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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 am a first-generation Russian immigrant who came to Spokane with my family in 1998 at the age of 14. My journey is a testament to the American Dream. Arriving with nothing, I've been blessed by the opportunities this country and its people have provided. Spokane has been my home ever since, and I've grown deeply connected to this community.

I've been happily married for 18 years, and my wife and I are raising three wonderful boys, aged 2, 5, and 13. My Christian values guide my life, and I'm proud to stand firm in my beliefs and fight for what matters most.

As an entrepreneur, I've built multiple successful businesses, leading strong teams and learning the critical importance of efficiency and financial management. These lessons were invaluable, especially during challenging times when I had to start over from scratch. Those moments taught me perseverance, patience, and resilience—qualities that have shaped my character and allowed me to grow as a leader and

a person.

I love this country and this city. While many of my friends have moved to red states like South Carolina, Florida, or Idaho, I've chosen to stay in Spokane, my hometown, to fight for its future. When I arrived in 1998, Spokane was a conservative stronghold, and I want to help restore those values. I believe in working to make this community stronger, more united, and true to the principles that built this great nation.

List any relevant experience, leadership, or service.

For most of my life, I've been a business owner, so working with and leading a team comes naturally to me. My current business is a logistics company specializing in the nationwide transport of exotic and classic vehicles. For the past five years, I've overseen drivers, broker relationships, the dispatch department, and maintenance operations, while personally managing accounting to ensure everything runs in synchronization and cash flow remains seamless.

Before this, I founded a fintech startup called XpenseOne, a digital expense management solution. Despite having no technical background, I built a stellar team, raised nearly \$1.5 million from local investors, and successfully launched the company. This venture involved collaborating with financial institutions and banking technology providers, as well as presenting at some of the largest banking conventions. Navigating the complex compliance requirements in the financial industry taught me invaluable lessons about adaptability and innovation.

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

As Spokane County Treasurer, the role involves several key responsibilities: collecting taxes, disbursing funds and making payments, and serving as a fiduciary for the county's accounts to ensure safe and maximized returns on investments.

The systems and processes for these operations are already in place. My job as Treasurer is to thoroughly understand every aspect of these workflows, collaborate with the existing team, and ensure all goals and tasks are executed effectively. The immediate objective is to maintain or exceed the key performance indicators achieved by my predecessor. Over the long term, I aim to surpass these benchmarks by improving tax collection efficiency and increasing the county's return on investments.

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

Success as Spokane County Treasurer means ensuring the county's financial operations are efficient, transparent, and aligned with the best interests of taxpayers. My ultimate goal is to maintain and improve the county's financial health while fostering trust and accountability with the community.

Key performance indicators (KPIs) voters should use to evaluate my performance include:

Tax Collection Efficiency: How effectively taxes are collected, including improvements in collection rates, reduced delinquencies, and streamlined processes that make it easier for residents and businesses to meet their obligations.

Return on Investments: The safety and performance of the county's investments. Voters should expect consistent, secure growth in returns that maximize county resources without taking undue risks.

Cost Management: Operational costs of the Treasurer's Office. Success includes ensuring that expenses are kept low without compromising service quality.

Transparency and Communication: Accessibility and clarity of information shared with the public. This includes timely reporting on the county's financial status, investments, and tax collection updates.

Innovation and Process Improvement: Evidence of identifying and implementing modern tools or practices that enhance efficiency and service delivery.

Voters should also evaluate me based on my ability to uphold the county's fiduciary responsibilities, maintain a strong partnership with other departments, and promote fiscal policies that benefit Spokane County in both the short and long term.

Success isn't just about numbers; it's about ensuring taxpayers feel confident that their money is being managed wisely and responsibly.

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

Until now, I have not held a public position, but starting this December, I will be serving as a Precinct Committee Officer (PCO) in my district.

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 as citizens of the United States come from God, as recognized in the Declaration of Independence, which states we are endowed with unalienable rights by our Creator. The Constitution and the Bill of Rights were designed to protect these God-given rights by limiting the power of government.

Government should only interfere with these rights in extremely rare circumstances, such as during a national emergency or when public safety is at risk, and even then, it must follow the Constitution and due process. Any infringement should be temporary, narrowly focused, and carefully scrutinized to prevent government overreach.

As a conservative, I believe the government's role is to protect our rights, not take them away. It is essential to defend the principles of liberty and personal responsibility, ensuring that our freedoms are not sacrificed under the guise of safety or convenience.

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

I consider myself a constitutional originalist. I believe the Constitution should be interpreted based on the original meaning intended by the framers. It's not a "living document" that changes with trends but a solid foundation with clear principles to protect our freedoms.

The amendment process exists for making changes, not reinterpreting the law. Originalism ensures we stick to the Constitution's true purpose, limiting government power and preserving the values our country was built on.

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

The purpose of government is to protect our God-given rights, ensure public safety, and uphold the rule of law while staying limited and accountable to the people.

If elected, I will focus on safeguarding taxpayers' money, making sure the government operates efficiently, and always working to protect the freedoms and values that make this country great. My decisions will be

guided by the Constitution and a commitment to serving the people, not expanding government power.

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

I believe life begins at conception. From that moment, the government has a duty to protect it, as every life is precious and has inherent value. Protecting the unborn is consistent with the government's role to safeguard the rights of all individuals, including those who cannot defend themselves.

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?

No to all except one. More than 20 years ago, as a juvenile, I was arrested for some stupid mistakes. I've learned a lot since then and would be happy to discuss it further in person if needed.

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 questionnaire.

I will be available to constituents through an open-door policy, phone, email, and in-person meetings. I'll also share regular updates and hold public forums to keep everyone informed.

In my work, I'll focus on being efficient, transparent, and accountable. I'll work with my team to make decisions that always put the people of Spokane County first.

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

Nothing at the moment.

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