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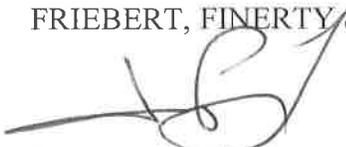
RE: Verified Complaint against the Republican Party of Wisconsin; et al.

Dear Mr. Kennedy:

Enclosed please find a copy of a verified complaint against the Republican Party of Wisconsin, Gladys Huber, Isaac Weix, Gary Ellerman, Tamra Lyn Varebrook, James Engel, and James Buckley, along with exhibits thereto. Originals of the complainants' verifications will be filed with the GAB tomorrow

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE GOVERNMENT
ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD

In The Matter of:

Verified Complaint against the Republican
Party of Wisconsin; Gladys Huber; Isaac
Weix; Gary Ellerman; Tamra Lynn
Varebrook; James Engel; and James
Buckley.

VERIFIED COMPLAINT

Pursuant to §§ 5.05, 5.06, 12.13, and 12.16, Wis. Stats., and GAB § 2.07 Wis. Admin. Code, Judith Winzenz, Sarah Koeppen, Susan Finnel, Donna Martin, Richard Dennis O’Flyng, and Debbie Christiansen, by their attorney Jeremy P. Levinson, submit this verified complaint against the Republican Party of Wisconsin, Gladys Huber, Isaac Weix, Gary Ellerman, Tamra Lynn Varebrook, James Engel, and James Buckley.

INTRODUCTION

The Republican Party of Wisconsin (“RPW”) has publicly admitted that it recruited six of its supporters to register for and seek placement on the ballot for the upcoming May, 8, 2012 election as representatives of the Democratic Party. The stated purpose of having these RPW supporters run as Democrats is to create false primaries thereby delaying all general elections that would otherwise occur on May 8 until June 5, 2012.

Carrying out this scheme required, among other things, the filing of official documents with the Government Accountability Board and the successful circulation and submission of

nomination papers. The respondents falsified information on these documents, asserting that the six phony primary candidates were “affiliated” with and “represent” the Democratic Party.

In their many public statements, the respondents confirm that there is not any dispute of fact. The six phony primary candidates have made false statements to the GAB and the public through their filings: that they are representatives of the Democratic Party who are seeking to win the chance to face Republican incumbents in the recall general election. Respondents have *admitted* that the six phony candidates are seeking ballot placement on behalf of the RPW in an overt and blatant effort to manipulate the upcoming elections to protect and advantage the Republican incumbents facing recall.

As described below, this scheme disenfranchises electors who signed nomination papers for the phony candidates believing they were assisting a Democratic effort to unseat a Republican incumbent. The RPW’s scheme involves serial election fraud and invalidates each of the six phony candidacies because each is founded on fraudulent filings with the GAB and fraudulent nomination papers.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

1. Judith Winzenz is a Wisconsin resident and elector residing at 1922 N. Lawe St., Appleton, Wisconsin.
2. Sarah Koeppen is a Wisconsin resident and elector residing at 202 N. Hamilton St., Madison, Wisconsin.
3. Susan Finnel is a Wisconsin resident and elector residing at 907 Richards Ave., Watertown, Wisconsin within Wisconsin State Senate District 13.
4. Debbie Christiansen is a Wisconsin resident and elector residing at 2110 Crown Pt. Dr., Racine, Wisconsin within Wisconsin State Senate District 21.

5. Donna Martin is a Wisconsin resident and elector residing at 20279 77th Ave., Chippewa, Wisconsin within Wisconsin State Senate District 23.

6. Richard Dennis O'Flyng is a Wisconsin resident and elector residing at 414 Franklin St., Wausau, Wisconsin within Wisconsin State Senate District 29.

7. On March 30, 2012, the Government Accountability Board ordered the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and the State Senators representing Senate Districts 13, 21, 23, and 29 to stand for recall elections. By operation of Art. XIII, § 12 of the Wisconsin Constitution and § 9.10, Wis. Stats., those elections will occur on May 8, 2012. If "a recall primary is required," § 9.10(3)(f), Wis. Stats., requires that it shall occur on that date with the general election for the particular office occurring on June 5, 2012.

8. The RPW promptly announced a strategy to manipulate the scheduling of these elections to give its incumbents facing recall elections an advantage. Despite the constitutional and statutory timing of recall elections and any "required" primaries, the RPW has declared that it will cause all the ordered recall general elections to occur on June 5, 2012.

9. The RPW has further announced that it will manipulate the timing of these elections by having its representatives fraudulently register as Democratic Party primary candidates in each of the recalls in an effort to trigger false Democratic primaries.

10. The RPW has explicitly acknowledged this scheme in detail:

- a. "GOP spokesman Ben Sparks says Gladys Huber will run for governor; Isaac Weix will run for lieutenant governor; and Gary Ellerman, Tamara Varebrook, James Engel and James Buckley will run for state Senate." Exhibit A (Associated Press article entitled "GOP's fake Democrats for recall primaries named" posted on Chippewa.com on April 4, 2012).

- b. "In an effort to ensure election fairness, the Republican Party has recruited protest candidates to run in all of the upcoming recall elections. The protest candidates will run as Democrats to guarantee that there is one clear date for the primary election and one clear date for the general election." Exhibit B (RPW press release from WISGOP.ORG NEWS).
- c. "The protest candidates will run as Democrats to guarantee that there is one clear date for the primary election and one clear date for the general election," said Stephan Thompson, the party's executive director. Exhibit C (JS Online article entitled "GOP to run fake Democrats in recalls" dated March 30, 2012).
- d. "The recruitment of protest candidates was done by the Republican Party of Wisconsin," said Dan Romportl, executive director, Committee to Elect a Republican Senate. "The party decided to run Democrat primary candidates in order to line up all of the election dates on June 5." Exhibit D (Daily Union article entitled "Ellerman running as a protest candidate" dated April 2, 2012).
- e. A RPW mailer sent on behalf of Gladys Huber and Isaac Weix stated the following: "Help Walker and Kleefisch fight Back. Support Gladys Huber and Isaac Weix's Candidacy!" Exhibit E (Mailer paid for by Republican Party of Wisconsin, Bob Geason, Treasurer).
- f. "Today protest candidates turned in the required number of signatures to appear on the ballot in all six recall elections. Their candidacy will ensure election fairness going forward and guarantee there is one primary and general

election date for all candidates.” Exhibit F (RPW press release from WISGOP.ORG NEWS).

11. The phony primary candidates have also acknowledged this scheme:
 - a. “They’ll say what they say,’ Ellerman said. ‘It’s something both parties have used. In my personal opinion, the recall is dirty politics since these people didn’t do anything wrong. That’s my Republican, conservative view of things.” Exhibit D (Daily Union article entitled “Ellerman running as a protest candidate” dated April 2, 2012).
 - b. “Gladys Huber, an 80-year-old Mequon woman who has filed papers to run as a Democrat in the 8th Senate District recall election made an odd comment when reached by a reporter: ‘I really have no comment at all,’ she said. ‘I will refer you to the Republican Party of Wisconsin.” Exhibit G (Whitefish Bay Patch article entitled “Who is ‘Fake Democrat’ in Recall Race” dated June 11, 2011).
 - c. A 2011 letter from the Weix campaign stated as follows: “We need to make sure Democrat challengers face primaries to allow our Republicans time to mount a campaign. The GAB is delaying Democratic elections to give them more time to organize. We need the same! A Democratic primary will push the general election back by one month so that Senator Harsdorf can have more time to organize a campaign against her liberal challenger.” Exhibit H (Mailer Paid for by Friends of Isaac Weix, Earl Gunderson, Treasurer).
 - d. “In two and a half hours, Varebrook said she flagged about 100 signatures. Varebrook, a stay-at-home mom, said the reason why she was helping verify

signatures is: ‘Van is my senator. I voted for him and I don’t want my vote taken away.’” Exhibit I (Racine Journal Times article entitled “Verifying the signatures – As checking begins, some dated wrong, others allegedly from out of state” dated January 26, 2012).

- e. “I was out there in the cold weather, snowing, freezing, getting signatures,” said Jim Buckley, a Kim Simac supporter. He has backed Kim Simac from the beginning.” Exhibit J (NBC 26 story entitled “Recall Election Preview” dated August 15, 2011).

12. Beyond the recruitment of the fraudulent candidates, the RPW expended money and effort to obtain sufficient signatures on nomination papers. A March 31 mailing from the RPW disseminated fraudulent nomination papers, urged people to obtain signatures on them, and laid out the fraudulent scheme in detail. Exhibit E. This effort to support claimed “Democratic” candidates included the following exhortation:

Now is the time to stand with Governor Walker, Lt. Governor Kleefisch and our Republican candidates.

13. The mailing included the statement that it was:

Paid for by Republican Party of Wisconsin, Bob Geason, Treasurer

14. The RPW publicly announced its slate of six “Democratic” fraudulent recall candidates. Exhibit A.

15. Gladys Huber is the fraudulent primary candidate in the recall election of the Governor.

16. Isaac Weix is the fraudulent primary candidate in the recall election of the Lieutenant Governor.

17. Gary Ellerman is the fraudulent primary candidate in the recall election of the State Senator for Senate District 13.

