



# Connecticut Catholic Conference



*Representing the Archdiocese of Hartford, Diocese of Bridgeport,  
Diocese of Norwich and Ukrainian Catholic Diocese of Stamford*

**THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF CONNECTICUT  
and THE CONNECTICUT CATHOLIC CONFERENCE urge you to**

**VOTE YES**

**ON QUESTION #1  
SUPPORT A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION ON ELECTION DAY!**

The goal is to have a Constitutional Convention convened to change our state Constitution and to allow for the right of initiative and referendum. This will allow the citizens of Connecticut to vote on proposals that will improve our life in Connecticut. It will allow the voice of the people to be heard above partisan politics and special interests.

The legislature has failed to act on a variety of issues of concern to the people of Connecticut that effect our families, property and safety. The legislature has:

- Failed to define marriage in our Constitution leading to the imposition of same-sex “marriage” on the people of Connecticut through judicial activism.
- Failed to enact significant eminent domain reform to prevent the seizing of private property for use by private developers as occurred in New London
- Failed to enact a three strikes law for repeat felons
- Failed to enact property tax reform
- Failed to seriously consider term limits on public officials
- Failed to enact laws requiring parents to be notified when their teen daughter receives an abortion

Legislative leaders and representatives many times fail to act because they are greatly influenced by the special interest groups that don’t represent your interests or views. Review some of the groups that are opposed to increasing the voice of the people of Connecticut and opposed to a “Yes” vote on Question #1.

**SOME OF THE SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS OPPOSED TO QUESTION #1.**

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| Connecticut Education Association          | National Education Association |
| American Federation of Teachers            | Liberals Like Christ           |
| American Civil Liberties Union of CT       | CT Transadvocacy Coalition     |
| CT National Organization for Women         | NARAL Pro-Choice CT            |
| CT Assoc. of Public School Superintendents | Love Makes a Family            |
| Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders        | Planned Parenthood of CT       |
| Queers Without Borders                     | Trial Lawyers Association      |
| Coalition for Reproductive Choice of CT    |                                |

***“Therefore, we will be calling on the Catholic people of our state to vote “Yes” for a Constitutional Convention and the right of referendum on Election Day.” - Statement on Same-sex “Marriage” Court Decision by the Catholic Bishops of Connecticut, October 10, 2008***

***“Any time you can have public participation in government, I think you are better served by it”.  
- Gov. M. Jodi Rell, September 26, 2008. (Newsday)***

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO POST A LAWN SIGN IN YOUR YARD,  
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