

BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER OF
POLITICAL PRACTICES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Esp v. Lair, Faw, and Baird No. COPP-2012-CFP-49	Summary of Facts and Finding of Sufficient Evidence to Show a Violation of Montana's Campaign Practices Act
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John Esp of Big Timber was a candidate for the Montana House of Representatives, District 61, (HD 61) in the 2010 Republican primary election. On December 3, 2012 Mr. Esp filed a complaint with this Office against Doug Lair, Bob Faw, and Terry Baird based on electioneering activities in the HD 61 2010 primary election. The complaint asserted campaign violations including undisclosed and unreported campaign expenditures.

There are four additional complaints related to the HD 61 2010 election. These complaints are: *Bonogofsky v. Boniek*, No. COPP-2010-CFP-027; *Esp v. Montana Citizens for Right to Work*, No. COPP-2010-CFP-026; *Esp v. Assembly Action Fund*, No. COPP-2010-CFP-025; and *Esp v. WTP* No. COPP-2012-CFP-048. The Decisions in the four related complaints are released simultaneously with this Decision.

I. INTRODUCTION

The 2010 HD 61 primary election involved two candidates, John Esp and Joel Boniek. Candidate Esp defeated Candidate Boniek in the June 8, 2010 primary election by a vote of 1,512 to 1,347. There was no Democratic

candidate filed for HD 61 so Candidate Esp went on to win the general election and became a representative to the 2010 Montana legislature from HD 61.¹ (SOS website).

Esp filed his post-election complaint against Messrs. Lair, Faw, and Baird because he believed that they made unallowed, unreported, and undisclosed 2010 HD 61 election expenditures. Esp also complained that these election expenditures were coordinated with a corporation (Western Tradition Partnership or WTP) and Candidate Boniek such that they became illegal corporate contributions to Candidate Boniek's campaign.

SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES ADDRESSED

The substantive areas of campaign finance law addressed by this decision are: political committee registration; reporting; attribution; limits; and, *de minimis*.

FINDING OF FACTS

The facts necessary for this Decision are as follows:

Finding of Fact No. 1: John Esp was a 2010 candidate for the Republican Party nomination to the Montana legislature from HD 61, Montana. Another candidate, Joel Boniek, also sought the 2010 nomination by the Republican Party from HD 61. (Secretary of State (SOS) Website).

Finding of Fact No. 2: Candidate Boniek was the incumbent legislator in HD 61, having been elected in 2008. (SOS Website).

Finding of Fact No 3: The primary vote in Montana took place on Tuesday, June 8, 2010. Candidate Esp won the primary election in HD 61 by a vote of 1,512 to 1,347. (SOS Website).

¹ House District 61, as created by the 2000 redistricting commission, is a solid Republican district. The electoral contest of note is the Republican primary.

DISCUSSION

Messrs. Lair and Faw allowed their signatures to be placed on a letter dated June 3, 2010 (Letter). The Letter attacked Candidate Esp and urged a vote for Candidate Boniek in the June 8, 2010 primary election. A copy of the Letter is attached to this Decision as Exhibit 1.

The Letter, by observation, expressly advocated a vote for candidate Boniek (Ex. 1). The Letter was a campaign expenditure under Title 13: "...anything of value made for the purpose of influencing the results of an election." §13-1-101(11)(a) MCA.

1. Lair/Faw/Baird Failed to File as a Political Committee

Messrs. Lair, Faw, and Baird did not register as a political committee. (Commissioner's records). Under Montana law the three individuals listed as responsible for the Letter (Lair, Faw, and Baird) became a political committee because they were "...a combination of two or more individuals ...who make[s] a contribution or expenditure...to support...a candidate..." §13-1-101(22) MCA.

Specifically, by their actions connected with writing, signing and mailing the Letter the Lair/Faw/Baird group became a particular candidate committee. See 44.10.327(2)(a)(ii) ARM. A political committee "shall file" a certification, including an organizational statement, upon making an expenditure. §13-37-201 MCA.

The Commissioner recognizes that Mr. Lair has asserted that Mr. Baird paid for the costs of the Letter entirely on his own. As set out in this Decision, below, the Commissioner does not accept that explanation, but instead

determines that other people and entities are involved in the Letter expenditures such that a political committee was created.

