

Watkins M. Abbitt, Jr.

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Dear Fellow Citizen of the 59th District:

During the past few weeks, my campaign has received a tremendously positive response from Democrats, Republicans and Independents alike throughout our community.

My G.O.P. opponent realizes this and has now launched a last minute, desperation effort to distort and cast doubt on my positions on certain issues.

Let's set the record straight -- simply and to the point:

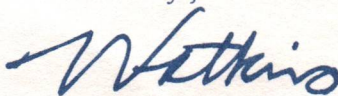
- 1) Death Penalty - I support it.
- 2) Collective Bargaining for Public Employees - I oppose it.
- 3) Balanced Budgets with NO Tax Increases - I support it.
- 4) Gun Control - I oppose it.
- 5) Virginia's Right to Work Laws - I support it.
- 6) Abortion - I oppose it except when the mother's life is in danger.
- 7) Prayer in School - I support it.
- 8) Tougher Sentences and Tighter Parole for Criminals - I support it.

As a native and lifelong citizen of Southside, I regret that my opponent -- who moved back into our community only 2 years ago from Washington, D. C. and lives off, to a large extent, a \$337,000 federal grant -- feels it is necessary to resort to a negative campaign based on deceit, deception, and falsehoods in order to be elected to the House of Delegates --- an office he has unsuccessfully run for in the state of Georgia.

I am committed to Southside Virginia -- its people, values, and way of life -- and want to continue to help make our community an even better place to live, work and raise our children.

I respectfully ask for your support and vote this Tuesday, November 5th, and would be most grateful for it.

Sincerely,



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Candidate, Virginia House of Delegates