



## Arizona 2014 Statewide Candidate and Proposition Voter Guide

### **Arizona Secretary of State**

Terry Goddard (read [survey response](#))

Michele Reagan (read [survey response](#))

As Attorney General, Terry Goddard pursued developers who harmed wildlife and habitat, and was accessible to animal protection and conservation advocates.

As a legislator, Michele Reagan sponsored several animal protection bills and has an excellent voting record on bills related to domestic animals. However, in 2013, Sen. Reagan was the lead sponsor and proponent of several bills damaging to citizen initiatives, which resulted in the omnibus election bill HB 2305. HVA was part of a diverse group of citizens that filed a referendum to place HB 2305 on hold and refer it to the 2014 ballot. To avoid a public vote, legislators repealed HB 2305 last session.

HVA greatly appreciates Sen. Reagan's substantial efforts on animal protection bills. However, In Arizona, it is impossible to separate animal protection from citizen initiatives. Our state's public initiative process provides animals with a voice that they may not have in the legislature, and has given them the greatest protection through voter-passed initiatives banning traps and use of poisons on public lands, cockfighting, and the inhumane confinement of farm animals.

The Secretary of State is Arizona's chief election official. Animals need an advocate who will protect and defend our citizen initiative process.

### **Arizona Attorney General**

Mark Brnovich (read [survey response](#))

Felecia Rotellini (read [survey response](#))

Both Attorney General candidates returned good survey responses.

### **Ballot Propositions**

#### **Proposition 122 – Vote NO**

HVA strongly recommends a NO vote on Proposition 122.

Prop 122 is a Constitutional amendment that was referred to the ballot by the Arizona Legislature. If Prop 122 is passed by voters, it would grant authority for legislators to declare federal laws unconstitutional and to withhold staffing or resources for laws they don't like, including the Endangered Species Act which was signed into law by President Nixon in 1973. Arizona has 37 species that are considered endangered or threatened, including Jaguars, Condors, Mexican gray wolves, and Desert Tortoises. Without this crucial federal law and funding, these animals would likely disappear from our state. Please Vote NO on Prop 122.

Proposition 415 (Pima County) – Vote YES

HVA strongly recommends a YES vote on Proposition 415.

Prop 415 will provide the funding needed to build a new Pima Animal Care and Control facility that will accommodate the thousands of animals brought to the shelter and allow for more humane modern animal care practices. For more information [click here](#).

Pima County Voters – please help reduce euthanasia of shelter animals by voting YES on Prop 415.

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