one we inherited. The health care law, passed earlier this year, will result in lower quality health care for millions of Americans and will severely limit innovation. Rather than addressing the real problem—the spiraling costs of health care—Congress passed legislation that will not only fail to contain costs, but will significantly grow the size of the federal government and place bureaucrats between a patient and their doctor. The law should be repealed. The federal government has no more important responsibility than our national defense. We must equip our soldiers with the tools they need to win and ensure they receive the very best care available when they return home. We must also root out waste, fraud, and abuse that siphon resources away from our soldiers and into the hands of powerful special interests in Washington.

Ronald R. Dwyer

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No Response

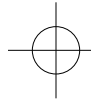
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Jim Rogers

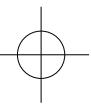
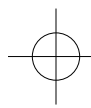
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