18. Tamra Lynn Varebrook is the fraudulent primary candidate in the recall election of the State Senator for Senate District 21.

19. James Engel is the fraudulent primary candidate in the recall election of the State Senator for Senate District 23.

20. James Buckley is the fraudulent primary candidate in the recall election of the State Senator for Senate District 29.

Fraudulent Campaign Registration Statements

21. Each of the above-named fraudulent candidates filed Campaign Registration Statements (Form GAB-1) with the GAB stating that their “Party Affiliation” is with the Democratic Party. Exhibit K. Each of them “certif[ied] that the information in this statement is true and complete.” Each candidate intentionally provided false information as to their “Party Affiliation.”

Fraudulent Declarations Of Candidacy

22. Each of the above named fraudulent candidates filed Declarations of Candidacy (Form GAB-162) stating under oath that they are “representing” the Democratic Party in the recall elections. Exhibit L. In each instance, this sworn statement was fraudulent and made with the intent to mislead the government agency which administers elections and the public.

Fraudulent Nomination Papers

23. For each of the above-named fraudulent candidates, nomination papers were circulated which specifically stated that each was “representing” the Democratic Party. Each nomination paper stated to electors that signing the paper constituted a request that a representative of the Democratic Party be placed on the ballot for the recall election. These

statements were fraudulent and made with the intent to mislead the government agency which administers elections and the public.

24. Each of these fraudulent statements on official election submissions constitutes felony election fraud.

Criminal Election Fraud

25. Section 12.13(1)(b), Wis. Stats., prohibits “mak[ing] false statements” to an “election official,” in this case the GAB.

26. Section 12.13(3), Wis. Stats., makes it a crime to “falsify any information in respect to . . . nomination paper, declaration of candidacy or petition for an election, including a recall petition or petition for a referendum; or file or receive for filing a certificate of nomination, nomination paper, declaration of candidacy or any such petition, knowing any part is falsely made.”

27. Pursuant to § 12.60, Wis. Stats., violations of the above referenced statutes are Class I felonies.

28. There is no dispute that the above-described statements are false. The fraudulent candidates and the RPW have publicly stated so. The fraudulent candidates are not “affiliated with” and do not “represent” the Democratic Party.

29. The fraudulent candidates and the RPW have explicitly acknowledged that, in fact, these fraudulent primary candidates are part of an effort to manipulate the electoral process in support of the Republican incumbents facing recall.

30. The fraudulent candidates have officially represented themselves to the GAB and the public as seeking to represent the Democratic Party in an attempt to unseat the Republican incumbents when in fact they have acknowledged that their candidacies represent an effort to support the incumbents’ efforts to retain their offices.

31. Members of the public who are eligible to vote are permitted to sign only one nomination paper for the same office. Individuals who signed one of the above-described fraudulent nomination papers would not be able to sign another candidate's nomination paper for the same office.

32. Individuals who signed the above described nomination paper in reliance on the statement that the nomination paper sought to place the Democratic candidate on the ballot to challenge the Republican incumbent unwittingly supported an effort to protect the Republican incumbents. In doing so, such a signor also lost the opportunity to support the nomination of a candidate actually supporting the Democratic Party in an attempt to unseat the Republican incumbent.

33. Candidacies founded on submission of fraudulent official documents and fraudulent nomination papers do not meet the requirements for ballot access.

34. Art. XIII, sec. 12(4)(b) of the Wisconsin Constitution states:

For any partisan office, a recall primary shall be held for each political party which is by law entitled to a separate ballot and from which more than one candidate competes for the party's nomination in the recall election. The person receiving the highest number of votes in the recall primary for each political party shall be that party's candidate in the recall election. Independent candidates and candidates representing political parties not entitled by law to a separate ballot shall be shown on the ballot for the recall election only.

35. The Democratic Party is entitled to a separate ballot pursuant to § 5.62, Wis. Stats. But a primary is only authorized when "more than one candidate" "from" such a party "competes for the party's nomination in the recall election." By their own admission, the candidate-respondents are not "from" the Democratic Party.

36. Section 8.19(3), Wis. Stats., provides in relevant part that "[e]very political party entitled, under s. 5.62, to have its candidates on the partisan primary and general election ballots

has exclusive right to the use of the name designating it at any election involving political parties.” (emphasis supplied). By the respondents’ own admissions, the RPW and its supporters are purporting to use the name of the Democratic Party in connection with the recall elections.

37. For those recall elections in which there would be no primary absent the respondent-candidates, no primary is authorized. The usurpation of the Democratic Party’s name is specifically precluded by statute.

38. Section 8.30(1)(b), Wis. Stats., specifically denies placement on a ballot if “[i]t conclusively appears, either on the face of the nomination papers offered for filing, or by admission of the candidate or otherwise, that the candidate is ineligible to be nominated or elected.” (emphasis supplied).

39. As a separate matter, proper and timely submission for a Declaration of Candidacy, Campaign Registration Statement, and a sufficient number of valid signatures on proper nomination papers are each a mandatory requisite for ballot placement.

40. On each of these documents, the six phony candidates falsely claimed to “represent” or be affiliated with the Democratic Party. Respondents have acknowledged that the sole purpose of these falsehoods is to cause the GAB to call primary elections that would otherwise not take place.

41. The nomination papers circulated for each phony candidate repeated the falsehood – and represented to the voting public that a signature on the papers supported ballot placement for a candidate representing the Democratic Party in an effort unseat an incumbent Republican. In fact, such signatures only furthered the RPW’s announced strategy for protecting its incumbents. This cheated supporters of the Democratic Party out of their right to support recall

of the Republican incumbent because an elector is permitted to sign only one nomination paper per office.

42. A candidate who failed to submit a Declaration of Candidacy, a Campaign Registration Statement, or sufficient and valid nomination papers would not be placed on the ballot. Submitting admittedly fraudulent ones requires the same result.

43. Finally, the respondents' own admissions render invalid the certifications of the circulators of the fraudulent nomination papers.

44. For these reasons, individually and collectively, the names of the six phony "Democratic" candidates do not qualify for ballot placement.

WHEREFORE, Complainants request that the GAB deem the candidate-respondents ineligible for placement on the ballot, and initiate investigation of the above-described matters as provided for by law.

Dated this 12th day of April, 2012.

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I Sarah Koeppen, being first duly sworn on oath state that I personally read the above complaint, and that the above allegations are true based on my personal knowledge and, as to those stated on information and belief, I believe them to be true.

Date: 4/11/2012

Signature: _____

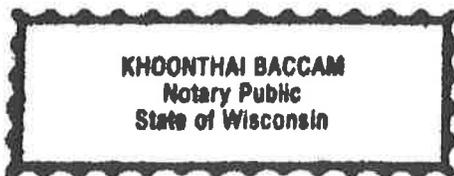
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Sworn to before me this 11th day of April, 2012.

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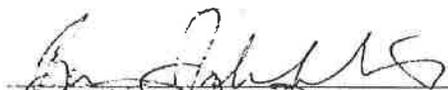
I Susan H. Finnel, being first duly sworn on oath state that I personally read the above complaint, and that the above allegations are true based on my personal knowledge and, as to those stated on information and belief, I believe them to be true.

Date: April 11, 2012

Signature: 
Susan H. Finnel

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) SS
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON)

Sworn to before me this 11th day of April, 2012.


Notary Public, State of Wisconsin
My Commission expires IS PERMANENT

I Donna Martin, being first duly sworn on oath state that I personally read the above complaint, and that the above allegations are true based on my personal knowledge and, as to those stated on information and belief, I believe them to be true.

Date: April 11, 2012

Signature: Donna Martin
Donna Martin

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) SS
COUNTY OF CHIPPEWA)

Sworn to before me this 11th day of April, 2012.



[Signature]
Notary Public, State of Wisconsin
My Commission expires 06/28/2013

Richard D.

RDO
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I ~~Dennis~~ O'Flyng, being first duly sworn on oath state that I personally read the above complaint, and that the above allegations are true based on my personal knowledge and, as to those stated on information and belief, I believe them to be true.

Date: April 12/2012

Signature: Richard D. O'Flyng
Richard D. RDO

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KK

Sworn to before me this 12th day of April, 2012.

Kathy Kedzior

Notary Public, State of Wisconsin
My Commission expires 7-01-2012

I Debbie Christensen, being first duly sworn on oath state that I personally read the above complaint, and that the above allegations are true based on my personal knowledge and, as to those stated on information and belief, I believe them to be true.

Date: 4-12-12

Signature: Debbie Christensen
Debbie Christensen

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) SS
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Sworn to before me this ~~11~~¹²th day of April, 2012.



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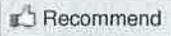
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The state GOP has lined up six fake Democrats to run in upcoming recall elections targeting Gov. Scott Walker and five other Republicans.

GOP spokesman Ben Sparks says Gladys Huber will run for governor; Isaac Weix will run for lieutenant governor; and Gary Ellerman, Tamara Varebrook, James Engel and James Buckley will run in four state Senate recalls.

Engel will be running as a fake Democrat against former state representative Kristen Dexter, an Eau Claire Democrat who declared her candidacy against Republican State Sen. Terry Moulton in Chippewa Falls in January.

