



## Your Details

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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 have lived in Spokane since 2008 when I emigrated from the United Kingdom to the United States. My wife and I both run small businesses in Spokane. I am running for Secretary of State because Election Transparency is the most important issue on the ballot – we must instill confidence in the electorate that our elections process and infrastructure is accessible, transparent, safe, and secure.**

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

B.A. in Accounting  
Business Owner, Tax Preparer  
Executive Director, We Believe We Vote

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

My primary duty is to ensure the integrity, security and accessibility of our electoral system. My commitment is to foster a transparent, secure, safe and accessible elections process, and every eligible vote is counted accurately. Recognizing the critical role that business registrations play in our economy, I will streamline these processes to support our entrepreneurs and businesses, making it easier to start and maintain a business in Washington and, hopefully, reducing the cost of doing business in the State of WA. Other duties include filing and verifying initiatives and referendums, producing and distributing the voter

pamphlet, administering the address confidentiality program, regulating and affixing the state seal.

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

Some key indicators of success would be:

- The accuracy and security of voter rolls
- Reliability and accuracy of vote counting
- Increased voter turnout
- Increased voter confidence in the electoral system as a whole
- Transparency in the elections process to the general public, election observers, and third party audits

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

Executive Director of We Believe We Vote

**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?**

The Constitution/Bill of Rights.

Generally speaking, a citizen of the United States should never be forced to suspend, or have suspension forced upon, their individual rights and/or Liberty without the due process of law.

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

I am a constitutional originalist and believe that any additions to the constitution must be made via a formal amendment.

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

The purpose of government is foremost to protect the Rights of Citizens, to maintain order, defend our nation, and to provide critical public services to citizens. The government should be a good steward of taxpayer dollars, and by extension, run an efficient government.

I will perform my duties by upholding the United States Constitution, the Constitution of the State of WA, as well as any applicable laws and duties that pertain to my position as Secretary of State. I will also focus on making evidence-based decisions, that have a direct impact on how my job is performed, or should be performed, to ensure a safe, accessible, secure and transparent elections process.

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

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?**

I had a medical bankruptcy in 2014 due to a ureteral obstruction that I'd had since birth.

**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.**

PCO Meetings, open forums, responding to e-mails/requests, etc.

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