BEFORE THE AUDITOR IN AND FOR CLARK COUNTY WASHINGTON

IN RE THE VOTER REGISTRATION CHALLENGE AGAINST JOHN LEY FILED BY GEOFFREY MUNSON.

DECLARATION OF D. ANGUS LEE

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I, D. Angus Lee, declare under the penalties of perjury pursuant to the laws of the State of Washington, that the statements herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I am over the age of 18 and competent to testify to the matters set forth in this declaration.

- 1. Attached as Exhibit A is a true and correct underlined copy of the primary and special election result sheet I located online.
- 2. Attached as Exhibit B is a true and correct underlined copy of a document I located online.
- 3. Attached as **Exhibit C** is a true and correct copy of a dismissal letter.
- 4. Attached as **Exhibit D** is a true and correct and underlined copy of an opinion piece in The Columbian.
- 5. Attached as **Exhibit E** is a true and correct copy of results for John Ley on www.searchpeoplefree.com.

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3.	Attached as Exhibit F is a true and correct underlined copy of an article	or
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- 7. Attached as Exhibit G is a true and correct and underlined copy of an article in The Columbian.
- 8. Attached as Exhibit H is a copy of the Auditor's ruling in the challenge to voter Donald Orange.

DATED this Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at Vancouver, Washington.

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State Senator 18th Legislative District						
Choice	Party	Election Day	y Voting		Total	
Greg Cheney (Prefers Republican Party)		9,525	21.96%	9,525	21.96%	
Brad Benton (Prefers Republican Party)		13,783	31.78%	13,783	31.78%	
Adrian Cortes (Prefers Democratic Party)		20,066	46.26%	20,066	46.26%	
	Cast Votes:	43,374	100.00%	43,374	100.00%	
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	Overvotes:	23		23		
	Write-ins:	39		39		

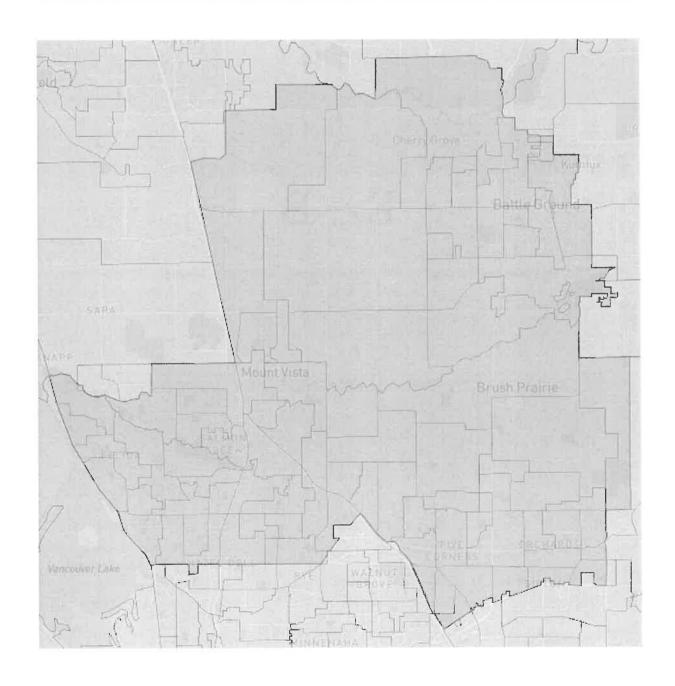
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Stephanie McClintock (Prefers Republican Party)		23,739	55.37%	23,739	55.37%
Deken Letinich (Prefers Democratic Party)		19,138	44.63%	19,138	44.63%
	Cast Votes:	42,877	100.00%	42,877	100.00%
	Undervotes:	1,648		1,648	
	Overvotes:	3		3	
	Write-ins:	50		50	

Choice	<u>Party</u>	Election Da	y Voting		Total
John Ley (Prefers Republican Party)		<u>16,590</u>	38.47%	16,590	38.47%
Philip L. Johnson (Prefers Republican Party)		<u>5,889</u>	<u>13.66%</u>	5,889	13.66%
John Zingale (Prefers Democratic Party)		<u>20,641</u>	<u>47.87%</u>	20,641	47.87%
	Cast Votes:	43,120	100.00%	43,120	100.00%
	<u>Undervotes:</u>	1,402		1,402	
	Overvotes:	15		15	
	Write-ins:	41		41	

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Who We Are



The 18th Legislative District (LD) is at the heart of Clark County.

It includes the communities of Felida, Lakeshore, Salmon Creek, Hazel Dell, Mount Vista, Barberton, Andresen/Saint John, Five Corners, Sunnyside, Homan, Orchards, Baker, Duluth, Dollars Corner, Meadow Glade, Cherry Grove, Brush Prairie, and Battle Ground.

Although currently Washington State's 18th Legislative District Senator and two Representatives offices are held by Republicans, the 18th LD Democrats are working hard to elect highly qualified Democratic candidates to the Washington State Legislature to represent the people of our district.

18th Legislative District Officers:

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AUDITOR GREG KIMSEY

John Ley 8500 NE Hazel Dell Ave. Apt. H4 Vancouver, WA 98665

August 15, 2024

Dear Mr. Ley,

The Voter Registration Challenge Hearing scheduled for September 10, 2024, that was submitted by Carolyn Crain and Shane Bowman on 7/25/2024, is dismissed.

