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### Q1

Identity-Please fill out the indicated fields.

**Candidate Name:** Jim Marion  
**Office Seeking:** House of Delegates  
**Party Affiliation:** Democrat  
**District:** 14th

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### Q2

Contact Info-Please fill out the indicated fields.

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### Q3

Education & Experience-Please fill out the indicated fields.

**High School Attended (Ex: School name, city, & state):** Parkersburg South, Parkersburg WV  
**Colleges Attended & Degrees Obtained (Ex: Marshall, MBA):** WVU  
**Current Employer & Job Position (Ex: WVMA, Director of Operations):** Retired

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**Q4**

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

To help businesses and industries.

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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?

Common horse sense.

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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.

none

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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?

Good paying jobs. By having businesses that have good paying jobs, people will pay more taxes, therefore business will pay less.

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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?

see answer to 7

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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?

Education and treatment centers.

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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?

Companies that pay good wages will get all people.

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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.

More technical training in high schools.

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**Q13**

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

To keep good teachers, we have to pay them more.

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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)?

Partner more industries with vo-tech centers.

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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?

A good balance. What is good in Ohio or California or any other state may not be good in WV.

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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?

Improve living conditions in all parts of the state.

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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?

As long as it helps the state.

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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?

I do not think the right to work law helps to bring more better paying businesses into WV.

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**Q19**

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

Yes

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**Q20**

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

Jim Marion for the House of Delegates on Facebook.

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