

RI ACLU 2010 CANDIDATE SURVEY – FEDERAL OFFICE

CANDIDATE: William J. Clegg

Please respond to the following questions. If you wish to offer explanatory comments to any of the questions, please limit them to 50 words or less.

1. In April, the New York Times reported that President Obama had approved the “targeted killing” of a U.S. citizen who is believed to be a high-level Al Qaeda operative. Are there any circumstances under which you would approve of the preemptive assassination of an individual suspected of acts of terrorism against this country?

Yes No

2. Should individuals accused of acts of terrorism against the United States be tried in traditional criminal court, rather than by military commissions?

Yes No

3. Do you support Comprehensive Immigration Reform that includes provisions for the legalization of undocumented immigrants currently in the United States?

Yes No

I support reform and enforcement, but not general amnesty.

4. In February 2010, Congress passed, and President Obama signed into law, an extension of three expiring provisions of the Patriot Act, among them a provision authorizing the FBI to conduct roving wiretaps without having to identify the target. Do you support a repeal of this provision?

Yes No

5. National health care reform legislation requires women who participate in health exchanges to pay their insurers separately for abortion-related coverage, creating potential financial disincentives for insurers to offer such coverage. Would you support removing this restriction from the new health care law?

Yes _____ No

6. Do you support elimination of the Don't Ask, Don't Tell policy for our military service members?

Yes No _____

7. Do you support updating the Electronic Communications Privacy Act in order to limit the ability of law enforcement to conduct warrantless cell phone (GPS) tracking of individuals?

Yes No _____

8. In light of this country's very high and racially- disparate incarceration rates, do you believe that mandatory minimum sentences serve an important sentencing objective?

Yes No _____

9. The Paycheck Fairness Act seeks to close loopholes in the law in order to redress the fact that women earn only 77 cents to the dollar that men earn. Do you support this proposal?

Yes _____ No _____

I have not yet read the Act.