

# Pat McCrory

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# QUESTIONS FOR PAT MCCRORY

## Political Vulnerabilities

### Criticisms of President-elect

Background: Facing his own re-election this past campaign cycle, McCrory was at times critical of the President-elect. McCrory has called some of the President-elect's comments "disgusting" and has suggested the President-elect "needs to have his mouth washed out with soap."

- **Given the tumultuous nature of this campaign season, would you commit to standing by the President and express full public support during turbulent periods should you serve in the administration?**
- **Do you have any specific reservations to putting full support behind the President-elect's issues agenda and policy platform?**

### Connections to Duke Energy

Background: McCrory worked at Duke Energy for nearly three decades prior to his resignation to run for Governor in 2008. During his time as Mayor of Charlotte, McCrory maintained a position at Duke Energy which critics suggested was Duke Energy's effort to influence city government. McCrory has been accused of assisting Duke Energy approve utility rate hikes by "stacking the utilities commission" and of helping Duke Energy dodge a federal lawsuit for pollution spills.

- **Is there anything the President-elect's team should know about your relationship with Duke Energy?**
  - **As Governor, did you maintain regular contact with anyone working directly for Duke Energy?**
- **Are there any unreported situations that could prompt critics to imply favoritism yet to surface surrounding your administration and Duke Energy?**

### Business Conflicts of Interest

Background: McCrory has worked in the private sector at Duke Energy, the Moore & Van Allen law firm and his brother's consulting firm.

- **Do you have any current business relationship that pose any immediate conflicts of interests should you join the administration?**
- **Would you agree to temporarily cease interaction with your business relationships should the President-elect's team find it necessary?**

## Policy Questions

### General Department of Energy Policy Questions

- **How would you prioritize diversity in our energy portfolio, and what energy source do you think has the most potential for growth?**
- **What is your position on the controversial Dakota Access Pipeline, and how would you proceed in suggesting and approving future pipelines?**
- **Would you place an emphasis on research and development into renewable energy, or would your department focus on existing energy sources?**

- The current Secretary of Energy Ernie Moniz played a critical role in the negotiations behind the Iran nuclear deal. Since the National Nuclear Security Administration is a component of the Department of Energy, what role do you see for your department in developing, implanting, and enforcing future nuclear accords?
- Would you suggest maintaining ratification of the Paris Agreement and continue pursuing international agreements regarding greenhouse gases, or would you take a different approach?
- The Department of Energy oversees removal of materials that could potentially be used to construct weapons of mass destruction, such as enriched uranium. What region or material would you prioritize, and how would you work with the international community or partners to achieve this goal?
- With regards to the national labs overseen by the Department of Energy, what priority would you place on financing new infrastructure for the facilities so that they can be up to date and secure?

## BACKGROUND (GENERAL/CAREER)

### *Personal Information*

Patrick Lloyd McCrory

[REDACTED]

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### *Education*

Catawba College, BA

Salisbury, NC ("Timeline Pat McCrory," [Raleigh News & Observer](#) Accessed 12/6/16)

### *Work Experience*

**2013 – Present, (Anticipated 1/7/17):** State Of North Carolina, Governor ("Timeline Pat McCrory," [Raleigh News & Observer](#) Accessed 12/6/16)

**2010 – 2012:** Moore And Van Allen PLLC, Senior Director Of Strategic Initiatives (Press Release, "Pat McCrory Joins Moore And Van Allen," [Moore & Van Allen](#), 1/10)

**2009 – 2012:** McCrory And Company, Partner (Press Release, [McCrory And Company](#) 1/28/09)

**1995 – 2009:** City Of Charlotte, North Carolina, Mayor ("Timeline Pat McCrory," [Raleigh News & Observer](#) Accessed 12/6/16)

**1989 – 1995:** City Of Charlotte, North Carolina, Councilman ("Timeline Pat McCrory," [Raleigh News & Observer](#) Accessed 12/6/16)

