

Candidate: Jimmy Patronis

Office: Chief Financial Officer

Party: R

Constitutionally Limited Government: _____

2nd Amendment: TPM Score: 5

National Rifle Assoc rating **100%** 2012

<https://votesmart.org/interest-group/1034/rating/8741?p=3&of=#.W6woYzfQYkE>

Pro-life: TPM Score: 5

Planned Parenthood (low score is good): 0

Endorsed by Florida Right to Life

<https://frtl.org/2018-general-election-endorsements/>

Immigration: TPM Score: 2.5

Unfortunately Patronis In 2014 voted for HB 851 to allow students who have studied 3 consecutive years in FL to pay in-state college tuition, regardless of immigration status.

<https://www.browardpalmbeach.com/news/anti-immigration-group-dont-let-illegal-immigrants-pay-in-state-college-tuition-rates-6468503>

Fiscal Responsibility: Taxes/Spending TPM Score: 5 _____

Increased tax credits, eliminated sales tax on manufacturing equipment

<https://votesmart.org/candidate/key-votes/67909/jimmy-theo-patronis-jr/111/taxes#.W7JrV2hKhPY>

Free Market Solutions: _____

Educ choice: TPM Score: 4

Liberal group Fund Education Now (FEN) (low score is good): 0

Florida's Future Fund (FFF): 78%

<https://votesmart.org/candidate/evaluations/67909/jimmy-theo-patronis-jr/27#.W7JpsGhKhPY>

Healthcare: TPM Score: 4

Florida Medical Association (FMA): 100%; and FMA endorses Patronis

<https://joinjimmy.com/news/> and

https://joinjimmy.com/campaign_news/cfo-jimmy-patronis-endorsed-by-the-florida-medical-association-pac/

Pro-Biz: TPM Score: 5

NFIB endorses Patronis

<https://www.nfib.com/content/news/elections/small-business-endorses-jimmy-patronis-for-cfo/>

Florida AFL-CIO Rating: 0%

<https://votesmart.org/interest-group/69/rating/4866#.W6wqNJfQYkE>

Candidate's Top 3 Issues:

Supporting first responders, protecting your identity, fiscal accountability.

Currently as CFO, stated top issues: fighting financial fraud, abuse and waste in gov't, reducing gov't spending and regulatory burdens that chase away businesses, and providing transparency and accountability in spending.

Total TPM Score: 30.5

Summary Comments:

Jimmy Patronis was a legislator before he became CFO and has a well-documented conservative voting record. The big news about Jeremy Ring is he hired Jake Wagman to steal Jimmy's identity to obtain personal information, according to Florida Department of Law Enforcement's (FDLE) findings. <https://joinjimmy.com/news/>

Jeremy Ring is a former Yahoo executive. There is a slippery slope when the government starts paying innovative companies to innovate. Before you know it, our tax dollars are being laundered by the favorite few into the coffers of the politicians.

Ring's top priority is ensuring government unions' pensions are funded; and the unions show their support of him for that.

Jeremy Ring's strength is his mediocre score on Free Market Solutions; his weakness is his awful score on Constitutionally Limited Government. He is barely fiscally responsible and mildly pro-business. Not only that but this link names **nearly a dozen of his donors that have been convicted of crime:** <http://floridapolitics.com/archives/275533-website-jeremy-ring-donors>

Jimmy Patronis scores high in key areas: NRA, 100%; he's endorsed by Florida Right to Life the socialist union AFL-CIO gives him a 0%; and he is endorsed by the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB). In contrast, here are some ratings of Jeremy Ring: NRA, 21%; Planned Parenthood, 100%; and he has a poor score of 63% from the NFIB. **We strongly endorse Jimmy Patronis for Chief Financial Officer.**

Affiliations:

- Florida's Public Service Commission- appointed to serve
- Constitution Revision Commission- appointed to serve
- Bay County Economic Development Alliance- served on the board
- Salvation Army Advisory Board- served on the board
- Bay County Chapter of the Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association-served on the board
- Florida Vocational Industrial Clubs of America- national president
- Gulf Coast Medical Center- former trustee
- Bay Medical Center's Foundation and Gulf Coast Community College Foundation Board- former director
- Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport in Panama City- instrumental in establishing
- Florida Defense Support Task Force- chaired

Other Topics/ Actions/Positions held

- After graduation, in 1998, Patronis was appointed by Governor Lawton Chiles to the Florida Elections Commission and again in 2001 by Governor Jeb Bush where he served until 2003.

- Patronis also served on the Bay County Airport Authority from 2004 to 2006, where he served as chairman.
- Elected to Florida House of Rep 2006, 2008, 2010, and 2012 (end of term).
- Prior to the start of the 2017 Legislative Session, Jeff Atwater, then Florida's Chief Financial Officer, announced he would be resigning his elected post following the completion of the session. Governor Rick Scott officially announced the appointment of Patronis on June 25, 2017.

Supporters/Endorsements include:

- Florida Right to Life <https://frtl.org/2018-general-election-endorsements/>
- U.S. Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla
<https://www.floridadaily.com/jimmy-patronis-launches-tv-ad-reels-in-gop-support/>
- Nat'l Federation of Independent Business https://joinjimmy.com/campaign_news/the-national-federation-of-independent-business-endorse-cfo-jimmy-patronis/