Finding of Fact No. 4: Doug Lair, Bob Faw, and Terry Baird, through the Letter, made an expenditure to support Candidate Boniek

Finding of Fact No. 5: Doug Lair, Bob Faw, and Terry Baird did not file as a political committee in regard to the Letter expenditure. (Commissioner's records).

Sufficiency Finding No. 1: There is sufficient evidence to show that Doug Lair, Bob Faw and/or Terry Baird failed to file a political committee certification as required by Montana law.

2. Lair/Faw/Baird Failed to Report

As a particular candidate committee [44.10.327(2)(a)(ii) ARM] the Lair/Faw/Baird committee falls within the reporting requirements of §13-37-226(3) MCA. There were Letter expenditures to report. Mr. Lair admits that 1,200 copies of the Letter were mailed with postage alone (a 44 cent stamp was used) costing \$528.²

Reporting is mandatory: "shall file." *Id.* Messrs. Lair, Faw, and Baird did not report or disclose any of the cost of the Letter, either individually or as a political committee. (Commissioner's records).

Sufficiency Finding No. 2: There is sufficient evidence to show that Doug Lair, Bob Faw and/or Terry Baird failed to file required political committee campaign finance reports.

3. Lair/Faw/Baird Failed to Attribute

The Letter was an election communication and, as such, an attribution

² The Commissioner regards the 1,200 copies and the \$528 as minimum numbers. Any necessary settlement or adjudication of this Matter will be based on numbers produced by testimony or documents.

was required. §13-35-225 MCA. Attribution requires “paid for by” followed by “the name and address of the person who made or financed the expenditure for the communication.” *Id.* The letter fails to meet this requirement. Even if Terry Baird is accepting as paying for the Letter the attribution is incomplete as it lacks an address. The Commissioner, however, determines below that Baird was not the sole party involved in the funding of the Letter.

Sufficiency Finding No. 3: There is sufficient evidence to show that Doug Lair, Bob Faw and/or Terry Baird failed to properly attribute the Letter.

4. Western Tradition Partnership and Others are Involved

Mr. Lair asserts that the Letter is solely funded by Terry Baird. Mr. Lair further asserts that the only definite cost is \$528 for postage costs, that the total cost (including envelopes) is less than \$1,000 and that citizen volunteers did the mailing. (Commissioner’s records).

Mr. Lair produced no documents or statements (other than his own) supporting his assertions. Mr. Lair was and is intimately involved with Western Tradition Partnership (now called American Tradition Partnership) serving as its “volunteer state coordinator” and as a corporate director. (Lair Deposition, June 21, 2012.) At about the time of the June 8, 2010 primary election Mr. Lair (as did Mr. Faw and Mr. Baird) wrote substantial checks to WTP. On April 19, 2010 Mr. Lair wrote a check for \$5,000 to WTP, on May 13, 2010 Mr. Baird wrote a check for \$1,000 and on September 22, 2010, Mr. Faw wrote a check for \$2,500. (Commissioner’s records).

WTP’s deliberate evasion of Montana’s campaign practice laws has

been determined by a Montana court of law. The determination was the product of hearings and briefing affording full due process wherein WTP was allowed and required to appear and respond to allegations. The Court determined that “ATP has shown an utter and complete disregard for the statutes of the state of Montana, the Orders of this Court, and Montana’s tradition of open and fair elections.” The Court further noted “...what appears to be a deliberate attempt (by WTP) to evade Montana’s campaign and reporting requirements.” *ATP v. Motl*, No. BDV-2010-1120, 1st Judicial District, Lewis and Clark County, Summary Judgment Order dated November 26, 2013, the Honorable Judge Sherlock.

The Commissioner begins his examination of WTP’s involvement by examining the Letter. The Commissioner first notes that he has examined hundreds of copies of candidate or third party letters orchestrated by WTP and printed by Direct Mail. Direct Mail acknowledges mass production of these letters, describing itself, within the WTP’s overall approach to Montana legislative campaigns, as a “grassroots direct mail fortress” capable of a “shock and awe electoral bombing campaign.” (WTP records).

The Commissioner determines that the Letter has the format of a WTP orchestrated letter printed by Direct Mail. In particular, the Letter is lengthy (6 pages), uses multi-emphasis (underlining, bolding, and italics) and has the same style approach (use of “you see” to introduce a paragraph and P.S. to make a final argument) as other WTP/Direct Mail letters. Further, the Letter uses a blue ink salutation and blue ink scanned signature, also a feature of a

WTP/Direct Mail letter, features that are possible due to the sophistication of the Direct Mail printers.

