

The Goolsby campaign's answers to the Duke City Ledger

Emailed to the Ledger on Oct. 16, 2026, by Ramona L. Goolsby, Republican candidate for New Mexico Secretary of State, in reply to questions the Ledger sent her on Oct. 15. The Ledger's questions are in bold; her answers follow exactly as sent. The Ledger removed one line: a personal phone number she offered for follow-up questions.

Duke City Ledger,

Thank you for the opportunity to answer your questions. I know voters appreciate hearing from candidates. I have listed my answers below. If you have any questions please contact me. [Phone number removed by the Ledger.]

1. In this office, what would you do about voting access and election security?

I will protect every eligible voter's access with accurate voter rolls, consistent procedures, and transparent, accountable election administration while supporting security measures like common sense legislation for voter ID, and hardening cybersecurity measures.

2. In this office, what would you do about disclosing campaign money?

I will enforce campaign and lobbyist finance disclosure laws consistently, improve public access to contribution and expenditure records, and ensure accountability regardless of political affiliation.

3. What's one thing about this office most voters don't know, but should?

Most New Mexicans know the Secretary of State oversees elections, but fewer realize the office is also responsible for administering campaign finance reporting, lobbying disclosures, business registrations, notary registrations, and other important business and public records administration.

This office is about much more than counting ballots. It plays a critical role in ensuring government operates transparently and that the public has access to information about political money and government activities.

As Secretary of State, I will work to ensure these responsibilities are carried out fairly, consistently, and without political favoritism. New Mexicans deserve to know that election laws are followed, public records are accessible, and those entrusted with government responsibilities are held accountable.

My commitment is simple: transparency, accountability, and trust.

Remember Ramona.

4. Who are your largest donors, and is there any decision this office makes where you'd step aside because of them?

My campaign is supported by individuals who believe New Mexico deserves secure elections, transparent government, and accountable leadership.

My campaign contributions are publicly disclosed in accordance with New Mexico law, and I encourage voters to review those records at <https://login.cfis.sos.state.nm.us/#/index> .

No campaign contribution will buy influence over my decisions as Secretary of State. I will enforce the law fairly and consistently, regardless of political affiliation, personal relationships, or financial support.

If a matter presents an actual conflict of interest requiring recusal, I will follow applicable ethics requirements and statutes to ensure that the matter is handled appropriately.

The Secretary of State works for the people of New Mexico, not special interests or political donors.

Remember Ramona for transparency, accountability, and trust.

Thank you again for the opportunity to address your followers.

Blessings,

Ramona L. Goolsby

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