

***The Public Ought to Know:
The Real Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich Record***

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Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich embraced the Republican-Conservative radical right wing agenda as part of a cynical attempt to grab an elected office after failing the first three times.¹ He never disputes his Republican-Conservative moniker. This Republican-Conservative wannabe needs to Restrain himself in [attacking](#) his opponent's campaign manager and raising my community leadership position by title and association – something (even in the body of this letter) I scrupulously keep separate and distinct from any partisan involvements.

Let's look at the Real Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich Record:

- Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich supports gun policies that ENDANGER our children – and really all of us. Robert, *Restrain yourself*.
- Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich would RESTRICT a Woman's right to choose. Robert, *Restrain yourself*.
- Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich OPPOSES Hate Crimes Legislation. Robert, *Restrain yourself*.
- Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich would CUT pensions for retirees. Robert, *Restrain yourself*.
- Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich CHANGED his position on marriage equality in return for the Conservative line. Robert, *Restrain yourself*.
- Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich SKIPPED most of his Community Board meetings failing to vote on key issues affecting our community and then just quit! The residents of the 24th A.D. need that kind in Albany? Robert, *Restrain yourself*.
- Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich shows up at community events when he decides to run for office – wearing his candidate-button; before that he was a RARE PRESENCE at best. Robert, *Restrain yourself*.
- Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich remains under INVESTIGATION for mispending the money of his shareholders, the people he was supposed to represent. Robert, *Restrain yourself*.
- Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich also SELFISHLY uses the resources of the Glen Oaks Village Owner's newsletter, produced and printed by the cooperative corporation, to promote his candidacy. Robert, *Restrain yourself*.
- Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich remains under investigation for MISpending public funds in the last election. Robert, *Restrain yourself*.
- Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich FAILED to file the Financial Disclosure report required under NYS Law to the NYS Board of election as of Tuesday, January, 2010 – eleven days late. This would-be public officer who touts his accounting skills perhaps needs some re-education and re-training. What might this wannabe elected hiding? See: http://www.elections.state.ny.us:8080/plsql_browser/getfiler2?filerid_in=A70375

¹ Friedrich lost the 1982 primary to NYS Assembly Member Leonard Stavisky and most recently lost twice to Mark Weprin in the 2009 NYC Council primary election and general election.

And on top of everything else, Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich does not even live in the district; he lives OUTSIDE district 24 and he knows it and stated such to me (but then he was not a candidate). Talk about chutzpah!!! Robert, *Restrain yourself*.

These words nearly four decades ago that clearly apply to Republican-Conservative Friedrich:

*Get on down off your ladder,
Come out from the rain
Can't you see that there's no one to blame
And I got that feelin'
That we're playin' the same old game
You better get on the run
Cause you know it's no fun
Restrain yourself!**

The State Assembly deals with serious issues and the voters deserve better than Republican-Conservative Robert Friedrich and the radical right wing views his candidacy seeks to empower.

Fortunately, the voters have a sound choice. David Weprin made a difference on the City Council, taking principled positions on such matters as term limits and the congestion tax and helping to balance eight tough budgets, while delivering millions in improvements for our schools, parks, senior centers and libraries (including the Glen Oaks Branch Library). David's efforts helped maintain senior and youth programs and other core services. As an Assembly Member, David will enter Albany with respect and make a difference.

— *Coney Bearak*

*From *Restrain* written by Timothy Schmit