# League of Women Voters Voters' Guide for District 37 Democratic Primary 2021

The Voters' Guide questionnaire and letter of invitation to our Candidates' Forum was emailed and mailed to each of the candidates on April 24, 2021 with a deadline date of May 10th. Below please find two questions we asked of each candidate. In alphabetical order, please find candidate responses, which we asked to be limited to 500 words total, in addition to their response to the biographical information we requested.

Besides sending to attendees of the Candidates Forum held on May 26, this guide will also be posted on the League of Women Voter's non-partisan, election information site, <u>Vote411</u>. It will also be posted on the Facebook pages of LWV Teaneck, LWV Northern Valley and LWV of Bergen County.

For State Senate Candidates

1(a). What laws/legislation that you sponsored are you most proud of? Which ones have been the most effective?

<u>For State Assembly Candidates</u> 1(b). What aspects of your background make you uniquely qualified to represent District 37?

## For All Candidates

2. In the next two years, NJ will be undertaking legislative redistricting in response to the 2020 Census. What specific reforms to the apportionment process do you support to make it more independent, transparent and equitable?

## The candidates' responses follow unedited and in alphabetical order:

## STATE SENATE CANDIDATES

## Valerie Vainieri Huttle, 485 Highview Road, Englewood, NJ

## Years residing in Bergen County: Over 35 years

Occupation: Funeral Director Education: B.A. English, Fairleigh Dickinson University Family: Married to Frank Huttle, mother to 2 daughters, Alexandra and Francesca, grandmother to Jackson Anthony

## **Community Involvement:**

- Served on the Bergen County Board of Chosen Freeholders 2001-2007
- Served as Bergen County's first female Freeholder Chair 2003-2004
- Serving in the General Assembly, 2006-Present