

A VOTER'S GUIDE

TO THE 2021 MANHATTAN DA PRIMARY ELECTION

Tuesday, June 22, 2021 is the Democratic primary election for Manhattan District Attorney. The Manhattan DA's office operates with near impunity as one of the most powerful influences on the criminal punishment system. The Manhattan DA has the power to decide who to prosecute in Manhattan, whether to bring charges, whether to request bail, and what sentences to recommend. Their decisions greatly impact who is incarcerated, for what and for how long.

Since the DA's office is a structural part of a racist criminal punishment system, as long as the office exists, family separation, criminalization of race and poverty, and the caging of our neighbors will continue. But the next DA will have a role to play in whether Manhattan can tip the balance towards reduced prosecution, punishment, and criminalization of those most vulnerable — Black and Brown communities.

The June 22 Democratic primary is hotly contested as eight candidates contend for the role of Manhattan's chief law enforcement official. See below for more information on where each candidate stands on key issues.

SYSTEMIC RACISM

As the top law enforcement official in Manhattan, do you think that the DA's office contributes to systemic racism in the criminal legal system? If so, what major policies do you propose that will lead to sweeping changes that don't individualize racism?

Background: The district attorney's office is a structural part of a systemically racist criminal legal system built on decades of policies and practices aimed at targeting, criminalizing, and incarcerating Black and brown people. As the gatekeeper of charging, bail and sentencing decisions, the DA's office is a driving force behind why Black people are more likely to be charged with bail-eligible offenses, receive higher bail amounts and receive harsher sentences. The DA can, and should, use their power to implement policies that address these issues, instead of reducing the problem and solution to individual actors.

YES, PLANS TO ADDRESS
THROUGH CHARGING
POLICIES



Tahanie Aboushi



Alvin Bragg



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart

YES, PLANS TO ADDRESS
THROUGH WORKFORCE
DIVERSITY



Diana Florence



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

YES, PLANS TO ADDRESS
ON A CASE-BY-CASE
BASIS



Lucy Lang

NO, DOES NOT
BELIEVE THERE IS AN
ISSUE OF SYSTEMIC
RACISM



Liz Crotty

Do you think there is a problem of systemic racism in law enforcement in New York City?

Background: Modern policing has its roots in slave patrols and police units created to control a so-called "dangerous underclass" that included Black people, immigrants, and poor people. From there, the U.S. has a long history of creating racist policies that the police were tasked with enforcing -- from Black Codes to Jim Crow laws to stop-and-frisk. Today, targeted policing and surveillance of communities of color means that Black and brown people are more likely to be stopped, arrested and killed by the police. Racism and white supremacy are systemically ingrained in the history, policies and practices of law enforcement.

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



Alvin Bragg



Diana Florence



Lucy Lang



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

NO



Liz Crotty

BAIL, PRETRIAL DETENTION, SURVEILLANCE & SUPERVISION

Do you believe that New York State should eliminate pretrial detention?

Background: Pretrial detention undermines the presumption of innocence; robs people of their right to a fair trial; and often leads to unemployment, eviction, trauma, and death.

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



Eliza Orlins

NO



Alvin Bragg



Liz Crotty



Diana Florence



Lucy Lang



Dan Quart



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

Do you believe that New York State should eliminate money bail?

Background: The predatory practice of requiring money in exchange for freedom is an insidious part of a racist criminal legal system designed to target communities of color and deprive people of their liberty. Money bail criminalizes race and poverty. The vast majority of people in jail pretrial are caged because they cannot afford bail. The median bond amount for Black people is about \$10,000 higher than for white people.

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



Alvin Bragg



Diana Florence



Lucy Lang *



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein *

NO



Liz Crotty *

*Supports replacing the money bail system with one that would incarcerate people pretrial based on perceived "dangerousness"

Will your office cease requesting bail or remand (i.e. detaining someone without the option of bail) when prosecuting cases?

