

Work History:

**2004-
Current** **Complete Choice Insurance, Owner/Agent**

- Sales of Homeowners, Auto, Commercial and various forms of Insurance
- Owner of 3 Insurance Agencies in Florida with main office in Melbourne, FL

**2005-
Current** **Complete Choice Realty, Owner/Agent**

- Real Estate Sales of Commercial and Residential Properties

**2000-
Current** **Airshares Inc., Owner/Pilot**

- Acquisition and Resale of Aircraft

1997-2000 **Lighthouse Exxon, Owner/Manager**

- Owned and operated a Gas Station Convenience Store

1995-2000 **Deer Creek Chevron, Owner / Manager**

- Owned and operated a Gas Station and Service Repair Shop

1992-1996 **Oakland Chevron, Manager**

- Manager of Family Owned Gas Station with Garage and Convenience Store

Personal Profile:

- Brevard Republican Executive Committee – Committeeman
- Member of the Melbourne Regional Chamber of Commerce – Better Business Council
- Member of the Melbourne Regional Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee
- Lifetime Member of the NRA National Rifle Association
- Lifetime Member of the AOPA Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association
- Lifetime Member of the HOG Harley Owners Group

Education:

- 2005** Florida Department of Financial Services – Licensed Life & Health
2004 Florida Department of Financial Services – Licensed 220 Agent
2002 Florida Department of Banking & Finance – Florida Mortgage Brokers License
2002 Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation – Real Estate Broker License
2000 FAA - Private Pilots License & Sea Plane Rating
1994 Bachelor of Business Administration – Major in Marketing/Advertising, Florida Atlantic University

Brian Hodgers, District 52

1. Assuming you are elected to the Florida legislature, what will be your primary area of interest and what do you hope to accomplish in this area? What committees will you request?

My primary area of interest as a business owner is to work towards measures to reduce the red tape our government has thrown at the business community. In addition in the various businesses I have owned Gas Stations, Real Estate Brokerage, Insurance Agencies, and Aviation I have seen how damaging frivolous lawsuits are towards the business community. And I will work 110% towards meaningful Tort reform. I would request the Insurance and Banking Sub Committee, Civil Justice Sub Committee, and Transportation and Ports Sub Committee.

2. When serving in Tallahassee how do/will you weight decisions between the needs of your local district constituency and those of the state as a whole?

Living in such a beautiful place like Brevard my heart will always be focused on the needs of Brevard County. However, my interest in running for state house instead of local office is business, and tort reform driven which impacts the entire state. So putting the needs of Brevard County will always come front and center.

3. In the next 10 years, what do you believe will be the top three most important critical needs of Floridians/Brevard Country residents? What do you propose we do to cope with these critical needs?

I believe our most important need will be infrastructure to handle the rapid growth in Florida and more so in Brevard. We are experiencing an amazing growth in jobs, and industry moving to our area, which makes me very excited as a business owner. However, we have to look at controlled growth to keep up with our infrastructure needs. We must work on addition of roads and bridges, and resurfacing roads to keep the employers in our county. We need to be focused on the growth and cross utilization of our Sea Port and Air Port. Or Sea Port undoubtedly will be the biggest economic engine in Brevard over the next 10 years but we have to also work with Melbourne Airport to increase their growth level to be a good partner with the Sea Port. And the most sensitive of subjects being the Lagoon, we need to not only focus on the current issue of restoring the Lagoon, but also to prevent the future erosion of our Lagoon. This issue needs a multi faceted approach, and a significant amount of resources. These resources I feel need to come from the state through an approach of widening the net of encompassing all 4 effected counties to working together on a budget our state can get behind.

4. The Indian River Lagoon is on the forefront of everyones mind. The fish kill began just days after Gov. Scott vetoed \$700,000 for the Indian River Lagoon project. Knowing how important Agriculture/ Water issues to Brevard voters, what problems do you see & how do you intend to help overcome them?

The coincidence of Gov. Scott's veto of the \$700,000 and the fish kill was beneficial from a media perspective. The down side is that \$700,000 is insignificant to the \$22 million the legislature put into the budget. When I comment above about a 4 county wide approach. Lets be realistic this is politics, and there are games to be played in politics. If we don't get all 4 counties delegations working together on this issue, there will not be the strength needed to get the meaningful funding needed to start the process of repair, and more importantly reverse the cause of future pollution. So I would work tirelessly to make sure that the 4 county delegation makes this a priority, in which if we work together as a group we can have the power needed to put the brakes on other geographical areas issues if they are not supporting our issues.