



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DENTON VOTERS GUIDE for Denton County, Texas

PRIMARY ELECTIONS MARCH 2, 2010

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There are no contested local races for the **Democratic candidates**. The four candidates from Denton County who are unopposed are listed by office sought and name.

There are contested local races for **Republican candidates** for the following offices: Criminal District Attorney; District Judge, 158th Judicial Court; State Representative District 64; State Representative District 65; Justice of the Peace, Precincts 1, 2, and 4; County Court at Law #1; and Statutory Probate Court of Denton County. Nineteen candidates on the ballot in Denton County who are unopposed are listed at the conclusion of the party listings.

You may bring this Voters Guide into the voting booth.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY CANDIDATES

UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES IN THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY PRIMARY

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, TX DISTRICT 26	Neil Durrance
JUDGE, COUNTY PROBATE COURT	Stephen D. Stephens
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 1	Bill Barnett
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 6	Paul Gomez

REPUBLICAN PARTY CANDIDATES

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, TX DISTRICT 26

- Questions:
1. What do you think should be the role of the federal government in ensuring access to health care? (100 words)
 2. Are continued deficits in the federal budget a source of concern for you? If not, why not? If so, what measures would you support to balance revenues and expenses? (100 words)
 3. What measures would you support regarding global warming and climate disruption? (100 words)

Michael C. Burgess

Answer #1: The government should not mandate purchase of insurance or create new federal insurance products. The government should use the regulatory power available to help those with pre-existing conditions by allowing re-insurance options for higher risk individuals. Provide competition by opening the market so that existing insurance companies could sell in a transparent and competitive marketplace. Liability Reform works in Texas and should be expanded. COBRA benefits could be more flexible so that affordable plans are more available to the newly unemployed. Encouraging states to provide websites to connect purchasers to health plans would improve transparency in the marketplace.

Answer #2: Expansions of federal dependency this past year has been unprecedented and is unsustainable. There is no greater urgency than to take control of the budget. No federal agency should receive an increase in their budget, but they do. Not only must this stop but I would force and across the board decrease of 1-2% of discretionary spending. In 2005 I voted in favor of the Deficit Reduction Act, where the entitlement spending was cut 0.4%. We need to do the same again. Ultimately, entitlement reform must be a top priority and it is the responsibility of congress to do this.

Answer #3: The climate debate, which should be science driven, has become a political talking point. Recently the veracity of some earlier studies has been challenged. Computer projections are notoriously inaccurate – even more so if they rely on incomplete data. Regardless of the political debate – no one should be in favor of wasting energy – so conservation and efficiency measures are important considerations to guide policy. The Cap and Trade proposal before Congress this year was in my option a compellation of poor choices that would have done little for the environment but significantly harmed our economy.

James Herford

Answer #1: I do not believe the Federal Government should have any role other than supporting free market principles. As in any industry, the free market is the best way to ensure a quality product or service, at the most affordable price.

Answer #2: I strongly support a balanced budget amendment as well as support low taxes and low regulation. A healthy, vibrant, and growing economy is the best answer to provide the Federal Government with revenue.

Answer #3: I believe that everyone wants a clean environment, however, I do not believe in the theory of manmade global warming. With that said, we should constantly strive to make use of the latest technologies that make financial sense, to better our environment. I would not support any type of Cap and Trade or any further regulation.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICTS 64 and 65

- Questions:
1. Texas is one of the largest emitters of carbon dioxide in the U.S. What changes would you support in Texas' energy policies? (100 words)
 2. Texas ranks very low among states in percentage of persons with health insurance. What measures would you support for improving access to health care in Texas? (100 words)
 3. How should Texas finance the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges? Do you support increased construction of toll roads? (100 words)
 4. Do you consider Texas's current per student public school spending to be adequate and equitable? If not, what measures would you support to increase funding of public school education? (100 words)

STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 64

Kurt Hyde

Answer #1: In light of recent revelations of inaccuracies in global warming data, we need to review the whole theory of global warming and the role played in it by carbon dioxide.

