

WOMEN'S POLITICAL COMMITTEE – STATE PAC

Please type or print your answers. Please complete the answers to all the questions. When using a separate sheet of paper please include the question along with the answer.

1. Candidate's Name Gail Pellerin
2. Office Seeking 28th Assembly District

(Please include the number of your district.)

3. Description of the District: (If you are seeking statewide office answer only section b.):

a. Cities in district; location of the district. How much of your district is new due to redistricting? Please attach a map of the district to this questionnaire. San Jose, Santa Cruz, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno, Morgan Hill, Scotts Valley

b. Voter Registration: Include ethnic, party, and gender breakdown for the seat for which you are running according to total population, total registration, and total number of high propensity voters.

	Percentage of voters	Number of voters
Age		
Voters between ages of 18-35	22.9	67,857
Voters between ages of 36-64	51.1	151,485
Voters 64 and older	25.9	76,597
Gender	46.7	138,174
Women	48.4	143,292
Men		
Ethnicity		
White	74.7	221,042
Asian	10.7	31,784
African American	1.5	4,561
Latino	13	38,555

Other		
Party Registration		
Democrat	51.9	153,626
Republican	18.9	55,942
Decline to State		
Other	29.2	86,371

c. Past elections: How did your AD and SD vote for Governor and Controller in 2018? How did your AD and SD vote for President in 2016?

Please be sure to answer all parts of the questions.

Since redistricting, it is hard to answer as this region was several different Assembly and Senate Districts prior. The new 28th Assembly District is made up of two Counties - In 2018, Santa Cruz County voted 76.8% for Newsom, and Santa Clara County voted 71.4% for Newsom. For Controller Santa Cruz County voted 79.5% for Yee and Santa Clara voted 74.1% for Yee. In 2016, Santa Cruz voted 73.9% for Hillary Clinton and Santa Clara voted 72.7% for Hillary Clinton.

4. Who is the present holder of the seat for which you are running? If this person is not a pro-choice Democrat, when was the last time a pro-choice Democrat held this seat? Assemblymember Mark Stone, who has endorsed my campaign, and he is a pro-choice Democrat.

5. Major Challenger: Rob Rennie, Joe Thompson, Liz Lawler

6. Campaign Team: Plasha Will, Campaign Consultant, Rhianon Barnato, Sacramento Fundraiser, and three folks on the ground.

7. Fundraising:
- How much money have you raised? (Please do not include pledges.)
\$190,000
 - How much do you need to raise?
\$350,000 for the primary, and \$400,000 for the general
 - How much money are you allowed to raise if there are limits?
\$649,000 for the primary, \$1,135,000 for the general _____
 - How much cash do you have on hand? \$175,000 _____
 - How much is a loan from you to the campaign? \$100,000 _____
 - How much money has your major challenger(s) raised? He has loaned himself \$175,000 and raised \$65,000 _____

For the next 2 questions please do not include money transferred.

- How much money have you raised this last reporting period?
Same as above - this is the first filing.
- How much money has your major challenger(s) raised in this last reporting period? Same as above, this is the first filing
- If there is a voluntary spending cap will you take it, and what is the limit if you accept the cap? I did and it is the amount above.

8. What is your campaign strategy (mail, media, etc.)?

Mail, digital advertising, social media, newspaper ads, television, eblasts, walking, calling, signs

9. Has any polling been done in the last two months? Please share the results. Not that I am aware of.

10. What is your position on choice? Please check yes (if you agree) or no (if you disagree) with the following:

a. A woman has the right to choose an abortion for any reason up to the point of viability, as determined by a physician and in accordance with the principles of Roe v. Wade.

YES _____

b. A woman has the right to choose an abortion at any time during her pregnancy to protect her life and health. **YES** _____

c. Every patient, in consultation with her physician, has the right to determine the best medical procedures and practices with regard to reproductive health and abortion. **YES** _____

d. All women should have the ability, regardless of income level or age, to access safe, confidential and affordable abortion and reproductive care (with or without parental consent).

YES _____

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e. There should be public funding for family planning and abortion services. **YES** _____

f. There should be **no** waiting period to obtain an abortion. **YES** _____

g. We should have comprehensive and evidence-based (accurate) sex education. **YES** _____

h. A minor should have access to abortion services without having to notify a parent or responsible adult. **YES** _____

If you are running for statewide office you may skip question 11.

