

Know Your Assembly District 5 Candidates and where they stand on Important Issues

Issues **Carla Jean Neal** **VERSUS** **Frank Bigelow**

Issue	Challenger, Educator and Notary Biz Carla Jean Neal, (D) AD 5 Candidate	Frank Bigelow’s (R) Incumbent (BIGGA-NO) (Six Year- Record) Career Politician
Water	Water is Life Protector: For Public Ground Water Banking & Clean Water, Watershed Protection, Supports Wild & Scenic Rivers, “No” on the Delta Tunnels, repair of water infrastructure	Takes Water for Granted: Abstained from voting for Clean Water and voted against water efficiencies, Voted “No” on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan bills, Voted “No” on Water management Planning (AB 1668) to protect us from drought, Pro Trumps Deregulation of the Environmental Protections of Surface waters of the US
Education/Children	Pro Public Educator: Strong Community Public Education for all including PreK-College, career technical training and labor apprenticeships that lead to good jobs where people live and great programs that are fully funded under the laws for students of all ages and abilities from preschool to college.	For Privatization of Education Charters, precariously irresponsible of our public education dollars: Voted “No” on passing the State Budget which helped to restore Education with Voter Passed Prop 30 & Prop 55 Education Initiatives, Voted “No” to require more accountability and discrimination in Charter schools
Jobs/Labor Working Families	Carla Supports Economic Stability including living wages, equity & union jobs in the public, private and non-profit sector investment made possible through common good education and government laws and policies for good jobs, Supports Broadband to attract high tech young families, good jobs and companies to our rural communities and schools.	Anti-Labor and Working Families Success: Voted “No” Minimum Wage Increase for Workers, Voted “No” on Provisions for Labor Contracts choice of law and forum, Voted “No” on paid sick leave, Voted “No” on SB 49, CA Environmental, Public Health and Workers Defense Act of 2017, Voted “No” AB 1761 Employee Safety: hotel workers, does not speak out against President Trump who is waging war on the working people of this country.
Sustainable Economy	For A Shared Economy with Opportunity For ALL the People of California – Carla will work to Reduce and End Homelessness and Poverty being poor should not be a crime of the individual but of a cold society or government that refuses to believe and function more fully in providing that all people have a human right to shelter, food, water, a living wage and education. Government should protect all people and create policies to ensure these rights. We need Housing First policies and laws. I support full employment and a safety net when there are cuts to jobs, in the culture of “you’re fired” without a fair process, and austerity politics, wherever the GOP has majority powers, like in Washington D.C today. Social Democrats, like me, care about equal rights, workers and the people, along with more sustainable bottom lines.	Economy for the Billionaires: For “Certain” People of California- “No” State Budget Vote-“No” on passing the State Budget which helped to restore Education with Voter Passed Prop 30 & Prop 55 Education Initiatives, Voted “No” on amending Franchise, Voted “No” on affordable Housing (AB 1505), Voted “No” on Overtime Pay for Farmworkers , Voted “No” on protecting cannabis users from Federal Agents, Voted “No” on making CA a Sanctuary State in the most diverse state of the union while quiet on the endless attacks on immigrants and criminalization of people of brown and dark skin or Muslims and Pakistanis, Middle Eastern descent. Bigelow will not support a shared economy as he votes as the GOP Party does with the belief that 4-5% unemployment creates a reserve labor pool that allows employers to take unfair advantage of employees.
Environment	Environmental Protector: Sensible Sustainability Management of our Forests, Watershed, Wildlife Preservation, Ecosystems and Public Lands. She’ll Stop privatization of our Commonwealth and protect the environment for our progeny.	Environmental Exploiter: Voted “No” on laws prohibiting products with microplastics, Voted in favor of Offshore Drilling on the Coast, Voted “No” Cap and Trade and pollution limits, Voted No” to provide funds to cities most affected by pollution, “No “on CA Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), No on SB774- accountability of Dept. of Toxic Substances, Voted “No” disclosure mandate in