**1978 – 2008:** Duke Energy, Recruitment Manager And Corporate Trainer (Richard M. Barron, "Breaking Silence, McCrory Discusses Career With Duke," [Greensboro News & Record](#), 3/2/14)

## TRUMP-PENCE CRITICISM

### *McCrory Has Made Comments Critical Of Trump*

**In October McCrory Said Trump "Needs To Have His Mouth Washed Out With Soap."** "North Carolina Gov. Pat McCrory said on Tuesday evening he will continue to support Donald Trump's presidential run, but called on the fellow Republican to clean up his language. 'Mr. Trump needs to have his mouth washed out with soap, but so does Mrs. Clinton,' said McCrory, referring to lewd comments

Trump made about women in 2005.” (Anna Giaritelli, “Pat McCrory Says Trump Needs To Have His Mouth Washed Out,” [Washington Examiner](#) 10/11/16)

**In October McCrory Called Trump’s Comments About Women “Disgusting.”** “North Carolina Gov. Pat McCrory joined a growing list of Republicans Friday night when he condemned presidential nominee Donald Trump over his lewd comments about women. ‘I condemn in the strongest possible terms the comments made by Donald Trump regarding women. I find them disgusting,’ McCrory said in a statement.” (“McCrory Calls Trump Comments About Women Disgusting,” [WRAL TV](#) 10/8/16)

***Mike Pence***

**No Records Found.**

## GENERAL CONTROVERSY

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

***Bankruptcy***

**No Records Found.** (Lexis, Accessed 12/6/16)

**Bankruptcy Information - 0 records found**

***Liens***

**No Records Found.** (Lexis, Accessed 12/6/16)

### ***McCrorry Has Thin Skin***

**In 2016 The *Charlotte Observer* Remarked McCrorry Has “Notoriously Thin Skin,” With A Former Republican State Rep. Saying He Has “A Tendency To Take Criticism Personally.”** “Some say one problem is the governor’s notoriously thin skin and occasional temper. ‘He can’t fathom that anyone would question his motives,’ says former Republican Rep. Charles Jeter, a supporter of the governor. ‘And he (has) a tendency to take criticism personally. He’s done it with the press. He’s done it in the legislature.’” (Jim Morrill, “With ‘Political Genes, Pat McCrorry Has Been The Face Of Crises And Controversy,” [Charlotte Observer](#) 10/8/16)

**McCrorry: “I Don’t Have Thick Skin. I Just Hide It.”** “Everyone comes up to me and goes ‘Governor, you must have incredible thick skin when people say pretty cruel things about you and even make threats,” [McCrorry] said. ‘And the fact is I don’t. I don’t have thick skin. I just hide it.’” (Jim Morrill, “With ‘Political Genes, Pat McCrorry Has Been The Face Of Crises And Controversy,” [Charlotte Observer](#) 10/8/16)

### ***McCrorry Alleged Voter Fraud After Losing His 2016 Reelection Bid***

**On Election Night McCrorry Was Losing The North Carolina Gubernatorial Race To Democrat Roy Cooper By About 4,300 Votes And Refused To Concede.** “McCrorry, who is the first sitting governor to lose re-election in North Carolina, has been fighting to remain in the state’s highest office since election night. Cooper declared victory over McCrorry on Nov. 9 following a tight race. But McCrorry refused to concede, saying the race was too close to call with Cooper up by slightly more than 4,300 votes.” (Julia Craven, “North Carolina’s Governor Finally Admits He Lost The Election After Alleging Voter Fraud For A Month,” [The Huffington Post](#) 12/5/16)

**McCrorry Filed Election Protests In 52 Counties, Alleging Voter Fraud Through “Dead People And Felons” Casting Ballots.** “He didn’t stop there. McCrorry’s campaign filed election protests in 52 counties, alleging dead people and felons had cast ballots. He further claimed that people had voted in multiple states and accused black voter outreach groups in Bladen County of conducting ‘a massive voter fraud scheme’ despite how far-fetched it is to assume voter fraud is the reason behind any irregularities.” (Julia Craven, “North Carolina’s Governor Finally Admits He Lost The Election After Alleging Voter Fraud For A Month,” [The Huffington Post](#), 12/5/16)