Answer #2: A large number of the people without health insurance are illegal aliens and they are clogging the system because they get free health care. One obvious solution is to stop providing free health care to persons who have entered this country illegally.

Answer #3: We are already financing roads via licensing fees and other taxes. I would support the building of new toll roads where appropriate. One thing that I would not support is outsourcing toll roads to foreign interests.

Answer #4: I do not equate increased spending to improved quality.

Myra Crownover

Answer #1: During the 81st Legislative Session I authored Senate Bill 1387 with Senator Kel Seliger. SB 1387 set up a regulatory framework for the long-term sequestration of CO2 underground. The CO2 would be captured from industrial sources and sent to areas where sequestration is appropriate. Texas is uniquely positioned to take advantage of this technology because in West Texas we have been injecting CO2 into the ground for 30 years as a part of enhanced oil recovery. I believe that we should be looking for innovative new technologies like carbon capture and storage and I would support such initiatives.

Answer #2: I have filed legislation for the past two sessions to allow government employees to have access to Health Savings Accounts. These accounts reduce the cost of insurance and would allow employees to build up a tax free savings account for unforeseen medical expenses. I would like to see individuals own their own policies so that they can select the level of coverage they need and had portable policies that would adjust to their life changes.

Answer #3: I expect the legislature to address transportation financing this Session with a comprehensive overhaul of the current system. Right now we rely heavily on an outdated tax structure and divert much of that revenue for other uses. We need to address the situation with a fresh set of eyes and be open to all suggestions. There are places where toll roads are necessary but we must be careful to get the right mix of tolled and free roads.

Answer #4: Texas cannot be a first rate state without a first rate education system and we cannot have a first rate system without adequate funding. Currently nearly 60% of general revenue is spent on education. House Bill 3 during the 81st Session provided an important step forward, making sure that every dollar we spend on public education is spent effectively and wisely. The changes in HB 3 will take time to implement but I look forward to a clear and transparent system that encourages parents to work with teachers and administrators and to better understand how education dollars are spent.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 65

Burt Solomons

Answer #1: Texas energy policy must include a mix of renewable sources of energy like wind and solar, and nuclear power as part our state's future diversified electric power fuel sources. These sources of energy could provide Texans with cleaner and more efficient energy. Using proven science to build future power plants in Texas will prove beneficial to all Texans.

Answer #2: All Texans want access to quality health care. We need to continue to address areas that have deficiencies throughout our state, such as enough quality nurses and rural physicians.

Answer #3: In our Dallas-Ft. Worth Metroplex we do need increased transportation infrastructure to ease traffic congestion along crowded highways. However, I do not support new taxes or tax increases. First and foremost, we must ensure that all money collected for roads must be dedicated to building and maintaining roads. I do not support tolling existing free roads. A public-private partnership for any toll road should not include letting a foreign entity own our roadways, and should include the toll road being later converted to a free public highway.

Answer #4: As a parent, I believe classroom excellence and proper teacher pay are the top priorities of our state budget and local school districts. In particular, I support ensuring not only adequate funding for fast-growth school districts, but also the efficient use of that funding. I have supported closing legal loopholes that let some previously to avoid paying their fair share of the cost of public education. A one-size fits all formula for school funding does not help our fast-growth school districts meet the needs of our growing student population and I support changing that formula.

Mike Murphy

No response received

STUDENT VOTERS: If students consider their permanent addresses to be their parents' address, they may use that address as their voter registration address. However, if they would like to register to vote at their college addresses, they may do so. Students cannot be registered at both places. The general rule of thumb is that wherever students claim residency is the place where they should be registered to vote. Students who will be away from home on Election Day and during early voting may request ballots by mail.

DISTRICT JUDGE, 158TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

The district courts are the trial courts of general jurisdiction of Texas. These courts have original jurisdiction in all felony criminal cases, divorce cases, cases involving title to land, election contest cases, and civil matters in which the amount in controversy is \$200 or more. While most district courts try both criminal and civil cases, in the more densely populated counties the courts may specialize in civil, criminal, juvenile, or family law matters.

