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Mr. Bill Lauderback
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Dear Bill:

Thank you for your letter to Mayor Giuliani including the ACU Presidential Candidate Questionnaire. As the Campaign's Policy Director, I am writing you to inform the American Conservative Union that we will be unable to participate in this questionnaire as we have a campaign policy of not filling out questionnaires due to the sheer volume we receive.

I know Mayor Giuliani holds the American Conservative Union in high regard and he was very pleased to return to CPAC last February after having addressed CPAC previously as President Reagan's Associate Attorney General. As he said during his recent visit this year, the thousands of conservative students and activists who participate in that event "represent a new generation of the Reagan revolution." He understands the importance of organizations like the ACU which are based on principles and ideas.

For years, Mayor Giuliani fought on the front lines of the culture war – in the very heart of American liberalism. The results he had were stunning. He cut taxes 23 times, turned a \$2.3 billion budget deficit into a multi-billion dollar surplus, cut crime by 56% and reduced welfare rolls by 640,000. His turnaround of New York City proved conservative ideas work. As he once said, "Millions of people from all over the world have come to New York City. They didn't come here to be taken care of and to be dependant on city government. They came here for the freedom to take care of themselves."

Mayor Giuliani understands that the Republican Party exists to empower the people, not government. As he said this November at The Federalist Society, our Republic is strengthened by our system of federalism: "A horizontal division of power among the different branches of government, called a separation of powers, and a vertical balance of power between... the national government and the states."

He appreciates the importance of protecting American sovereignty in international affairs, and he understands America must remain on offense in the Terrorists' War on Us. As he wrote in *Foreign Affairs*, "The world is a dangerous place. We cannot afford to indulge any illusions about the enemies we face. The Terrorists' War on Us was encouraged by unrealistic and inconsistent actions taken in response to terrorist attacks in the past. A realistic peace can only be achieved through strength."



I hope you will also review Rudy's 12 Commitments to the American People, which you can find at <http://www.rudys12commitments.com/>. Among his other commitments, Mayor Giuliani has committed to end illegal immigration, secure our borders, and identify every non-citizen in our nation; to cut taxes and reform the tax code; to give Americans more control over and access to healthcare with affordable and portable free-market solutions; and to lead America towards energy independence.

There's a reason we can count on Mayor Giuliani to achieve all of these goals. Throughout his career, he has held challenging executive positions in times of crisis such as Mayor of New York, U.S. Attorney, and President Reagan's Associate Attorney General. In each of these positions, he solved problems that many people thought were unsolvable. He will do the same as President of the United States.

Thanks, Bill, for all that the American Conservative Union does. All of us on the Giuliani campaign look forward to working with the ACU for many years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill".

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