**McCrorry Conceded On December 5, 2016.** “Pat McCrorry has conceded to Democrat challenger Roy Cooper in the North Carolina gubernatorial race. In a YouTube message released just after 12 p.m. Monday, he said he believes the majority of North Carolina citizens have spoken and asked people to support Cooper as the 75th governor.” (“Pat McCrorry Concedes In North Carolina Governor’s Race,” [WTVD TV](#), 12/5/16)

## **CONTROVERSIAL POLICY STANCES/STATEMENTS**

### ***McCrorry Cut Unemployment Benefits As North Carolina’s Governor***

**In 2013, McCrorry Signed Legislation Removing An Estimated 170,000 Jobless Workers From North Carolina’s Unemployment Benefits, Reducing The Maximum Number Of Weeks From 26 To 20 And Reducing The Maximum Weekly Benefit.** “An estimated 170,000 jobless workers in North Carolina will be thrown off the unemployment benefit rolls in July, thanks to legislation passed by state lawmakers this week that triggers a little-known provision of federal law. ... Not only did the state reduce the maximum number of weeks someone could collect state benefits from 26 to 20, it also reduced the maximum weekly benefit from \$535 to \$350.” (Michael A. Fletcher, “North Carolina’s Jobless Face A Double Whammy Of Aid Reductions,” [The Washington Post](#), 2/14/13)

**North Carolina Also Reworked Their Benefit Calculations, Reducing The Average Weekly Benefit.** “On top of that, North Carolina is reworking how unemployment benefits are calculated, which advocates say will reduce the average weekly benefit from about \$296 to the low \$200s.” (Michael A. Fletcher, “North Carolina’s Jobless Face A Double Whammy Of Aid Reductions,” [The Washington Post](#) 2/14/13)

## ***McCrorry Signed A Tax Reform Law Which Critics Claim Benefitted The Rich While Hurting The Poor***

**In 2013 McCrorry Signed Legislation Eliminating Tiered Income Tax Rates And Eliminating “Dozens Of Deductions And Credits.”** “The most sweeping overhaul of North Carolina tax law in a generation went into effect in January 2014, but it didn’t start hitting home until recently for most taxpayers. ... The new system was designed to be simpler by eliminating the tiered income tax rates that were pegged to income levels and lowering the rates for everyone to a flat 5.8 percent in the 2014 tax year and 5.75 percent this year. At the same time, it eliminated dozens of deductions and credits, including the earned income tax credit for the working poor and deductions for medical expenses, retirement income, child-care expenses and college 529 plans.” (David Ranii, “Impact Of NC Income Tax Overhaul Hits Taxpayers,” [Charlotte Observer](#) 3/7/15)

**Critics Of The Tax Overhaul Said The New Plan Hurt Poor Residents As It Eliminated Deductions Such As The Earned Income Tax Credit And Deductions For Medical And Child Care Expenses.** “At the other end of the political spectrum, Democrats and advocacy groups for the poor and low-income workers opposed the new system, arguing that it benefited the wealthy and shifted more of the tax burden on those who can least afford it. ... At the same time, it eliminated dozens of deductions and credits, including the earned income tax credit for the working poor and deductions for medical expenses, retirement income, child-care expenses and college 529 plans.” (David Ranii, “Impact Of NC Income Tax Overhaul Hits Taxpayers,” [Charlotte Observer](#), 3/7/15)

