



# AMERICAN PATRIOT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (APEC) Candidate Questionnaire 2026

**Candidate Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Seat Running for:** \_\_\_\_\_

**District:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## 1. Campaign Viability

- Why are you running for office? List three of your key issues:
  - What is your path to victory and key voter demographics?
  - How much money will you need to raise?
  - Name your 3 top donors:
  - What endorsements do you consider meaningful for your campaign?
  - How will you differentiate yourself from other conservative candidates?
  - Are there any issues you consider “Bipartisan?”
  - What is your plan for fundraising, digital outreach, and grassroots mobilization?
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## 2. Core Ideology & Principles

- Do you believe the 2020 election was stolen? Why?
- What is your interpretation of what happened on Jan 6? Did the J6ers deserve the punishment they got?

- Would you consider yourself America First, MAGA, Establishment Republican? Why?
  - How do you define “America-first”? MAGA? Establishment?
  - Name the “non-negotiable” conservative principles you could never compromise?
  - How do you balance limited government with the need for effective public services?
  - What is your view on the proper role of the federal government versus states and localities?
  - Do you believe the RPOF (Republican Party of Florida) is conducting itself in a way that promotes conservative ideals and supports conservative candidates? Explain.
  - Do you believe in 1st and 10th Amendment? Please explain your answer
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### **3. Due Diligence Questions**

- Have you ever been the subject of a criminal investigation or ethics complaint?
- Are there past public statements or social-media posts you believe need clarification?
- Do you have any potential conflicts of interest?
- Have you ever been arrested? Explain
- Have you ever failed to file taxes, debts, or public disclosure forms?
- Are there policy positions you held previously that differ from your positions today? What changed?

#### **4. Constitutional Interpretation**

- How do you interpret the Constitution—originalism, textualism, or another approach?
- Should the Constitution be a living breathing document open to interpretation?
- Can you explain the idea of separation of powers? Do you believe we have instances where the separation of powers is violated? If so, please explain.
- What limits (if any) should exist on executive power?
- What is your view on the 2nd Amendment and gun-rights policy?
- Are you for or against Florida's Red Flag Laws? Explain why.
- What reforms, if any, do you support in the judicial system?

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#### **5. Fiscal & Economic Policy**

- How do you feel about changing zoning bypassing local governments for more development?
- What specific policies would you support to reduce government spending?
- What is your stance on state debt and deficits? What concrete steps would you take?
- Should entitlement programs (DCF, Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid) be reformed? If so, how?

## **6. Social & Cultural Issues**

- What is your position on parental rights in education?
- What values should schools be required—or prohibited—from teaching?
- How do you view religious liberty protections in the public sphere?
- What are your thoughts about Sharia Law? What would you do to prevent/advance it?
- What is your position on abortion at state levels?
- How should immigration policy reflect conservative principles (border security, legal pathways, enforcement)?
- How do you feel about foreign influence in Florida schools?

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## **7. Energy, Environment & Infrastructure**

- How do you feel about energy relying solely on green energy?
- Should NGO's and non-profits be subject to oversight by the public?
- How do you feel about foreign interest buying Florida land?
- How should environmental regulation balance economic growth and conservation?
- What infrastructure investments should Florida government prioritize?

- What is your stance on climate-related policy and climate agreements?
  - What is your approach to U.S. energy policy (oil, gas, nuclear, renewables)?
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### **8. Local Issues (if relevant)**

*(Customize based on office: city council, state legislature, governor, Congress)*

- Does every county have the right to determine its own comprehensive plan? Or should it be left to developers?
- Would you consider repeal of sections of the Live Local Act giving authority to developers? How?
- Do you support giving the management of water to the state and not local communities (HB479)? Will you help to repeal that bill?
- What local problems are you most qualified to solve?
- Do you support the idea of 15 Minute/Smart cities? How about Smart Meters?
- What are your thoughts about Chemtrails? Would you take action to stop them?
- How will you support small businesses and local job creation?
- What reforms would you prioritize in policing, public safety, or local governance?
- How do you plan to improve local schools or reduce property taxes?

## **9. National Security & Foreign Policy (for candidates running for Fed offices.)**

- What should America's role be on the global stage?
- How do you view U.S. support for allies (e.g., NATO, Israel, Taiwan, Ukraine)?
- What is your stance on military spending and modernization?
- How should the U.S. approach threats from China, Russia, Iran, and non-state actors?
- What is your view on trade policy - free trade vs. protective tariffs?
- What is your view on Greenland, Panama Canal?

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**(Only Interviewer Notes below this line)**