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**COMPLAINT AGAINST STEPHEN HOKLIN
CANDIDATE FOR HD 45, YELLOWSTONE COUNTY**

This campaign finance and disclosure complaint is filed by Bowen Greenwood, on behalf of the membership of the Montana Republican Party.

The address of the Montana Republican Party is:

PO Box 935

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This complaint is filed against Stephen Hoklin, the Democratic Party Candidate for HD 45, located in Yellowstone County Montana.

Mr. Hoklin's address is listed as:

3114 Brayton Str. Billings, MT

59102

NATURE OF COMPLAINT AND FACTS SUPPORTING THE SAME:

Hoklin is in clear violation of Montana's campaign finance disclosure and reporting laws. These laws include MCA Sections 13-37-225, 226 and 229 and 230.

Mr. Hoklin has not filed with the COPP a single C-5 form for the 2014 election. As the Commissioner is well aware, Mr. Hoklin was required to file a pre-primary election campaign finance report, as well as a post-primary election report.

REMEDY SOUGHT:

There is sufficient, if not conclusive evidence, that Hoklin has violated Montana's campaign practices statutes.

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The Party seeks both a civil penalty sanction against Mr. Hoklin, as well as an action brought by the Commissioner in District Court to have Mr. Hoklin removed from the 2014 general election ballot, much in the same manner as the Commissioner is actively seeking sanctions against this Party's candidates for public office.

Signed



Bowen Greenwood

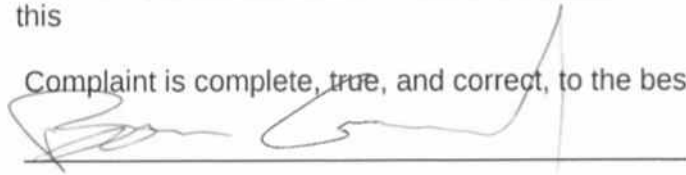
Executive Director

MT Republican Party

State of Montana, County of Lewis & Clark

I, Bowen Greenwood, 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

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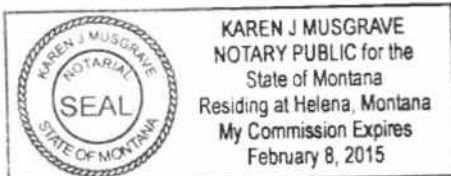
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4 day of the month of

August, in the year 2014.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 2/8/15



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Subject: Subject: Greenwood/Montana Republican Party v. Hoklin et. al., COPP-2014-CFP-032

Dear Mr. Greenwood,

Your complaint alleging violation of Montana campaign finance and practices laws conforms to the requirements of 44.10.307(2), ARM. The complaint is accepted.

Please note, however, that the COPP has determined that the complaint raises an objectively determined issue (failure to file a report) that applies to 42 candidates in Montana's 2014 general election, including Mr. Hoklin. The reach of the complaint is therefore applied by the COPP to all 42 candidates. This issue is addressed further in the enclosed Notice.

Finally, the COPP intends to promptly issue a Decision on this Complaint. It is necessary to act promptly because of the particular August 14, 2014 deadline described in the Notice.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "JRM", written over a large, stylized circular scribble.

Jonathan R Motl
Commissioner of Political Practice

NOTICE OF REACH OF GREENWOOD v. Hoklin et. al. COPP-2014-CFP-0032

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