

## **DONALD JOE LAMPO**

*Candidate for Brazos County Constable Precinct 2*

2014 Election Cycle

### **QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSES**

**1. Please tell us about yourself, why you are running for constable; and, what background, education and experience you have had to prepare you to execute the duties of constable. Limit your written response to 400 words or less.**

Howdy I am Donald Lampo and I am running for Re-Election as your Constable for Pct.2. I am married with 2 children, and my family has lived in Brazos County for over three generations. I graduated from Texas A&M University class of '72' and proudly served my country in the United States Army. For over twenty years I owned my own business where I learned the true value of hard work and the knowledge of how to create and implement a budget. I truly enjoy being involved and interacting within my community. For the last 23 years I have proudly served the residents of Precinct 2 as a Volunteer Fire Fighter. I am also the District Chairman for Area GO Texan and have been a 4-H adult leader since 1987. For the last 13 years it has been my pleasure to serve the residents of Pct.2 as their Constable. This experience has given me the opportunity to learn the knowledge and skills necessary to be an effective administrator and problem solver.

**2. Have you read and are you familiar with the Texas Republican Party Platform? Also, do you have any differences with the platform on promoting individual freedom and personal safety or the subsection on protecting citizens from crime? Ref. pages 14-15 RPT Platform**

I have thoroughly read the Texas Republican Platform and agree with its stances when it comes to the question of personal safety in particular when it comes to the question of protecting citizens from crime. I am a big proponent of the Second amendment and believe that as long as a citizen is of age and properly trained he or she should be allowed to carry a firearm. As stated previously I have been a 4-H leader since 1987 and it was in this role that I have trained numerous children how to properly use and respect firearms.

**3. What are the key responsibilities of a Constable and how can you improve results in this area?**

The core responsibilities of the Constable's Office are working in conjunction with the Justice of the Peace providing bailiff services and serving any process that is initiated from that office. The

Constable is also responsible for any other civil process that is issued to them from courts throughout the United States. My office has provided these services with professionalism for the last 13 years serving approximately 2000 papers a year. To better improve our service in this area my Deputies have received extensive training from the Justice Court Training Center. While these duties are required I have chosen to allow my Deputies to perform numerous other functions that help promote a safer community for the citizens of Brazos County and the residents of Pct.2. In this capacity my Deputies are responsible for the capture of numerous wanted fugitives the recovery of illegal narcotics and the recovery of numerous articles of stolen property.

**4. What is your opinion on the right to carry firearms and also concealed carry on college campuses?**

As stated previously I am a strong proponent of the Second Amendment and have personally helped promote the safe use of firearms. I believe that as long as an individual is properly trained and passes a proper background check they should be allowed to carry a concealed weapon and that includes on college campuses.

**5. How do your personal principles and family values align with most of the Republican principles outlined in the Republican Party of Texas Platform? Please be specific.**

I believe that my personal principles and family values align strongly with most of the views of the Republican Party. The RPT Platform provides a guideline in which individuals will be given the opportunity to thrive through hard work, duty and adherence to strong principles. I strongly believe in the US Constitution and the belief that if a person works hard without undue government interference he can make something of himself. I will continue to use my strong work ethic to ensure that the citizens of Precinct 2 have a safe place to work and raise their families.