## ***McCrorry Signed A Voter ID Law That Was Found To Be Unconstitutional***

**In 2016 The U.S. Supreme Court Refused To Stay A Lower Court Decision Ruling A McCrorry-Backed Voter ID Law Was Unconstitutional Because It Was Designed For Discrimination.** “A divided U.S. Supreme Court refused Wednesday to reinstate North Carolina's voter identification requirement and keep just 10 days of early in-person voting. The decision a victory for voting rights groups and President Barack Obama's Justice Department means voters won't have to show one of several qualifying photo IDs when casting ballots in the presidential battleground state. Early voting also reverts to 17 days, to begin Oct. 20. The court rejected a request by Republican Gov. Pat McCrorry and other state officials to delay a lower court ruling that found the state law was tainted by racial discrimination.” (“Supreme Court Refuses To Reinstate North Carolina Voter ID Law,” [Chicago Tribune](#), 8/31/16)

## ***McCrorry Vetoed Legislation That Required Drug Testing For Welfare Beneficiaries***

**In 2013 McCrorry Vetoed Legislation That Would Have Required Drug Testing And Background Checks For Certain Welfare Programs.** “Gov. Pat McCrorry criticized lawmakers Wednesday for their decisions to override his only two vetoes of the session, saying he won't carry out one new law and will try to find ways to work around the other. ... One vetoed measure requires drug testing and criminal background checks for applicants to certain welfare programs.” (Mark Binker, Matthew Burns, Bruce Mildwurf and Cullen Browder, “McCrorry Fires Back After Senate Completes Veto Overrides,” [WRAL TV](#) 9/4/13)

**NOTE: The Legislature Overrode His Veto.** “Gov. Pat McCrorry criticized lawmakers Wednesday for their decisions to override his only two vetoes of the session, saying he won't carry out one new law and will try to find ways to work around the other. ... One vetoed measure requires drug testing and criminal background checks for applicants to certain welfare programs.” (Mark Binker, Matthew Burns, Bruce Mildwurf and Cullen Browder, “McCrorry Fires Back After Senate Completes Veto Overrides,” [WRAL TV](#) 9/4/13)

## ***McCrorry Has Signed Several Controversial Anti-Abortion Laws***

**In 2016 McCrorry Signed Legislation Mandating A 72-Hour Waiting Period Before An Abortion.** “Take the latest developments in North Carolina, for example. WRAL published this report at 7:45 p.m. (ET) on Friday evening. Gov. Pat McCrorry says he has signed legislation that makes North Carolina one of several states with 72-hour waiting periods for an abortion.” (Steve Benen, “N.C. Governor Abandons Abortion Rights Promise (Again),” [MSNBC](#), 6/8/15)

**In 2015 McCrory Signed Legislation Requiring An Ultrasound Before An Abortion Could Be Performed.** “On New Year’s Day, Gov. Pat McCrory’s administration began collecting ultrasound images from some women seeking to end a pregnancy. Regardless of how one feels about the right to safe and legal abortion, we should all be aware that our governor is taking an unprecedented step toward stockpiling women’s private health information for no justifiable reason. This turn of events is the result of legislation, House Bill 465, which was passed this summer by the North Carolina General Assembly and signed into law by McCrory.” (Melissa L. Reed, “McCrory Breaks Vow With Abortion Law,” [Charlotte Observer](#), 1/4/16)

**In 2013 McCrory Signed Legislation Excluded Abortion Coverage In Health Plans Offered To City And County Employees.** “Gov. Pat McCrory signed 18 bills Monday, including two of the more controversial of the recently ended legislative session those dealing with gun rights and abortion clinics. Supporters of Senate Bill 353, including the governor, have said it is about raising safety standards among the doctors and clinics that perform abortions. Abortion-rights advocates say that provisions of the law, such as excluding abortion coverage from health plans offered to city and county employees, would further limit the availability of and access to the procedure statewide.” (Jodi Leese Glusco, “McCrory Signs Abortion, Gun Rights Changes Into Law,” [WRAL TV](#) 7/30/13)

