



Questions for Candidates for US Congress Offices from the Conservative Coalition of Harris County

Our questionnaire is designed to give the candidate space 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 for which Candidate is Running
Michael Pratt	U.S Congress - Texas Congressional District 38

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

1. Please describe the qualifications and experience that make you the best candidate in your political race.

Answer: As a conservative, I have protected our children and I have protected our taxpayers. I have delivered conservative results (not rhetoric) in the U.S. Marine Corps, at Compaq and Hewlett-Packard as well as on the conservative Tomball ISD School Board. I have protected our children and I have protected our taxpayers.

I bring a rare combination of **military service, executive business leadership, and proven elected experience** that directly prepares me to serve Texas' 38th Congressional District effectively from Day One.

As an **Officer in the United States Marine Corps**, I learned leadership under pressure, accountability, and mission-first decision-making. Those values have guided my entire career in service to others.

In the private sector, I built a successful career at **Compaq and Hewlett-Packard**, working in large, complex organizations where results matter, budgets are real, and poor decisions have consequences. I understand how jobs are created, how inflation hurts families and small businesses, and why government must live within its means, because that's how the real economy works.

Most importantly, I have **proven elected leadership experience**. As a **three-time President of the Tomball Independent School District Board of Trustees**, I am trusted by conservative voters to lead! I have been vetted by voters and even the Conservative Coalition of Harris County. I am the only one in this race that is on the public record with my votes. I have voted and we have lowered school property taxes and made sure that we do not permit divisive ideologies and that we properly focus on reading, writing and arithmetic along with focus on character! Conservative constituents support me because they like the Conservative results that I deliver. Under that leadership, Tomball ISD became the **only A-rated school district in Harris County and Montgomery County**, achieved a **99% graduation rate**, maintained **balanced budgets**, earned **top credit ratings**, and **lowered the school property tax rate**, all while protecting parental rights, supporting teachers, and keeping divisive ideologies out of the classroom.

That record demonstrates what conservative principles deliver when applied with discipline: **results, not rhetoric**.

I am on the only candidate that has proven leadership with conservative results delivered. The differentiation is clear! Texas' 38th District deserves a Congressman who has been accountable to voters, understands the private sector, honors military service, and has already delivered measurable outcomes. I am running to bring that same steady, results-driven leadership to Congress, focused on fiscal responsibility, border security, strong national defense, energy independence, and putting Texas families first.

2. Please explain what you believe are the most significant issues in this race, why you are running for this position and what differentiates you from the other candidate(s).

Answer: The most important issues in Texas' 38th Congressional District are cost of living, border security, energy reliability, public safety, and accountability in Washington. Families in TX-38 are being squeezed by inflation, high energy costs, and a federal government that spends too much, regulates too much, and listens too little.

First, inflation and fiscal responsibility. Reckless federal spending has driven up prices on groceries, housing, and everyday essentials. TX-38 needs a representative who understands real economics, not government theory—and will fight to rein in spending, protect taxpayers, and grow jobs and wages.

Second, border and national security. A secure border is a national security issue. Texans see the impact every day, fentanyl in our communities and increased pressure on law enforcement. As a U.S. Marine Corps veteran, I support strong enforcement, real deterrence, and restoring the rule of law at the border.

Third, energy independence and reliability. Texas powers America. Overregulation threatens affordability and grid reliability. I support an all-of-the-above energy strategy to include more nuclear energy that keeps power reliable and costs low for families and businesses.

Fourth, parental rights and local accountability. Parents want schools focused on education, not politics. I agree and have always had this focus. When leaders respect parents, teachers, and taxpayers, communities thrive and ours is proof.

I am running for U.S. Congress because TX-38 deserves leadership that delivers results, not talking points. I've spent my life in service and leadership roles where accountability is real and outcomes matter.

What sets me apart is proven experience and results. I am the only candidate with U.S. Marine Corps service, senior private-sector leadership at Compaq and HP, and publicly elected leadership experience as three-time President of the Tomball ISD Board. Under that leadership, Tomball ISD became the only A-rated district in Harris County, achieved a 99% graduation rate, maintained balanced budgets, earned top credit ratings, and lowered the school property tax rate.

TX-38 doesn't need on-the-job training. It needs a representative ready to lead on Day One, grounded in real-world experience, accountable to voters, and focused on delivering results for Texas families.

3. What will your top 2 or 3 priorities be during this upcoming term?

Answer: My top priorities will be border security, fiscal responsibility to lower the cost of living, and energy reliability.

First, continuing to secure the border. This is a national security issue. I will support policies that enforce existing law, stop fentanyl and human trafficking, and restore deterrence, because a country without borders is not a country.

Second, reining in federal spending to fight inflation. Washington’s reckless spending is driving up costs for families. I will push for spending discipline, oppose tax increases (I signed the no new tax pledge), and focus on policies that grow jobs and wages, not bigger government.

Third, protecting Texas energy leadership and grid reliability. Texas powers America. I will oppose anti-energy mandates, support an all-of-the-above energy strategy to include nuclear power, and ensure reliable, affordable power for families and businesses.

Results matter. I’ve delivered balanced budgets, lower school property tax rates, and accountability in elected office and I’ll bring that same discipline to the U.S. Congress for TX-38.

4. What are your solutions to identifying and cutting fraud and waste in the federal budget?

Answer: Cutting fraud and waste starts with accountability, transparency, and enforcement, principles that work in the real world.

First, follow the money. I support regular, zero-based reviews of federal programs, forcing agencies to justify every dollar, not just last year’s spending plus more. Programs that can’t prove results should be reduced or eliminated.

Second, strengthen oversight and audits. We need real consequences for failure. I will push to expand the use of independent inspectors general, enforce clean audits across all agencies, and tie senior bureaucrat bonuses to performance and compliance.

Third, stop fraud before it happens. That means better data-sharing between agencies, modernized IT systems to flag duplicate or improper payments, and tougher penalties for fraudsters, especially in Medicare, Medicaid, unemployment, and disaster programs where abuse is well documented.

Finally, bring private-sector discipline to government. In business and in elected office, I balanced budgets and lowered taxes by demanding measurable outcomes. I’ll apply the same approach in Congress: results over rhetoric, and taxpayer dollars treated with respect.

5. What are the most important issues that Republicans need to focus on in order to maintain control of the US House in the November 2026 election?

Answer: To maintain a House majority, Republicans will need to emphasize economic cost of living and offer credible healthcare cost solutions, maintain a strong border and national security stance, present a compelling campaign narrative, and demonstrate unified, effective leadership in action. Addressing these core issues in ways that resonate with both the GOP base and undecided or moderate voters will be essential for success in November 2026.

Thank you to the CCHC PAC for endorsing me in the past.

I'm a conservative who delivers results. I am on the public record with my votes!

I've spent my life protecting what matters most: our country, our children and our taxpayers. As a U.S. Marine Corps veteran, I learned leadership, accountability, and service before self. In the private sector at Compaq and Hewlett-Packard, I worked where budgets are real, results matter, and failure has consequences.

My conservative community has recognized my actions and has continued to support me in public office protecting our students and our taxpayers!

As a three-time President of the Tomball ISD School Board, I put those same conservative principles into action protecting parental rights, keeping divisive ideologies and politics out of classrooms, balancing budgets, earning top credit ratings, and lowering the school property tax rate while delivering A-rated schools and a 99% graduation rate.

That's not rhetoric. That's a public record.

Results matter. I've delivered them, and I will again for TX-38.

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