11. Please list the State Senate or Assembly and Congressional seats that overlap your district. List both the name of the present occupant and number of the district.

a.	State Assembly District #	Name of Occupant
28		Mark Stone

b.	State Senate District #	Name of Occupant
15		Dave Cortese
17		John Laird
13		Josh Becker

c.	Congressional District #	Name of Occupant
19		Jimmy Panetta
18		Zoe Lofgren
16		Anna Eshoo

12. List only the names of any non-incumbent women who you supported in the previous primary election running for:

As County Clerk, I was not able to support any candidate for office. I needed to remain neutral.

Congress: _____

State Senate: _____

Assembly: _____

Statewide Office: _____

13. List only the names of non-incumbent women candidates who you are supporting for Congress, State Senate, and Assembly in the current election cycle:

I have focused my energies on helping local women run for office. I serve on committees for Girls Inc, and Women’s Educational Success at Cabrillo College. I am also involved with Breaking the Glass Ballot and WILDR (Women in Leadership for Diverse Representation), groups that encourage more women to run for office and serve in positions of leadership. I was recruited by Close the Gap, an organization that recruits progressive women to run for office who support reproductive justice, public school funding, and paths out of poverty.

Congress: _____

State Senate: __Aisha Wahab, SD

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Assembly: _Dawn Addis, AD 30. _____

14. If you are an elected official and leaving office, please list the name and contact information of the woman who you are supporting to run for your seat in the primary. If you are not supporting a woman for your seat, please leave this blank.

__When I retired in December 2020, I made sure my assistant Tricia Webber was appointed to the office of County Clerk. She is now running for election on the June 7 ballot. She is unopposed. 831-454-2409

(Name)

(Phone)

15. Please list your paid professional experience for the last six years. Indicate if it was full- or part-time.

_____ Santa Cruz County Clerk, paid full time _____

16. Please list your present and past community involvement for the last six years:

_____ I served as President of the California Association of Clerks and Election Officials from 2010 to 2012 and served as co-chair of the Secretary of State's Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee. I was a founding member of the Future of California Elections, a nonpartisan network of election officials, reform advocates, civil rights organizations and civic engagement groups collaborating to advance effective and inclusive election policies and practices. I am a graduate of the California Professional Election Administrator Credential program and have taught credential courses on Voters with Specific Needs and Budgets. I am also a graduate of Leadership Santa Cruz County.

I am on the board of NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) and am involved with Girls Inc. and Women's Educational Success at Cabrillo College. I am currently working with a local group to create the Cabrillo College Local Government Fellows program to encourage first generation students to pursue an education that can lead to a career in local government and to provide scholarships and paid internships and mentorships. I am also involved with Breaking the Glass Ballot and WILDR (Women in Leadership for Diverse Representation), organizations dedicated to increasing the number of elected and appointed women in local, regional and state offices.

Additionally, I am involved with the California Democratic Party's Voter Protection Committee and have been working with Civitas Public Affairs to advocate for the Election Infrastructure Initiative to provide for long-term, sustainable federal funding for local elections offices over the next 10 years.

17. Please list the present and previous elected office(s) that you have held:
Santa Cruz County Clerk

18. Do you support the ERA? **YES** ___ ___

19. Please list the following:

a. Committee name: Gail Pellerin for Assembly

b. Campaign ID#: 1445957

c. Campaign mailing address: POB 4100, Santa Cruz, CA 95063

20. In the event that you are endorsed by the WPC, in addition to any monies that WPC should contribute to your campaign, we will also list you on our website. For this purpose we will require the following information:

Candidate campaign website: www.gailpellerinforassembly.com

21. We can post a donation link during our zoom call. Please provide a link below. Many candidates provide a WPC specific link to track donations, and we welcome that if you choose to do so.

Campaign donation URL: <https://secure.ngpvan.com/YDiBYFkv0-cJIPgr8fC7Q2>

22. **High resolution, chest up, vertical headshot.** Please provide a “portrait” (vertical) chest up headshot. We use the headshot to showcase endorsed candidates on our website. Horizontal landscape headshots do not work.

Please email this photo back to us along with your Questionnaire and bio. Photos must be 250 PX wide x 450 PX high at 72 PPI.