Background: Data from the Manhattan DA's office shows that in 99% of cases where a judge set bail at an individual's first court appearance, the DA's office requested bail first. The vast majority of people in jail are there because they cannot afford bail, and many because they are remanded without the option of release. The Manhattan DA's office is a major driver of the mass criminalization crisis and why the city's pretrial jail population is the highest it's been in a year, despite the inhumane conditions and inherent trauma of jail.

WILL NOT SEEK EITHER



Tahanie Aboushi

WILL NOT SEEK BAIL, WILL SEEK
REMAND



Alvin Bragg



Diana Florence



Lucy Lang



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart

WILL SEEK BOTH



Liz Crotty



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

Will your office request other forms of carceral control like supervision or electronic monitoring?

Background: Often falsely billed as “less punitive,” supervised release and other forms of surveillance like electronic monitoring have become popular replacements for incarceration. In reality, these forms of supervision expand the reach of the criminal punishment system by giving the police, prosecutors, and judges additional ways to monitor and control people.

WILL REQUEST SUPERVISION, WILL NOT REQUEST ELECTRONIC MONITORING



Dan Quart

WILL REQUEST BOTH



Tahanie Aboushi



Alvin Bragg



Liz Crotty



Diana Florence



Lucy Lang



Eliza Orlins



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

Do you believe the number of people in jail pretrial from cases prosecuted in Manhattan should be reduced?

Background: Pretrial detention has claimed hundreds of lives and devastated thousands more. Currently, cases stemming from Manhattan make up one-third of the total daily jail population in New York City, which is on the rise following historic lows in 2020. As the head of the office that wields tremendous power over who is jailed pretrial, the DA can take a proactive role to institute policies aimed at vastly reducing the pretrial jail population, sparing people a host of collateral consequences and trauma.

YES, BY AT LEAST 80%



Tahanie Aboushi



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart

YES, BUT DOES NOT HAVE A SPECIFIC GOAL



Alvin Bragg



Lucy Lang



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

NO



Liz Crotty

UNCLEAR



Diana Florence

What is your position on closing Rikers Island and opening smaller jails within each borough?

Background: In 2017, the New York City mayor announced a plan for the city to close NYC's notorious and inhumane Rikers Island jail complex, replacing it with four new borough-based jails. The new jails are estimated to be built by August 2027 and cost the city \$8.1 billion.

SUPPORTS CLOSING RIKERS WITH NO NEW JAILS



Tahanie Aboushi



Eliza Orlins

SUPPORTS CLOSING RIKERS AND REPLACING IT WITH NEW JAILS



Alvin Bragg



Liz Crotty



Dan Quart



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

UNCLEAR



Diana Florence



Lucy Lang

Will you support the release of incarcerated people during public health crises, natural disasters or other emergencies? If so, what steps will you take to ensure this?

Background: The pre-existing unsanitary conditions behind bars create a fertile breeding ground for infectious diseases. During the COVID-19 pandemic in May 2020, the infection rate on Rikers Island was nearly six times higher than the NYC-wide infection rate. People incarcerated in city jails were also left out of other crisis responses, such as the city's evacuation plan in preparation for Hurricane Sandy.

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



Alvin Bragg



Diana Florence



Lucy Lang



Eliza Orlins



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Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

UNCLEAR



Liz Crotty

Will you pledge to sever ties with Palantir and other third-party surveillance and analysis firms, and restrict these firms from sharing any information obtained via prior agreements?

Background: Third-party surveillance firms often contract with law enforcement (including district attorneys, local law enforcement and ICE) to collect and compile information on targeted communities, increasing racialized surveillance and "predictive" prosecution.

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



Diana Florence



Lucy Lang



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart

NO



Alvin Bragg



Liz Crotty



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

SCOPE, RESOURCES & CULTURE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

As calls grow to defund the police in New York City to reduce the harm inflicted on communities of color, do you have a plan to reduce the DA office's budget if elected to be Manhattan's chief law enforcement official?

Background: The Manhattan District Attorney's office has an annual budget of approximately \$169 million that it uses to target poor, working-class communities of color.