- Questions:
1. What training and experience qualify you for this position? (50 words)
 2. What goals are you seeking to achieve in this office? (100 words)

Jake Collier

Answer #1: Seven years experience on bench. Presided over more than 100 jury and 1000 non jury trials. Selected Most Qualified District Judge six years by Denton Bar Association. 33 years experience running an office and Denton County trial lawyer. Experienced in civil, criminal, and family law. Board Certified Family Law.

Answer #2: Continue to run the most efficient Court and be the most available Judge in Denton County. Move cases quickly and fairly. Protect children in Children's Protective Cases and divorces. Continue to bring those accused of crimes to trial in a speedy manner so the guilty will be timely punished and the innocent set free. Continue attempting to save young lives being ruined by stupid mistakes and drug addiction. Continue being frugal with taxpayer money. Continue being at work 8 am and staying 'til 5 pm. Continuing administering justice equally, without favorites, to all who appear before me.

Steve Burgess

Answer #1: Having practiced for 14 years, I have handled over 4,000 cases. I have proceeded to Jury Trial on over 30 cases. Probably one-fourth of those trials were felony cases. I have handled over 70 family law cases as lead attorney in Denton County, according to the Denton County website.

Answer #2: I am seeking to serve the victims of crime by providing a resolution to criminal cases that is considerate of the victim. This means that cases should move through the system faster and victim concerns should be taken into account. As a Christian, I believe strongly in family and marriage. If a family is going through a divorce I will fully consider the position of all parties, including the children. The safety and well-being of the children is always my first concern. I believe both parties need to be heard to allow the healing process to begin.

David J. Moraine

Answer #1: I hold a J.D. from SMU and a master of laws (LL.M.) from UH. I have a masters degree in political science from UTA, and graduated magna cum laude with a BA from UTSA. For more than a decade, I have been litigating family and civil cases in Denton.

Answer #2: I will continue the pattern of efficiency and fairness that characterizes the 158th District Court. In addition, I will maintain the conservative principles, and judicial philosophy, that has made the 158th the top rated court in the County for the past seven years.

CRIMINAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY, DENTON COUNTY

The District Attorney represents the state in criminal cases and works with law enforcement officers in the investigation and preparation of cases to be heard before the criminal courts. The prosecuting attorney has the power to determine whether prosecution in any given case shall be inaugurated or, if inaugurated, pushed to a successful conclusion. Other duties include prosecution of juvenile offenders, representation of victims of violence in protective orders and representing the Texas Department of Protective & Regulatory Services in removing children from abusive households.

- Questions:
1. What training and experience qualify you for this position? (50 words)
 2. What goals are you seeking to achieve in this office? (100 words)

Brent D. Bowen

Answer #1: I have worked as a prosecutor in two different states and three separate offices. My practice has consisted of primarily criminal law from traffic, misdemeanor, felonies, attempted murder, juvenile, and criminal appeals. I believe I have the vision and leadership skills to better the office. BA Baylor, JD Washburn Law.

Answer #2: My goal as District Attorney is to be a leader for not only that office but for law enforcement throughout the county. I will work diligently with law enforcement to upgrade technology, provide training, and give them the communication they deserve. Additionally, I will work tirelessly to upgrade the technology and efficiency of the DA's office. Finally I will work with the courts and the community to set up a drug court to streamline our low level drug offenders in a treatment court to provide rehabilitation and allow our law enforcement to focus on drug dealers.

Paul Johnson

Answer #1: I worked as an assistant district attorney for 15 years prosecuting all levels of criminal cases from DWI to Capital Murder. I have tried 100’s of jury trials and handled 1000’s of criminal cases. Since 1/1/07, I have been the Elected District Attorney. I lead a staff of 120 employees.

Answer #2: My goals for the office are to continue the successes achieved in the last three years and strive to do the job even better and more efficiently. While the primary job of the District Attorney’s Office is to serve and protect the public from criminals, the job is so much more than that. I will continue to scale back the budget, refuse the county car allowance, continue offering free law enforcement training, initiate “no-refusal” DWI programs, keep the partnership with Denton ISD high school credit internships, maintain diversions for first offenders, increase hot check collections for merchants.

