

Recommendations for Voters
Orange County and Statewide Offices
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For those of you who do not know me, I am an evangelical Christian and an attorney who is involved in local Orange County politics. I am a former President of a local California Republican Assembly (“CRA”) chapter and a former elected member of the Orange County Republican Central Committee. I review candidates, initiatives and measures from a pro-life, pro-traditional family, less taxation and less government point of view. Due to space limitations and the large number of issues & candidates, I will be giving only brief commentary on some persons and initiatives / measures. For some races there may be more positions or seats up for election than I may have recommendations. This means I simply do not have a recommendation for all those offices / seats.

Thank you for taking the time to review my recommendations and I hope you find them helpful. Also, for more election information *I highly recommend* you visit my friend Robyn Nordell’s web site at: <http://www.robbynordell.com/>. Robyn’s recommendations are there along with other good friends who also spend time researching candidates and issues. And we do not always agree with each other and that’s OK!

The following is a good short note about the effect of Re-Districting Process that occurs every 10 years:

Every ten years, per the U.S. Constitution, the U.S. Government conducts a census. The results of a census are used to measure populations in each state. Included in that process is the re-drawing of political boundaries or districts for federal, state and local elections. What this means for you is that you may have voted for example, a member of the Board of Supervisors four years ago but now you are in an entirely different Supervisor District. That is what has happened for all of us recently. From a practical level you will need to pay close attention to the ballot pamphlet and the ballots themselves as you prepare to vote and see what district and offices you now vote on. The good news is the Registrar of Voters has done the complicated work for you and your ballot will show only those races you have a vote in.

Please note that in my investigation I have found some Republican candidates are also pro-choice although likely less so than their Democrat party opponent. Thus for some of these candidates I may recommend them not because I like or admire their pro-choice policy stances but because they are the better choice than the other party’s candidates whose economic policies and often their positions on border security, “defunding” the police, etc. I cannot agree with. Please also note that each and every Democrat incumbent for U.S. Senate and Congress voted to increase the size of the IRS to audit you and me more. But **nothing more** for the U.S. Border Patrol.

Another critical race is the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. The current union supported Democrat is very vulnerable. My friend Lance Christensen is running against him and Lance is the perfect person for the job – for students and parents – NOT unions!
<https://lancechristensen.com/>

Federal Offices: U.S. Senate & Congress

Office	Craig's Recommendation
U.S. Senate	Mark Meuser https://markmeuser.com/
District	US House of Representatives
40th	Young Kim
45 th	Michelle Steel https://michellesteelca.com/
46 th	Christopher Gonzales https://gonzalesforcongress.com/
47 th	Scott Baugh https://baughforcongress.com/
49 th	Brian Maryott https://maryottforcongress.com/

State:

Office	Craig's Recommendation
Governor	Brian Dahle https://briandahle.com/
Lt. Governor	Angela U. Jacobs
State Superintendent of Public Instruction	Lance R. Christensen https://lancechristensen.com/
Secretary of State	Rob Bernosky
Attorney General	Nathan Hochman (pro-choice Republican)
Controller	Lanhee Chen (pro-choice Republican)
Treasurer	Jack Guerrero
Insurance Commissioner	Robert Howell
Board of Equalization No. 2	Peter Coe Verbica
Board of Equalization No. 4	No recommendation.

59 th Assembly District	Phillip Chen
67 th Assembly District	Soo Yoo
68 th Assembly District	Mike Tardif
70 th Assembly District	Tri Ta
71 st Assembly District	Kate Sanchez (her “Republican” opponent recently was espousing Democrat talking points for policy positions).
72 nd Assembly District	Diane Dixon
73 rd Assembly District	Steven Choi
74 th Assembly District	Laurie Davies
36 th State Senate	Janet Nguyen
38 th State Senate	Matt Gunderson (pro-choice Republican)

County & City Council & School District:

Office	Craig’s Recommendation
Orange County Supervisor: 2 nd District	No Recommendation
Orange County Supervisor: 4 th District	No Recommendation
Orange County Supervisor 5 th District	Pat Bates – https://batesforsupervisor.com/ I have known Pat for a long time. She is the real deal and returning her to the Board of Supervisors would be a very wise thing to do!
Race for Judge	
Judge of the Superior Court No. 30	Peggy Huang https://www.peggyhuang.com/ I have known Peggy Huang for many years and I know she would make an EXCELLENT judge and serve our county well.
City Council	
San Clemente	Steve Knoblock , Victor Cabral and Aaron T. Washington, Jr.
Laguna Niguel	Ray Gennawey and Stephanie Winstead – I have known Stephanie a long time. She is not only a good friend who has taken all the steps one can think of to be ready for this position. https://winstead4ln.com/

Laguna Hills	4 year seat: Dave Wheeler, Erica Pezold and Josh Sweeney 2 year seat: Don Caskey
Aliso Viejo	Max Duncan and Tara Ricksen
Rancho Santa Margarita	Anne Figueroa, Brad McGirr and Jerry Holloway
Costa Mesa	Mayor: John Moorlach https://johnmoorlach.com/ Council: District 3: John Thomas Patton; District 5: Rob Dickson
	Capistrano Unified School District
Trustee Area 2	Kira Davies
Trustee Area 4	Jim Glantz
Trustee Area 7	Judy Bullockus

Ballot Measures in Orange County:

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CUSD Measure G Bond Tax (Aliso Viejo Residents Only)	No! Aren't we taxed enough already! Plus we now have inflation! Tell CUSD leaders to live within their means (meaning their approx. \$450 million budget they already have)!

Statewide Initiatives / Propositions:

<u>Proposition</u>	<u>Craig's Recommendation</u>
1 = Abortion – Amends CA Constitution to provide for a right to abortion up to the point of birth of the baby.	No! Again this would allow taxpayer funded abortions right up to the point of birth (and likely beyond). https://www.noproposition1.com/
26 = Legalize Sports Betting on Native American Lands – Allows for sports betting, roulette and dice games on tribal casinos and its licensed racetracks.	No
27 = Legalize Sports Betting and Revenue for Homelessness Prevention Fund Initiative – Allows for online mobile and in person sports betting.	No
28 = Art and Music K-12 Education Funding Initiative – Will require school funding of 1% of the annual state funding to be spent on Arts and	No - this is “macro” budgeting. Best to let local school districts and parents make these decisions.

Music. 80% of this for teachers and 20% for art/music supplies.	
29 = Dialysis Clinic Requirements Initiative (Regulation of Kidney Dialysis Clinics and Impose regulations)	No – if this passes, it will drive up the cost of dialysis treatments and help unions.
30 = Tax on Income Above \$2 Million for Zero-Emissions Vehicles and Wildfire Prevention Initiative (increases taxes by another 1.75% to pay for a green initiative)	No - aren't we paying enough taxes!
31 = Flavored Tobacco Products Ban Referendum – To repeal Senate Bill 793 which would ban the sale of flavored tobacco products.	A Yes vote upholds the ban put on this product by the legislature. A No vote repeals the legislature's ban. I do not have a recommendation on this proposition.