Small Business owners from around the country form the Trump / Pence Small Business Advisory Council which will give advice on Small Business issues, help formulate solutions and contrast them with those of the other candidates. The council is geographically, gender and ethnically diverse. It represents a wide cross section of the Small Business Community. Members are Small Business people with an interest in policies that make it easier for Small Businesses to hire, invest, build, grow and produce in America. They also want to be on a level playing field to compete globally creating jobs here, not overseas.

Members of the Trump / Pence Small Business Advisory Council are:
Dennis Bradford and Dr. Terry Neese, National Co-Chairs
Irma Aguirre, Nevada; Jeanette Armbrust, Ohio; David Barker, Iowa; Kathy Bennett, Missouri; Victoria Braden, Georgia; Ed Broyhill, North Carolina; Robin Dozier Otten, New Mexico; Greg Freda, Georgia; Ricardo Gonzalez, Virginia; Dave Harvey, New Hampshire; Phyllis Hill Slater, New York; Charlotte Keyt, Florida; Joe Salvucci, Pennsylvania; Anthony Scaramucci, New York; Erica Taylor, Kansas and Mike Whalen, Iowa.

For the first time in a long time Small Businesses are concerned enough that they will be a very strong coalition for the Trump Pence in 2016. They have seen their prospects so diminished by the current administration and know that a Clinton administration would be at best more of the same. They are ready to fight for the ability to innovate and prosper again.

Top Issues Affecting Small Business Owners today:

Overregulation and costs associated with government record keeping and mandates (RED TAPE).

- Businesses are being stifled by over the top regulation and reporting requirements.
- No industry seems to have been saved from this issue over the last seven years.
- The burden in cost and time alone can put a Small Business out of business.

Obama Care is a drag on the economy in general and especially on Small Business.

- In addition to cost, mandates and record keeping the businesses are being forced to make poor business decisions as to number of employees, hours worked and part-time vs full-time. (Bad for both employer and employee)

Taxation and accounting requirements

- Many small businesses are taxed as individuals on the owner’s 1040 so the rates can be higher and deductions are limited or eliminated. Payroll and FICA accounting and reporting can be very costly and one mistake can lead the owner into great legal trouble.

Labor issues like minimum wage, overtime rules, and union organizing all take their toll.

- It seems to many Small Business Owners out here in “flyover land” that the insiders in DC have it in for them. And they probably do. They tell you what you have to pay, set your work rules, mandate benefits and make it impossible to get a fair organizational vote.
Availability of capital
Banking regulations favor large national banking organizations which typically do not lend to Small Businesses. Dodd frank made this worse. Community Banks are disappearing or being consolidated thus losing the local lender. SBA has gotten much harder to deal with and is not as viable for many businesses

Comparing the Plans for Small Businesses:

Compare and contrast the Trump Pence “Economic Vision: Winning the Global Competition” with that of the Clinton plan called “Building the ‘Growth and Fairness Economy’” you see two different visions for America. Trump Pence tax reform keep more of what you earn and spend it to better the future of your business and employees.

Clinton’s basket of tired old policies that have not worked in the past and have little chance of improving the prospects of American Small Businesses

Trump Pence favor regulatory reform to spur growth and innovation unleashing American Small Businesses.

Clinton wants more of the same overregulation on steroids stifling growth and development here at home.

Trade policies that keep business here and jobs here doesn’t mean isolation they just mean a fair playing field. On a level playing field American Small Business can compete with anyone!

In a quest to bring manufacturing back to the United States our best asset is inexpensive and plentiful energy. Trump Pence will fully embrace all forms of energy from coal and petroleum to natural gas and renewable fuels.

Clinton and her radical supporters want to put ALL fossil fuels out of business for no good reason.

Trump Pence “Economic Vision: Winning The Global Competition” makes a lot of sense regarding all of these issues. The story needs to be told. Small Business is the great job creator. It is time to release our American creativity, drive and boundless energy to revitalize our economy and create good, high paying American jobs.

Together let’s “Make America Work Again” and “Make America Great Again!”,