The Commissioner next considers the individually written and volunteer labeling/ mailing assertions made by Mr. Lair. Those assertions are rejected as inconsistent with actual evidence and afforded little weight, given Mr. Lair's connection with WTP, an entity a court of law has determined to be a deliberate avoider of Montana campaign practice laws.

Finding of Fact No. 6: The Letter itself and the contributions to WTP show that Lair/Faw/Baird acted together with WTP and Direct Mail.

Finding of Fact No. 7: The Letter was written, printed, and mailed by WTP through Direct Mail.

Sufficiency Finding No. 4: There is sufficient evidence to show that Doug Lair, Bob Faw and/or Terry Baird acted with or under the orchestration of WTP to place their names on or help fund the Letter through payment to WTP.

With the above sufficiency finding in mind, the Letter implicates a number of Montana's campaign practice laws.

WTP and Direct Mail are corporations. (Commissioner's records). Messrs Lair, Faw and Baird acted as a political committee and assert that they are responsible for the Letter. With the involvement of WTP and Direct Mail in the Letter a corporate expenditure is established and the Letter becomes, in whole or part, an undisclosed, unreported, and illegal coordinated corporate expense. Two Companion Decisions find Candidate Boniek and WTP to have violated Montana campaign practice law for making and accepting an illegal corporate expenditure/contribution in connection with the Letter: *See Bonogofsky v.*

Boniek, No. COPP-2010-CFP-027 and *Esp v. WTP*, No. COPP-2012-CFP-048.

Those decisions are incorporated by reference herein as though set out in full.

The Commissioner determines that the process of producing the Letter was such that Messrs. Lair, Faw, and Baird knew that the WTP and Direct Mail corporations were involved in writing and mailing the Letter. The Commissioner has determined that Messrs. Lair, Faw, and Baird, whether acting as individuals or a political committee, were agents of or the same as WTP in regard to the Letter. *Bonogofsky v. Boniek*, No. COPP-2010-CFP-027 and *Esp v. WTP*, No. COPP-2012-CFP-048. Accordingly, the Commissioner determines that Messrs. Lair, Faw, and Baird were part of the WTP effort and therefore engaged in illegal, unreported and undisclosed corporate expenditures.

Sufficiency Finding No. 5: There is sufficient evidence to show that Doug Lair, Bob Faw and/or Terry Baird acted such that each violated Montana law by engaging in illegal, unreported, and undisclosed corporate expenditures.

FINDINGS OF CAMPAIGN PRACTICE VIOLATION

The Commissioner has limited discretion when making the determination as to an unlawful campaign practice. First, the Commissioner cannot avoid, but must make, a decision as the law mandates that the Commissioner (“shall investigate,” *See*, §13-37-111(2)(a) MCA) investigate any alleged violation of campaign practices law . The mandate to investigate is followed by a mandate to take action as the law requires that if there is “sufficient evidence” of a violation the Commissioner must (“shall notify”, *See* §13-37-124 MCA) initiate

consideration for prosecution.

Second, having been charged to make a decision, the Commissioner must follow substantive law applicable to a particular campaign practice decision. In this Matter Montana's campaign finance registration and report filing requirements are mandatory: "shall file" (See §13-37-201 and 226 MCA). The filing and reporting date requirements are date certain. Therefore, any failure to meet a mandatory, date-certain filing or reporting date is a violation of §13-37-201 or 226 MCA. Likewise the attribution (§13-35-225) and corporate funds prohibitions (§13-35-227) are mandatory

This Commissioner, having been charged to investigate and decide, hereby determines that Messrs. Lair, Faw, and Baird have each, as a matter of law, committed a violation of Montana's campaign practice laws, including §13-35-225 and 227, 13-37-201 and 206 MCA. Having determined that a campaign practice violation has occurred, the next step is to determine whether there are circumstances or explanations that may affect prosecution of the violation and/or the amount of the fine.

Excusable neglect does not apply since Messrs. Lair, Faw, and Baird intended to publish the Letter that lead to the violation. The history of those connected with WTP demonstrates intent, but even if mere negligence is claimed, a showing of excusable neglect generally requires justification for error beyond mere carelessness or ignorance of the law. *Empire Lath & Plaster, Inc. v. American Casualty Co.*, 256 Mont. 413, 417, 847 P.2d 276, 278 (1993). Neglect that is "due to forgetfulness and the press of other, more important

business is not sufficient to establish excusable neglect." *Foster Apiaries, Inc. v. Hubbard Apiaries, Inc.*, 193 Mont. 156, 161, 630 P.2d 1213, 1216 (1981). See discussion of excusable neglect principles in *Matters of Vincent* Nos. CPP-2013-CFP-006 and 009.