The elections are scheduled for May 8 and June 5. If primaries are needed they'll be held May 8.

Sparks says running what he called "recall protest candidates" guarantees a clear primary date and ensures no Republicans will face a general election that day, when Democrats likely will turn out in huge numbers to select a gubernatorial challenger.

He says the party doesn't plan to spend any money on their campaigns.

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RPW Running Protest Candidates in Recall Elections

Author: Nicole.Tieman

[MADISON, WI]- Republican Party of Wisconsin Executive Director Stephan Thompson released the following statement on the decision to run protest candidates:

"In an effort to ensure election fairness, the Republican Party has recruited protest candidates to run in all of the upcoming recall elections. The protest candidates will run as Democrats to guarantee that there is one clear date for the primary election and one clear date for the general election. The Republican Party will not actively campaign for the protest candidates, other than collecting nomination signatures to ensure their place on the ballot.

"Without protest candidates, the Democratic Party would be able to control the dates in which Republican officials face election, potentially separating the elections for State Senate and Lieutenant Governor from the Governor. The Democrats and their union bosses are the ones who decided to force these baseless recalls on our state, and by ensuring every Democratic candidate faces a primary election, we will limit their ability to once again create chaos within the election process."

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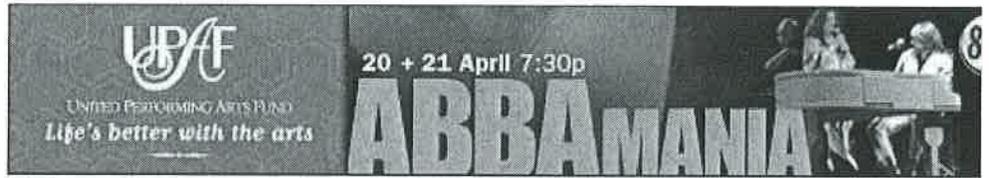
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Madison - The State Republican Party announced Friday it intended to run fake Democratic candidates in the six upcoming recall elections, ensuring that primaries will be necessary in May and forestalling the head-to-head recall elections until June.

The announcement came just hours after state elections officials ordered recall elections against Gov. Scott Walker, Lt. Gov. Rebecca Kleefisch and four Republican state senators.

Primaries will be conducted May 8 and the general election will be June 5 for all of the races, assuming the primaries come about as planned. May 8 becomes the general election date in any races that do not attract enough candidates for a primary.

"The protest candidates will run as Democrats to guarantee that there is one clear date for the primary election and one clear date for the general election," said Stephan Thompson, the party's executive director.

He said the move was made because otherwise some or all of the general elections could fall on the same day as the primary for governor - when Democrats will flood to the polls to pick their candidate for governor.

Four Democrats have said they will run against Walker. A primary had also been expected in the race to unseat Kleefisch, but not the senators.

The Republican Party said it would run fake Democrats in all races, including for governor. The strategy ensures all the elections will happen on the same schedule, even if three of the four Democrats running for governor drop out of that race.

Thompson said none of the protest candidates would actively campaign.

Running the fake Democrats mirrors the move they made in last year's recalls to buy themselves more time to campaign. Democrats criticized last year's effort for adding upward of \$400,000 in costs for local election clerks.

The primary and general recall election are expected to each cost \$9 million - \$18 million in all.

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The protest candidates this time should not significantly add to those costs because a statewide primary already appeared certain in the race for governor and lieutenant governor.

Last year six Republican and three Democratic state senators faced recalls, the largest wave of state lawmakers over a single issue in the country's history. In those recalls, Democrats narrowed the GOP majority in the Senate from 19-14 to 17-16.

Earlier this month, one of the four Republican senators targeted for recall in the upcoming round, Pam Galloway of Wausau, quit, leaving the Senate equally divided, 16-16. The upcoming recall elections will determine the control of the Senate, but only in the short term. Signatures are being gathered in an attempt to recall Democratic Sen. Bob Jauch of Poplar, and half the Senate is up for election in the fall.

Those facing recall in the coming weeks are Senate Republican Leader Scott Fitzgerald of Juneau and GOP Sens. Terry Moulton of Chippewa Falls and Van Wanggaard of Racine. Recall organizer Lori Compas is running against Fitzgerald; former Rep. Kristen Dexter of Eau Claire is running against Moulton; and former Sen. John Lehman of Racine is running against Wanggaard.

The Galloway recall will still be conducted, as well. Rep. Jerry Petrowski (R-Stettin) and Rep. Donna Seidel (D-Wausau) plan to run in that race.

The plan for protest candidates could create some headaches for Petrowski. This month, [he told WAOW-TV](#) in Wausau, "I do not condone the practice of running fake candidates in political races. Both political parties should focus solely on the issues that matter to this state."

In ordering the recall elections, the Government Accountability Board also voted 5-0 to post on its [website](#) databases of all those who signed recall petitions.

The board had earlier made available on its site copies of all the petitions, but they are not searchable.

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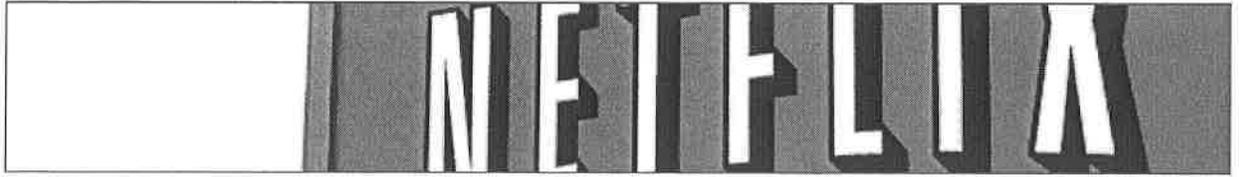


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To ensure a primary Ellerman running as a protest candidate

By Ryan Whlssner
Union regional Editor

LAKE MILLS - A Lake Mills Republican intends to enter the race against Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald as a protest candidate to ensure a primary and have the general election be at the same time as the gubernatorial recall on June 5.

Gary Ellerman freely admits that he is running as a protest candidate.

Ellerman, a conservative Republican, is the organizer of the Walker Walkers of Lake Mills, an organization whose sole purpose is to show Gov. Walker and, now, also Sen. Scott Fitzgerald, the support that was, to them, not evident while recall petition signatures were being solicited in the park from November to January.

Ellerman will be entering the race as a fake Democrat, forcing a primary with Democrat Lori Compas, 41, the Fort Atkinson photographer who organized the Committee to Recall Scott Fitzgerald and is opposing Fitzgerald in the recall election.

"The simple truth is that Mr. Ellerman is running as a Democrat when he is, in fact, a Republican," Compas said. "That's a lie, plain and simple, and I predict that Scott Fitzgerald's decision to start his campaign with a lie will not sit well with voters."

Fitzgerald was targeted for recall along with Gov. Scott Walker, Lt. Gov. Kleefisch and Republican Sens. Pam Galloway of Wausau, Terry Moulton of Chippewa Falls and Van Wangaard of Racine after they pushed through a law last year that limits collective bargaining rights for most state workers. It also forced the workers to contribute more to their pension and health care costs, which amounted to a cut in pay.

The governor argued the changes were needed to help balance the state's budget, while Democrats and other opponents said the true intention was to weaken the power of unions which traditionally have opposed Republicans.

A passionate fight ensued in Wisconsin, the first state to enact a comprehensive collective bargaining law in 1959 and the birthplace of the national union representing all non-federal public employees. Protests raged for weeks and grew as large as 100,000 people.

But Walker and Republicans who controlled the Legislature never wavered, and they passed the law even though all 14 Senate Democrats fled to Illinois in a failed attempt to block it.

The Wisconsin Republican Party said Friday that it plans to force primaries in each of the four Senate races by renewing a tactic it used last year: running a fake Democratic candidate in each race.

Stephan Thompson, the state party's executive director, said the move guarantees one clear date for both the primary and general elections. That prevents Democrats from trying to hold the elections for state Senate on a different day from the governor and lieutenant governor races, he said.

Zac Kramer, executive director of the State Senate Democratic Committee, criticized the ploy, saying local voters were "sick of these blatant political games."

Primaries had been expected in the races for governor and lieutenant governor. With the GOP's announcement about running fake Democrats, they now will be guaranteed in all cases. The primaries will be May 8 and the general election June 5.

Ellerman said approximately two weeks ago the Republican Party of Wisconsin contacted him, having heard of him being the organizer of the Walker Walkers of Lake Mills. Party officials inquired if he would be interested in being a protest candidate.

"At that point I didn't know what it was," Ellerman said.



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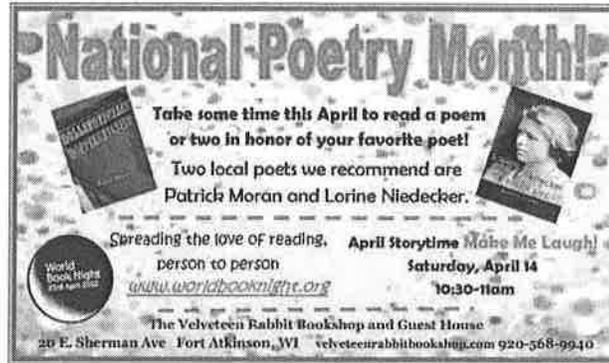
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Upon doing some investigation, he learned more of what was entailed in running as a fake Democrat or protest candidate. His friends within the Walker Walkers of Lake Mills encouraged him to take on the role.