		household products, Voted “No” reducing Methane Emissions, “No” environmental Justice on Air Board, “No” Coal divestment, “NO” on SB 350, “No” on \$3 Billion ballot initiative for State Parks. Voted “No” on Prohibiting Orca Captivity, Voted “No” on prohibiting sale of Ivory and Rhino Horn
Gridlock and Government by, of and for the People	She’ll Move Rural CA Forward: Will work within the legislature to pass bills that benefit AD 5 constituent’s commonwealth and wellbeing for the immediate and long-term. Carla is not taking Super Pac or Corporate Donations. Carla will Listen and will fight to Stop Dark Money and dollars in government from Oil Companies, Mining, Insurance Companies, Walmart, Monsanto, Tobacco, or charter school PACS. I stand for people over profits.	“NO”-Only Voter Obstructing & Suppressing AD5 Common Good: Does not work with Democrats to pass bills for AD 5 commonwealth; Represents & mostly funded by special interests (Oil, Tobacco, Mining Corps), holds office to be a placeholder and a “No” voter in order to obstruct the progress of CA the Democratic majority which balanced the budget and created a fiscal surplus making our economy the 5 th greatest in the world, he puts profits over people No votes do not benefit main street business, small businesses, Voted “NO” on the New Motor Voter Act-voter registration , Hawaii junket – FPPC fined for-Caught violating campaign laws with Lobbyists
Common Sense Gun Safety	Supports 2nd Amendment and Common Sense Gun Safety Regulations to stop Gun Violence of our fellow Americans. Carla will support strong background checks on guns and ammunition and close the loopholes that promote a culture of gun violence.	Supports 2nd Amendment but without any common sense regulations to keep people safe from gun violence: Voted “No” on making school zones gun free Voted “No” on prohibiting Lead ammunition for hunting, Voted “No” on outlawing open carry in more public spaces, He is NRA funded and endorsed, Voted to accept concealed carry weapons from out of State holders, Voted “No” on SB 536 to provide gun violence researchers with more accurate data, Voted “No” on enhanced security measures for gun theft, “No” on gun violence restraining orders, AB 1014
Healthcare	Comprehensive and Affordable Healthcare for All ---Supports Single-Payer State Healthcare for All Plan SB 562 healthcare is a human right	Healthcare for the few -Voted “NO” on SB 687 to safeguard against closing of local Hospitals, Voted “NO” to expand eligibility of Medi-Cal Program
Women’s Rights and reproductive Choice	Pro-Choice –“Yes” Women decide their Reproductive Choice and have medical privacy, and access to information and safe abortion. The USA is not China where abortion is forced upon a women; government should not dictate women’s reproductive choices. Supports Comparable Pay for Work of Comparable Worth = Equal Pay, CA Paid Family Leave	Pro-Life - Voted “No” on Information for women and Pregnancy Centers, Against legal and safe abortion under Roe vs Wade , “No” on Reproductive Choice and Interested in empowering government to control women’s bodies and reproductive choices. Equal Pay – See “ Jobs/Labor/Working Families ”, above.
Energy/Utilities/Safety	Strong Advocate: Will provide legislation for Renewable Energy, Electric Cars, mass public transit, & Sustainable Clean Infrastructure throughout AD 5, Will make sure laws are enforced for safety of workers, people and communities regarding toxic emissions, and fire hazards related to utilities and energy production.	Strong Supporter of the Corporations even when the safety of people is at risk. Voted No” on the Closure of Aliso Canyon, Voted “No” on AB 356 Oil & Gas Groundwater Monitoring , Voted “NO” for multi-family affordable housing solar program
Rural	Fair Tax Structure and development of a State Bank of California California needs to be a bulwark to Federal Budget Cuts and current Federal Tax legislation because of California’s status as the 5 th largest economy. I stand with working people, for good jobs,	GOP Member of the Federal TAX Scam -Says CA Budget” Short Changes Rural Counties”, but only votes “No” on nearly every bill and the State Budget. Voted “No” on SB 1 to repair rural roads and bridges for roads like J59, which collapsed this winter due to heavy storms in the face of climate change. Pretends to care about over taxation of California’s

