

<b>Respondent Names</b>
<b>Complainant Name</b>
<b>Complaint Description</b>
<p>Norm Smith</p> <p>Sun, 30 Jun 2024 at 12:56 AM</p> <p>Steven Haroldson Minnich</p> <p>Candidate for Pend Oreille County Commissioner, District 1.</p> <p>RCW 42.17A.320. Failure to disclose party affiliation on political advertisement.</p> <p>“For partisan office, if a candidate has expressed a party or independent preference on the declaration of candidacy, that party or independent designation shall be clearly identified in electioneering communications,”</p> <p>At a Candidate Meet and Great at the Metaline Falls American Legion, 7/29/24, Mr. Minnich acknowledged the absence of party affiliation on his campaign signs: “As a commissioner you will not see an R on my posters. There is no R.”</p> <p>YouTube Video linked below.</p> <p>The picture of the sign attached has no visible party affiliation.</p> <p>See attached screenshots.</p> <p>See linked YouTube Video. Fast forward to about 8:00.  <a href="https://youtu.be/_JCAoi_XY8?si=j4ajM7Z092Est-M5">https://youtu.be/_JCAoi_XY8?si=j4ajM7Z092Est-M5</a></p>
<b>What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?</b>
<p>Failure to disclose party affiliation. Lack of transparency.</p> <p>A candidate aspiring to be County Commissioner should be aware of - and follow - the basic, fundamental requirements of running for public office.</p>
<b>List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found</b>
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<b>List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them</b>
<p>Steven Haroldson Minnich</p>



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Anyone attending the Legion Candidate Meet and Greet.’  
Anyone viewing the YouTube video.

**Certification (Complainant)**

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.





## Steven Haroldson Minnich

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### Registration Filed

Candidate  
Full Reporting  
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### Candidacy

Steven Haroldson Minnich  
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STEVE HAROLDSON

**MINNICH**

**Commissioner  
District #1**

VOTE FOR INTEGRITY  
NO CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

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