



## Questions for Candidates for Texas Attorney General from the 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 for which Candidate is Running
Mayes Middleton	Attorney General

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

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1.	Please describe the qualifications and experience that make you the best candidate in your political race.
	<p><b>Answer:</b> This is a show me don't tell me business and I can show you the conservative results:</p> <p>For 7 years I've been drafting and crafting the laws of our state, fighting for them, defending them on the House floor, on the Senate floor, and against the radical left who have viciously fought me. For 7 years I've been ranked as the #1 or #2 most conservative legislators, which is why President Trump called my conservative record "second to none." When I was first elected to the House, I worked with the Trump administration to help triple border security. As Chair of the House Freedom Caucus, we fought for a number of key issues like the ban on sanctuary cities, constitutional carry, and the strongest ban on COVID-19 vaccine mandates in the country, which I authored. We fought back against the woke mob and won, and I still have arrows in my back to prove it. In the Senate, I passed the bill to designate entities like CAIR, Muslim Brotherhood, and Tren de Aragua as foreign enemies of Texas and to deny them from owning any real estate in this Great State. I also authored and passed the Save Women's Sports Act to kick men out of women's sports and give opportunity back to the daughters of Texas, and the Texas Women's Privacy Act to kick perverted men out of girl's private spaces. I will not bend to the woke left's radical gender ideology. Because of my proven record, I've been endorsed by a majority of republican state representatives, majority of the SREC, Riley Gaines, and Texas' leading conservative groups like Texas Values, Texas Family Project, Texas Homeschool Coalition, Texas Eagle Forum, Moms for America, and True Texas Project.</p>
  
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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).
	<p><b>Answer:</b> The political battlefield has turned into a spiritual one. The left is coming for our children, our freedoms, and our communities and I will not bend to their delusions. I am the only candidate in this race to have been personally protested at the Texas capitol this year. Hundreds of men in women's dresses screamed in the halls with giant signs that had my eyes crossed out, calling me the "bathroom bigot" because I didn't want perverted men in my little girl's restroom, locker room, or shower. I have been here in the trenches with real</p>

Texans, fighting the good fight and building lasting relationships and coalitions with legislators, grassroots communities, and business leaders. Because of my years of working hand-in-hand with these organizations, I provide a unique position as attorney general to advance the conservative agenda and get meaningful policy enforced. I am running for attorney general to make Texas the safest state in America to live and raise a family. I reject the legislative healthcare and pension, and donate the salary to charity. I don't want some cushy DC job, or to advance some personal need for recognition. I am only here to serve. I'm not retreating from Washington DC because I'm never going to Washington DC. As a 7th generation Texan I was born here and will be buried here, I've always known the fight is here because of our 10th Amendment. The reason why it's so important is that we don't have another Texas to move to.

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

**Answer:** My top three priorities are to first use every tool in the Attorney General's office to secure our border and advance President Trump's deportation agenda. We don't know what all came over the border during Biden's immigration crisis, but it is up to us to deal with it. We do know that unprecedented levels of crime and dangerous drugs like fentanyl and ketamine poured across Biden's open border and caused the deaths of thousands of Texans. Part of my job as the next Attorney General will be to organize and disperse a stand alone division dedicated to rooting out cartels and organized crime, to stop our enemies from harming and poisoning Texans. All organized crime—including the heinous crimes I believe George Soros and other foreign-born actors, such as Hansjörg Wyss (a Swiss billionaire who funds a myriad of radical leftist groups across the country), have committed in this great state—will be investigated and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. Additionally, everyone supports cutting waste, fraud, and abuse from public office, but we need to go a step further and hold those that have committed the waste, fraud, and abuse accountable. Thirdly, our elections are essential to this American experiment. One illegal vote cancels out your legal vote. If we do not have secure elections, how is the government expected to be attuned to its citizens and advance the policies they desire? I will establish a standalone task force division with full law enforcement authority to investigate and prosecute election-related crimes, ensuring Texas has the most secure elections in the nation—and therefore elections that most accurately represent the will of the people.

4. What are your solutions to identifying, investigating, and prosecuting public benefit fraud in our state?

**Answer:** I am sick and tired of politicians benefitting from their positions of power while leaving their constituency behind. That's one of the reasons why I take zero perks from the offices I've held or will hold. I plan to root out fraud, waste, and abuse with a stand alone division within the OAG that will investigate and prosecute any elected leader who abuses taxpayer trust to the fullest extent of the law.

