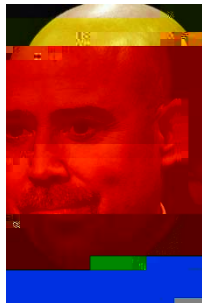


# At NJTV, Third District candidates trade attacks



Republican Tom MacArthur and Democrat Aimee Belgard shake hands as they arrive to answer questions from TV host Marie DeNoia Aronsohn in Trenton. (MEL EVANS / AP)



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TRENTON - The Democratic and Republican nominees for Congress in New Jersey's Third District agree on a number of issues important to South Jersey voters, such as recovering from Hurricane Sandy and investing in Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst.

So, to draw a contrast in a competitive race that has drawn national interest, Democrat Aimee Belgard and Republican Tom MacArthur each tried to send one clear message to voters during their first joint appearance Friday in an NJTV interview: Don't trust my opponent.

The exchange is scheduled to run at 6:30 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. Sunday on *On the Record With Michael Aron*.

The race to replace retiring U.S. Rep. Jon Runyan is dead even, according to a Stockton Polling Institute survey released last week.

MacArthur criticized Belgard, a Burlington County freeholder, for refusing to disavow a TV advertisement run by the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC) that