YES, BY 50
PERCENT



Tahanie Aboushi



Eliza Orlins

YES, DID NOT
SPECIFY AMOUNT



Lucy Lang



Dan Quart

NO, WON'T REDUCE
BUDGET



Liz Crotty



Alvin Bragg



Diana Florence



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

Do you support dismantling the Office of the Special Narcotics Prosecutor?

Background: The Office of the Special Narcotics Prosecutor (SNP) is an unelected office with citywide jurisdiction, tasked with carrying out the racist "War on Drugs" through tough-on-crime prosecution of drug felonies. According to advocate Josmar Trujillo, dismantling the SNP "would be a crucial step toward Manhattan and NYC treating substance use as a public health issue instead of a vehicle to put Black and brown people in cages."

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart

NO



Liz Crotty



Lucy Lang



Diana Florence

UNCLEAR/UNDECIDED



Alvin Bragg



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

Will you end the practice of asset forfeiture?

Background: Asset forfeiture is a tool used by law enforcement to seize or confiscate money or property. Allegedly intended to debilitate large scale operations, it's most commonly used to inflate law enforcement budgets and available funding. As of 2017, the Manhattan DA raked in nearly \$800 million in asset forfeiture.

WILL LIMIT TO
CERTAIN CASES



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Alvin Bragg



Diana Florence



Lucy Lang



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart

NO



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

UNCLEAR/ NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty

Will you support legislation to end mandatory surcharges and fees?

Background: When a person is convicted or pleads guilty, New York law requires that the individual pay the court a "mandatory surcharge:" \$300 for felonies, \$175 for misdemeanors, and \$95 for violations. This form of wealth extraction is used to raise state revenue and is levied almost exclusively on Black and brown communities targeted by the criminal punishment system. The End Predatory Court Fees Act would eliminate court fees, mandatory minimum fines, and incarceration on the basis of unpaid fines and fees in New York State.

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



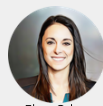
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Diana Florence



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Dan Quart



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

NO



Liz Crotty

TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY & INDEPENDENCE

Will you commit to not join DAASNY?

Background: The District Attorneys Association of The State of New York (DAASNY) is a powerful lobbying group for New York's 62 elected prosecutors that has a long history of opposing reform efforts, in favor of maintaining the status quo of a harmful criminal punishment system. In 2019, DAASNY produced a 90-minute training for prosecutors on how to circumvent bail reform to jail more people.

WILL NOT JOIN



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Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart

WILL JOIN



Alvin Bragg



Liz Crotty



Diana Florence



Lucy Lang



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

Do you commit to pursuing disciplinary action against prosecutors who fail to implement your office's policy changes, including pretrial detention and decline-to-prosecute policies?

Background: Court watchers with our Court Watch NYC program have noted numerous instances where assistant district attorneys (ADAs) violated stated policy by prosecuting cases that the office said it would not prosecute, or requesting bail on cases for which the office said it would cease requesting bail.

YES



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Weinstein

UNCLEAR/ NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty

Will you create an independent conviction review process to address past misconduct and ensure that injustices do not go unaddressed?

Background: Despite the regularity of prosecutorial misconduct, the lack of independence and effectiveness of conviction review continues to harm mostly Black and brown New Yorkers. Between 2010 and 2018, the Manhattan DA's office exonerated only five people. Conviction Review Units are often staffed with career prosecutors, who in many cases, investigate their colleagues' and sometimes their own cases, creating an obvious and self-serving conflict of interest.

YES



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Weinstein

NO



Liz Crotty

Will you pursue transparency by making available to the public: all office policies and procedures; data regarding demographics of accused people, charging, plea offers, sentencing recommendations, bail requests, dispositions and case outcomes, listed by assigned attorney?

Background: Anonymized case-level data would offer the public insight into the true impact of New York's prosecutors on the incarceration and surveillance of communities of color. While increased transparency won't reduce the harm inflicted by the prosecuting office, it increases access to tools we can use regularly to apply pressure to the system and its actors.