5. What strategies will you use to improve efficiencies for investigating and prosecuting crimes, including human trafficking, internet crimes against children, and election fraud?

**Answer:** Too many Texans have died as a result of soft on crime liberal government policies. Holding our DA's accountable is the first step in ensuring justice. Our laws and constitutions are not suggestions, and any DA or local elected official that treats them that way should be removed from office. Too many times we have seen violent criminals with multiple felonies let out on bail only to break the law again. I will ensure that criminals stay behind bars, where they belong, by holding our local elected leaders accountable for upholding the rule of law, and by creating the aforementioned divisions specialized in investigating and prosecuting their respective crimes.

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PLEASE SAVE YOUR COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRE TO YOUR LOCAL MACHINE IN THE EVENT THAT THERE ARE ANY TECHNICAL PROBLEMS WHEN YOU ATTEMPT TO EMAIL IT BACK.

Once this questionnaire has been completed, please email it to:

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## Mayes Middleton Bio & Campaign Links

### Texas Attorney General

Mayes Middleton, a 7th generation Texan, is President of Middleton Oil Company, an independent oil and gas company. Mayes is an attorney and also runs ranching, cattle, and farming operations. Mayes and his wife, Macy, have four children: Connor, Christian, Matthew, and Martha Ann. Mayes and Macy support numerous local community organizations and faith-based charities throughout the Galveston-Houston region.



Now in the Texas Senate, Mayes represents Senate District 11, encompassing portions of Brazoria, Galveston, and Harris Counties. Throughout his time in both the House and Senate, Mayes has consistently ranked among the most conservative members of the Legislature. Mayes has championed border security and law enforcement, the ban on taxpayer-funded lobbying, parental choice in education, and fighting back against the radical left's woke agenda. As a senator, Mayes authored and passed the Save Women's Sports Act, prohibiting men from unfairly competing in women's collegiate sports. Additionally, Mayes authored and passed the strongest ban on COVID vaccine mandates in the country.

Prior to serving in the Texas Senate, Mayes served two terms in the Texas House of Representatives, representing Chambers and Galveston Counties. During his last term in the Texas House, Mayes served as Chairman of the Texas House Freedom Caucus.

He believes in public service, not self-service. That is why Mayes has rejected the state pension and healthcare and donates his entire state salary to local charities.

Mayes has a law degree from The University of Texas Law School and has been licensed to practice law since 2008.

### Endorsements

The following conservative groups have endorsed Senator Middleton:

Texas Eagle Forum, Texas Values Action, Conservative Republicans of Texas, Texas Home School Coalition, Texas Family Project, Moms for America Action, Bastrop County Conservatives, East Texans for Liberty, True Texas Project, Kingwood Tea Party, Texas Conservative Review, Latinos United for Conservative Action, Texas College Republicans, Texas High School Republicans, San Jacinto Conservatives

The following SREC Executives have endorsed Senator Middleton:

Royce Albrecht - SREC, Senate District 27; Christin Bentley - SREC, Senate District 1;

Bruce Bishop - SREC, Senate District 2; Scott Bowen - SREC, Senate District 6; Chuck Burnett - SREC, Senate District 20; Tisha Crow - SREC, Senate District 31; Gaylyn DeVine - SREC, Senate District 11; Brenda K. Estis - SREC, Senate District 15; Steve Evans - SREC, Senate District 28; Jerry Fisher - SREC, Senate District 2; Deborah Kelting Fite - SREC, Senate District 7; Ralph Fite - SREC, Senate District 7; Susan Fountain - SREC, Senate

District 16; Rolando Garcia - SREC, Senate District 15; Dale Gible - SREC, Senate District 13; Paul Hale - SREC, Senate District 1; Brandon Hodges - SREC, Senate District 31; Dale Inman - SREC, Senate District 4; Jon Ker - SREC, Senate District 22; Roman Klein - SREC, Senate District 17; Melissa Knerr - SREC, Senate District 20; Jeneria Lewis - SREC, Senate District 27; Dawn McDonald - SREC, Senate District 6; Ken Moore - SREC, Senate District 11; Milinda Morris - SREC, Senate District 13; Matthew Patrick - SREC, Senate District 16; Kelly Perry - SREC, Senate District 19; Jim Pikel - SREC, Senate District 8; Randy Purham - SREC, Senate District 21; Jeremy Story - SREC, Senate District 5; Adolpho Telles - SREC, Senate District 29; Rhonda Ward - SREC, Senate District 3; Walter West - SREC, Senate District 19; Gwen Withrow - SREC, Senate District 4; Ed Zenner - SREC, Senate District 23

