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Q1

Identity-Please fill out the indicated fields.

Candidate Name: Vernon Criss
Office Seeking: House of Delegates
Party Affiliation: Rep
District: 12

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
Colleges Attended & Degrees Obtained (Ex: Marshall, MBA): West Virginia Wesleyan
Current Employer & Job Position (Ex: WVMA, Director of Operations): Atlas Towing Company. Executive
Describe your current job & responsibilities: All
How long have you worked for your current employer?: 60 years

Q4

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

Get government out of my business

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?

Get government out of my business

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.

Camden Clark Foundation. Boy Scouts Buckskin Council

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?

Getting government out of my business

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.

Most definitely

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?

Encourage government to allow business to grow

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?

Hang the dealers

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?

Let the employers do what they need but don't mandate these policies on others

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.

Look to our school both public education and college to be updated to furnish

Q13

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

Let teachers teach and get politics and national platforms out of the classroom

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)?

Follow the lead of the former WVUP President and get in early to school to help kids find a path

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?

Common sense

Q16

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

The country is about to experience something they don't want. Restrictions on energy consumption. Lots of unhappy people because they let GREEN takeover

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?

It's great that corporations are looking at all aspects of their daily lives and providing a work environment for what employees feel good about

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?

Allow more manufacturing

Q19

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

Yes

Q20

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

Not