"It was a way of basically protesting the recall to start with and create a primary situation for Lori Compas so Fitzgerald didn't have to do a regular election during the primary - he could do it with everyone else when the gubernatorial election is held," Ellerman said.

He spoke with state Republican officials several times and then agreed to add his name to the ballot.

Over this past weekend he started gathering signatures to get his name on the ballot.



"We are not going to actively campaign," Ellerman said. "I have no doubts that she is putting a good campaign together to beat me. I don't think that's the issue. The issue is trying to get everything straightened out so there is a real primary and a real election."

He gives Compas and her volunteers credit in starting with nothing and being successful in collecting the signatures to force a recall against Fitzgerald.

"I think she's got a tough road with Fitzgerald," Ellerman said.

As for himself, he has no illusions about garnering many votes in the primary.

"I plan on being totally embarrassed that day because I'll probably get two votes - me and my wife," Ellerman said. "It's really a strategic move to get everybody lined up and moving."

He anticipated the outcry of opponents claiming his campaign was "dirty politics."

"They'll say what they say," Ellerman said. "It's something both parties have used. In my personal opinion, the recall is dirty politics since these people didn't do anything wrong. That's my Republican, conservative view of things. We're not dealing with criminal activity or anything like that."

Within hours of filing the paperwork indicating that he intends to place his name on the ballot, Ellerman received telephone calls and emails from either Compas' campaign or her supporters indicating that his campaign would increase the overall cost of the election.

"In fact it isn't going to cost anymore money for me to be a protest candidate because the gubernatorial primary was already going to happen," Ellerman said. "When you get down to the details, it doesn't cost any more to put one more name on the ballot."

Jefferson County Clerk Barb Frank told the Daily Union that the additional primary in District 13 would add some cost due to the different ballot styles.

"In the scheme of how much were spending, it's very minimal," Frank said, noting that the protest candidate likely would add only about \$2,000.

From Ellerman's understanding, Fitzgerald himself was not involved in contacting him about being a candidate in the primary.

"The recruitment of protest candidates was done by the Republican Party of Wisconsin," said Dan Romportl, executive director, Committee to Elect a Republican Senate. "The party decided to run Democrat primary candidates in order to line up all of the election dates on June 5."

He said that without running the protest candidates, the three senators facing recall would be facing a general election on the same day as the Democratic gubernatorial primary.

"This move ensures election fairness, and was done completely independent of the senators' campaigns," Romportl said. "Lori Compas is simply trying to deflect attention away from her far-left ideology and her lack of a plan to create jobs in the 13th Senate District."

Fitzgerald previously has said he plans to run his recall election campaign on his record of service within the district. He has cited the state's improved business ranking, the balanced budget with no tax increase and creation of 12,500 jobs.

While supportive of him, Ellerman noted that the Walker Walkers of Lake Mills have not actively campaigned for Fitzgerald, other than acknowledging he is a Republican.

"Our main drive was the Walker situation and pushing back on all the recall stuff," he said.

As for any campaign, he is not interested in debates and does not want to make speeches.

"It's really a procedural move," Ellerman indicated. "This has been done a lot. Wisconsin has a history of doing these for the last several years. It's really nothing new."

"It's getting more press because of the heated political situation," he said.



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Dear Fellow Conservative,

In November of 2010, I proudly cast my ballot for Governor Scott Walker and Lt. Governor Kleefisch. With Republicans sweeping the governor's office and both houses of the legislature, we were able to stop the culture of higher taxes and deficit spending forced on us by Wisconsin Democrats, and we were able to begin moving our state in a new direction.

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Now, the same liberal Democrats and their union allies who got us into that fiscal mess in the first place have launched recalls against six Republican officeholders, including our very own Governor Walker and Lt. Governor Kleefisch.

The Democrats will be holding their primary for both offices on May 8th, and we need to ensure that no Republican general elections will be held on the day when the Democrats turn out in force to elect their liberal candidate.

Right now, the Democrats and their union allies control the dates for recall elections through the primary process, and they would love nothing more than to split up the recall General Election dates. To ensure that every one of these baseless recall elections is held on the same date, we need to make sure Democrat challengers face primaries to ensure election fairness.

Gladys Huber and Isaac Weix have decided to run as protest candidates in the Democratic Primary for Governor and Lt. Governor because they want to ensure election fairness; it's quite simple: there should be one primary date, and one general election date for all candidates.

We need to collect 2,000 nomination signatures for each candidate by Tuesday, April 10. Having Gladys Huber and Isaac Weix's name on the ballot will create a primary and ensure that Governor Walker and Lt. Governor Kleefisch's elections will be held on the same dates as those for our four Senate candidates.

Wisconsin is finally on the right track, and now is not the time to go back to the failed liberal policies that lost our state 150,000 jobs, caused skyrocketing unemployment, and buried us under a \$3.6 billion budget deficit. We need our bold Republican leaders to continue moving Wisconsin forward.

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The future of our state is under attack from liberal activists and their union allies, and signing the nomination papers is the first step in fighting back and ensuring that all primary and general elections are held on the same dates.

It's time to stand with our strong Republican incumbents, and ensure we have a fair election process.

Thank you for your support,

Stephan Thompson
Republican Party of Wisconsin
Executive Director

PS – Please return the form immediately...we have less than two weeks to collect 2,000 signatures for each, and need time to process them...please fill this out and send it in today!!!

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Nomination Papers for Protest Candidates Filed

Author: Nicole.Tieman

[MADISON, WI]- Republican Party of Wisconsin Communications Director Ben Sparks released the following statement on today's nomination paper filing:

"Today protest candidates turned in the required number of signatures to appear on the ballot in all six recall elections. Their candidacy will ensure election fairness going forward and guarantee there is one primary and general election date for all candidates."

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What do you think of the tactic's of running a "fake" Democrat in the primary race? [Tell us in the comments.](#)



Gladys Huber, an 80-year-old Mequon woman who has filed papers to run as a Democrat in the 8th Senate District recall election made an odd comment when reached by a reporter.

"I really have no comment at all," she said. "I will refer you to the Republican Party of Wisconsin."

State party officials did not return calls about Huber's candidacy but they have been upfront about its **intention to run Republicans as Democrats** in an effort to give incumbent senators like the 8th District's Alberta Darling more time to raise money and campaign.

The state's Government Accountability Board said Friday that Huber has officially registered to run as a Democrat against state Rep. Sandy Pasch of Whitefish Bay. If both candidates meet the 5 p.m. Tuesday deadline to file nominating petitions, a primary election would be held July 12 and the winner of that race would take on Darling on Aug. 9.

Democratic candidate an active Republican

While Huber won't talk about why she's running as a Democrat, there is no doubt that she has longtime roots as an active member of the Republican party in Ozaukee County.

Huber, born in April 1931, is one of 10 people elected to serve as a leader in the Ozaukee County Republican Party. For a number of years, she has served as a member-at-large.

Huber has a yard sign supporting Darling in front of her home. She also donated \$100 to Darling on March 28, according to the GAB. Between 2002 and 2010 Huber gave almost \$2,000 to Republican candidates or the state party, records show.

Huber is a longtime poll worker in Ozaukee County, most recently serving as the Republican observer in the Supreme Court recount. In 1996, she was the membership chairwoman for the county GOP. She was the quoted by the Journal Sentinel as saying: "I am a firm believer in the grassroots. The grassroots is where the grunt work gets done."



In 1994, Huber filed a complaint against Eric Grant, who was a Republican candidate for the 60th District Assembly seat. Grant, she said, had not formed a committee before raising and spending money on his campaign. He paid a \$150 fine.

She also served on the county's Department on Aging and on the Lasata Care Center board, the county-owned senior apartment complex.

Recall election could be delayed

While plans now call for a primary election on July 9 and a general election in August, those dates could be delayed. Darling has joined five other Republican senators facing recall in challenging the GAB's decision to certify the recall petitions. The lawsuit has been assigned to Dane County Circuit Judge Patrick Feidler. No date has been set for a hearing.

A week before Darling filed the lawsuit, she told WTMJ-TV that she would not challenge the GAB decision, saying she wanted "to move forward."

Neither Darling, her campaign staff or the Republican Party of Wisconsin returned calls from Patch.

The Journal Sentinel quoted her saying that she decided to stick with the other Republicans being recalled.

"I could have had a chance of sticking out there by myself or staying with the group," she told the newspaper.

Her lawyer, Eric McLeod, charged that the recall group did not follow procedures, an argument the six retired judges who make up the GAB rejected.

"It's merely to insure that the rules governing recall elections are followed," McLeod said.

Pasch likened the maneuver to run a fake Democrat to the "dirty tricks" of the Nixon administration.

"Given how much taxpayer money will be wasted on this cynical ploy, Senator Darling's hypocrisy is stunning," Pasch said. "I guess her priority is saving her political skin, not listening to her constituents who are frustrated by politicians who cut priorities like education and health care while giving away huge tax breaks to corporations."