YES



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Weinstein

POTENTIALLY



Liz Crotty

CHARGING & SENTENCING DISCRETION

Will you cease recommending and seeking life sentences?

Background: New York State has the fifth highest number of people serving a life sentence in the country, representing an egregious component of the criminal legal system: permanent punishment. Beyond the research showing that incarceration—for any amount of time—does not make us safer, we have a moral obligation to move away from this culture of punishment, and towards systems that value everyone's liberty and safety.

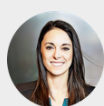
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NO



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Do you have a public list of which charges you will dismiss or decline to prosecute outright and without exception?

Background: After an arrest, the DA can decide to end a case before it makes it into the courtroom by declining to prosecute. The DA has the power to institute expansive decline-to-prosecute (DTP) policies, without exceptions, to reduce punishment and trauma for targeted communities and increase opportunities for public accountability.

YES



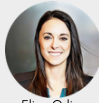
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Diana Florence



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Dan Quart*

IN PROGRESS



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NO



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*It is unclear whether there are exceptions to the candidate's DTP policy

Will you cease automatically requesting an order of protection when the complainant is specifically not asking for an order of protection?

Background: Orders of protection (OOPs) are commonly referred to as restraining orders. Since OOPs prohibit any and all contact between people named on the order, OOPs have the potential to upend people's lives. In some cases, the DA will request an OOP despite the fact that the complainant (i.e. the person or entity allegedly harmed) is present in the courtroom, explicitly asking them not to. For example, court watchers with our Court Watch NYC program witnessed one case where the mother of the accused stated that she was okay with her son returning home after an altercation and did not want to press charges, yet the prosecutor requested a full OOP, continuing the legal case and barring the son and mother from seeing or contacting each other.

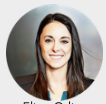
YES



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NO



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UNCLEAR/ NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty

Will you dismiss cross-complaint cases at the earliest possible stage if neither party wants to go forward?

Background: Cross-complaint cases are those where both parties involved are charged as the accused and also cited as the complainant. Often survivors' agency and choice is directly overridden by prosecutors in cross-complaint cases. In some cases, both parties want to drop all charges, but the prosecution chooses to ignore their wishes and proceeds with the case.

YES



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NO



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UNCLEAR/ NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty

Will you commit to never imposing a trial tax?

Background: A trial tax, also known as a "trial penalty," is a common coercive tactic used by prosecutors where they recommend a higher sentence when someone exercises their constitutional right to go to trial. Because of the trial tax, the decision to refuse a plea deal in favor of the right to trial can make someone six times more likely to go to prison if convicted, and result in up to a 60% longer sentence.

YES



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Do you support legislation to end mandatory minimum sentences?

Background: In New York, many charges carry statutorily mandated minimum sentences whereby judges must impose at least the minimum sentence if the person is convicted. When the DA's office decides to bring charges that come with mandatory minimums, judges must enforce these harsh sentences.

YES



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ONLY FOR SOME
CHARGES



Diana Florence

NO



Liz Crotty

IMMIGRATION

Will you consider potential immigration consequences at every stage of the case including charging decisions, plea negotiations and sentencing recommendations?

Background: Prosecution by the DA's office can lead to a host of immigration consequences. Black immigrants are three times more likely to be detained and deported because of alleged criminal charges, and past convictions often mean that immigrants are subjected to mandatory ICE detention. The DA's office has the power to adopt policies to limit the impact of local and federal policies designed to target, harass, and tear apart immigrant communities of color.

YES



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SOMETIMES



Liz Crotty

Will you commit to not enter into any information sharing arrangements with Homeland Security Investigation and other federal agencies?

Background: Immigration & Customs Enforcement (ICE), Customs & Border Protection (CBP) and other federal agencies rely on a complex web of arrangements with local law enforcement, including district attorneys, to surveil, arrest, and detain immigrants. When prosecutors notify federal immigration agents of an arrest or court appearance, they put immigrants in danger of detention and deportation.

