

# Your Details Basic information about yourself

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### **Getting to Know You**

This next section will give you the opportunity to provide details about who you are as a person, candidate, and member of the community.

### Tell us about yourself.

I was born and raised in Groton, CT. My wife Susan & I have been married for 42 years. We have one daughter who lives on the west side with her husband and our granddaughter, with another one on the way.

I have been active in the Spokane GOP since 1995, as a PCO for 27 out of the last 30 years, and served on the Executive Board as Secretary in 2009-2010, and State Committeeman in the 2011-2012 term. I was also privileged to attend the 2008 Republican Convention as a delegate.

The first half of my adult life was spent serving our country in the USAF. In a 20-year career, I worked in Operations, Maintenance, Support and Command. I served as Chief Financial Officer (CFO) at three Air Force installations. After retirement, I worked in government financial management, including CFO at Spokane Regional Health District. I also worked in financial services in the private sector, specifically banking, insurance and investments. In 2015, I was hired by the Spokane County Treasurer to serve as Finance Deputy for Investments & Banking. I retired in 2020. When Mike Baumgartner was elected to Congress, he chose my replacement to work on his Congressional staff. I was just

### hired back as investment & Banking Officer as his replacement.

I have decided to throw my hat in the ring for Spokane County Treasurer. My work experience in both the public and private sectors have prepared me well for this position. In addition, having worked in the office for five years, I am not a stranger to the Treasurer's Office and its employees. I believe that I am extremely well-qualified to serve, and look forward to the vetting and selection process.

#### List any relevant experience, leadership, or service.

Please see attached resume.

#### Describe your duty to the office you are running for and how you will achieve success.

I see my primary duty as being the Fiduciary responsible to the taxpayers and junior taxing districts for the safety and security of their tax dollars. I will achieve success through the actions of my employees, who will focus on customer service, team building, and process improvement. I will also commit to continuing the time-honored Treasurer's Office tradition of operating under budget.

### What does success look like for this position and what key performance indicators should voters use to evaluate you?

Successfully managing taxpayer funds and providing top-notch customer service to the public. KPIs:

- 1. Positive and constructive feedback from our customers
- 2. Achieve quality improvement through active teams
- 3. Process improvements that result in tangible savings of resources
- 4. Operating the office efficiently, effectively, and under budget

# What community activities are you engaged in? Have you held leadership roles in any of these organizations?

Treasurer, Air Force Association Local Chapter #245 from 1991 to 2019

Spokane County GOP: PCO #6053 since 1995. Also served as board secretary and state committeeman from 2009 - 2011. RNC delegate in 2008

Spokane County Chair, Liberty State from 2015 to 2019

### **Your Political Beliefs**

This section contains a series of questions about your alignment concerning broad governmental philosophies as well as some specific issues.

# Where do our rights as citizens of the United States come from? Under what conditions can government infringe or suspend them?

Our rights are God-given. The government will infringe when someone's life, liberty or property has been damaged or destroyed. We are all entitled to the pursuit of happiness.

# Do you consider yourself a constitutional originalist or do you prescribe to it as a living document? Please explain.

Originalist. The Constitution was written so everyone could understand it. It should only be changed by amendment.

# What is the purpose of government? If elected, how will you perform your duties based on that "purpose?"

The purpose of government is to secure our God-given natural rights. If appointed, I will honor the oath of office.

#### When does life begin and at what point does the government have a duty to protect it?

Life begins at conception and ends at natural death. The government's duty begins at conception.

Do you have any criminal convictions, ever filed for bankruptcy, have any active or unresolved tax liens, any conflicts of interest that may jeopardize your candidacy?

None

Describe how you will make yourself available to your constituents and vote as their representative, adhering to the values and answers you've provided in this guestionnaire.

I will keep lines of communication open to the public through a variety of media, including newsletters, public meetings, and online web sites.

#### Please provide any feedback, comments, or questions that you have for the SCRCC.

Thanks for the opportunity to share information about my candidacy. I look forward to the vetting process.

Please rate this process.

