



1. This document details the rules for the Arlington County Civic Federation candidate night forum that will be held on Tuesday, September 7, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. at the Hazel Auditorium, Virginia Hospital Center, 1701 North George Mason Drive, Arlington, Virginia.
2. Candidates running in the November 2, 2010, general election for the following offices are eligible to participate in the forum:
  - U.S. House of Representatives 8th District of Virginia
  - Arlington, Virginia School Board
  - Arlington, Virginia County Board
3. Each office will be a distinct panel of candidates.
4. When their panel is called, candidates will take their places at the table. Substitute speakers are not permitted. If a candidate does not participate, the panel will go on.
5. Candidates may make opening statements from the podium. Speaking order will be determined by a drawing at the start of each panel. Candidates will have an opportunity to field questions from the audience. Closing remarks will allowed for contested races. Candidates may use notes.
6. The candidate panels and time per panel will be organized as shown in the table below:

Office Panel	Candidate Name	Candidate Open (min)	Member Delegate Questions (0.5 min per question)	Candidate Responses (1.5 min per response)	Candidate Closing (min)	
U.S. House 8th District	Fisher	3	(up to four questions)	2	6	1
	Moran	3			6	1
	Murray	3			6	1
School Board	Baird	3	(up to four questions)	2	6	1
	Gennari	3			6	1
	Johnson	3			6	1
County Board	Chisholm	3	(up to four questions)	2	6	1
	Kelley	3			6	1
	Zimmerman	3			6	1

7. The order of answering questions will rotate. Candidates will be informed by cue card when time is short and has run out.
8. Audience questions from Civic Federation delegates and alternate delegates will be entertained through a drawing system.

9. Civic Federation delegates and alternate delegates may register to have their name drawn by signing up in the lobby at 7:00 p.m. Delegates and alternate delegates may register to ask a question for multiple panels. In order for more delegates and alternate delegates to have an opportunity to ask a question, the forum moderator will give first priority to delegates and alternate delegates who have not yet had a turn.
10. The forum moderator will draw a delegate or alternate delegate name and then call on them to ask their question. Questions may be directed to one or more candidates.
11. Questions may be up to thirty-seconds long and may not be position statements. Follow-up questions are not allowed.
12. The Civic Federation's rules will be observed at all times.
13. The forum is a nonpartisan event and takes place on the property of the Virginia Hospital Center. Customary rules apply. Cell phones may not be allowed.
14. Literature may be distributed only in the conference center lobby from 7:00 P.M. until 9:30 p.m. Signs, banners, demonstrations and electronic presentations are not allowed on the property including outside the building and in the lobby, hallway, and auditorium.
15. Please acknowledge your acceptance of these rules and intention to participate by signing and returning this document to Mike Kerley at [mike@civfed.org](mailto:mike@civfed.org) or 4623 N. Henderson Road, Arlington, VA, 22203.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Office: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_