

**Recommendations for Voters**  
**Orange County and Statewide Offices**  
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**Election on March 5, 2024**

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.robymordell.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 the “Top Two Primary” (Prop. 14) law on “primary” elections:

**CA Open Primary (Prop 14) and its implications.** In the races for Congress and state offices, voters can cross over and vote for a candidate of another party. It is possible that the “top two” for the November election could come from the same party, which occurred in some races in the past. *(Note- during a Presidential Primary Election and when party Central Committee Members are on the ballot, voters can only vote for candidates from their own party in those particular races.)*

**President of the United States**

<b>Republican</b>	<b>Donald J. Trump</b> <a href="https://www.donaldjtrump.com/">https://www.donaldjtrump.com/</a> As I put together my “Pics” recommendations, the only two serious candidates left in the Republican primary are President Donald Trump and former Governor Haley. I have nothing against Gov. Haley but President Trump has an impressive record of accomplishments from a policy perspective from his four years in office – especially compared to the last three years under Mr. Biden.
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**U.S. Senate (full and short term)**

<b>Steve Garvey</b> – <a href="https://stevegarvey.com/">https://stevegarvey.com/</a> Here I am departing from my normal recommendations vetting as I do not know if Mr. Garvey is pro-life or pro-abortion. That being said the only other Republican in this race is polling at almost last place and has a history of failed candidacies for various offices. If Mr. Garvey is in the top two after March
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5<sup>th</sup>, his likely opponent will be Adam Schiff – someone who cannot seem to tell the truth. Otherwise, the race will be a Democrat versus Democrat run off.

### U.S. Congress

<u>Office</u>	<u>Craig's Recommendation</u>
38 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No recommendation</b>
40 <sup>th</sup>	Young Kim
45 <sup>th</sup>	Michelle Steel
46 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No recommendation</b>
47 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Scott Baugh</b> <a href="https://baughforcongress.com/">https://baughforcongress.com/</a> <b>A big Yes for Scott Baugh!</b>
49 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Kate Monroe</b> <a href="https://kateforcongress.com/">https://kateforcongress.com/</a> - a former Marine who is already fighting for good policy and winning! (whatever you do; do <b>not</b> vote for Mr. Gunderson - he is pro-abortion)

### State:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Craig's Recommendation</u>
59 <sup>th</sup> Assembly District	Phillip Chen
64 <sup>th</sup> Assembly District	<b>No Recommendation</b>
67 <sup>th</sup> Assembly District	<b>No Recommendation</b>
68 <sup>th</sup> Assembly District	Mike Tardif
70 <sup>th</sup> Assembly District	Tri Ta
71 <sup>st</sup> Assembly District	Kate Sanchez <a href="https://www.sanchezforassembly.com/">https://www.sanchezforassembly.com/</a>
72 <sup>nd</sup> Assembly District	No Recommendation
73 <sup>rd</sup> Assembly District	<b>Scott Peotter</b>
74 <sup>th</sup> Assembly District	<b>Laurie Davies</b> <a href="https://www.daviesforca.com/">https://www.daviesforca.com/</a>
37 <sup>th</sup> State Senate	<b>Crystal Miles</b> <a href="https://electmilesforsenate.com/">https://electmilesforsenate.com/</a>

### County:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Craig's Recommendation</u>
Orange County Supervisor: 1 <sup>st</sup> District	Van Tran

Orange County Supervisor: 3 <sup>rd</sup> District	<b>Donald P. Wagner</b> ( <a href="https://electdonwagner.com/">https://electdonwagner.com/</a> )
Races for Judge	<b>Recommend:</b> Seat #3: Deputy District Attorney <b>Jason Baez</b> ; Seat 16: Deputy District Attorney <b>Richard Zimmer</b> and Seat #35: Deputy District Attorney <b>Whitney Bokosky</b> . I do not know their position on social issues but I know their opponents are to the far left on all issues.
<b>Orange County Board of Education</b>	
Trustee Area No. 1	<b>Jorge Valdez</b>
Trustee Area No. 3	<b>Dr. Ken Williams</b> ( <a href="http://williamsforocbe.com/">http://williamsforocbe.com/</a> )
Trustee Area No. 4	<b>Tim Shaw</b>
<b>Orange Unified School District Recall</b>	<b>Please Vote No on the Recall of Trustees Miner and Ledesma</b> – this is all about parent’s rights which Trustees Miner and Ledesma stand behind and vote in favor of. It is also about the local teachers union wanting to reassert control over this District.

**Ballot Measures in Orange County:**

<b>Ballot Measures in Orange County:</b>	<b><u>Craig’s Recommendation</u></b>
Huntington Beach City	<b>Yes</b> on all three measures – one is for Voter ID which I always support.
Westminster City increase in sales tax	<b>No</b> , This city already has increased its sales tax in recent years. The city government needs to learn to live within its means.
Irvine City on switching from at large to by district city council elections	No Recommendation

**Statewide Initiatives / Propositions:**

<b><u>Office</u></b>	<b><u>Craig’s Recommendation</u></b>
Proposition 1	This is a state wide bond proposition / initiative for homeless housing – 6.8 billion which when paid off will cost taxpayers over \$10 billion – at a time when our state budget is over \$68 billion in arrears (and that is only what the state will admit to). Plus, this will provide free housing for illegal aliens – another magnet to draw even more homeless and illegal aliens to California. In addition, this will give more power and money to the state and take it away from local elected officials. You will hear that some of this is going to help homeless veterans. As a veteran myself I am sympathetic but the hard reality is this is a shameless ploy by supporters to get yes votes. Plus, if the supporters care so much about veterans, make the proposition <b>only</b> for veterans. <b>I strongly recommend a No vote.</b>

**Republican Central Committee:**

<b>Office</b>	<b>Craig's Recommendation</b>
74 <sup>rd</sup> Assembly District	You are allowed to vote for up to six persons for this position. There are many more than six good people running for this office. You do not need to vote for six persons:  I recommend: Steve Knoblock, Ray Gennawey, Laurie Davies, Kelly Jennings
72 <sup>rd</sup> Assembly District	Mike Munzing
73 <sup>rd</sup> Assembly District	John Moorlach  Scotty Peotter
Other Assembly Area Races for Rep. Central Committee	The Central Committee is organized by Assembly Districts. I live in the 74 <sup>th</sup> Assembly District. This year I am not making recommendations for the Republican Central Committee for most other Assembly District areas. My friend Robyn Nordell has researched candidates in all of the Orange County central committee races and I highly recommend you review her list at <a href="https://robynordell.com/">https://robynordell.com/</a>