The principle of *de minimis* also does not apply to this Matter. The Commissioner recognizes that *de minimis* application is separately measured when dealing with an incidental committee. *Canyon Ferry Road Baptist Church v. Unsworth*, 556 F3d 1021 (9th Cir. 2009). The Commissioner further recognizes that a *de minimis* application must be made when required by the facts of the Matter. *Id.*

The Commissioner has applied *de minimis*, the most extreme application being to certain facts involving an indefinite expenditure of potentially up to \$428 by an incidental committee. *Raffiani v. Montana Shrugged*, COPP- 2010-CFP-17. This Matter, however, involves an admitted expenditure of over \$500 that was not reported or disclosed and involved illegal acts of a corporation. *De minimis* does not apply.

Because there is a finding of sufficient showing of violation and a determination that *de minimis* and excusable neglect theories are not applicable, civil adjudication and/or a civil fine is justified (see §13-37-124 MCA). This Commissioner hereby, through this decision, issues a "sufficient evidence" Finding and Decision justifying civil prosecution under §13-37-124 MCA. This matter will now be submitted to (or "noticed to") the Lewis and Clark County attorney for his review for appropriate civil action (see §13-37-

124(1) MCA).³ Should the County Attorney waive the right to adjudicate (§13-37-124(2) MCA) or fail to initiate civil action within 30 days (§13-37-124(1) MCA) this Matter returns to this Commissioner for possible adjudication.

Campaign practice violations, of the nature and scope encountered in this Matter, are new to the modern era Montana politics.⁴ Montana's second Commissioner, Peg Krivec, served her entire 6 year term (1981-1986) without issuing a Decision. Subsequent Commissioners Colberg, Vaughey, and Argenbright issued decisions that generally provided a platform for earnest political participants to pay a fine for the mistake and adjust future election activity to conform with the rulings.

In contrast, those involved in this Matter have, to date, been unwilling to accept or adjust to Montana's expectations of appropriate election behavior. WTP has, to date, aggressively pursued a self-determined approach to involvement in Montana elections.

Commissioners have rarely found it necessary to seek the full legal redress allowed by Montana law against a candidate or treasurer.⁵ Full legal redress is imposed by a district court judge and comes only after a full due-process district court hearing whereat the candidate may provide evidence and confront witnesses, including the Commissioner. The Commissioner notes that full legal redress includes ineligibility of an adjudicated offender to hold public

³ Notification is to "...the county attorney in which the alleged violation occurred..." §13-37-124(1) MCA. The failure to register and report occurred in Lewis and Clark County. This Commissioner chooses to Notice this matter to the county attorney in Lewis and Clark County.

⁴ This type of systemic violations in Montana's past gave rise to many of Montana's current campaign practice laws.

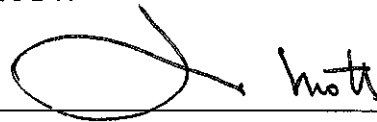
⁵ Commissioners have filed district court enforcement actions in several Matters. After filing these Matters settled without active district court enforcement litigation.

office (see §13-35-106(3) MCA). Any adjudicated offender can be assessed a fine of up to three times the amount of the unlawful contribution or expenditure (see §13-37-128 MCA).

VII. CONCLUSION

Based on the preceding discussion, as Commissioner, I find and decide that there is sufficient evidence to show that Doug Lair, Bob Faw, and Terry Baird each violated Montana's campaign practices laws as set out above and that civil adjudication of the violation is warranted.

DATED this 22nd day of January, 2014.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Motl', is written over a horizontal line.

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June 3, 2010

Dear Friend,

We are writing to you today about something that is deeply troubling to us, and it may be to you as well.

We are Bob Faw and Doug Lair - two local Big Timber residents with a combined 100-plus years of life experience, and both current and former owners of many small businesses in Sweet Grass County.

We, both along with our respective families, have been very involved in and committed to the local community, throughout the area of Park and Sweet Grass.