### ***McCrory Signed A Controversial “Bathroom Bill” As Governor, Leading To Boycotts Of The State***

**In 2016 McCrory Signed Legislation (HB2) “Banning Transgender People From Using Bathrooms That Match Their Gender Identity.”** “By any objective measure, North Carolina’s anti-LGBT law, HB2, has been a complete disaster for the state. The law, which Gov. Pat McCrory (R) has steadfastly defended since signing it earlier this year, has drawn national criticism for banning transgender people from using bathrooms that match their gender identity.” (Jennifer Bendery, “Pat McCrory s Utterly Absurd Excuse For Not Repealing HB2.” [The Huffington Post](#) 9/20/16)

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- **The NBA Pulled Their All-Star Game From Charlotte Over The HB2 Law.** “Recently, the NBA All-Star game moved out of Charlotte, costing the state millions of dollars. McCrory says some businesses are telling him privately they feel the pressure to be politically correct and reject HB2.” (Tim Pulliam, “Gov. McCrory Not Holding Back When Asked About HB2,” [WTVD TV](#), 8/26/16)

**“In All, The Law Has Driven Business Out Of North Carolina To The Tune Of At Least \$230 Million In Lost Revenue.”** (Jennifer Bendery, “Pat McCrory s Utterly Absurd Excuse For Not Repealing HB2.” [The Huffington Post](#) 9/20/16)

## **POLITICAL ACTIVITY**

### ***Political Affiliation***

**McCrory Is A Republican And Has Run As A Republican Since His First Run For Office In 1989.** (“Patrick Pat Lloyd McCrory,” [The Associated Press](#), Accessed 12/5/16)

### ***Political Contributions To Democrats Or Trump’s Primary Opponents***

**No Relevant Records.** ([FEC](#) Accessed 12/6/16)

## BUSINESSES/ASSOCIATIONS

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**McCrorry “Had To Cut Back His Work At Duke” After Being Elected Mayor Of Charlotte In 1995, With Critics Saying He Was Retained By Duke To Influence City Government.** “After several promotions at Duke and moving up to Mayor Pro Tem on the council McCrorry decided to make a run for mayor and was elected in 1995. McCrorry had to cut back his work at Duke. Many critics felt Duke kept him on board so the city’s largest taxpayer could influence government.” (Richard M. Barron, “Breaking Silence, McCrorry Discusses Career With Duke,” [Greensboro News & Record](#), 3/2/14)

- **A Current Member Of The Charlotte City Council Called McCrorry’s Position With Duke A “Sugar Daddy Job.”** “John Autry, who is serving his first term on the City Council, said he and others never believed McCrorry had much to do at Duke when he was mayor. ‘As a citizen, we always considered the Duke employment as a ‘sugar daddy job’,’ Autry said.” (Richard M. Barron, “Breaking Silence, McCrorry Discusses Career With Duke,” [Greensboro News & Record](#) 3/2/14)

**In 1994 McCrorry Voted To Condemn Two Pieces Of Land For A New Water Line Which Abutted Duke Property And Would Allow The City To Buy Power From The Company.** “At least once, however, McCrorry was accused of putting Duke over duty when, in 1994, the then-mayor pro tem voted to condemn two pieces of land for a new Charlotte water line. What he did not disclose, said a North Carolina Supreme Court justice in a written opinion, was that McCrorry knew the land abutted Duke Energy property. And the city would be free to buy power from Duke if it could gain control of the land.” (Richard M. Barron, “Breaking Silence, McCrorry Discusses Career With Duke,” [Greensboro News & Record](#), 3/2/14)

- **McCrorry, Who Voted In Favor Of The Condemnation, Exchanged Internal Emails With Duke Officials Discussing The Land.** “But Justice I. Beverly Lake Jr. wrote a dissenting opinion that took aim at McCrorry. In the opinion, Lake said that McCrorry exchanged internal emails with Duke officials and discussed condemning the land for the project. McCrorry then voted in favor of the condemnation at a meeting he chaired while the mayor was away, Lake wrote.” (Richard M. Barron, “Breaking Silence, McCrorry Discusses Career With Duke,” [Greensboro News & Record](#), 3/2/14)

