

*2020 GwinnettForum candidate questionnaire*

**NAME: Chuck Efstration**  
**PARTY: Republican**  
**SEEKING: House District 104**

**1. Why are you seeking your office?**

I want to continue to solve big issues facing the State of Georgia. I have a Three Point Plan for COVID-19 to safely reopen our economy and restore jobs. I also want to improve healthcare access and affordability, repeal the Citizen's Arrest statute, and increase funding for police officer training.

**2. What do you expect to accomplish if elected?**

I expect to pass my Three Point Plan for COVID-19, a repeal of Georgia's Citizen's Arrest law (replacing it with a bill supported by civil rights and law enforcement groups alike), and several other criminal justice reform measures which we have been working to pass over the previous years.

**3. What distinguishes your candidacy?**

I have a track record of major accomplishments for our state. I wrote and passed the Georgia Hate Crimes Act, helped to implement criminal justice reform, passed services for Alzheimer's and dementia care, and have worked to end evil human trafficking criminal enterprises for operating in Georgia.

**4. Pick any one issue. Expand on how you will address it.**

To address COVID-19 in Georgia, we need to (1) provide free COVID-19 testing with same-day results to all Georgians; (2) help working-family parents by providing safe, socially-distanced locations for daytime virtual learning; and (3) create a free state certification for businesses following the DPH guidelines to help restore consumer confidence.

## **5. Suggest ways to jump-start the economy after COVID-19.**

My Three Point Plan, as outlined in #4, will help to restore business and jobs. Regular testing with immediate results is critical to identifying where the virus has spread. Parents who cannot afford to join a “pod” for virtual learning need to work, so save virtual learning locations for their kids during they day will allow those parents to keep their jobs. Finally, consumer confidence is the cornerstone of getting the economy going again, and a free certification for businesses following guidelines would help to reassure consumers. These ideas won’t fix all issues, but they are an important step in (100)

## **6. Please give a 100 word summary on your background**

I am the son of a Gwinnett school teacher and Western Electric Plant employee. Growing up in Gwinnett County, I earned my Eagle Scout Award with Gwinnett Troop 568. I graduated from the University of Georgia and Mercer Law School. In 2013, I was elected to the House of Representatives. My legislative record is one of putting people over politics and passing common-sense legislation. I wrote the historic Georgia Hate Crimes Act which passed in 2020. My wife, Ashley, and I live in the Dacula area with our two young sons. We are Christians.