The following state Legislators have endorsed Senator Middleton:

Rep. Daniel Alders, Rep. Brad Buckley, Rep. Ben Bumgarner, Rep. Angie Chen Button, Rep. Briscoe Cain, Rep. Charles Cunningham, Rep. Pat Curry, Rep. Mark Dorazio, Rep. James Frank, Rep. Gary Gates, Rep. Stan Gerdes, Rep. Ryan Guillen, Rep. Cody Harris, Rep. Brian Harrison, Rep. Richard Hayes, Rep. Cole Hefner, Rep. Hillary Hickland, Rep. Janis Holt, Rep. Lacey Hull, Rep. Carrie Isaac, Rep. Helen Kerwin, Rep. Stan Kitzman, Rep. Brooks Landgraf, Rep. Janie Lopez, Rep. JM Lozano, Rep. John Lujan, Rep. John McQueeney, Rep. Will Metcalf, Rep. Morgan Meyer, Rep. Brent Money, Rep. Matt Morgan, Rep. Tom Oliverson, Rep. Jared Patterson, Rep. Dennis Paul, Rep. Keresa Richardson, Rep. Mike Schofield, Rep. Alan Schoolcraft, Rep. Matt Shaheen, Rep. Joanne Shofner, Rep. David Spiller, Rep. Valoree Swanson, Rep. Carl Tepper, Rep. Steve Toth, Rep. Ellen Troxclair, Rep. Cody Vasut, Rep. Denise Villalobos, Rep. Trey Wharton, Rep. Terri Leo Wilson

The following conservative leaders have endorsed Senator Middleton:

April Aguirre, Ben Armenta, Dr. Robin Armstrong - RNC Committeeman, Brian Babin - U.S. Congressman, Mona Bailey, Rick Barnes - Tarrant County Tax Assessor-Collector, David Barton, John Berry, Cindi Castilla - Texas Eagle Forum President, Wayne Christian- Texas Railroad Commissioner, Chad Cohen - Dallas Young Republicans Chairman, Doc Collins- Van Zandt County, Genevieve Collins, Mel Cooper - Bastrop County Conservatives, David Covey, Pastor Mark Lee Dickson, Shannon Dubberly - Keller City Councilman, Chris Fails, Jennifer Fleck - Travis County Republican Chairman, Fred Flickinger - Houston City Councilmember, Louie Gohmert - Former U.S. Congressman, Mark Goloby, Erik Gomez - City of Sabinal Mayor, Lance Gooden - U.S. Congressman, Michael Grabowski - Humble ISD Board of Trustees, Rick Green, Kent Grusendorf, Brent Hagenbuch - Texas State Senator, Brandon Hall - State Board of Education, Dr. Mark Hanson - Former President Arlington Republican Club, Jamie Haynes, Russell Hayter - Former Hays County Republican Chairman, Gay Herrin - Project Destiny, Chris Hill - Collin County Judge, Adam Hinojosa - Texas State Senator, Kaleb Holmes - Texas High School Republicans, Dr. Steve Hotze, Mary Nan Huffman - Houston City Councilmember, Pastor Troy Jackson, Reagan Keith, Aaron Kinsey - Texas State Board of Education Chairman, Jamie Story Kohlmann, Matt Krause - Tarrant County Commissioner, Rhonda Lacy, Dean Lane, Dennis London, Vidal Martinez, Jack McCarty - Mayor of North Richland Hills, Craig McCown - Cut and Shoot Police Chief; Thomas McNutt - Alexandra del Moral Mealer, Rev. Ramiro A. Peña - Founder and Pastor of Christ the King Baptist Church, Julie Pickren - Texas State Board of Education, Mona Puente, Vince Puente, Mike Pusley - Nueces County Commissioner Precinct 1, Kevin Roberts, Jonathan Saenz - Texas Values President, Matt Schaefer - Former State Representative, Connie Scott - Nueces County Judge, Ryan Sitton -

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