The recall election will cost Milwaukee County between \$50,000 and \$75,000, said Lisa Weiner, head of the elections commission. A primary election would cost the same amount, she said. Ozaukee, Waukesha and Washington counties would have similar expenses.

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This whole thing of entering fake candidates is despicable and a slap in the face to the democratic process of elections; it really borders on being un-American. Obviously Pasch will win the primary if entering a fake candidate is legal. And with how upset many people on the right are about this disgrace, looks like her chances will get better to win a Senate seat.

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The question here is does Sen. Darling know about this, and does she approve? It's not just a cynical manipulation of the electoral process, but actually costs money, which Sen. Darling apparently is fine doing, as long as it doesn't go to help people and programs which need it, like teachers and schools.

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Sounds like the Gop is running scared.

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" Neither Darling , her campaign staff or the Republican Party of Wisconsin returned calls from Patch ". And this is a surprise how ? She 's famous for not getting back to the people that were her support, and voted her in office .

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Another example of how the Republicans will stoop to any tactic to delay payback for what they are doing to the people of this state. I only hope this opens more people's eyes about how desperately we need to break the Republican stronghold and get back to bipartisan solutions -- not this sick dictatorship where a radical few take power and push their agenda into law. Alberta Darling may have once been a moderate, but she has sold out to the far right and is now their puppet. She listens to no one else.

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Does the Democratic Party have any say at all as to who officially runs for office with them? Can a political party "oust" a registered candidate for misrepresentation? Do voting members of the Democratic Party have any say in this? Can anyone register as a candidate in any party regardless of behavior, point of view or platform? This issue reminds me of the "bait and switch" tactics used in false advertising. I don't understand why it's tolerated...or is it?

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If you high and mighty Dems will exam the last election cycle you will see you did the same thing so get off your high horse.

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7:59 am on Sunday, June 12, 2011

Amen, the whole recall thing is a Democratic sham by the whining leftists upset that their agenda is being derailed by Republican programs which are turning out to be good for Wisconsin. Wisconsin business leaders are finally looking more confident about what is happening in Wisconsin government. This means more jobs, better opportunities for the taxpaying private sector employees less for the ungrateful bloated public sector union leadership. I don't believe we want to go backwards to a Doyle type of government with more taxes and fees, robbing of segregated funds and anti business legislation.

Michael Schwister

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11:37 am on Sunday, June 12, 2011

RAK, Executive pay up, grunt pay down. WMC happy to mine. Oh what a surprise. We will just have to clean up when they leave. Perhaps those of you that would privatize everything could ask Germany to run our Government and provide for its citizens. With 130 years of history taking care of their elderly they clearly have the experience and integrity for government by the people and for the people. But I have to say that the Doyle administration was a flop.

Elizabeth Hennigan

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12:54 am on Wednesday, July 6, 2011

Hi LFO!

Just wondering when you mention "you high and mighty Dems", to which commentors were you referring? Or were you just referring to all "Dems"? Also, if indeed "Dems" did the same thing in the last election cycle and such action has lowered your opinion of them... why would you feign defending any other group for the same action?

Dennis Allen

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3:48 pm on Sunday, June 12, 2011

Wait until the Koch Bros. decide you're not paying enough for your electricy and double your rate. Who you gonna call ? LOL The recalls have nothing to do with the unions. You're drinking too much Kool-Aid. The people of Wisconsin woke up to the fact that the people they elected weren't representing them, but instead big business. That's why the recalls. You TP/GOPers always chant the same old mantra and expect people to believe it. You believe in the saying that if you repeat a lie often enough someone will believe it. I think the people of Wisconsin have their eyes open now. We'll see come July. Remember the saying , "Fool me once, shame on you. Fool me twice, shame on me ".

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Charly Jones

7:55 pm on Sunday, June 12, 2011

Senator Stepford was quoted in the Journal saying as she supported this stunt. I wonder how much it will cost?

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CowDung

10:10 am on Monday, June 13, 2011

The stategy seems to be spreading--the Democrats are running 'fake Democrats' to force primaries as well...

<http://www.jsonline.com/news/statepolitics/123688454.html>

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2:38 pm on Monday, June 13, 2011

Joe Peterlin - On the contrary... many Dems don't like the idea of a fake candidate on either side. I think this stinks less than running a fake opposing candidate, but it still stinks. This is obviously a defensive move in trying to maintain some control over these elections after the republicans entered their fake candidates, but it only adds to the confusion for people.

With that said, NOTHING is official in regards to who is running. Not even Pasch and Darling are officially on the ballot yet. I think this is a good issue to discuss, but only after the candidates are certified.

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Jim

10:16 am on Tuesday, June 14, 2011

Darling's and Walker's budget will give Wisconsin the first surplus in over a decade...without raising taxes. Thank you Governor and Senator for turning this state around after the horrible Doyle years.

<http://www.jsonline.com/blogs/news/123763069.html>

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Keith Schmitz

7:39 am on Wednesday, June 15, 2011

Budget is fiscally sound, shoddy on economics, morally bankrupt and steals from the future. There were a lot of creative ways to do this other than straight ideology, but you can never use Scott Walker and creative in the same sentence.

Maybe God told him to screw those who are least able to defend themselves.

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RAK

10:01 am on Wednesday, June 15, 2011

Funny, those least able to defend themselves have been quite successful over the past 40 years. They did a great job of screwing the average taxpayer. Now that we have the facts on their pay and benefits they can no longer pull the wool over our eyes!

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Keith Schmitz

7:04 am on Thursday, June 16, 2011

I'm talking about the elderly, kids in poverty and the long term disabled. But I guess you don't care about those people compared to the couple of bucks you'll get back in tax relief -- if any. So screw 'em right?

Where the hell do you get this idea that government employees are rolling in dough? In your mind?

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RAK

12:16 pm on Thursday, June 16, 2011

Keith, Tell you what, there are a lot of private sector taxpayers who would willingly trade places retirement for the retirement benefits of public sector workers who seem to be great at whining about their sacrifices to now finally pay something towards their retirement benefits and

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health care. didn't say they were rolling in dough but they sure have better benefits than most private sector workers who by the way have paid dearly for their benefits all along. due time for public sector workers to share the sacrifice of today's economy!



Keith Schmitz

3:01 pm on Tuesday, July 12, 2011

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So what you are saying is that a) we drag everyone down to the same level, b) you don't care that there is that tiny minority that is really rolling in dough and that c) you are doing what you are told.

Michael Schwister

12:52 pm on Thursday, June 16, 2011

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RAK, I retired from private business and I am lost as how you think that the public sector doesn't pay towards their benefits. Those benefits represent wage concessions. Period. In the trade unions we negotiate a gross wage. The membership decides where the wages are assigned. The check, pension, health, trade promotion and training. Now we could get insurance cheaper but by belonging to a union our moral conscious demanded insurance from a company that paid a living wage. The structure of most union construction companies was the field was union the office was not. The office was only too happy to get a 401k and live with insurance benefits sub par to the field as long as they got it on the check. Now the office makes 30% more than the field, and its the fields benefits that are too expensive. So much for saving.

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Keith Schmitz

12:53 pm on Thursday, June 16, 2011

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But they don't have better salaries, and so as it works in the real world, they negotiated these benefits. Not that any one would accuse Walker having character, but these benefits were negotiated in good faith.

I don't know about you, it's not a good idea to depend on a cop or firefighter over 55 trying to protect you.

Instead of your whining, crying and childish resentment over what public employees are getting, why don't you man up and advocate unions in the private sector? Why don't we all have what you think unions have?

If you are smart enough to notice, with the decline of unions so has gone the middle class, making that small group of white men obscenely richer. But since it is a group of white men, you seem to have no problem with that. Those are the people vacuuming your pockets.

Of course Walker testified under oath before Congress that ending collective bargaining had nothing to do with reducing our costs. So if you think it does, then maybe Walker should be brought up for charges.

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CowDung

1:41 pm on Tuesday, July 12, 2011

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Maybe you should check your facts about what it was that Walker testified under oath about. Walker testified that two specific provisions of his bill did not reduce our costs: 1) requiring unions to recertify annually and 2) prohibiting the deduction of dues from their paychecks.

Limiting collective bargaining does indeed lower costs...

Bewildered

3:54 pm on Tuesday, July 12, 2011

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Early exit polls show strong support for Huber in part due to low Shorewood turnout.

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Keith Schmitz

4:43 pm on Tuesday, July 12, 2011

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There is no exit polling data that would be released at this time.

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Are you sure? The woman who polled me was wearing a Palin button.

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It doesn't matter what kind of button the woman was wearing--exit poll data isn't released to the public until polls have closed...

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10:03 pm on Tuesday, July 12, 2011

Oh Dung, punked twice in one nite. How could you believe ladies with Palin buttons? Did we forget our sense of humor when we got up this morning? Have fun with this craziness, bud!

CowDung

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4:34 pm on Tuesday, July 12, 2011

Kloppenberg has already declared Pasch to be the winner by 204 votes...

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Jay Sykes

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Now that is funny..

