

General Assembly Survey Grades

2026 Special Elections

Last Updated on January 11, 2026

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. Only those candidates who have answered the VCDL Candidate Survey will be considered by VCDL-PAC for an endorsement.
2. **No candidates were rated on this page.** 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 THE CANDIDATE ANSWERED THE SURVEY, NOT a rating of the candidate** (see item 2 above). Survey responses were graded (based upon the number of "Yes" answers to the questions asked) and the grade (Very Pro-Gun, Pro-Gun, So-So, Anti-Gun, Very Anti-Gun) was displayed. "Declined" is displayed if the candidate sent a letter, email, or phone call declining to answer the survey. If no grade appears next to a candidate's name, then they did not return 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 survey can be found at: [VCDL 2025 General Assembly Candidate Survey](#)
5. The names of candidates in **bold** signify incumbents running for reelection.

Party Designators

D = Democrat	F = Forward	I = Independent
L = Libertarian		R = Republican

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.

The General Assembly Districts have been redrawn.

To check on what district you are now in, go to:

<https://whosmy.virginiageneralassembly.gov/>

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

Senate – District 15

Tuesday -- January 6, 2026

Party	Candidate Name	Email	Website	Survey Grade
D	Mike J. Jones	drjrv9th@gmail.com	mikejonesva.com	
R	John R. Thomas	info@johnthomasforva.org	johnthomasforva.org	Very Pro-Gun

House of Delegates – District 77

Tuesday -- January 6, 2026

Party	Candidate Name	Email	Website	Survey Grade
D	Charlie H. Schmidt	charlie@charlie4va.com	charlie4va.com	
R	Richard S. Stonage, Jr.	contac@stonage4de eqateTT.mm	stonage4delegate77.com	So-So

House of Delegates – Districts 11 & 23

Tuesday -- January 13, 2026

District	Party	Candidate Name	Email	Website	Survey Grade
11	D	Gretchen M. Bulova	gmbulova@aol.com	gretchenbulova.com	
11	R	Adam J. Wise	ajwise@liberty.edu	adamwiseforva.com	Very Pro-Gun
23	D	Margaret Angela Franklin	angela.franklin07@gmail.com	margaretforva.com	
23	R	Verndell C. Robinson	vernfordelegate@gmail.com	vernfordelegate.com	

House of Delegates – District 17

Tuesday -- January 20, 2026

Party	Candidate Name	Email	Website	Survey Grade
D	Garrett Z. McGuire	mcguirefordelegate@gmail.com	mcguirefordelegate.com	
R	Christopher F. Cardiff	cfcardiff@gmail.com	cardiff4virginia.com	Very Pro-Gun