



## Questions for Candidates for County Republican Chair Conservative Coalition of Harris County

*Our questionnaire is for candidates to indicate their reasons and opinions concerning issues surrounding their races. This questionnaire will be posted onto the Conservative Coalition of Harris County website for public voter viewing.*

Candidate Name	Position that Candidate is Running For
Cindy Siegel	Harris County GOP Chair

*Please give your answer to each of the following questions and please include your rationale with each answer. Please be concise & clear.*

1. What are the important issues that the Harris County Republican Party needs to address to win at the polls in 2024?  
**Answer: 1. Messaging on top issues of voter concern and voter persuasion to Independents, Swing Voters and Lite Republicans. 2. GOTV for the Republican primary voters and Republican leaning voters through our successful texting program, digital streaming, block walking, and English/Spanish radio ads and direct mail 3. Raising funds for the party's campaign efforts for all candidates including the joint judicial campaign and 4. Expand our poll watcher/ election worker recruitment and placement program.**

2. Please describe the qualifications and experience that make you the best candidate for the office you are seeking. What differentiates you from the other candidates?

**Answer: I am the only candidate in this race who has the experience needed to lead and manage the Harris County Republican Party (the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest county in the country) and continue to build upon the success and momentum we have gained over the last 3 years.**

**Over the past 3 years we are the first urban area in Texas to win any countywide seats in almost a decade and the first countywide wins in Harris Cty since 2014. We helped flip 3 large school districts to a conservative majority. We helped elect last year the most Republicans to Houston City Council by our texting to over 65,000 Houston Republican voters and 76% turnout success rate. We led the fight for election integrity by taking whatever steps were needed (ie, poll watchers, legal action and legislative advocacy) that resulted in getting rid of two Election Administrators and returning the elections to the duly elected County Clerk and passing a law that will allow the Secretary of State to take over running the elections if gross mismanagement of elections is not corrected.**

**Compared to my opponent, I have been a long term grassroots activist for many years supporting by donating, block walking and hosting meet and greets for candidates and I have been active and a leader in Republican organizations. I have been a winning candidate (winning 8 out of the 9 races I have been in) where my opponent has only run for office one time in 2010 and he lost significantly. I have been a precinct chair and an election judge and was the treasurer for the party for over 5 years. I have been a delegate many times to my precinct, senate and state conventions. So, I have the knowledge about the “business side”, how to organize and get results from political campaigns and grassroots efforts and an in-depth understanding of the election laws and what is needed for a secure and fair election. But lastly, I am not a quitter. I am not giving up the fight for our county and our country.**

**I have the endorsements of Senators Middleton, Creighton, Bettencourt and Huffman, State Rep Valoree Swanson, Harris County Commissioner Tom Ramsey and Former Commissioner Jack Cagle, Houston City Councilmembers Fred Flickinger, Amy Peck and Willie Davis and Former Houston City Councilman Greg Travis, and over 90% of the Harris County SREC members and SD Chairs, Marty Lancton (President of Houston Professional Firefighters Association) as well as many precinct chairs and grassroots volunteers.**

3. What changes will you make to improve the efficiency of the Harris County Republican Party during the next chairman term?
- Answer: 1. Continue to expand our data platform and metrics that we have and hire a data manager who can assist precinct chairs and party leadership with the analytics of voter turnout and targeting voters by precincts and senate districts. 2. Continue to cross train staff and volunteers (ie, elections vs. political vs. outreach) so that we can effectively and quickly respond to a dynamic and changing political environment. 3. Expand communications with more texting and townhalls with the precinct chairs, election workers, candidates and grassroots activists.**
4. What will you do to improve placement of Republican Alternate Judges and poll watchers at Harris County polling locations across the ENTIRE county for the general election? Are there plans in place in the case that county polling places have “malfunctions” during the November election?
- Answer: We have in addition to the Ballot Security Committee chaired by Stan Stanart an Election Planning Committee that has been preparing for November 2024 since last summer. This team of approximately 15 experienced and knowledgeable election workers is focused on recruitment, placement and training of election workers; continuation of rapid response team to include early voting with a triage and incident tracking system to monitor and immediately address “malfunctions”; expand poll watcher recruitment, credentialing, training and placement; developing HCRP training to include online training and “train the trainers”; and conducting a pre-risk assessment and analysis lead with Stan Stanart and Sonya Aston as the leads.**
5. Historically, Harris County has been almost evenly divided in past elections between Republicans and Democrats. In the last two elections, the county has gone toward the Democrats. What is your plan to attract more minority, young and independent voters to vote Republican in the 2024 Primary and General elections countywide?
- Answer: We hired a young Hispanic man as our Outreach Director last summer. He has made significant strides in networking with minority leaders and groups in the community. We are working with a group that is coordinating the Hispanic outreach and GOTV efforts across the state and have received funding from this group. We started last year a “Leaders on the Rise” program targeting conservative professionals between the age of 25-45 to expand the involvement in the party and leadership opportunities for young conservatives 45 and under. Continue our robust intern program. Continue our Leaders on the Right podcast that discusses in-depth about important issues, like border security, with Republican leaders and experts targeting our base and the independent voters. Expand our voter registration program to partner with conservative church leaders in Harris County.**

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