

# GENERAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA

A VOICE FOR UNION CONSTRUCTION

## GCAP's 2018 Candidates' Questionnaire

Dear Senatorial Candidate:

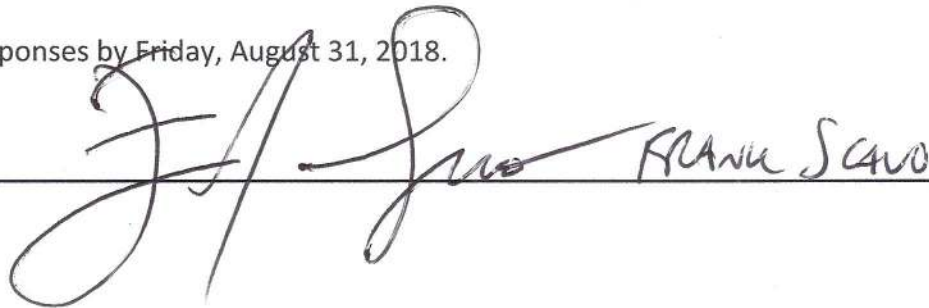
As a candidate for Pennsylvania State Senate in the 2018 election, the General Contractors Association of Pennsylvania (GCAP) is interested in learning more about you and your stance on issues affecting the construction industry. The information that you provide will be shared with members of GCAP and other construction industry stakeholders.

GCAP is an organization representing the memberships of General Building Contractors Association (based in Philadelphia), Keystone Contractors Association (based in Harrisburg), and Master Builders' Association of Western PA (based in Pittsburgh). Collectively, GCAP represents over 600-plus commercial construction companies based throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Since 1953, GCAP has been a strong, unified voice in Harrisburg representing major contributors to employment and economic growth in Pennsylvania.

As for completing this questionnaire, please feel free to answer the questions on these pages, adding pages as needed for expanded comments, or you may submit your answers on a separate document included with this questionnaire. Responses can be sent to: [sethkohr@keystonecontractors.com](mailto:sethkohr@keystonecontractors.com) or by mail to General Contractors Association of PA, 20 Erford Road, Suite 310, Lemoyne, PA 17043.

We would appreciate responses by Friday, August 31, 2018.

Candidate's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



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### Introduction

As leaders representing the commercial construction industry, GCAP is interested in hearing your legislative priorities. Why should the construction industry show support for you?

AS A SUPPORTER OF SENATE BILL 76,  
THE RESULTS OF PASSING THAT BILL WILL  
CAUSE BOOMING ECONOMIC REALITIES  
THAT WILL BENEFIT ALL TRADES AND  
CITIZENS OF P.A.

## Economy

Everyone benefits from a strong economy. How can your priorities grow the economy in Pennsylvania?

- ① FUNDING EDUCATION MORE EQUITABLY
- ② ALIGNING AND IMPROVING BOTH ACADEMIC (TRADITIONAL) HIGH SCHOOL AND TRADE SCHOOLS TO REMOVE COMPLAINT OF NOT HAVING ENOUGH WORKERS FOR P.A. JOBS
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## Workforce Development

The construction industry workforce in Pennsylvania is currently facing some challenges to attract workers. How would you address this issue?

TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR OUT OF WORK EMPLOYEES WILL HELP GREATLY. RECRUITMENT FROM OUR SCHOOLS, AND OTHER STATES WHEN WE ELIMINATE PROPERTY TAX WILL HELP GREATLY

Additionally, it appears every legislative session that Prevailing Wage is under attack. Lowering workers' wages may not be an ideal approach to attract future workers. Where do you stand on Prevailing Wage?

HIGHLY SKILLED AND TRAINED UNION WORKERS DESERVE THEIR WAGES. ATTRACTING WORKERS IS A PROBLEM ACROSS ALL TRADES.

## Construction Practices

GCAP believes in having the freedom of choice concerning construction delivery method. The Separations Act is an archaic mandate enacted in 1913 that only allows for one delivery system – Multiple Prime Delivery. Due to the inefficiencies of Multiple Primes, this delivery system is only required in three states; meanwhile 47 states, the federal government, and the private sector all benefit from choice in construction delivery. What are your thoughts on the modernization of the Separations Act? (Since this is such an industry-specific question, please do not hesitate to contact GCAP for additional information on this topic).

I WILL HELP TO UPDATE THIS LEGISLATION AND THE CONTRACTORS IN THE COMMONWEALTH BE MORE EFFICIENT

GCAP members are renowned for having a safety-first mentality. Due to the opioid epidemic, construction workers and the general public are put in harm's way. How can you help on this issue?

BY SUING THE OPIOID MANUFACTURERS, THEY ARE FLOODING THE MARKET.

## General

If you win this election in 2018, what will your legacy be 20 years from now?

- ① IMPROVED ECONOMIC STANDING FOR PA.
- ② INCREASED HOME OWNERSHIP.
- ③ PROTECTING SENIORS FROM LOSING THEIR HOMES
- ④ WORK/TRADE READY EDUCATION FOR ALL COMMONWEALTH STUDENTS
- ⑤ ALLOWING MORE PRIVATE CONTRACTORS TO WORK ON INTERSTATE AND TURNPIKE PROJECTS