



Fawkes-Lee & Ryan

Issues & Positions

With our mission in mind, Fawkes-Lee & Ryan has chosen the following Constitutional Freedoms & related social issues as a focus to empower others through technology, legislative advocacy & targeted communication.

Criminal Justice

We are committed to working toward sensible sentencing practices.

Alcohol & Substance Abuse

We support the following views to address addiction:

- Treatment for addiction should be fully funded and made available to people fitting a relevant treatment model
- Substance abuse treatment should not be mandated for addicts or alcoholics that do not fit a model
- Better programs should be designed and implemented for addicts and alcoholics who respond negatively to programs using group dynamics
- Public access to criminal records are counterproductive to recovery and should be avoided whenever possible and expunged if appropriate
- Substance abuse prevention approaches should be nonjudgmental and based on respect for diversity

Voting Rights

We believe that:

- The voting process should be accessible and easy for all voters
- The only crimes that warrant losing the right to vote are voter fraud & treason
- There needs to be a paper trail for voter verification
- Voter privacy must be protected
- Photo IDs for exercising the right to vote are an unnecessary restriction

Open Meetings/Public Records

We believe that openness in government is essential for a healthy democracy to survive.

Privacy

We are dedicated to working toward protecting individual freedoms, with a strong emphasis on privacy.

Medical Cannabis

We believe:

- Cannabis is a Schedule II drug
- Manufacturing and distribution should be regulated
- Cost should be reasonable and affordable
- Medical use should be easily accessible

The Death Penalty

We oppose capital punishment. The death penalty is:

- Discriminatory in its application
- Immoral
- More costly than life in prison without the possibility of parole
- Cruel and unusual punishment
- Susceptible to mistakes
- Not a deterrent
- Contrary to most mainstream religious beliefs

Youth

We believe respect is taught through demonstration, not rhetoric. Youth deserve both respect and support. Our prisons would not be housing so many offenders if not for the inconsistent laws and policies that have been cast.

Currently, society wants to hold young people accountable *for adult failures*.

Fairness

Legislation and public policy should be based on fairness to all parties. We believe in looking at the forest, not just the trees.

For a more detailed explanation of our issues and positions, please visit us at:

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