YES



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NO



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UNCLEAR/ NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty

Will you support legislation to remove the carveout list of 170 offenses New York City uses to cooperate with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)?

Background: New York City's Detainer Discretion Law prevents the Department of Correction from sharing information with or turning people over to ICE, unless the individual is convicted of an offense on a list of 170 charges. This subjects immigrants who come into contact with the criminal legal system to additional traumatizing harm, including detention and deportation.

YES



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SUPPORTS A REDUCTION, NOT REMOVAL



Alvin Bragg

PROSECUTING SUBSTANCE USE & MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

Do you support declining to prosecute police-initiated incidents including buy-and-busts, selling methadone to undercover cops, and Operation Lucky Bag?

Background: Buy-and-busts are a form of entrapment where undercover cops approach people to buy goods, such as drugs or electronic devices, and then arrest them for drug sale or possession of stolen property. Other forms of police-initiated entrapment techniques used by the NYPD include arresting people for selling methadone (a medication used to treat opioid use disorder) and what's known as Operation Lucky Bag where police officers leave property on the street, wait for someone to pick it up, and arrest them.

YES



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SOMEWHAT



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UNCLEAR/NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty

Will you commit to not seeking incarceration for non-compliance resulting from mental health issues, addiction, relapse, or other personal circumstances?

Background: Court-mandated treatment programs are government sanctioned forms of surveillance that create so many hoops for people to jump through that they set people up for failure, and then further criminalize people for non-compliance. In one case court watchers with our Court Watch NYC program saw in court, a man had been attending a court-mandated year-long program but dropped out near its completion to care for his mother when she became seriously ill. He was ordered to redo the program in its entirety.

YES



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NO



Alvin Bragg



Liz Crotty



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

ADDRESSING VIOLENCE

What is your approach to handling violence that involves physical harm?

Background: Mass criminalization cannot be mitigated without rethinking our stance on violence and including people accused of violence in plans for decarceration. Specifically, those instances where a person harms another person, not just those that do not involve physical harm to a person but are considered violent.

OFFER RESTORATIVE JUSTICE



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INDIVIDUALIZE EACH CASE



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ADDRESS THROUGH INCARCERATION



Liz Crotty

How will your office make sure not to compound violence for LGBTQ+ New Yorkers?

Background: LGBTQ+ people are often brought into the legal system as a direct result of queerphobic violence and discrimination, and transgender and gender non-conforming people are often sent to jails that do not affirm their gender identity, or if they are, they are at constant risk of being transferred around and experience extensive transphobic violence at the hands of jail staff.

SEND FEWER PEOPLE TO JAIL



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Eliza Orlins



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WILL "TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION"



Alvin Bragg



Diana Florence

DOES NOT HAVE A PLAN



Liz Crotty



Lucy Lang



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Weinstein

How will your policies take into account survivorship on a systemic level, beyond just individual circumstances or case-by-case basis?

Background: Often people the system deems “violent offenders” are survivors of violence themselves (e.g. criminalized survivors, survivors of police violence, state violence, family violence, identity based violence, etc.). Yet, DAs consistently overlook defendants’ survivorship when it does not benefit the prosecution. When they do take into account survivorship, it is often done based on individual circumstances, instead of implementing comprehensive policies to address a systemic issue.

ADDRESS IN SENTENCING DECISIONS



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Weinstein

OFFER SERVICES OUTSIDE DA’S OFFICE



Tahanie Aboushi

PUSH FOR LEGISLATIVE REFORM



Dan Quart

ADDRESS ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS



Liz Crotty



Diana Florence

GANG PROSECUTION

Will you end the use of state conspiracy charges in prosecutions of alleged street gangs?

Background: The Manhattan District Attorney has historically used broad conspiracy charges and gang allegations as a form of collective punishment to indict large groups of people based on guilt by association, and it is waged almost exclusively in poor communities of color – mostly in public housing.