JUDGE, COUNTY COURT-AT-LAW #1

The legal jurisdiction of the special county-level trial courts is established by the statute which creates the particular court. The civil jurisdiction of most county courts at law varies, but is usually more than that of the justice of the peace courts and less than that of the district courts. County courts at law usually have appellate jurisdiction in cases appealed from justice of the peace and municipal courts.

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George A. Mitcham

Answer #1: I have spent the last 15 years protecting the citizens and children of this County as a police officer and a prosecutor. I have the unique experience of dealing with juvenile offenders in both those capacities. I also know the challenges of parenting having two children of my own.

Answer #2: I intend to make the parents of delinquent juveniles in Denton County more directly responsible for the rehabilitation of their children instead of the taxpayers and employees of the County. I intend to require parents to meaningfully participate in the process rather than leave rehabilitation up to the staff of the probation department. I expect to save the taxpayers money by improving the attorney appointment process and I will also require violent offenders to more strictly follow the terms of their supervision or face incarceration. Offenders choosing to violate their supervision terms should not be allowed to endanger the community.

Chance Oliver

Answer #1: As a husband, father of four, former prosecutor, and 16-year youth leader, I have dedicated my adult life to affecting positive change in the lives of youth in and out of the courtroom. I have the complete credentials to serve effectively as Judge of Denton County’s only designated Juvenile Court.

Answer #2: If elected Judge of Denton County Court at Law #1 (Juvenile Court), I will utilize family-focused rehabilitation strategies for non-violent youth offenders, protect the community by expediting the disposition of violent youth offender cases, work with the state to restructure youth detention facilities to decrease costs and increase program success rates, strengthen court-community program partnerships, including faith-based organizations, and fairly and impartially apply the law to all who come before me.

Christine Ventura

No response received

Kimberly McCary

Answer #1: I have been a juvenile law attorney for over 16 years and am a Texas Bar College member. No attorney in Texas has been Board Certified in Juvenile Law longer. Certification requires rigorous peer review, experience, ethics, and continuing legal education. I have been a judge for over twelve years.

Answer #2: As an attorney and judge who has handled thousands of juvenile cases (from runaway to capital murder), I would strive to further understand family dynamics, mental health and dependency issues, rehabilitation methods, recidivism, etc.; stay abreast of all laws; and apply my training, passion, and experience to use limited resources wisely to rehabilitate the juveniles and, when necessary, remove them from their environments to protect the community. I envision a court wherein consequences occur timely to and appropriate for the transgression; parents are held financially, morally, and scholastically accountable; a drug court is implemented; and respect, honor and dignity rule.

LOST VOTER REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE: If you have lost or misplaced your vote registration certificate, you may vote by providing some other form of identification and signing an affidavit at the polls. You will be allowed to vote if your name appears on the rolls in your county of residence. Acceptable forms of identification include driver’s license; another form of identification containing your photograph; United States citizenship papers; official mail addressed to you from a government entity; current utility bill; government check or other government document that shows your name and address; personal identification card issued by the Dept. of Public Safety; birth certificate; United States passport; pay check that shows your name and address; bank statement.

JUDGE, STATUTORY PROBATE COURT OF DENTON COUNTY

Statutory Probate Court in Denton County has the jurisdiction provided by law for a county court except that the court does not have the juvenile jurisdiction, jurisdiction over misdemeanors under Section 26.045, habeas corpus jurisdiction, or appellate criminal jurisdiction provided by law for county courts.

- Questions:
1. What training and experience qualify you for this position? (50 words)
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Robert Ramirez

Answer #1: I have been involved in several hundred-probate cases in Denton County and many more probate cases in Collin, Dallas, Tarrant and other surrounding counties. I have a Masters in Business Administration from Texas A&M, I'm a Registered Guardian and Mediator and have experience in all said areas.