You see, we are usually not the type to get involved in politics in this way. In fact, other than always voting on Election Day we never really had the time to do much more because of our business and family commitments.

But after witnessing the false personal attacks coming out of John Esp's campaign for State House -- attacks against our close friend Joel Boniek -- we felt like we owe it to the good folks of this area to set the record straight.

First, let us say that we've both known John Esp for many years. We've done business with him, worked with him on legislative issues, socialized with him and we don't think he's a bad person.

But we are very disappointed in the campaign he's running this year to oust Representative Boniek after his first term, a term in which we believe Joel delivered on his campaign promises.

We are also concerned that John Esp may be running for the wrong reasons - not to serve constituents, but to serve John Esp.

Not only that, but some of his past and present positions are completely contrary to those of most conservative Montanans, and we believe you should know about that.

You see, for most of his life, John has been a carpenter and builder, an honorable trade by any measure.

But we think being in Helena too long may have clouded John's judgment, and we have to ask why those in his camp -- and even John himself -- are "tearing down" his opponent with a vicious campaign of lies for nothing more than pure political gain.

You may have heard, as we have, vicious unfounded smears against Joel, being spread by his opposition. We can personally tell you there's no truth to any of it. Joel is a good, decent family man, husband, and friend to many here locally.

Joel Boniek is a respected leader in the community and serves as Vice President of the very conservative Saint Paul's Lutheran Church in Livingston. He's also done missionary work on 5 continents, helping the poor, teaching English, and serving others.

Joel believes in turning the other cheek.

However, we believe his humility and his quiet, thoughtful personality may have allowed the poisonous lies, unchecked, to reach the ears of some in our community who don't know Joel, and we think that needs to be addressed here and now.

This rumor-mongering makes us wonder how deeply held John Esp's "conservative principles and sense of decency" really are, especially with some of his actions as a State Senator.

You see, John lived outside the district just last year, and moved back inside its borders in Big Timber just in time to file for office for this race, even though he has already served in the State House and State Senate for the past 10 years.

Continuing in office provides some benefits, but health insurance and political power are certainly not good reasons to continue a political career.

Also during his career in Helena, John made some important votes that conservatives just cannot agree with.

You see, John Esp has repeatedly sponsored -- not just supported, but **FOUR TIMES HAS SPONSORED** -- a Real Estate Transfer Tax, or "RETT".

But you have to give John credit for perseverance -- because even though he couldn't get the RETT passed with a Democrat governor and

Democrats in majorities in the Legislature, he hasn't let a SINGLE session go by without trying to tax Montanans for passing their land on to their children and grandchildren.

Unfortunately, we can come to no other conclusion than that John has turned into a "career politician" over his 10 years in Helena.

And we all know what that gets us.

Career politicians increased state spending by nearly 50% over just the last 5 years, while John was a member of the Senate Finance Committee.

They spent our nearly \$500 million dollar surplus and then saddled us with a projected \$473 MILLION deficit with no end in sight.

And according to recent news reports, these career politicians have made government - over every company in the private sector -- the largest employer in all of Montana.

So do we really need another career politician in Helena representing us?

No, and that's why when we found out that John Esp's campaign has been focused on negative personal attacks and false rumors about Joel Boniek, we felt we had to set the record straight.

But what is missing now from the discussion in this race is a little more about John and his liberal voting record in the State Senate.

For starters, out of the 27 Republicans in the State Senate, John is ranked second to last when it comes to fiscal responsibility by an independent study of votes by Montanans in Action.

Perhaps that explains why John voted for a bill in 2009 that gave Planned Parenthood \$900,000 in taxpayer money. Or why he's requested that Montana implement a Real Estate Transfer Tax (Inheritance Tax) on multiple occasions.

Not only that, but he also voted to burden all Montana taxpayers by expanding an unpopular government-run State Children's Healthcare Insurance Program (S-CHIP)* which is very troublesome, especially at a time when Barack Obama is trying to ram full-fledged government-run healthcare down all of our throats.

But it's not just issues like taxes and spending that John is out of touch with Montanans on.

He's also out of touch with one of our most cherished traditional Montana values -- the right to keep and bear arms.

You see, at a Big Timber candidate forum held by the Farm Bureau on May 19, John stated that the Second Amendment is "not that important to me."

And his voting record reflects that.

