



## **Probation Association of New Jersey**

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### **PROBATION ASSOCIATION OF NEW JERSEY ANNOUNCES 2015 LEGISLATIVE ENDORSEMENTS**

**Wall, NJ** – On behalf of New Jersey’s 3,000 probation officers and supervisors, The Probation Association of New Jersey (PANJ) has announced their endorsement of legislative candidates for the 2015 campaign cycle.

"We are pleased to endorse this slate of candidates who have demonstrated their strong support for New Jersey’s probation officers and the communities they serve, as well as a commitment to ensuring our public pension system is fiscally solvent," said PANJ President Dwight Covaleskie.

"Overseeing an estimated 130,000 adults and 15,000 juveniles, New Jersey has one of the largest probation system’s in the nation. Working with the Legislature, we look forward to strengthening our ability to serve New Jersey residents by tracking recidivism data, increasing standards for comprehensive training, and providing much-needed protections for officers in the most dangerous neighborhoods," Covaleskie concluded.

PANJ has endorsed the following candidates for election to the New Jersey State Legislature:

#### **NEW JERSEY GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**LD 1 – Assemblyman Bob Andrzejczak**

**LD 2 – Assemblyman Vincent Mazzeo**

**LD 2 – Assemblyman Chris Brown**

**LD 3 – Assemblyman John Burzichelli**

**LD 3 – Assemblyman Adam Taliaferro**

**LD 4 – Assemblyman Paul Moriarty**

**LD 4 – Assemblywoman Gabriela Mosquera**

**LD 5 – Senator Nilsa Cruz-Perez**

**LD 5 – Assembly Candidate Arthur Barclay**

**LD 5 – Assemblywoman Patricia Egan Jones**

**LD 6 – Assemblyman Lou Greenwood**

**LD 6 – Assemblywoman Pamela Lampitt**

**LD 7 – Assemblyman Herb Conaway**

**LD 7 – Assemblyman Troy Singleton**

**LD 10 – Assemblyman David Wolfe**

**LD 10 – Assemblyman Gregory McGuckin**

**LD 12 – Assemblyman Ronald Dancer**

LD 14 – Assemblyman Wayne DeAngelo  
LD 14 – Assemblyman Dan Benson  
LD 15 – Assemblyman Reed Gusciora  
LD 15 – Assemblywoman Liz Muoio  
LD 18 – Assemblyman Patrick Diegnan  
LD 18 – Assemblywoman Nancy Pinkin  
LD 19 – Assemblyman Craig Coughlin  
LD 20 – Assemblyman Jamel Holley  
LD 20 – Assemblywoman Annette Quijano  
LD 22 – Assemblyman Jerry Green  
LD 24 – Assembly Candidate Gail Phoebus  
LD 24 – Assemblyman F. Parker Space  
LD 25 – Assemblyman Anthony Bucco  
LD 26 – Assemblyman Jay Webber  
LD 27 – Assemblyman John McKeon  
LD 27 – Assemblywoman Mila Jasey  
LD 29 – Assemblywoman Eliana Pintor Marin  
LD 29 – Assemblywoman Grace Spencer  
LD 30 – Assemblyman Sean Kean  
LD 30 – Assemblyman David Rible  
LD 32 – Assembly Speaker Vincent Prieto  
LD 32 – Assemblywoman Angelica Jimenez  
LD 33 – Assemblyman Raj Mukherji  
LD 34 – Assemblywoman Sheila Oliver  
LD 34 – Assemblyman Thomas Giblin  
LD 35 – Assemblywoman Shavonda Sumter  
LD 35 – Assemblyman Benjie Wimberly  
LD 36 – Assemblyman Gary Schaer  
LD 36 – Assemblywoman Marlene Caride  
LD 37 – Assemblyman Gordon Johnson  
LD 37 – Assemblywoman Valerie Vainieri Huttie

#### **About The Probation Association of New Jersey (PANJ)**

PANJ represents an estimated 3,000 probation officers and supervisors statewide employed by the Judiciary through two collective bargaining units that include other professional personnel. PANJ members oversee over 130,000 adults and 15,000 juveniles in New Jersey, making it the 10<sup>th</sup> largest adult probation system in the nation. PANJ has resolved more than 7 million cases through their various courts, proving that probation can indeed lead to rehabilitation.