# **Lisa Bennett for State Assembly**

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### **BACKGROUND**

Stafford Resident since 2012, Stafford Township Municipal Vice Chair, Committee Person, Candidate for Council Stafford Township, 2024, Notary Public.

# **EDUCATION**

A.A.S. Brookdale Community College, Paralegal Studies, Social Sciences, Distinguished Scholar Award, Phi Theta Kappa, Psi Beta, Lexis-Nexis Award for Outstanding Achievement in Legal Studies.

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Montgomery McCracken, Linwood, NJ, Fox Rothschild, Atlantic City, NJ, Levinson Axelrod, Forked River, NJ, Galex, Wolf, No. Brunswick, New Jersey, Stark & Stark, Hamilton, NJ.

## **MEMBERSHIPS and AFFILIATIONS**

Member of Stafford Township Women's Club, Stafford Township Friends of the Library, Stafford Township Democratic Club, Great Bay Democratic Club, Democratic Coalition of Ocean County, Ocean County Chapter, National Organization for Women, Ocean County Violence Prevention Project Coalition, Stafford Township Historical Society, Lector, Eucharistic Minister Member, Choir St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Long Beach Township, NJ. Former HOA Board, Island Gate Homeowners Association, Stafford Township. Co-Founder, The Helmetta Historical Society, Helmetta, New Jersey.

## WHY I AM RUNNING

I want to be your voice in the New Jersey State Assembly, Legislative District 9. I have been a fierce local advocate for Stafford residents and will do the same if elected to the Assembly. Affordability is first and foremost on everyone's mind in our towns. Our seniors are unable to stay in their homes while our young people can't purchase their first home. Our legislator has to make the cost of living our state's number one priority. Property tax relief, holding our utility companies accountable, and finding solutions for affordable childcare and healthcare will go a long way in accomplishing these goals.

I pledge to represent and serve all citizens with honesty, integrity and loyalty to the best of my abilities and would consider it an honor to roll up my sleeves and go to work for the people of my district. Putting their needs first. Our state needs to live up to our state seal, "Liberty and Prosperity" needs to be true for ALL.

My name is Donald Campbell. I have lived in South Jersey for a lifetime, growing up in Egg Harbor Township and attending Egg Harbor Township High School. I graduated from Atlantic Cape Community College and Stockton University with a bachelor's degree in political science. I then attended Widener University Delaware Law School, where I received my JD.

I have cerebral palsy, a congenital disorder of movement, muscle tone, or posture. I have been the Executive Director at the Atlantic Center for Independent Living, a community-based non-profit that supports people with disabilities in obtaining the skills and resources they need to live independently. My personal and professional experience make me empathize with and understand the challenges of everyday people living in this state, and it has given me the skills necessary to bring people together to solve problems.



# Rosalee Keech

As someone born, raised and lived my entire life in NJ and a registered Democrat since I'm 18, I am proud to be part of the Steve Fulop for Governor Team, running in LD 9 for State Assembly.

My *goals* are twofold:

- 1) *Use taxpayer dollars wisely*—The 2025 NJ budget allocates \$84+billions in spending. From ineffective programs, road construction that goes on for decades to systemic corruption it's time that we look at ways to insist that our dollars are spent wisely;
- 2) **Prevent violence, especially against women and girls**—according to UN Women, 1 in 3 adult women have been violated at some point in their lives. It's time to understand what programs work effectively in preventing victimization, in addition to aiding victims.

## Why Steve Fulop is supporting my candidacy:

Rosalee Keech (LD-9) – Rosalee has dedicated her career to protecting women's rights globally. She currently stands at the forefront of the fight against human trafficking as the United Nations Observer for PACT by ECPAT-USA, where she champions human rights and works tirelessly to empower women in political leadership and eradicate violence against women and girls. Driven by her commitment to this cause, she serves as President of the NGO Committee to Stop Human Trafficking in Persons, Inc. and a member of both the New Jersey Attorney General's Human Trafficking Task Force and the Business/Regulatory Agencies subcommittee. Previously, she served as Chief Observer to the United Nations for the League of Women Voters of the United States.

### Rosalee Keech

Democrats for Change
Candidate for NJ State Assembly
Legislative District 9

## Samuel Pinkava

Pinkava has been a veteran math educator for over 15 years. He started his career in Baltimore City, taught three years in Budapest, Hungary, and he then landed at Ocean County College in 2019. He took a break from teaching in 2023 to work for Scouting America's Jersey Shore Council. Last year, he decided to go back to the classroom, and he is now at South Plainfield Middle School. Pinkava has taught many different math subjects to students from many different backgrounds. He has also received extensive training in sales and management through Scouting America.

Pinkava is a five year resident of Waretown, and he is ready to settle down in a beautiful community that he has come to know and love. He is a father of three young children, a Scouting America Den Leader for Pack 156 in Lacey, and he is an active volunteer for Wellspring Church in Toms River. You may also find him participating from time to time at the Lacey Soccer Club or enjoying concerts at the Albert Music Hall.

Pinkava is running on a platform of fixing the S2 school funding formula. Too many Ocean County residents like himself have lower than average incomes but high property values. This means that Pinkava and his neighbors must pay higher school taxes than other communities with higher incomes. By eliminating property value from the school funding formula, the local fair share of Ocean County would decrease by about \$440 million. This change would allow school boards in Ocean County to request more funding from the state and less taxes from local residents.