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Support Isaac Weix's Protest Candidacy

June 03, 2011

Dear Fellow Conservative,

We need your help in fighting the liberal special interests TODAY! They are using every trick in the book to overturn last November's election results, and we must fight back!

Republicans won victories last fall promising to reform state government, cut government spending, and create jobs, and in a few short months they have done just that. In response, the liberal special interests are pumping tens of millions of dollars into our state to recall six Republican senators, including our own Senator Sheila Harsdorf. They are forcing taxpayers to pay for these unjustified recall elections because Republicans are reversing their tax and spend, job-killing agenda.

The Deck is Being Stacked Against Republicans

Last week, we watched as an activist judge in Dane County issued a ruling to stop Gov. Walker's budget adjustment bill in its tracks because it didn't suit her liberal ideology. Almost simultaneously, the Government Accountability Board (GAB), which consists of a handful of Jim Doyle appointees, refused to certify recall elections of three Democrats state senators who fled the state in attempt to halt the democratic process. The failure to certify those elections reeks of partisanship, and is in direct defiance of a court order.

A clear pattern has been established by the liberal left – they are using every Dane County institution at their disposal to derail Republican reform to the failed status quo. They will stop at nothing to halt Republicans' progress on fixing our economy and getting spending under control.

We can Fight Back

We need to make sure Democrat challengers face primaries to allow our Republicans time to mount a campaign. The GAB is delaying Democrat elections to give them more time to organize. We need the same! A Democratic primary will push the general election back by one month, so that Senator Harsdorf can have more time to organize a campaign against her liberal challenger.

What YOU Can Do

Please join us in supporting Isaac Weix's "protest candidacy" on the Democrat ballot by signing the enclosed nomination paper, and returning it to us right away! In order to be assured a place on the ballot, Isaac needs to obtain 800 signatures from supporters across the district by June 13th. We NEED YOU to fill out the enclosed nomination paper, and return it by Monday, June 13th.

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- Sign the form yourself, and fill out the circulator section at the bottom of the form.
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- Make sure you only circulate this form to **residents of the 10th State Senate District.** The municipalities included in the 10th district are listed on the back of the nomination form.
- Residents must be qualified electors (at least 18 years old) and be full-time residents of the 10th Senate District.
- After you have finished circulating the form, check to make sure it has been filled out completely, then complete the bottom portion of the form with your name, address, municipality of residence, signature, and date.
- Mail completed forms back ASAP. I have enclosed a pre-addressed envelope for you to use. Most importantly, in order for us to submit these on time, we need to have them back by **June 13th.**

Please help maintain our Republican legislative majority today! We can't stress enough how important it is to have Isaac on the ballot to combat the shady maneuvers of Madison liberals and their out-of-state allies.

We didn't ask for this fight, but it's a battle for our future...and our children's future...that we can't afford to lose.

Sincerely,

Maripat Krueger
3rd Congressional District Chairwoman
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John Danneker
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I, the undersigned, request the name of

Isaac Weix

Who resides at 715 21st Ave E, in the City of Menomonie, be placed on the ballot at the special election to be held on July 12, 2011, as a candidate representing the Democratic Party so that voters will have the opportunity to vote for him for the office of State Senator, in Wisconsin's 10th Senate District. I am eligible to vote in the 10th Senate District and have not signed the nomination paper of any other candidate for the same office at this election.

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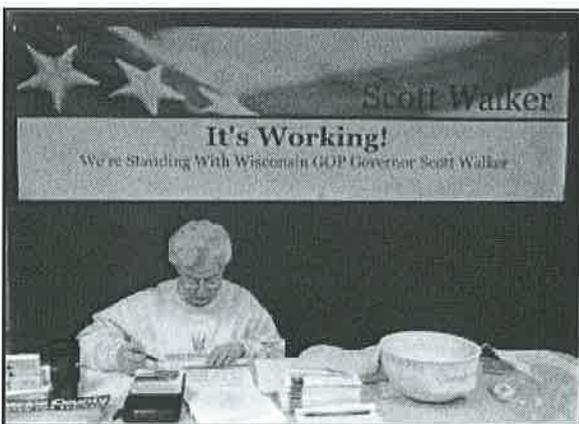
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Wednesday January 25, 2011 local volunteers at the Racine County GOP Victory Center, 6211 Durand Ave., including Marge Orth, officially started the process of reviewing the approximately 24,000 signatures Democrats turned in last week to recall Sen. Van Wanggaard, R-Racine. They are to look for signatures dated outside the window between Nov. 15 and Jan. 14, the first and last day signatures could legally be collected. They are also

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MOUNT PLEASANT — Tamra Varebrook, 43, of Racine, said she found recall petitions dated wrong, others not signed, and a few signed by out-of-state residents. That was just in her first two and a half hours Wednesday at the Racine County GOP Victory Center in Mount Pleasant, she said.

For two months, Democrats flocked to the streets to collect signatures to recall the governor and senators. Wednesday local volunteers at 6211 Durand Ave. officially started the process of reviewing the approximately 24,000 signatures Democrats turned in last week to recall Sen. Van Wanggaard, R-Racine.

Democrats only need 15,353 valid signatures to hold a recall election and they have said without doubt they have enough valid signatures. But Justin Phillips, Wanggaard's campaign manager who works out of the victory center, said reviewing the signatures is necessary to protect the integrity of the process.

In preparation of receiving copies of the petitions, Phillips said they trained approximately 200 volunteers to review petitions and about 20 people were there Wednesday afternoon helping.

They were looking for signatures dated outside the window between Nov. 15 and Jan. 14, the first and last day signatures could legally be collected. They were also checking to make sure no signatures are missing and flagging petitions where all of the information appears to have been written by the same person.

Reid Magney, the Government Accountability Board spokesman, said all signatures need to have dates including the year to be counted. Also, he said the person who signed the petition must have written in their own numerical

address and the day of the month as well as their signature. The person circulating the petition could not have filled out that information, he said.

This week volunteers locally are conducting more of a surface review, where they ensure all information is there, Phillips said. That includes name, date and address. In Madison, workers will more thoroughly review addresses to verify voters live in district, he said. At this point, volunteers are only reviewing Wanggaard recall signatures locally, Phillips said, he did not yet know the plan for the petitions to recall the governor and lieutenant governor.

In two and a half hours, Varebrook said she flagged about 100 signatures. Varebrook, a stay-at-home mom, said the reason why she was helping verify signatures is: “Van is my senator. I voted for him and I don’t want my vote taken away.”

Marge Orth, 63, of Caledonia, also had a page filled with notes about flagged petitions. On some of petitions, she could tell the person that filled out the address was not the same as the person who dated the signature.

“The twos, they don’t match,” she said. She doesn’t know if the signatures she flagged will be thrown out, but she said, “You have to question it. We’ll let the lawyers figure it out.”

Judge extends recall verification period

MADISON (AP) — A Madison judge has granted state election officials an additional 30 days to verify nearly 2 million signatures on recall petitions against Gov. Scott Walker and five other Republicans.

Democrats and their allies filed the recall signatures against Walker, Lt. Gov. Rebecca Kleefisch and four GOP senators, including state Sen. Van Wanggaard, R-Racine, with the state Government Accountability Board on Jan. 17. State law gives the board 31 days to verify the signatures’ authenticity. The clock began ticking on Jan. 18.

But the board says it’s been overwhelmed by the sheer volume of names and a Waukesha County judge’s order calling for the board to ferret out fictitious names and duplicate signatures.

Dane County Circuit Judge Richard Niess says the board faces an unprecedented task and deserves more time to do its work.

The judge’s decision extends the review deadline into March.

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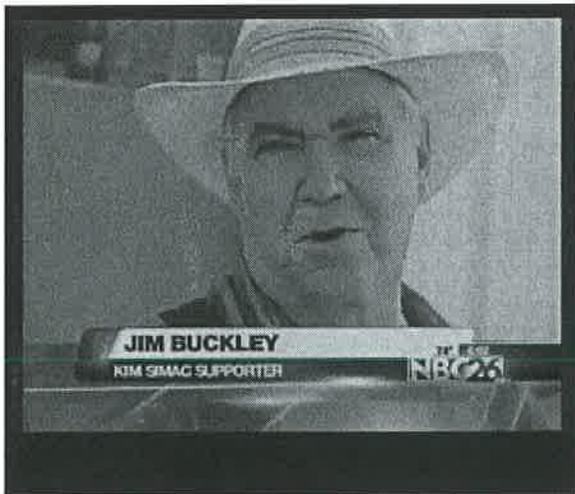
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polls tomorrow.

"I hate to see them lose the ground they already have. I think he's done a wonderful job, for this area," said Packard.

It's a race borne of the Capitol Chaos, to be settled in a Northwoods voting booth.

"Wednesday morning we're going to turn a page and the people are going to demand that we get down to what we do best, which is work. And come together and turn this state around," said Republican challenger Kim Simac.

"It won't change either way the majority make-up of the Senate we now know. But a lot of people are interested in maintaining the seat in Democratic hands," said State Senator Jim Holperin.

The final round of Summer Recall Elections is just one day away. Two different races, at each end of the Badger State, have Democrats defending their turf.

