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Complaint Form (08/17)

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SIGNED/NOTARIZED

Type or print in ink all information on this form except for verification signature

Person bringing complaint (Complainant):

Complete Name Jayson O'Neill
Complete Mailing Address 720 N Warren St Helena, MT 59601
Phone Numbers: Work 406-570-5019 Home

Person or organization against whom complaint is brought (Respondent):

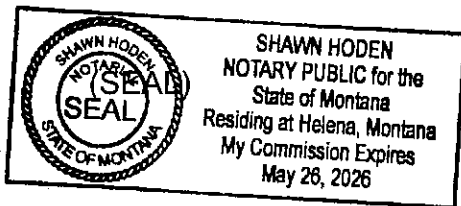
Complete Name Leadership in Action Political Action Committee
Complete Mailing Address PO Box 5315 Helena, MT 59604
Phone Numbers: Work Home

Please complete the second page of this form and describe in detail the facts of the alledged violation.

Verification by oath or affirmation

State of Montana, County of Lewis & Clark

I, Jayson O'Neill, being duly sworn, state that the information in this Complaint is complete, true, and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Signature of Complainant (Handwritten signature)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31 day of October, 2022.

Notary Public (Handwritten signature)

My Commission Expires:

Statement of facts:

Describe in detail the alleged violation(s) and cite the statute or statutes you believe have been violated. Please attach copies of documentary evidence to support the facts alleged in your statement.

If the space provided below is insufficient, you may attach additional pages as necessary.

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13-35-225. Election materials not to be anonymous -- notice -- penalty. (1) All election communications, electioneering communications, and independent expenditures must clearly and conspicuously include the attribution "paid for by" followed by the name and address of the person who made or financed the expenditure for the communication. The attribution must contain

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(b) for election communications, electioneering communications, or independent expenditures financed by a political committee or a joint fundraising committee, the name of the committee, the name of the committee treasurer, deputy treasurer, secretary, vice chairperson, or chairperson, as designated pursuant to 13-37-201(2)(b), and the address of the committee or the named committee officer; and

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The exception of Section 13-35-225(3) that the "advertising is too small for the requirements of subsections (1) and (2) to be conveniently included," is not applicable in this instance as there is no image size limitation imposed by Facebook that would preclude including the required attribution language.

[SEE ATTACHMENT]

Complaints must be:

- signed
- notarized
- delivered in person or by mail.

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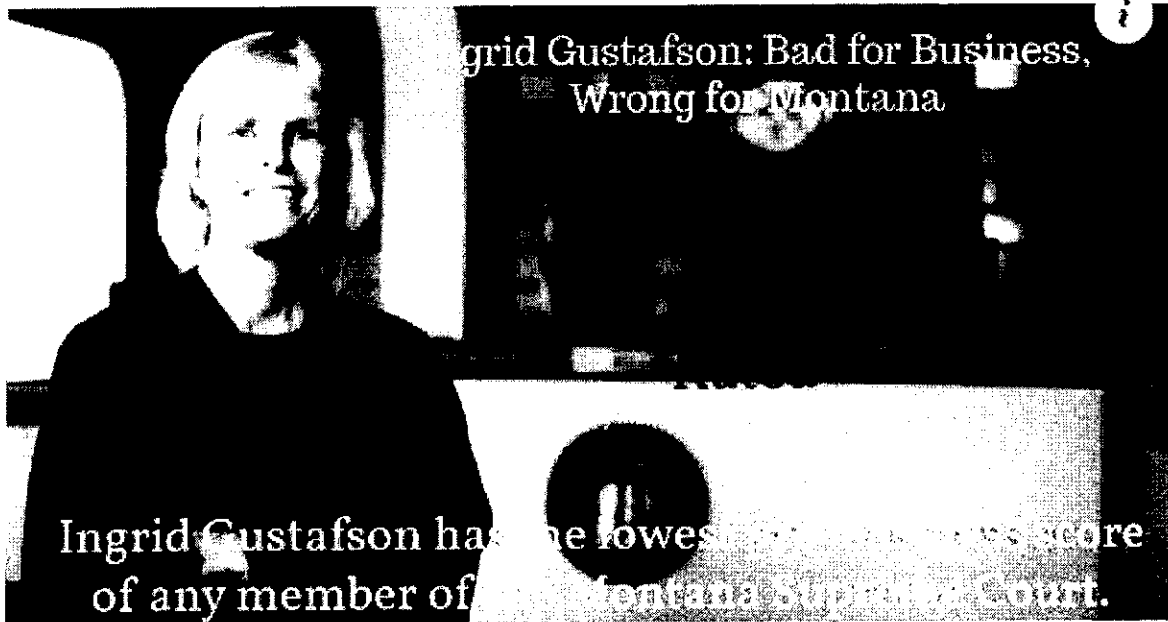


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Ingrid Gustafson is wrong for Montana. I hope you'll join me in supporting James Brown for Montana Supreme Court!



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Austin Knudsen, Montana Attorney General

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Bio

A 5th generation Montanan, Austin grew up on his family farm and ranch outside Culbertson.

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