

MANCHESTER AREA HUMAN RESOURCES ASSOCIATION

NOVEMBER 4, 2014

LEGAL AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

by

Attorney Jim Reidy



Sheehan Phinney Bass + Green PA
1000 Elm Street
Manchester, NH 03105-3701
(603)627-8217
jreidy@sheehan.com
www.sheehan.com

MID-TERM ELECTION SPECIAL

1. **What is the “supreme law of the land”?**
 - The U.S. Constitution
 - The Declaration of Independence
 - The Supreme Court
 - The President of the United States

2. **What is one purpose of the U.S. Constitution?**
 - Establishes treaties
 - Declares war
 - Protects the basic rights of Americans
 - Defines state laws

3. **What do we call the first ten amendments to the Constitution?**
 - The Bill of Lading
 - The Bill of Rights
 - The Ten Commandments
 - The Original Top Ten List

4. **Which is a right or freedom from the First Amendment?**
 - Right to free exercise of religion
 - Right to vote
 - Right to avoid taxes
 - Right to bear arms

5. **What was the purpose of the Declaration of Independence?**
 - Formed an alliance with France
 - Announced our independence from Great Britain
 - Freed the slaves
 - Announced our independence from Canada

6. **What is the economic system in the United States?**
 - Capitalist
 - Socialist
 - Anarchist
 - We have one?

7. **Which is a branch of the U.S. government?**
 - Legislative
 - Financial
 - Parliament
 - The Department of the Interior

8. **What are the two parts of the U.S. Congress?**
 - Parliament and House of Commons
 - President and Supreme Court
 - Senate and House of Representatives
 - Republican and Democrat

9. **How many U.S. Senators are there?**
 - 100
 - 435
 - 50
 - 60

10. **Who does a U.S. Senator represent?**
 - Half the people of the state
 - All people of the state
 - Only people in their Congressional District
 - All the people of the Country

11. **How many Representatives are there in the U.S. House of Representatives?**
 - Too many
 - 100
 - 435
 - 350

12. **How long is a U.S. Representative's term?**
 - Too long
 - 4 years
 - 6 years
 - 2 years

13. **Who has the power to Declare war?**
 - The President
 - The Senate
 - The Supreme Court
 - The Congress

14. **Before it was in Washington, DC, where was the U.S. Capitol?**
 - New York
 - Las Vegas
 - Pittsburgh
 - The Cayman Islands

15. **Congress' current approval rating is:**
 - 39%
 - 18%
 - 12%
 - Below the approval for Alex Rodriguez (A.Rod)

16. **Number of State Senators in New Hampshire**
 - 50
 - 25
 - 24
 - 20

17. **Minimum age to be eligible for the N.H. Senate**
 - 18
 - 25
 - 21
 - 30

- 18. Number of Representatives in the N.H. House of Representatives**
- 350
 - 425
 - 250
 - 400
- 19. Who approves state contracts in N.H.?**
- A guy named Phil
 - The Legislature
 - The Executive Council
 - The Governor
- 20. The stipend for members of the General Court (State Legislature) in N.H.**
- \$10,000 tax free
 - \$2,000 gross, less withholdings
 - \$100
 - \$200

Bonus Question

How often can you vote in this election?

- Once before the polls close
 - Once using your correct name and address
 - Once in your assigned precinct/ward
 - Once if via absentee ballot
 - All of the above (Meaning once, not 4 times, this isn't Chicago after all)
-

Attorney Jim Reidy is a partner at Sheehan Phinney Bass + Green. His practice is in the area of labor and employment law where he exclusively represents management.

Please note: This outline is intended as general guidance and not specific legal advice. Your legal counsel should be consulted with specific questions or for advice on how to proceed with these matters.