In the 22nd District, Democrat Robert Wirsch faces Republican newcomer Jonathan Steitz.

And in the Northwoods, incumbent Democrat Jim Holperin faces Republican Kim Simac, for the 12th State Senate District seat.

At Jim's Radiator Service in Antigo, owner Jim Buckley remembers the recall process.

"I was out there in the cold weather, snowing, freezing, getting signatures," said Jim Buckley, a Kim Simac supporter.

He has backed Kim Simac from the beginning.

"When we elect a Senator, we expect them to work for all the people, not just a select few," said Buckley.

But just across town,

"As you can see, we support Jim Holperin," said Dwaine Packard, a Jim Holperin supporter.

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GAB ID: 0105113

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Huber, Gladys	Democratic	Governor, Governor	
Residence Address (Number and Street):		Candidate Telephone Number (Residence):	
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City, State and Zip:	Election Date:	Candidate Email:	
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Signature _____ Candidate _____

Date _____

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
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CANDIDATE AND CANDIDATE COMMITTEE INFORMATION

GAB ID: 0104468

Name of the Candidate:	Party Affiliation:	Office Sought (Include Branch Number):	
Weix, Isaac	Democratic	Lieutenant Governor, Lieutenant Governor	
Residence Address (Number and Street):		Candidate Telephone Number (Residence):	
715 21st Ave E		(715) 505-9349	
City, State and Zip:	Election Date:	Candidate Email:	
Menomonie, WI 54751	05/08/2012	tshdwe@hotmail.com	
Committee Name:	Acronym:	Committee Type:	Committee Sub-Type:
Friends of Isaac Weix	WEIX	State Candidate	Personal Campaign Committee
Committee Address (Number and Street):	715 21st Ave E, Menomonie, WI 54751	Committee Email:	tshdwe@hotmail.com
Phone:	(715) 505-9349		

COMMITTEE TREASURER INFORMATION

Treasurer Name:	Weix, Isaac	Phone:	(715) 505-9349
Address (Number and Street):	PO Box 1		
City, State and Zip:	Elmwood, WI 54740		
Email:	tshdwe@hotmail.com		

DEPOSITORY INFORMATION

Name of Financial Institution:	Citizens State Bank	Account Number:	*****
Address (Number and Street):	104 N. Main St.		
City, State and Zip:	Elmwood, WI 54740		

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Signature of Candidate or Treasurer

Date

CERTIFICATE

TREASURER

I, Weix, Isaac

certify the information in this statement is true and complete.

Signature _____ Treasurer _____

Date _____

CANDIDATE

I, Weix, Isaac

certify the information in this statement is true, correct and complete, and that this is the only committee authorized to act on my behalf.

Signature _____ Candidate _____

Date _____

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CANDIDATE AND CANDIDATE COMMITTEE INFORMATION

GAB ID: 0105251

Name of the Candidate:	Party Affiliation:	Office Sought (Include Branch Number):	
Ellerman, Gary L	Democratic	State Senate, State Senate, District No. 13	
Residence Address (Number and Street):		Candidate Telephone Number (Residence):	
N8081 Springer Road		(920) 397-0467	
City, State and Zip:	Election Date:	Candidate Email:	
Lake Mills, WI 53551	05/08/2012	gary@wildernessconsulting.com	
Committee Name:	Acronym:	Committee Type:	Committee Sub-Type:
Ellerman For Senate		State Candidate	Personal Campaign Committee
Committee Address (Number and Street):	N8081 Springer Road, Lake Mills, WI 53551	Committee Email:	gary@mrimadison.com
Phone:	(920) 397-0467		

COMMITTEE TREASURER INFORMATION

Treasurer Name:	Ellerman, Gary L	Phone:	(920) 397-0467
Address (Number and Street):	N8081 Springer Road		
City, State and Zip:	Lake Mills, WI 53551		
Email:	gary@mrimadison.com		

DEPOSITORY INFORMATION

Name of Financial Institution:	Farmers Merchants State Bank	Account Number:	*****
Address (Number and Street):	210 West Madison Street		
City, State and Zip:	Waterloo, WI 53594		

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Signature of Candidate or Treasurer

Date

CERTIFICATE

TREASURER

I, Ellerman, Gary L

certify the information in this statement is true and complete.

Signature _____ Treasurer _____

Date _____

CANDIDATE

I, Ellerman, Gary L

certify the information in this statement is true, correct and complete, and that this is the only committee authorized to act on my behalf.

Signature _____ Candidate _____

Date _____

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CANDIDATE AND CANDIDATE COMMITTEE INFORMATION

GAB ID: 0105248

Name of the Candidate:	Party Affiliation:	Office Sought (Include Branch Number):	
Varebrook, Tamra Lynn	Democratic	State Senate, State Senate, District No. 21	
Residence Address (Number and Street):		Candidate Telephone Number (Residence):	
P.O. Box 32		(262) 456-9638	
City, State and Zip:	Election Date:	Candidate Email:	
Union Grove, WI 53182	05/08/2012	tamra@tamraforsenate.com	
Committee Name:	Acronym:	Committee Type:	Committee Sub-Type:
Friends of Tamra		State Candidate	Personal Campaign Committee
Committee Address (Number and Street):	P.O. Box 32, Union Grove, WI 53182	Committee Email:	friends@tamraforsenate.com
Phone:	(262) 456-9638		

COMMITTEE TREASURER INFORMATION

Treasurer Name:	Hauck, Christine Leigh	Phone:	(262) 456-9638
Address (Number and Street):	P.O. Box 32		
City, State and Zip:	Union Grove, WI 53182		
Email:	friends@tamraforsenate.com		

DEPOSITORY INFORMATION

Name of Financial Institution:	North Shore Bank	Account Number:	*****
Address (Number and Street):	111 Main Street		
City, State and Zip:	Union Grove, WI 53182		

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Signature of Candidate or Treasurer

Date

CERTIFICATE

TREASURER

I, Hauck, Christine Leigh

certify the information in this statement is true and complete.

Signature _____ Treasurer _____

Date _____

CANDIDATE

I, Varebrook, Tamra Lynn

certify the information in this statement is true, correct and complete, and that this is the only committee authorized to act on my behalf.

Signature _____ Candidate _____

Date _____

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CANDIDATE AND CANDIDATE COMMITTEE INFORMATION

GAB ID: 0105260

Name of the Candidate:	Party Affiliation:	Office Sought (Include Branch Number):	
Engel, James	Democratic	State Senate, State Senate, District No. 23	
Residence Address (Number and Street):		Candidate Telephone Number (Residence):	
S 2020 Township Road		(715) 352-4353	
City, State and Zip:	Election Date:	Candidate Email:	
Fall Creek, WI 54742	05/08/2012	engel.james2012@gmail.com	
Committee Name:	Acronym:	Committee Type:	Committee Sub-Type:
James Engel for State Senator		State Candidate	Personal Campaign Committee
Committee Address (Number and Street):	S 2020 Township Road, Fall Creek, WI 54742	Committee Email:	engel.james2012@gmail.com
Phone:	(715) 352-4353		

COMMITTEE TREASURER INFORMATION

Treasurer Name:	Engel, James	Phone:	(715) 352-4353
Address (Number and Street):	S 2020 Township Road		
City, State and Zip:	Fall Creek, WI 54742		
Email:	engel.james2012@gmail.com		

DEPOSITORY INFORMATION

Name of Financial Institution:	Unity Bank	Account Number:	*****
Address (Number and Street):	103 E Lincoln		
City, State and Zip:	Fall Creek, WI 54742		

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Signature of Candidate or Treasurer

Date

CERTIFICATE

TREASURER

I, Engel, James

certify the information in this statement is true and complete.

Signature _____ Treasurer _____

Date _____

CANDIDATE

I, Engel, James

certify the information in this statement is true, correct and complete, and that this is the only committee authorized to act on my behalf.

Signature _____ Candidate _____

Date _____

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CANDIDATE AND CANDIDATE COMMITTEE INFORMATION

GAB ID: 0105250

Name of the Candidate:	Party Affiliation:	Office Sought (Include Branch Number):	
Buckley, James	Democratic	State Senate, State Senate, District No. 29	
Residence Address (Number and Street):		Candidate Telephone Number (Residence):	
615 4th Ave		(715) 255-0860	
City, State and Zip:	Election Date:	Candidate Email:	
Antigo, WI 54409	05/08/2012	buckley.jim2012@gmail.com	
Committee Name:	Acronym:	Committee Type:	Committee Sub-Type:
Friends of Jim Buckley		State Candidate	Personal Campaign Committee
Committee Address (Number and Street):	615 4th Ave, Antigo, WI 54409	Committee Email:	buckley.jim2012@gmail.com
Phone:	(715) 255-0860		

COMMITTEE TREASURER INFORMATION

Treasurer Name:	Buckley, James	Phone:	(715) 255-0860
Address (Number and Street):	615 4th Ave		
City, State and Zip:	Antigo, WI 54409		
Email:	buckley.jim2012@gmail.com		

DEPOSITORY INFORMATION

Name of Financial Institution:	Chase Bank	Account Number:	*****
Address (Number and Street):	700 5th Ave		
City, State and Zip:	Antigo, WI 54409		

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This registrant is no longer eligible to claim exemption.

