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**Q1**

Identity-Please fill out the indicated fields.

**Candidate Name:** David "Flimsy" Adkins  
**Office Seeking:** House of delegates  
**Party Affiliation:** Republican  
**District:** 30

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**Q2**

Contact Info-Please fill out the indicated fields.

**Address:** 510 state street  
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**City/Town:** Hamlin  
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**Q3**

Education &amp; Experience-Please fill out the indicated fields.

**High School Attended (Ex: School name, city, & state):** Hamlin high school Hamlin West Virginia  
**Colleges Attended & Degrees Obtained (Ex: Marshall, MBA):** Lincoln county vocational school  
**Current Employer & Job Position (Ex: WVMA, Director of Operations):** RetiredLincoln county vocational school  
**Describe your current job & responsibilities:** Retired  
**How long have you worked for your current employer?:** 2years

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**Q4**

Describe your overall philosophy toward the role of state government as it relates to business and industry.

I am pro business and industry

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**Q5**

What do you bring to the office you seek? Specifically, what have you built, improved, or changed for the benefit of your community or business?

I am a retired from owning a contracting and excavating business, as mayor of Hamlin I have improved the financial situation, cleaned up the town, dropped the crime rate and improved the looks of the main streets and parks.

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**Q6**

Please list any groups, associations, or non-profits in which you are an active member or volunteer such as civic groups, labor organizations, advocacy groups.

Region II planning and development council, Tri River transit, Lincoln friends of the art.

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**Q7**

West Virginia is facing many challenges. What do you consider to be the most important and critical challenge that threatens our state and what is your plan to alleviate this threat?

Education and jobs, take money from the rainy day fund and inject it into education and infrastructure to create more jobs and better education.

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**Q8**

Do you support the passage of Amendment One on the November 2022 General Election ballot? The measure provides the legislature with the authority to repeal or phase out tangible personal property in the future, this includes tax on personal vehicles, small business inventory, and tax on manufacturing inventory, machinery, and equipment.

Yes

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**Q9**

What ideas do you have to help build our state's economy and improve West Virginia's position in competing for investment and job growth?

We need infrastructure so businesses will want to come to the state of West Virginia and employ our workforce.

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**Q10**

Use of and addiction to opioids in West Virginia and our region have reached crisis levels. This is a problem being recognized not only at the state level, but at the federal level. What ideas do you have to help stop this devastating trend in our state?

We got to make people want to get off of drugs, we need to change their habits people that they associated with Including their old phone numbers and make it harder for them to get in touch or get around there old Group of people and also help them get jobs and start a new life.

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**Q11**

Racial justice and equity, LGBTQ rights and gender equity are important factors for many current West Virginia employers, companies that consider moving to our State, and employees who may consider relocating to West Virginia. How would you address these issues to recruit and retain companies and employees for whom this is a priority?

Equal rights are important for the growth of companies and corporations.

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**Q12**

What are your specific ideas for addressing workforce skills gaps in industry? Specifically, with the growth of manufacturing jobs in the state and need for diverse and skilled labor, what are your ideas to prepare the state's current and future workforce for manufacturing jobs.

Vocational training

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**Q13**

What are your ideas for improving outcomes in the state's K-12 public education system?

Injecting money into the education system.

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**Q14**

What ideas do you have for incorporating a focus on STEM education in our public schools and how could industry engage to support increased workforce learning models in middle and high schools, as well as career and technical education centers (vo-tech)?

The industry needs to work hand-in-hand with the CTE programs at our schools.

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**Q15**

Please describe policies that you believe may be helpful in balancing state regulations and environmental rules while maintaining a competitive atmosphere for industrial job growth and investment?

The DEP, DHHR and other environmental organizations need to relax their authority just a little bit and work better with the companies and corporations.

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**Q16**

What do you think West Virginia could do to promote energy diversity including the growth of renewable energy sources in the state?

Both sides of the legislatures need to work together.

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**Q17**

Many corporations have established environmental, social, and governance criteria. How would such goals impact your decision making on relevant policy issues as a member of legislator?

If most companies and corporations had this criteria in place then policy issues would not be as relevant.

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**Q18**

If you could work on a single piece of legislation to help support manufacturers with in the state of West Virginia what would it be? and Why?

Vocational training, you would have a trained force straight out of school that would know how to do their job, This would save the manufacturing industry from having to spend money to train for people for those jobs.

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**Q19**

Would you be available for an interview remotely or in person?

Yes, if scheduled in advance.

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**Q20**

Where may the WVMA follow you on social media? Please list social media handles including Facebook, Twitter, and others.

David flimsy Adkins on Facebook and Instagram.

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