That's why it should be no surprise John Esp voted against a resolution urging Congress to allow law-abiding citizens to carry a firearm in state and national parks.**

Or why John Esp voted AGAINST a Castle Doctrine law for Montana.***

As you know, Montana's Castle Doctrine gives citizens who are attacked the right to stand their ground, without the risk of second-guessing by anti-gun prosecutors.

And John Esp opposed this!

Now, compare John's spending record to Joel's, and it's not tough to see that Joel is the man to best represent us in Helena.

You see, while John was busy doling out taxpayer money to all of his special-interest pals in Helena, Joel was standing up for hardworking Montanans by leading the fight against the tax-and-spenders' bloated \$4 BILLION budget.

Not only that, but Joel also helped defeat the so-called Earned Income Tax Credit (a tax credit for those who don't pay a DIME in taxes to begin with), which would have cost Montana taxpayers another \$25 MILLION per year.

That's just a few of the many reasons why Joel is ranked by Montanans In Action as the #1 most fiscally responsible Representative in the state of Montana!

And it's EXACTLY why we are supporting Joel Boniek for State Representative.

You see, we've gotten to know Joel Boniek now over the past couple of years. And knowing both men, we will tell you this with conviction: We'll be voting for Joel Boniek on June 8.

Joel Boniek is a man who has fought hard for us in Helena over the past two years, and that's why we are proud to support him in his bid for reelection to the State House.

Joel Boniek believes in the ideals of liberty and freedom passed down to us by our Founding Fathers. But he also believes in real solutions to the problems we have as a state. Solutions like:

Capping Property Taxes: Folks who've been in their houses and ranches for years shouldn't have to worry about being forced to sell because their homes are reappraised and they can't pay the outrageous property tax bills!

Balancing the Budget: Joel has personally promised us (and publicly committed to everyone in Montana) that he will NEVER vote for higher taxes - and that also means Federal "Stimulus" dollars that mortgage our children's future.

ENDING wasteful spending: Some folks don't like to talk about this. They love to talk about "bringing home the bacon". But the fact is, the "bacon" is killing us. We have to end earmarks and pork barrel projects if we want to get our state budget under control.

Respecting the 10th Amendment: Joel will work to end federal control over education and healthcare, to eliminate burdensome regulations, and has promised never to vote to give the federal government more power over our state. He's already started this process with the nationally renowned "Firearms Freedom Act".

New Economic Development for Montanans: Joel believes the best way to bring jobs to Montana is to cut bureaucratic red tape and lower taxes on Montana's businesses, while responsibly finding new markets for Montana's precious resources.

If you agree, then we hope you'll join us in re-electing Joel Boniek on June 8.

Joel is a man of principle with the voting record to prove it.

In this primary election, we have a clear choice.

A choice between John Esp, who chose to challenge a seated and very conservative and effective legislator, who has record of raising taxes, supporting wasteful government spending and working against our traditional Montana values.

Or a man like Joel Boniek who has a proven record of ALWAYS standing up to the tax-and-spenders, and supporting our cherished values of freedom and liberty.

So when you go the polls on June 8, you must ask yourself what type of representative you want in Helena.

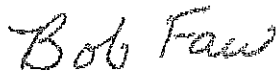
Do you want to nominate a moderate with a "Democrat-lite" message of compromise on the most important issues?

Or do you prefer a committed, constitutional conservative who will fight day in and day out to protect our freedom and traditional Montana values?

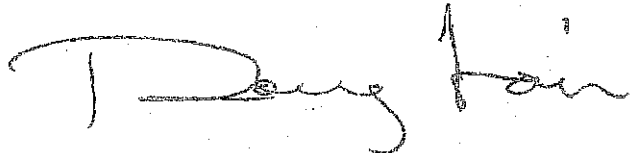
If, like us, you prefer a REAL conservative, then you should be confident that with Joel Boniek that's exactly what you'll get.

So please, join us on Tuesday, June 8 in voting for our friend Joel Boniek for State Representative.

Sincerely,



Bob Faw



Doug Lair

PS: **There's only one constitutional conservative Republican in this race for State House, and that's Joel Boniek.**

Joel has served with great personal and professional integrity, and has always put taxpayers first. As we have said above, his opponent's rumor-mongering, voting record and status as a "career politician" causes us grave concern.

So please, join us on June 8 and vote for Joel Boniek for State Representative.

*SCHIP is SB560, 2007

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***HB340, 2007

Paid for by private citizen Terry Baird, a longtime businessman and resident of House District 61