Answer #2: Serve my fellow citizens and protect vulnerable populations, specifically incapacitated persons; specifically incapacitated persons in adult guardianship cases. I have proved my passion for these populations through service and support (PediPlace, Health Services and formerly Children's Advocacy Center as well as support of the ARC of Texas and Special Olympics). I will shorten the time it takes to get before the Court in all cases, by modifying the Court's docket control. I will also add transparency and accountability in Court appointments and practice fiscal conservatism in the Court with the largest budget of any trail court in the County

Gilland Chenault

Answer #1: I have substantial experience in the complex areas of law handled by this Court. I have served as a guardian and attorney ad-litem, am the Probate Chair for the Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law Section of the Denton County Bar Association and teach litigation courses at Texas Woman's University.

Answer #2: I will bring honesty and integrity to the Probate Court and ensure the public's trust in our judicial system. To do so, I will bring a conservative judicial philosophy to this Court and will fairly and impartially apply the law. As Judge, I will provide more transparency regarding guardian and attorney appointments and fees. I will ensure the Court is efficient so that case backlog does not delay justice for those with cases pending before the Court and taxpayer money is not wasted. I will review all pending estate cases to ensure they are being handled properly.

Bonnie Robison

Answer #1: A licensed attorney for 30 years, over 20 of those have been in Denton County specializing in Probate, Trusts, Fiduciary Litigation, Guardianship and Estate Planning. I'm the only candidate Board Certified in Estate Planning and Probate Law. Also, I'm a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Attorney Ad Litem.

Answer #2: This is a specialized bench, and it needs a specialized Judge. I hope to use my wealth of experience and conservative judicial philosophy to handle the intricacies and delicate issues that arise on a daily basis and affect the lives of the elderly, children and incapacitated people. I also plan to reevaluate how court appointments are assigned. We need to look at the type of probate work involved, the unique issues to the case and the experience of the lawyer. I'm uniquely qualified to develop a fair system that will affectively match the proper lawyer with the proper case.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCTS 1, 2, and 4

Justice of the peace courts have original jurisdiction in criminal matters of misdemeanor cases punishable by fine only. The justice of the peace has the authority to accept a case at its inception, try it and pass judgment based upon the laws and facts. A justice of the peace may issue warrants for search and arrest, conduct preliminary hearings, administer oaths, and perform marriages. This court also functions as a small claims court in civil matters when the amount in controversy does not exceed \$10,000. The court can also deal with matters concerning foreclosure of mortgages and enforcement of liens on personal property.

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JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 1

Joe Holland

Answer #1: I have exceeded state required training each year and will continue to do so. I concentrate on small claims and truancy issues. I have conducted 50 jury trials, 567 criminal trials, and 3,883 civil trials in the courtroom. I am the only candidate in this race with courtroom experience.

Answer #2: To continue making decisions based on the law and the evidence. To continue teaching high school students about renting property to prevent them from ending up in eviction court. To continue to be available to peace officers to sign arrest and probable cause warrants. To continue working with school officials to keep Denton County children in school. Truancy is best dealt with one child at a time. To continue treating people coming into the office with courtesy and respect. To continue conducting this office with the dignity that this court and the citizens of Denton County deserve.

Jim Bryan

Answer #1: I have worked as a police officer for over twenty years. I hold a bachelors degree from UNT, training in alternative dispute resolution, a master peace officer license and over 1800 hours of law enforcement training. This provides me with extensive experience in the practical application of law and procedure.

Answer #2: I want bring customer service back to this office by allowing staff to answer procedural and paperwork questions for our citizens. This court is often called the people’s court where representation by an attorney is not required. I will treat each and every person who appears before my court with respect and understanding no matter their economic or social status. Each party will be listened to in a fair and impartial manner and I will render judgments based on the law. I will work to decrease the current backlog so that cases will be heard in a timely manner.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 2

James R. DiPiazza

Answer #1: I have been the Justice of the Peace since January 2007 and have received over 200 hours of judicial education. This court has a large number of juvenile cases and my education and experience as a professional counselor gives me a unique perspective when assessing and sentencing youth.