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



Alvin Bragg



Lucy Lang



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart

NO



Liz Crotty



Diana Florence



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

Will you cease referencing the NYPD gang database with respect to information on accused people?

Background: The NYPD keeps a database of people it profiles as gang members to surveil and criminalize Black and brown people using the same racist logic as stop-and-frisk. Prosecutors rely on the NYPD's database to request higher bail and higher sentences on cases.

YES



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Dan Quart

NO



Tali Farhadian
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UNCLEAR/NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty

RE-ENTRY & FULL RIGHTS RESTORATION

Will you vacate all convictions related to charges your office will decline to prosecute?

Background: Many candidates in the race have published lists of which charges they will not prosecute if elected, yet there are many people who have been punished for things that, if they were arrested during the new DA's administration, would not be prosecuted. The next Manhattan DA can use their power to start to repair some of the harm done by the former DA by vacating convictions for people charged with offenses their office will not prosecute moving forward.

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



Alvin Bragg



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Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart

NO



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Weinstein

UNCLEAR/NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty



Lucy Lang

Will you immediately vacate convictions for all people with a record for offenses that have since been decriminalized, such as gravity knife offenses?

YES



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Alvin Bragg



Diana Florence



Lucy Lang



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart



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Weinstein

UNCLEAR/NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty

Do you support legislation that would allow people with felony convictions to serve on juries?

Background: In New York State, approximately one-third of Black men are excluded from the jury pool because of a statewide law barring people with past felony convictions from serving on juries. This not only reduces jury diversity, undermining people's right to a fair trial by a jury of one's peers, it represents yet another form of permanent punishment in the criminal legal system.

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



Alvin Bragg



Diana Florence



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Weinstein

UNCLEAR/NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty

Will you support the release of incarcerated people, and people who were re-incarcerated while on parole?

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



Alvin Bragg



Diana Florence



Lucy Lang



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart

NO



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

UNCLEAR/NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty

PROSECUTION OF SEX WORK

Will you decline to prosecute all 14 prostitution-related offenses?

Background: The continued criminalization of prostitution-related offenses exposes people in the sex trade to abuse and exploitation by law enforcement, makes them vulnerable to violence, and forces sex workers to work in unsafe locations.

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



Alvin Bragg



Diana Florence



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart

NO



Lucy Lang



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

UNCLEAR/ NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty

Will you publicly support the START Act (S4981B/A6983) to vacate records for trafficking survivors?

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



Alvin Bragg



Diana Florence



Lucy Lang



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

UNCLEAR/NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty

Will you publicly support the Stop Violence in the Sex Trades Act (S6419/A8230), which would decriminalize and decarcerate sex work between consenting adults in New York?

Background: As a result of workplace harassment and discrimination, 40% of black TGNC people self-report having traded sex. The Stop Violence in the Sex Trades Act amends the law so that consenting adults who trade sex, collaborate with or support sex working peers, or patronize adult sex workers will not be criminalized. If passed, this statewide bill will be the first of its kind in the country.

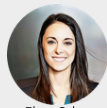
YES



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Lucy Lang



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart

NO



Diana Florence



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

UNDECIDED/UNCLEAR



Alvin Bragg



Liz Crotty

CRIMINALIZATION OF YOUTH

Will you end all programming through the District Attorney's office, such as Saturday Night Lights, and advocate for that funding to go directly to community groups so that they can lead community activities without the presence of police and the District Attorney?

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



Diana Florence



Lucy Lang



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart

NO



Alvin Bragg



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

UNCLEAR/NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty

Will you decline to prosecute school-based arrests to ensure that Manhattan's youth are not criminalized within the school system?

YES



Tahanie Aboushi



Diana Florence



Eliza Orlins



Dan Quart

YES, WITH EXCEPTIONS



Alvin Bragg



Lucy Lang

NO



Tali Farhadian
Weinstein

UNCLEAR/
NO RESPONSE



Liz Crotty