

North Carolina FreeEnterprise Foundation  
2010 Questionnaire  
Candidates for United States Congress

Please complete and return  
by March 19 Deadline

**SECTION I. Candidate Personal Profile Information**

Name: SUSAN HARRIS Office Sought (circle): Senate House District #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Party (circle): Democratic Republican Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: P.O. Box 93 City: Old Fort State: NC Zip: 28762  
County of Residence: McDowell Length of Residence in County: 20 yrs.  
Home Phone: 828-668-4360 Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: asusanharris@jptco.com Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gender: Female Race/Ethnicity: White Religion: Christian  
Place of Birth (city/state): Chicago IL Date of Birth: 8/26/56  
Marital Status (circle): Married Single Divorced Separated Number of Children: 2  
Occupation: Retired Accountant Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Military Service: \_\_\_\_\_ High School: Dixie Hollins High  
Colleges/Universities Attended: Columbia State  
Degrees: Accounting  
Previous Elected/Appointed Offices: Deputy Registrar

**SECTION II. Candidate Campaign Information**

Name of Campaign Committee: SUSAN HARRIS  
Campaign Email: asusanharris@jptco.com Campaign Website: susanharrisforsenate.com  
Campaign Phone: 828-668-4360 Campaign Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Campaign Address: P.O. Box 93 City: Old Fort State: NC Zip: 28762  
Campaign Treasurer: SUSAN HARRIS Campaign Treasurer Phone: 828-668-4360  
Political Consultants: \_\_\_\_\_

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Considering your personal and professional associations, how likely are you to receive support from each of the following groups?

	Very Likely	Likely	Unknown	Unlikely	Very Unlikely
A. North Carolina Advocates for Justice (formerly the Academy of Trial Lawyers)	1	2	3	4	5
B. Medical Groups (ex. Doctors, Hospital Administrators)	1	2	3	4	5
C. Banking & Finance Industry	1	②	3	4	5
D. Utility/Telecommunications Companies	1	2	3	4	5
E. Real Estate & Construction Industry	1	②	3	4	5
F. Labor Unions	1	2	3	4	5
G. Retail/Wholesale Businesses	1	2	3	4	5
H. State Employees Association of N.C. (SEANC)	1	2	3	4	5
I. Insurance Industry	1	2	3	4	5
J. N.C. Association of Educators (NCAE)	1	2	3	4	5
K. Business Professionals (ex. Architects, Accountants, Engineers)	1	②	3	4	5
L. Transportation Industry	1	2	3	4	5
M. Agri-business Interests	1	②	3	4	5
N. Legislative Leadership Committees	1	2	3	4	5

Are there other groups not listed that you would expect to receive a campaign contribution or endorsement from? (Ex. Lillian's List, Anti-Tax Groups)

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**SECTION III. CANDIDATE ISSUE QUESTIONS & STATEMENTS**

**Instructions:** Please respond to the following questions and statements by circling the response that best represents your position or opinion. You are invited to provide additional comments or explanations for your answers on a separate page. Please be sure to identify which question you are commenting on by noting the appropriate question number with your additional comments.

1. For every \$100.00 of sales, about how much profit do you believe the average North Carolina business nets? (Circle one response)

Under \$1      \$1-5      \$5-10      \$10-25      \$25-50      Over \$50

2. The current level of federal taxes paid by North Carolina business and industry is too high, too low, or about right? (Circle one response)

Too high      Too low      About right

3. Have you owned or managed a business? (If so, please describe below.)

Yes      No

Accountant, Photographer

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4. Do you believe that environmental laws and regulations in the United States are too strict, about right, or too lenient?

Too Strict      About Right      Too Lenient      Undecided

5. Do you believe reducing taxes on businesses will stimulate economic activity resulting in the creation of more jobs and increased tax revenue?

Yes      No      Undecided

6. Do you believe reducing taxes on businesses will reduce tax revenues and cause substantial harm to critical government programs and services?

Yes      No      Undecided

7. Do you believe the United States Congress should increase the minimum wage?

Yes      No      Undecided

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8. Do you believe the U.S. Congress should enact "Cap and Trade" legislation that would enable government agencies to cap the amount of emissions a company may produce or require that company to purchase credits if it exceeds the government-set emissions limitation?

Yes       No      Undecided

9. Do you believe a limit should be imposed on the amount of damages a jury can award to a plaintiff beyond the actual monetary loss incurred by the plaintiff?

Yes      No      Undecided

10. Do believe offshore energy exploration should take place off of the coast of North Carolina?

Yes      No      Undecided

11. Do you believe a nonpartisan redistricting commission should be established to draw North Carolina's congressional and state legislative district maps following the 2010 Census?

Yes      No       Undecided

12. Do you believe secret ballot voting during union organizing elections should be eliminated?

Yes       No      Undecided

13. Do you believe employers, employees and organized labor should be subject to binding arbitration in order to determine the wages and benefits an employer must provide for its employees?

Yes       No      Undecided

14. Do you believe the government should take a greater role in establishing rates and prices for financial products and services?

Yes       No      Undecided

15. Do you believe it is necessary for the U.S. Congress to increase regulations on the financial services industry in order to protect the interests of consumers?

Yes      No      Undecided

*(Please proceed to Section IV. Open-Ended Questions)*

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**SECTION IV. OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS**

1. A primary focus of the U.S. Congress this past year has been to reform health care and health insurance in the United States. Please briefly explain your recommendations for reform and the roles of the government and private sector in your proposal.

In a perfect world this country would be able to accomplish everything on this list. Sadly, we have problems with priorities.

We must approach health-care on a practical level and institute policies that cost the least before we revamp the system. Like all public hospitals having a walk-in clinic on property.

Combine clinics, tort reform, portability and pre-existing conditions before a major revamp.

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2. Statewide surveys indicate the top issue on the minds of voters in North Carolina is the economy and jobs. With that in mind, please explain your vision for economic growth and job creation.

The future for N.C. is medicine production, agriculture and technical textile products.

N.C. must attract more related businesses and suppliers by lower taxes and non-union workers. There needs to be a delicate balance as to not burden local citizens with business breaks.

Future jobs can be created by fostering the current successful industries. Agriculture is a viable avenue for less qualified citizens. Co-ops are extremely successful in taking up the slack in local unemployment.

Technical Textiles are the most promising industry in N.C. Over 40 of the top textile firms in the world are located in N.C. This is a huge market worthy of serious attention.

Candidate Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(signature required)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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