



MacArthur responded: "I will take that as a no -- that Aimee Belgard does not wish to disavow the lies that are coming out of Washington D.C."

Belgard's campaign manager, Hannah Ledford, did not say why Belgard did not answer MacArthur's charges, but argued that the Republican has failed to refute accusations that as an insurance executive, he underpaid or delayed claims.

"These issues have been raised time and time again over the course of this campaign, with no denial from him or his handlers," Ledford wrote in an email on Friday morning.

On immigration, Belgard called for a "tough but fair" path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants but said applicants should have to pay back taxes, and that citizenship should not be open to people with criminal records.

Asked how she would deal with Congressional gridlock between intransigent partisans, Belgard argued that she has voted against her own party when necessary, and would do so again.

"Congress is an absolute mess and that's why I'm running," she said. "I'm perfectly willing to agree with my Republican colleagues when they have a good idea. I've done it as a Burlington County Freeholder and I will do it in Congress."

MacArthur said his business background showed that he is able to get results from disparate parties, and noted that his campaign has had backing from both business and labor unions.

Asked for his position on marriage equality, MacArthur said marriage should continue to be

