



**Memo: Chandler Chamber of Commerce Endorsement Written Questionnaire**

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**From: Abraham Hamadeh for Arizona Attorney General**

**1. If elected to represent Arizona as Attorney General, what are your top three priorities?**

One, our border has been left wide open, and subsequently our citizens are at risk. The “do-nothing” approach has proven to be completely ineffective and frankly dangerous. I plan to put forth an aggressive plan that starts with working to designate the cartels as terrorist organizations and implementing a task force unit within our law enforcement agency to target border crimes. The issue at the border is a national security issue and with my military background I believe I am the person voters can trust to enforce state law and solve this disaster.

Two, crime is on the rise in Arizona, and we need to act fast to ensure public safety. There’s been a 27% increase in Arizona’s homicide rate, and criminals no longer fear any repercussions for their crimes. I am the law and order candidate, and as Attorney General this will be one of my main areas of constant focus. I am endorsed and trusted by police in Arizona for this reason. “Defunding the police” is a dangerous and demoralizing concept, and I will make certain our law enforcement officials are well equipped for the jobs ahead.

Third, the cost of living has skyrocketed in Arizona, and rampant Inflation has become a huge concern for families facing rising prices everywhere from the pump to the store. Arizona has some of the highest inflation rates in the country, and we need to investigate why exactly this is, and begin to turn the tide.

**2. Arizona faces a workforce shortage, and criminal convictions create barriers for people who are trying to find jobs or housing. What policies will you promote to help reduce these barriers?**

As a prosecutor, I try not to judge people for their worst day. However, actions have consequences, after offenders complete their punishment, they should have the opportunity to prove to society they are willing to be good productive members.

I support reintegration programs but believe employers should have discretion over who they hire. As Attorney General I will reverently support people trying to do better.

**3. Pertaining to immigration, how would you improve the system of border control and ports of entry into the US?**

As Attorney General, I will work with localities to enforce state laws since the federal government refuses to take action. The gaps in our southern border wall have provided a runway for erroneous illegal activity and public safety concerns. Governor Ducey has begun implementing temporary protections in this regard, but it is not enough. We must complete the wall, fully and take control of our border.

Our guarded ports of entry are also a cause for concern, as enormous amounts of drugs and deadly Fentanyl have poured through our gates and into our communities. Border patrol units should be permitted to enforce our countries immigration laws to their fullest extent, and they have not been allowed proper discretion under this administration. We need to know who is coming across our border and for what reason in every occurrence. Border security should be funded to its fullest extent, which will not only save our state money in the long run, but ensure our Arizonan neighborhoods are safer.