

# Commonwealth's Attorney Survey Grades

## General Election – Tuesday, November 4, 2025

*Last Updated on October 19, 2025*

The names of candidates in **bold** signify incumbents running for reelection.

**If any of the candidates in your district have not responded to the survey, contact them and urge them to complete the VCDL survey and send it in. If they are afraid to take a public stand on these issues now, before the election, then they are unlikely to be very responsive to your views after the election.**

**There is absolutely NO reason why they should not answer this survey!**

Failure to return a completed survey frequently indicates indifference, if not outright hostility, toward the Right to Keep and Bear Arms.

Some things to keep in mind:

1. VCDL does not endorse candidates for public office. VCDL-PAC is a state level Political Action Committee (PAC) and does endorse candidates for state or local office.
2. No candidates were rated. To rate a candidate, one needs to factor in a lot of information, including, but not limited to the following:
  - how they answered the survey
  - their voting record (if any)
  - legal actions they've been involved in (if any)
  - their public statements (if any)
  - their private statements (if any)

3. The "grade" shown next to a candidate's name is **HOW THEY ANSWERED THE SURVEY**. Their survey response was graded and the grade (Very Pro-Gun, Pro-Gun, So-So, Anti-Gun, Very Anti-Gun) is displayed. If no grade appears next to a candidate's name, then they did not return the survey or they sent a letter or email declining to answer the survey.
4. VCDL does not have a secret survey. We publish the survey questions, so the voters know the questions being asked of the candidates. The current Commonwealth's Attorney survey can be found at: [2025 Commonwealth's Attorney Candidate Survey](#)

Party Designators		
<b>D</b> = Democrat	<b>I</b> = Independent	<b>R</b> = Republican

This information is provided to educate the public on the candidates' position on key issues.

# Commonwealth's Attorney

Locality	Party	Candidate	Email	Website	Survey Grade
Alexandria	D	<b>Bryan L. Porter</b>	bryan@bryanporter2025.com	bryanporter2025.com	
Bristol	R	<b>Jerry Allen Wolfe</b>	jawolfe@bristolva.org		
Buena Vista	I	<b>Joshua O. Elrod</b>	joshuaelrod@yahoo.com		
Charlotte	I	E. Blair Trent	blair4charlotte@gmail.com	elizabethblairtrent.com	
Charlotte	I	Leslie E. Schneider	elect.schneider.cwa@gmail.com		
Charlotte	R	Dan Farnsworth	FarnsworthforCharlotteCoCA@gmail.com		Pro-Gun
Charlottesville	D	<b>Joseph D. Platania</b>	joeplataniaforcwa@gmail.com		
Chesapeake	D	<b>Matthew R. "Matt" Hamel</b>	matt.hamel@gmail.com	matt-hamel.com	
Chesapeake	R	David A. Mick	mickforcommonwealth@gmail.com		Very Pro-Gun
Colonial Heights	R	<b>A. Gray Collins, III</b>	gcollins3@msn.com		
Danville	I	<b>Michael J. Newman</b>	JeepLife6698@comcast.net		
Fredericksburg	I	<b>Elizabeth K. "Libby" Hump</b>	votehumphries@gmail.com	votehumphries.com	
Fredericksburg	I	Travis D. Bird	teamtbird4ca@gmail.com		
Hampton	D	<b>Anton A. Bell</b>	antonbell2012@gmail.com		
Hopewell	I	<b>Richard K. "Rick" Newman</b>	rnewman@hopewellva.gov		
Lynchburg	I	Christopher G. White	chriswhitelawyer@gmail.com	voteforchriswhite.com	Very Pro-Gun
Lynchburg	R	<b>Bethany A. Harrison</b>	votebethanyharrison@gmail.com	votebethanyharrison.com	
Martinsville	I	Lynda S. Hartsell	lyndaforca@gmail.com		
Martinsville	I	Patrick A. Flinn	Patrick.a.Flinn.ca@gmail.com		
Newport News	D	Shannon M. Jones	sjones1909@gmail.com	votesj.com	
Norfolk	D	<b>Ramin Fatehi</b>	ramin@fatehinorfolk.com	fatehinorfolk.com	
Page	R	Chapman L. Good	chapman@good4virginia.org	good4virginia.org	
Petersburg	D	<b>Tiffany Buckner</b>	Buckner4CA@gmail.com	Buckner4CA.com	
Portsmouth	D	<b>Stephanie N. Morales</b>	moralesforportsmouth@gmail.com	stephaniemorales.org	
Portsmouth	I	Nathan A. Chapman	nchapman@chapmanlawfirm.org		
Portsmouth	I	Stephen E. Heretick	heretickforportsmouthca@gmail.com	heretickforportsmouthca.com	
Radford	D	<b>Chris E. Rehak</b>	rehaklaw@yahoo.com		
Richmond	D	<b>Colette W. McEachin</b>	ecolmc@gmail.com	colette4rva@gmail.com	
Roanoke	D	John M. McNeil, Jr.	johnmcneilva@gmail.com		

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Salem	I	Matthew J. Pollard	PollardforCommonwealth@gmail.com		
Staunton	I	John B. Baber II	johnbaberforstauntoncwa@gmail.com		
Staunton	I	Joseph D. Perry	perryforstaunton@gmail.com	perryforstaunton.org	
Suffolk	D	<b>Narendra R. Pleas</b>	pleasforsuffolkva@gmail.com		
Suffolk	I	Patrick L. Bales	bales.lawoffice@gmail.com		
Virginia Beach	D	Suzanne Seidel Richmond	suzanneseidel@gmail.com		
Virginia Beach	R	<b>Colin D. Stolle</b>	colinstolle@gmail.com	colinstolle.com	
Waynesboro	I	<b>David L. Ledbetter</b>	dledbetter22980@yahoo.com		
Winchester	I	<b>Heather D. Hovermale</b>	heatherhovermale@gmail.com	heatherhovermale.com	