	like with high speed rail, affordable health care for everyone and quality public education and believe in a healthy environment and protections for clean air, soil and water with wildlife and wild places like our national parks and open spaces.	working poor with the .12 cent per gallon tax for road, highway and bridge maintenance, while supporting Donald Trump who just last week proposed a national .25 cent per gallon gas tax.
Seniors/Retirements	Supporter of Retirement Security & Protect our Promise of Medicare, Social Security with dignity for our seniors with funded retirement plans- the American and California Promise! We need to think of our youth and support their working future as we pass it forward to the next generation.	Retirement Insecurity Proponent: Complains that retirements are a burden to the economy and getting laws passed, and not speaking out against Trumps Tax Plan and "Budget which cuts trillions \$ to Medicaid, a \$500 million cut to Medicare, and massive cuts to education and nutrition programs. President Trump is waging war on the working people of this country"-Senator Bernie Sanders
Climate Change	Combat Climate Change Activist and will work with Scientists -the world's' scientists have a consensus as well as all Countries in the Paris Climate Treaty, except the US, under President Trump, regarding our warming planet and the impacts with carbon pollution growing past safe levels; we must reduce carbon pollution outputs and adapt with cleaner energy systems.	Climate Change Denier: Voted Against Cap-and-Trade Bills, Voted Against Air-Quality Regulations for Clean Air, Voted "No" on reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions/levels , Voted "No" on establishing a Legislative Committee on Climate Change Policies.
Justice & Peace Community Safety Prisons Civil & Equal Rights	Community Restorative Justice needs safe communities and to significantly reform our criminal justice system and reconnect those who bravely serve in law enforcement with the communities that they protect. Reducing and Ending Homelessness and Poverty being poor should not be a crime of the individual but of a cold society or government that refuses to believe and function more fully in providing all people, as a human right, have shelter, food, water, a living wage, healthcare and education. Government should protect all people and create policies to ensure these rights. We need Housing First policies and laws. Safety in the Public's Interest from fires, natural disasters, gun violence and pollution. Law Enforcement that goes after corrupt officials, criminals and greedy, unscrupulous, over-subsidized corporations. Justice for All as no one is above the Law, everyone deserves to live peacefully, free from the violence attributed to racism.	Justice for the Few, except for the Billionaires: Voted "No" to help formerly incarcerated to gain employment, Voted "No" on release of more young adults, Voted "NO" on SCR48 allowing for criminal sentences to be proportionate to one's participation in crime, Abstained from limiting amount of opioids prescribed to minors, Voted "No" on increasing smoking age to 21, Voted "No" on regulations on e-cigarettes, Voted "NO" on SB 394 to eliminate life w/out parole, Voted "No" to allow minors to consult lawyers during sentencing interrogation, Voted "No" on giving more discretion for judge's sentencing, Voted "No" in improving the CAGang database and protecting individuals, Voted "No" on reforming the war on drugs era sentences, Voted "No" to mandate police publicly publish their policies, Justice for a Few, Anti-LGBTQ Policies : Voted "No" Prohibiting Advertising Conversion Therapy, Voted "No" on SB 179 Gender Identity: female, male, nonbinary
Consumer Rights	Carla Supports Consumer Justice from debt collection, student loans, credit reporting, predatory lending, and identity theft and consumer scams, state policy and laws must address the most significant challenges, particularly with low-income and immigrants with language barriers	Corporations Rule the People: Voted "No" on SB 33 giving consumers a right to go to court when Fraud is Committed (profit over people).
Voting/Elections	Democracy - One Person, One Vote. Carla endorses citizen participation in Democracy	Supports Low Participation in Democracy- Voted "No" voting rights to low-level felons, Voted "No" mail ballots in special elections,

**Please Support and Vote for Carla Jean Neal for Assembly District 5
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