Signature of Candidate or Treasurer

Date

CERTIFICATE

TREASURER

I, Buckley, James

certify the information in this statement is true and complete.

Signature _____ Treasurer _____

Date _____

CANDIDATE

I, Buckley, James

certify the information in this statement is true, correct and complete, and that this is the only committee authorized to act on my behalf.

Signature _____ Candidate _____

Date _____

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DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY

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Is this an amendment? Yes No

I, Gladys R. Huber, being duly sworn, state that
(Candidate's name)

I am a candidate for the office of GOVERNOR of the State of Wisconsin
(Official name of office - Include district, branch or seat number)

representing Democratic Party
(Name of political party or statement of principle - five words or less)

and I meet or will meet at the time I assume office the applicable age, citizenship, residency and voting qualification requirements, if any, prescribed by the constitutions and laws of the United States and the State of Wisconsin, and that I otherwise qualify for office, if nominated and elected.

I have not been convicted of a felony in any court within the United States for which I have not been pardoned.¹

My present municipality of residence for voting purposes is:

707 W. Pioneer Rd. Menomonie, Wisconsin 53097
(Candidate's address for voting purposes - Include the number, street, and municipality where the candidate resides.)

My name as I wish it to appear on the official ballot is as follows:

Gladys R. Huber
(Any combination of first name, middle name or initials with surname. A nickname may replace a legal name.)

Gladys R. Huber
(Signature of candidate)

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
County of Ozaukee) ss.
(County of notarization)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10 day of April, 2012.

Nicole Ancker
(Signature of person authorized to administer oaths)

NOTARY SEAL
NOT REQUIRED

My commission expires 2/22/2015 or is permanent.

Notary Public or _____
(Official title if not a notary)

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Is this an amendment? Yes No

Isaac Weix

(Candidate's name)

being duly sworn, state that

I am a candidate for the office of Lieutenant Governor

(Official name of office - Include district, branch or seat number)

representing Democratic

(Name of political party or statement of principle - five words or less)

and I meet or will meet at the time I assume office the applicable age, citizenship, residency and voting qualification requirements, if any, prescribed by the constitutions and laws of the United States and the State of Wisconsin, and that I will otherwise qualify for office, if nominated and elected.

I have not been convicted of a felony in any court within the United States for which I have not been pardoned.¹

My present municipality of residence for voting purposes is:

715 21st Ave. E. Menomonie, WI 54751

(Candidate's address for voting purposes - Include the number, street, and municipality where the candidate resides.)

My name as I wish it to appear on the official ballot is as follows:

Isaac Weix

(Any combination of first name, middle name or initials with surname. A nickname may replace a legal name.)

[Handwritten signature]

(Signature of candidate)

STATE OF WISCONSIN

County of Pierce

(County of notarization)

} ss.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6 day of April, 2012

(Signature of person authorized to administer oaths)

NOTARY SEAL NOT REQUIRED

My commission expires 8/25/13 or is permanent.

Notary Public or Donna M. Lien

(Official title if not a notary)

DONNA M. LIEN Notary Public State of Wisconsin

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Is this an amendment? Yes No

I, Gary L. Ellerman, being duly sworn, state that
(Candidate's name)

I am a candidate for the office of State Senate District 13
(Official name of office - Include district, branch or seat number)

representing Democrat
(Name of political party or statement of principle - five words or less)

and I meet or will meet at the time I assume office the applicable age, citizenship, residency and voting qualification requirements, if any, prescribed by the constitutions and laws of the United States and the State of Wisconsin, and that I will otherwise qualify for office, if nominated and elected.

I have not been convicted of a felony in any court within the United States for which I have not been pardoned.¹

My present municipality of residence for voting purposes is:

N8081 Springer Rd Lake Mills town of Watkinson
(Candidate's address for voting purposes - Include the number, street, and municipality where the candidate resides.)

My name as I wish it to appear on the official ballot is as follows:

Gary Ellerman
(Any combination of first name, middle name or initials with surname. A nickname may replace a legal name.)

[Signature]
(Signature of candidate)

STATE OF WISCONSIN }
County of JEFFERSON } ss.
(County of notarization)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of APRIL, 2012
[Signature]
(Signature of person authorized to administer oaths)

NOTARY SEAL
NOT REQUIRED

My commission expires IS PERMANENT or is permanent.

Notary Public or _____
(Official title if not a notary)

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DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY

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Is this an amendment? Yes No

I, James Robert Buckley, being duly sworn, state that
(Candidate's name)

I am a candidate for the office of State Senate, District 29
(Official name of office - include district, branch or seat number)

representing Democratic Party
(Name of political party or statement of principle - five words or less)

and I meet or will meet at the time I assume office the applicable age, citizenship, residency and voting qualification requirements, if any, prescribed by the constitutions and laws of the United States and the State of Wisconsin, and that I will otherwise qualify for office, if nominated and elected.

I have not been convicted of a felony in any court within the United States for which I have not been pardoned.¹

My present municipality of residence for voting purposes is:

615 4th Avenue, City of Antigo, WI 54409
(Candidate's address for voting purposes - include the number, street, and municipality where the candidate resides.)

My name as I wish it to appear on the official ballot is as follows:

Jim Buckley
(Any combination of first name, middle name or initials with surname. A nickname may replace a legal name.)

James R. Buckley
(Signature of candidate)

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
County of Washington) ss.
(County of notarization)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of April, 2012.

Cheryl L. Belott
(Signature of person authorized to administer oaths)



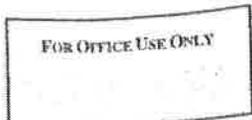
My commission expires September 6, 2015 or is permanent.

Notary Public or _____
(Official title if not a notary)

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Is this an amendment? Yes No

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I, TAMRA VAREBROOK, being duly sworn, state that I am a candidate for the office of STATE SENATE DISTRICT 21 representing DEMOCRATIC PARTY

(Candidate's name) (Official name of office - Include district, branch or seat number)

(Name of political party or statement of principle - five words or less)

and I meet or will meet at the time I assume office the applicable age, citizenship, residency and voting qualification requirements, if any, prescribed by the constitutions and laws of the United States and the State of Wisconsin, and that I will otherwise qualify for office, if nominated and elected.

I have not been convicted of a felony in any court within the United States for which I have not been pardoned.¹

My present municipality of residence for voting purposes is:

951 MAIN ST, UNION GROVE
(Candidate's address for voting purposes - Include the number, street, and municipality where the candidate resides.)

My name as I wish it to appear on the official ballot is as follows:

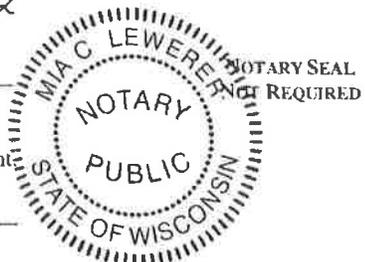
TAMRA VAREBROOK
(Any combination of first name, middle name or initials with surname. A nickname may replace a legal name.)

Tamra L. Varebrook
(Signature of candidate)

STATE OF WISCONSIN }
County of Milwaukee } ss.
(County of notarization)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 06 day of April, 2012

[Signature]
(Signature of person authorized to administer oaths)



My commission expires 4/15/2012 or is permanent.

Notary Public or _____
(Official title if not a notary)

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Is this an amendment? Yes No

I, James M. Engel, being duly sworn, state that
(Candidate's name)

I am a candidate for the office of State Senator Dist. 23
(Official name of office - Include district, branch or seat number)

representing Democratic Party
(Name of political party or statement of principle - five words or less)

and I meet or will meet at the time I assume office the applicable age, citizenship, residency and voting qualification requirements, if any, prescribed by the constitutions and laws of the United States and the State of Wisconsin, and that I will otherwise qualify for office, if nominated and elected.

I have not been convicted of a felony in any court within the United States for which I have not been pardoned¹

My present municipality of residence for voting purposes is:

S 2020 Township Rd, Fall Creek, WI 54742
(Candidate's address for voting purposes - Include the number, street, and municipality where the candidate resides.)

My name as I wish it to appear on the official ballot is as follows:

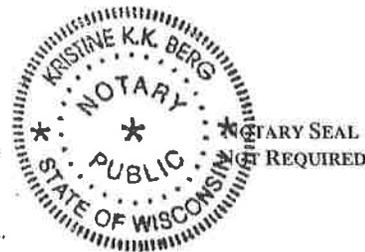
James Engel
(Any combination of first name, middle name or initials with surname. A nickname may replace a legal name.)

[Signature]
(Signature of candidate)

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
County of Eau Claire) ss.
(County of notarization)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28 day of March, 2012

[Signature]
(Signature of person authorized to administer oaths)



My commission expires 8/24/2014 or permanent.

Notary Public or _____
(Official title if not a notary)

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¹ A 1996 constitutional amendment bars any candidate convicted of a misdemeanor which violates the public trust from running for or holding a public office. However, the legislature has not defined which misdemeanors violate the public trust. A candidate convicted of any misdemeanor is not barred from running for or holding a public office until the legislature defines which misdemeanors apply.