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Complaint Form (10/09)

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

Person bringing complaint (Complainant):

Complete Name Karla Mae Bosse
Complete Mailing Address 600 Broadway Street
Townsend, MT 59644
Phone Numbers: Work 406-266-9226 Home 406-390-1423

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

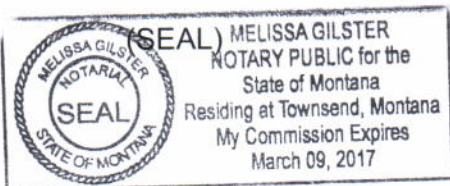
Complete Name Cory Swanson
Complete Mailing Address PO BOX 470204
Winston, MT 59647
Phone Numbers: Work 406-444-2026 Home 406-459-6359

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

Verification by oath or affirmation

State of Montana, County of Broadwater

I, Karla Mae Bosse, being duly sworn, state that the information in this Complaint is complete, true, and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.



[Signature]
Signature of Complainant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16 day of May, 2014.

[Signature]
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: March 9, 2017

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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.

See attached.

Complaints must be:

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

It is my belief that Cory Swanson has, in the course of his campaign for Broadwater County Attorney, violated § 13-35-214 (2), MCA, which provides:

A person may not knowingly or purposely, directly or indirectly, individually or through any other person, for any election, in order to induce any elector to vote or refrain from voting or to vote for or against any particular candidate, political party ticket, or ballot issue:

...

(2) promise to appoint another person or promise to secure or aid in securing the appointment, nomination, or election of another person **to a public or private position or employment** or to a position of honor, trust, or emolument in order to aid or promote the candidate's nomination or election, except that the candidate for governor may publicly announce or define the candidate's choice for lieutenant governor.

At a County Attorney Candidate Forum held at the Broadwater County Rod & Gun Club on May 7, 2014, Mr. Swanson stated publicly that he had already spoken with a Broadwater County citizen, Shari Little, and asked her to come to work for him if he is elected County Attorney. He further stated to the citizens in attendance that it was his intention to bring Ms. Little back to employment with the County Attorney's office if elected, apparently suggesting his hiring of this specific individual as an inducement to vote for him.

There is no clerical position currently open in the County Attorney's office; Mr. Swanson further indicated in his comments at the public forum that he would create another clerical position to accommodate bringing Ms. Little back to the office.

Ms. Little voluntarily resigned her position with the Broadwater County Attorney's office in April 2013, citing personal reasons.

Any existing or newly created position with Broadwater County is subject to the Broadwater County Personnel Policies, which require a competitive hire process open to current county employees and/or the public.

Mr. Swanson is not only a candidate for public office in Broadwater County; he currently serves as a Deputy Attorney General, and as a deputy to the highest law enforcement official in the State of Montana, he should be expected to strictly adhere to Montana law in the course of his campaign.

The entire discussion is available both on the Broadwater County Commission YouTube page and on Mr. Swanson's campaign Facebook page:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/countycommission>

<https://www.facebook.com/swansonforbroadwater?filter=3>