

Essay Answers:

Kosciusko County

Susan Engelberth – County Assessor

Question 3: As an employee

William Rocky Goshert – Sheriff

Question 12: Don't know all the laws

Wabash County

Mike Ridenour

Republican Party platform on Abortion – I agree with – however – there are simple principal concepts that not only are not being followed through on – they are totally disregarded by current Republican elected officials and local party chairman & members are fully ignorant of.

Grant County

Kevin Mahan – State Representative, District 31

Question 16: With strict guidelines, counseling and test!

James McWhirt – County Auditor

4. Do you oppose physician-assisted suicide and euthanasia?

I chose “unsure” as my response to this question because I have mixed feelings about it. My feelings and beliefs about the value of life and the related ethical and morality aspects put me in opposition to physician-assisted suicide and euthanasia. However, I'm sympathetic to the instance where an adult of sound mind is suffering with a hopelessly terminal condition. Perhaps that person should be afforded the right to end their life in a humane manner, which might require a physician's assistance. I hesitate to support the concept because allowing physician-assisted suicide in any case might open the door to allowing such acts in unwarranted circumstances.

It's fair to say that I'm open to discussing and considering the topic, but I can only imagine this being permitted in cases involving an adult of sane mind that is hopelessly terminal and physicians that participate voluntarily. Physicians should never be compelled or mandated to participate.