

Carroll County Republican Central Committee Questionnaire for General Assembly Candidates

Dan Cox, State Delegate, District 4 (Frederick and Carroll Counties)

Would you support a reduction in the cap on property tax assessments? **Yes.**

Would you support bringing all new taxes and tax rate increase for voter approval? **Yes.**

Would you support a Maryland Taxpayer Bill of Rights? **Yes.**

Would you support a citizen's right to carry firearms for personal protection? **Yes.**

Would you support taxpayer funded benefits for illegal aliens? **No.**

Should Maryland be a sanctuary state? **No.**

How do you plan on working with the BOE to do what is best for students and tax payers? **Listening, seeking to implement legislation requested by County BOEs, increasing share of tax dollars per pupil to be equal with state share median (seeking equal dollars for all counties), ensuring the School Resource Officers are in every school and dollars flow to pay for that program.**

How would you rate Governor Hogan's performance? **Excellent.**

How do you plan on working with Governor Hogan to do what is best for Carroll County if you are both elected? **Listening to the Governor's vision and specific plans for Carroll County and the Delegation; working together to implement the Delegation's plan.**

Is it fair to assume prior donations to individuals and campaigns reflect your character and values? **Yes, hopefully. I've not donated to anyone who is not a conservative, pro-life candidate to my knowledge.**

Although Carroll County is run overwhelmingly by Republicans, the General Assembly is controlled by the Democrats. If elected, how do you plan on working with Democrats when it comes to resolving issues that have to be addressed at the state level? **As an attorney, I am trained in resolving conflicts between litigating parties and coming up with a resolution with opposing counsel that is satisfactory to all parties. I will continue these negotiation skills across the party lines.**

Governor Hogan and President Trump are both Republicans. However, they have two very different approaches when it comes to governing. As a Republican, do you think that it is possible to be a supporter of both Governor Hogan and President Trump? **Yes. I strongly support both.**

Have you ever been a named party in a lawsuit against the Maryland Republican party or one of the state's Republican central committees? **No.**

Are you able to work with Republicans who have varying conservative ideologies? **Yes. As a former Chair of a Republican Central Committee and campaign staff for various Republican campaigns, I regularly work with Republicans of varying ideologies without compromising conservative values.**

What is your favorite thing about living in Carroll County? **Growing up on a farm that bordered Carroll County, I enjoyed the open farmland while having easy access to Annapolis, Baltimore and DC.**

In three words, describe Carroll County Values. **Faith, Family, Freedom.**

When and why did you become a Republican? **Working side by side with my Republican grandparents (former Goldwater supporters) we helped elect the 40th President of the United States, President Ronald Reagan. I was instilled with conservative, freedom principles from an early age. As I grew, I studied the US and Maryland Constitutions, and served as an Annapolis intern with a pro-family lobby group, reading 3000+ pieces of legislation each year of my junior and senior high school years. Reading great books about our freedom and its fragility, always being only one generation away from extinction (Reagan), I became dedicated to the principles that were God's blessings to make and keep us great. I went to law school to study constitutional law and property rights to further this interest and remain committed to the same today.**

Are you pro-Life? **Yes, from conception to natural death.**

Are you supportive of the Second Amendment? **Yes, I have also defended the same in court.**

Are you in favor of any restrictions on the Second Amendment? **No. We need more personal protection and right to carry freedom in order to ensure a more peaceful and protected free and civilized society. An armed populace is the best defense against tyranny. In an age when we just witnessed communism's murder of over 100 million people, it would be foolhardy to hand over our 2A freedom to an ever-increasing tyrannical extreme Left.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO CARROLL COUNTY AND AMERICA.

GOD BLESS,

Dan Cox