

Idaho State Representative District 3a

	Vito Barbieri	Eric Seeley
1. What is your name, what office are you running for and why are you running for this position?	Vito Barbieri Idaho House seat 3A I have been in the Idaho House since first being elected in 2010 (2011 Session). I have the relationships, knowledge, and experience in working on behalf of North Idaho's Christian conservative ideology.	My name is Eric Sealy and I am running for Idaho house state representative District 3 seat A. I'm running for this position to glorify Christ by giving voters a better choice of a leader of life, Liberty, and property.
2. When do you believe life begins and how does this belief affect the legislation you will support?	Life begins at conception. This is the foundation with which we outlawed abortion in Idaho.	Life begins at fertilization. This is proven not only by science, but also scripturally. Therefore, we are duty-bound to protect life from fertilization and treat equally under the law babies in the womb like those outside the womb.
3. What are the top three issues that you feel the legislature needs to address?	1. It's constitutional power to review rules for approval or rejection. 2. Keeping taxes as low as possible and slowing the growth and power of government agencies. 3. Protecting the liberty of every Idaho citizen from digital ID restrictions.	Equal protection for the pre-born babies to abolish child sacrifice once and for all in Idaho. Bring more transparency in government and gain back the respect from the people who voted for us. Bring down taxes and bring solutions to make Idaho affordable again.
4. What do you consider the biggest health care issue for Idaho, and where do you stand on it?	I'm sure many believe that personal mental health is the biggest health care issue. However, the COST of health care is the true issue. Are taxpayers paying for 'health' care or 'sick' care? Idaho allotted somewhere around 6 BILLION dollars to providers for Medicaid associated 'health' care. It is impossible to keep the growth of taxpayer funds to 'health' care at this present rate. Something is going to give.	The biggest healthcare issue is the health of innocent preborn babies. Our laws have gaping holes to legally terminate their lives, based either on the circumstance of their birth or the whims of their parents.
5. Do you support or oppose legislation to prohibit gender reassignment treatment/surgery on minors?	Oppose. Another example of mental health going insane.	I would support legislation to stop any such gender reassignment treatment or surgeries on minors. I believe that such is literally child abuse and should be treated as such. Parents who encourage or pressure children to do so should be punished under similar penalties as a rapist.
6. If elected, how will you ensure that you are aligned with your North Idaho constituents' values and how will your voting record reflect those values?	You may take a look at my voting record for the last 16 years. "No" on budget increases, "No" on increased agency power, "Yes" on outlawing killing babies in their mom's womb.	I have lived in North Idaho for about a quarter century now and I have fought many battles alongside my North Idaho constituents. Whether that was against the overreach of the government during the COVID lockdowns or protecting our cities through our second amendments rights. They know I have their back.

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7. Do you support or oppose Digital IDs in the State of Idaho? Why or why not?	Oppose. It is part of the electronic cage being built to keep the population contained. 15 minute cities, 'affordable' housing, electric cars are all part of the same scheme.	I do not support digital IDs. Physical IDs are more than sufficient and has worked for decades. I am not a fan of opening Pandora's box so big brother with big pockets and big databases can rig elections.
8. What is your opinion on the use of Central Bank Digital Currency? Would you support this for Idaho?	No, but it appears inevitable. In 1995 Idaho passed, along with every other state, the Uniform Commercial Code title that passes 'control' of you bank account (money) to override 'ownership' of those funds. We must resist this CBDC move by using cash at every opportunity. Keep the right to use cash in every financial transaction.	I'm 100% against the use of CBDCs. This type of dystopia future is not good for our kids or grandkids. Real sound money especially backed by gold or silver is the best.
9. What is your definition of marriage?	Biblical bond, taken by mutual vows, between a man and a woman.	This is not my opinion but reality based upon God who both made the universe and made human beings. In scripture it is clear that marriage is to be that between a man and awoman only. All other forms are just counterfeits in like counterfeit money dilutes the real meaning of covenant marriage.
10. The cost of electricity is increasing across the state of Idaho. What legislation would you recommend to help increase electrical generation and independence in Idaho while still allowing power companies to remain profitable?	I am the chairman of the House Energy, environment, and technology committee. So when I say that this issue is complex and multifaceted, I am not exaggerating. We need more dams: (Very expensive and will take decades to plan and complete); We need mini- and micro-reacters to power data centers: (At least 10 years out before they are ready for deployment.) Even natural gas generation is 3 to 5 years out to get the generating machinery in place. And that is assuming we can build another natural gas pipeline because the we are almost at capacity on the line(s) we have. The cost of electricity is going up. The question remains, can we get enough electricity to avoid brownouts in the future?	I am not a fan of government price controls. Looking at ways to encourage investment in the state for energy production seems more prudent. Making sure any large electric users, such as data centers provide their own electricity as to not drive up the prices for us all.
11. What legislation would you recommend to prevent property tax increases that are causing a financial burden and forcing some owners out of their homes?	The best suggestion I have heard is a multi state compact wherein a sales tax is applied universally. A consumption tax is the fairest tax, in my opinion. Another idea being floated is a micro-percentage tax on all electronic financial transactions, be they credit, debit, securities, bonds, derivatives, etc. Property tax is the most unfair, the most burdensome, and the outrageous idea and never should have been implemented. But here we are, so we must shift that burden onto another taxing paradigm.	Cap yearly property tax increases at 1% maximum. No property tax increases for senior citizens.

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12. In your opinion, if elected, who do you see yourself accountable to and why?	The voters in my district. The taxpayers in my district. NOT the state agencies. NOT the unions. NOT the cities or the county.	First and foremost I am accountable to Christ, as he is my king and the King of kings! Secondly, I am accountable to my wife as I made a covenant to serve her until death we part I'm also accountable to my constituents who trust me to represent them.
13. In recent years some groups have advocated for legalizing marijuana in our state, do you support or oppose the legalization of marijuana? Why or why not?	Oppose. The costs outweigh any medical benefit. Marijuana is not conducive to a productive society. Productive people are a necessity for any stable culture. America is becoming increasingly unstable, and one may wonder what role the decriminalization of so-called 'recreational' drugs.	I do not support the legalization of recreational marijuana in our state. I believe it does more harm than good in general. With that said, I can see a very narrow use of medical marijuana in a health care setting with very tight restrictions and criminal consequences for those going outside a strict controls.
14. Is there anything in your personal, business, or career life that would be a conflict of interest in your ability to serve the people of Idaho?	No. If a conflict arises within the context of a bill, we disclose it upon voting.	Nothing whatsoever that I can think of.
15. What is your background and why do you feel it qualifies you for this position?	Practiced law for 20 years. Paid taxes for more than 50 years. Have a family. Am presently in business. Read my bible every morning.	I am a born again Christian, former pastor, business owner, and community organizer. As a husband for over 25 years raising three children in Idaho I believe my background proves I desire and will fight for Idaho to be a beacon of light and a safe place to raise my grandkids.