



**Candidate Questionnaire for
San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee
Primary Election, June 7, 2016**

Please return this questionnaire electronically to contact_us@phdemclub.org **no later than Sunday, April 4th**. Candidates who do not return the questionnaire by the due date will not be invited to appear at our April 12th endorsement meeting. Questionnaires will be made available to our members online.

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Please write a brief response (≤ 200 words) to each question.

1. Why are you running for the DCCC and what do you hope to accomplish if elected or re-elected?

I am running for DCCC because I believe as a collective group we can accomplish a great deal. I believe that we can get things done more quickly and efficiently when we work with people who have different viewpoints, versus working against them. My style is like a mediator's, balancing the interests of different parties. I want to see the DCCC to be more efficient. We can work out differences with honesty and transparency rather than dealing in back room politics as the DCCC has unfortunately become.

2. Please describe your current and past community activism.

I was more active and involved in the community activism when I was in college at UCSC including but not limited to feeding the homeless and protesting for justice. I'm not as involved as now as I was back then; however, I want to get back into helping the community. As a Personal Injury & Civil Rights lawyer, I contribute to society through some pro bono and Civil Rights matters (including employment discrimination and police brutality.)

3. Would you support closing the campaign finance loophole that allows candidates running for their party's Central Committee to raise unlimited funds, while other candidates for local elected office are limited to \$500 per donor? Why or why not? *No, I do not support it because it is not fair. The purpose of these election rules is to be fairness (meaning fair and equal opportunity for everyone).*

4. Please name the 3 endorsements of which you are most proud.

I am new to politics so I have not been at this time endorsed but I would be proud if Chinese American Democratic Party and/or Chinese Asian Citizens Alliance, a woman's group, San Francisco League of Conservation Voters endorse me.

5. Please indicate, and explain, your position on the following past ballot propositions.

- Proposition G (2014), Additional Transfer Tax on Residential Property Sold Within 5 Years of Purchase
 - Supported__Yes__ Opposed____ Why?
- Proposition F (2015), Short-Term Residential Rentals
 - Supported__YES__ Opposed____ Why?

6. The population of SF is up, but Democratic Party registration and turnout have mostly been down in recent years. What specifically will you do to improve the Party's registration efforts and organization in District 10?

I have a lot of young friends who are not registered to vote. We asked, they often list three main reasons: they feel their votes don't count, they don't want jury duty, and lastly, that politics doesn't serve their interests. I'm sure everyone has different reasons for not voting but those are the big reasons. We want to encourage them by reaching out to them and understanding their interests and issues not just the adults' issues and include their interests as well. We should educate them about these laws and show them how these laws will affect them in the future.

Thank you for your time and your commitment to public service. Pending timely receipt of your questionnaire, we look forward to seeing you at the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House on April 12th.

Executive Committee, Potrero Hill Democratic Club