**In 2014 The Federal Government Investigated Duke Energy After The Company Spilled Toxic Coal Ash Into The Dan River, Near The Virginia Border.** “Federal prosecutors widened their investigation triggered by a massive coal ash spill in North Carolina, demanding reams of documents and ordering



nearly 20 state environmental agency employees to testify before a grand jury. ... On Feb. 2, a pipe running under a coal ash pond collapsed at Duke's Dan River Steam Station in Eden, coating the bottom of the Dan River, near the Virginia border, with toxic ash up to 70 miles downstream. Meanwhile, state officials said Duke successfully contained 'about 90 percent' of the flow from a second pipe at the dump spewing arsenic-laced groundwater into the river." (Michael Biesecker, "Investigation Into NC Coal Ash Spill Widens," [The Associated Press](#), 2/20/14)

- **The Investigation Came In The Wake Of Allegations That The State Of North Carolina Intervened On Duke's Behalf To Issue What Critics Describe As Small Pollution Violations Instead Of Allowing Environmental Groups Take The Company To Federal Court.** "The 20 subpoenas disclosed by the state agency follow two Feb. 10 subpoenas, which were issued the day after a story by The Associated Press raised questions about a proposed deal between state officials and Duke that would have fined Duke \$99,111 to settle violations over toxic groundwater contamination at two facilities. The settlement came about after a coalition of citizen groups tried to use the U.S. Clean Water Act to sue Duke in federal court last year. The state agency intervened three times to use its authority to issue violations over the pollution and take the case to state court, where the agency quickly negotiated the proposed settlement that included no requirement Duke actually clean up its past pollution or prevent further contamination. The citizens groups opposed the deal, saying it shielded Duke from far harsher penalties it might have faced in federal court had the state not intervened." (Michael Biesecker, "Investigation Into NC Coal Ash Spill Widens," [The Associated Press](#) 2/20/14)

**Regulatory Staffing And Fines Against Duke Energy Have Been "Sharply Lower Under McCrory And The Republican-Led General Assembly."** "The Duke claims are part of what advocates say is the administration's dismal overall environmental record. State regulators have treated regulated companies as 'customers,' with staffing and fines sharply lower under McCrory and the Republican-led General Assembly." (Bruce Henderson, "McCrory s Duke Energy Ties, And Coal Ash Response, Become A Campaign Issue," [Charlotte Observer](#), 10/21/16)

**Critics Accused McCrory Of "Stacking The Utilities Commission To Approve Duke Rate Hikes."** "Cooper accuses McCrory of stacking the Utilities Commission to approve Duke rate hikes, repeating an accusation from the 2012 campaign." (Bruce Henderson, "McCrory s Duke Energy Ties, And Coal Ash Response, Become A Campaign Issue," [Charlotte Observer](#) 10/21/16)

## **Lobbying**

**According To The Senate Lobbying Disclosure Act Database, McCrory Is Not A Registered Lobbyist.** (Senate Lobbying Disclosure Act Database, Accessed 12/6/16)

You searched for:  
Lobbyist Name: McCrory, Pat

**No Records Found**

Please [refine your search](#) or [perform a new search](#).

**According To The Foreign Agents Registration Act Database, McCrory Has Not Registered As A Foreign Agent.** (Foreign Agents Registration Act Database, Accessed 12/6/16)

Historical List of all 36,942 Short Form Registrants as of 12/06/2016 [Back to Quick Search](#)

Number of historical Short Form Registrants as of 12/06/2016 = 36,942

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No data found.

***Federal Contracting***

**From 2012 -2016, Duke Energy Has Received \$90,608,141 In Federal Contracts.** ([USASpending](#) Accessed 12/6/16)

**RESULTS SUMMARY**

Filters: Contracts; FY 2016, FY 2015, FY 2014, FY 2013, FY 2012; Duke Energy

<b>Total Number of <u>Transactions</u></b> <b>507</b>	<b>Total Prime Recipient Transaction Amount</b> <b>\$90,608,141</b>	
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