

## Formstack Submission For: TCPalm Candidate Questionnaire

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**Office you are running for:**

Martin County: School Board District 1

**If you do not see the race above, write it here:**

**Name:**

Charles J. "Chuck" Winn

**Date of birth:**

11/17/1949

**City of residence:**

Stuart

**Political party, if applicable:**

Registered Republican running for Non Partisan position

**Current occupation and work history:**

Retired U.S. Army Colonel with 32 years of service including 10 years of national level strategic planning in the Pentagon; 4 years as an Associate Professor at Tuskegee University; 14 years training management preparing combat arms units to go to war; and 2 years of installation master planning.  
Currently a self-published author, and self-directed options and short-term securities swing trader.

**Education:**

B.A. Political Science & History, Rhode Island College  
M.S. Personnel Management, Troy State University  
U.S. Army War College  
U.S. Army Command and General Staff College  
Infantry Officers Advanced Course; Engineer and Signal Officers Advance Correspondence Courses;  
Infantry Officer Candidate School; Airborne School;

Jungle Operations Course; Nuclear, Biological and Chemical Officer and NCO Course

**Volunteer and civic involvement:**

- 2026 Martin Co. Black Initiatives Florida Emancipation Day Observance Master of Ceremonies
- Established 2 IRSC Foundation Scholarships for Nursing and Health Sciences
- Public policy advocacy for Martin County joining 53 other of our state's counties to fully implement the FL School Guardian Program
- Public policy advocacy to protect Martin County's home rule by withdrawing from the Seven-50 Initiative
- Coached veterans on resume preparation and interviewing skills at local job fairs
- Guest Hosted "Justice Hour" radio programs addressing national, state and local issues
- 20 years of legislative advocacy in coordination with over a dozen professional military and veterans' organizations
- Member VFW, American Legion, AUSA, USAOCSAA, 82nd Airborne Division Association, NCOA
- 17-year member of the Martin County Republican Executive Committee
- 8-Year Honorary Member Florida Sheriff's Association

**List two accomplishments in your professional or public service life you are most proud of:**

- Induction into the U.S. Army Officer Candidate School Hall of Fame which recognized 32 years of contributions including 10 years as a national level strategic planner.
- Service on the Tuskegee University faculty where I was inducted into Alpha Phi Omega fraternity and received the highest student favorability rating in the College of Arts & Sciences.

**Why are you running for office? :**

I have two main reasons for running: 1) to focus the public on the imperative for our district to join the 53 other counties of our state that have fully implemented the Florida School Guardian Program, and 2) to transition our students into the skills projected by the Florida Chamber of Commerce Foundation's Blueprint 2030 that will be needed for newly created cognitive recurring and non-recurring positions that will replace up to 70 percent of existing entry-level jobs. These critical issues must be

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| <b>What would be your top three priorities during your first year in office? Explain. :</b> | <p>-Initiate full implementation of the FL School Guardian Program with a comprehensive survey of all MCSD faculty and staff to identify volunteers for training. Objective for the end of my term is to have up to 5 Guardians at every school to augment the existing full-time School Resource Officers.</p> <p>-Identify the skills that our schools must emphasize to facilitate the readiness of the Class of 2030 and their successor classes to compete for the types of jobs in Florida's 2030 economy. These will replace up to 70 percent of existing jobs requiring manual routine and non-routine skills. The Florida Chamber of Commerce Foundation's Blueprint 2030 projects jobs eliminated will include: 70 percent in Communications and Food Service; 60 percent in Transport, Warehousing, and Manufacturing; 35 percent in Health and Medical Services; and 25 percent in Education.</p> <p>-Identify textbooks to order in subjects where life skills and ethical and integrity themes are integrated.</p> |
| <b>What distinguishes you from your opponents in this race?:</b>                            | A broad background as a national level strategic planner; 4 years of university-level teaching experience; 2 years of Pentagon programming and budgeting for a \$600m national program; 2 years installation master planning; 12 years as a training manager preparing units ranging in size from 150 to 650 personnel to go to war. I'm also a published author.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Have you ever filed for bankruptcy? (If yes, please explain):</b>                        | NO                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Campaign website:</b>                                                                    | To Be Established                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Campaign social media links:</b>                                                         | Facebook: Chuck Winn for School Board District 1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

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