Answer #2: Over the last three years, the recidivism rate in Failure to Attend School (truancy) cases has dropped 3 percent and is currently 2% below the county average. My goal is to decrease this rate an additional 5% over the next two years. With new programs that were launched in January 2010 and established relationships between the court, constable’s office and schools, this is an achievable goal. In February 2010, the Justice Courts are converting to a new computer system. It is my goal to use the features in the new system to help streamline court operations and increase staff efficiency.

Carlos Gallardo

Answer #1: I bring many years of executive military command leadership (USAF), federal government service (CIA, Dept of State), executive professional HR skills, Republican Party leadership involvement, extensive community volunteer and legal experience (Texas Medical Board, Rotary International, American Legion, Urban Forestry Board, HR professional organizations) and life skills to my candidacy.

Answer #2: JP’s provide valuable services to the community and handle a myriad of legal issues including small claims matters, truancy issues, hot checks, evictions, and conduct civil marriages. The JP must have a thorough understanding of all responsibilities of the office and maintain effective, efficient office operations with sound fiscal, personnel management, and unequalled civic responsibility. The JP must be a dynamic, dedicated professional representing the entire Precinct #2 community, addressing every case with professionalism and a thorough understanding, knowledge and application of the law. We need conservative values back in our Justice of the Peace Court. These are my goals.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 4

Dave Jahn

No response received

JW Hand

Answer #1: My background is Law Enforcement, but preventing youth from taking the wrong path is important. Ninety percent of our prison population did not finish school. The School Districts are charged with education, but Justice’s of the Peace are charged with enforcing truancy and other behavior problems. Where have they been?

Answer #2: My platform has been Truth and Truancy. That as a promise made four years ago. I follow the law, but I seek truth. I have worked with the school districts in my precinct to simplify and demystify the process of getting the Justice Court involved as soon as possible. I want to continue to make a difference in young people’s lives, to touch the future. A most satisfying moment occurred when a local high school principal greeted me by saying that he could think of five kids who would not have graduated if I had not intervened. A promise kept.

Scott Smith

Answer #1: Twenty-six year resident of Denton County. Volunteer over thirty-five years in Trophy Club and Carrollton. Judge of elections. Mayor and Councilman of Trophy Club. While Mayor, duties included serving as Town Magistrate working directly with our police department and presiding over our local peoples court, the town council.

Answer #2: Improvements needed include; Expand office hours to be more accessible for the working man and woman. Open office on Fridays, currently closed. Improve appearance of office. This is your court, the “Peoples Court”. Provide fair and equal justice for all from a compassionate judge. Work directly with school district administrators to deliver information and educate our kids on the consequences of truancy, disruptive behavior, under age drinking and tobacco use. Establish in cooperation with local high schools a Teen Court. Our children are our most valuable assets and must be protected.

UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES IN THE REPUBLICAN PARTY PRIMARY

STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 63	Tan Parker
DISTRICT JUDGE, 211TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT	Dee Shipman
DISTRICT JUDGE, 367TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT	Lee Gabriel
COUNTY JUDGE	Mary Horn
JUDGE, COUNTY COURT-AT-LAW#2	Margaret E. Barnes
JUDGE, COUNTY CRIMINAL COURT #1	Jim Crouch
JUDGE, COUNTY CRIMINAL COURT #2	Virgil Vahlenkamp Jr.
JUDGE, COUNTY CRIMINAL COURT #3	David D. Garcia
JUDGE, COUNTY CRIMINAL COURT #4	Joe Bridges
JUDGE, COUNTY CRIMINAL COURT #5	Richard (Ski) Podgorski
DISTRICT CLERK	Sherri Adelstein
COUNTY CLERK	Cynthia Mitchell
COUNTY TREASURER	Cindy Yeatts
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2	Ron Marchant
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 4	Andy Eads
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 3	Becky Kerbow
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 5	Mike Bateman
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 6	Patty Larson
COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY CHAIR	Dianne Edmondson

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