Upon further research of this challenge, I discovered that the address provided on the voter registration challenge form was incorrect, as it showed your residential address as 8415 NE Hazel Dell Ave. Apt. 21, Vancouver, WA 98665. When reviewing your voter registration record, I find the residential address of 8500 NE Hazel Dell Ave. Apt. H4, Vancouver, WA 98666, as of 1/6/2024 to be listed.

For a voter registration challenge to be considered, the challenger must provide the factual basis for the challenge. Stating an incorrect residential address does not provide factual basis.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Cathie Garber

Clark County Elections Director

cc: (Challengers)

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In Our View: Turn in primary ballot; endorsements recapped

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With ballots for primary elections across Washington being due by Tuesday, we hope that 2020 was a harbinger.

Four years ago, turnout for the August primary skyrocketed in Clark County. More than 51 percent of registered local voters turned in a ballot, marking a sharp increase from previous elections. Throughout the 2000s, primary elections during presidential years never surpassed 36 percent — until 2020.

"It felt very much like a presidential general election," Clark County Auditor Greg Kimsey, the top local elections official, said at the time. "That's fantastic."

It is, indeed, fantastic. Democracy works only if citizens are engaged and have faith in the system. And despite unfounded claims of widespread voter fraud, Clark County elections are conducted with integrity and transparency.

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But there is plenty of room for improvement in local turnout numbers. Although Washington conducts presidential primaries separately from other primaries (this year's presidential vote was in March), there are important positions up for a vote next week.

In Washington's top-two primary system, two candidates for each office will advance to the November general election — regardless of party affiliation.

But getting your favorite candidate — or candidates from your preferred party — into the general election depends on turning in a ballot. Ballots must be delivered to a secure ballot box (22 permanent boxes are spread throughout the county) or placed in a mailbox and postmarked by Tuesday.

For those who have questions or concerns about the process for collecting and processing ballots, the Clark County Elections Office provides a <u>detailed video explanation</u> on its website.

But filling out — and signing — a ballot is only part of the task facing Clark County's registered voters. The Columbian's Editorial Board also expects that voters will be well-versed in the candidates and the issues in order to cast an informed ballot.

The Columbian's newsroom has provided coverage of key races over the past several months, and the Editorial Board has conducted interviews in order to provide recommendations for readers.

For the primary, we met with candidates in local races that have more than two candidates.

Videos of those interviews are posted unedited

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online. Editorials explaining our recommendations are available at Columbian.com.

For state executive positions and local races with only two candidates (meaning both will advance to the general election), we will invite the contenders for interviews following the primary election.

In the meantime, here is a recap of our recommendations for Tuesday's primary election:

- 3rd Congressional District: Marie Gluesenkamp Perez (D) or Leslie Lewallen (R).
- 17th Legislative District Representative,
 Pos. 2: Terri Niles (D) or David Stuebe
 (R).
- 18th Legislative District, Senate: Greg



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1913 Stephens St, Goldsboro,

NC 27530

Current

444 NW Fremont St, Camas,

16728 NE Halsey St, Portland,

OR 97230 WA 98607

3141 NE 38th Ave, Portland, OR 97212

Home telephone number and mobile/wireless/cell phone numbers for John

(360) 254-6225 - (360) 834-2672 (503) 254-6225

Current

(206) 254-6225

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John Forrest Bink-Ley	Vancouver, WA	Age 51	View Details ⇒
David Jonathan Ley	Vancouver, WA	Age 75	View Details ⇒
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Who Has Landlines Anymore? In The Midst Of Cell Phone Outages, Some Miss Them

Friday, February 23 2024 by By DEEPTI HAJELA Associated Press

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NEW YORK (AP) — When her cellphone's service went down this week because of an AT&T network outage, Bernice Hudson didn't panic. She just called the people she wanted to talk to the old-fashioned way — on her landline telephone, the kind she grew up with and refuses to get rid of even though she has a mobile phone.

"Don't get me wrong, I like cellphones," the 69-year-old Alexandria, Virginia, resident said Thursday, the day of the outage. "But I'm still old school."

Having a working landline puts her in select company. In an increasingly digital United States, they're more and more a remnant of a time gone by, an anachronism of a now-unfathomable era when leaving your house meant being unavailable to callers.

Though as Thursday's outage shows, sometimes they can come in handy. They were suggested as part of the alternatives when people's cellphones weren't working. The San Francisco Fire Department, for example, said on social media that people unable to get through to 911 on their mobile devices because of the outage should try using landlines.

In the United States in 2024, that's definitely the exception.

TRACKING THE DISAPPEARANCE OF THE CORD

According to the most recent estimates from the National Center for Health Statistics, about 73 percent of American adults in 2022 lived in households where there were only wireless phones and no landlines, while another 25 percent were in households with both. Barely over 1 percent had only landlines.

Contrast that to estimates from early 2003, where fewer than 3 percent of adults lived in wireless-only households, and at least 95 percent lived in homes with landlines, which have been around since Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone in 1876.

Twenty years ago, landline phone service was the "bread and butter" for phone companies, said Michael Hodel, a stock analyst at Morningstar Research Services LLC who follows the telecom industry. Now, he said, "it's become an afterthought," replaced by services like broadband internet access and its multiple ways of making voice contact with others.

In today's United States, landlines have practically reached the status of urban legend in a nation where connecting over mobiles with the people you want — at the exact moments you want, on the precise platforms you prefer — feels fundamental enough to be a Constitutional right.

Among most age groups, the large majority were wireless-only, except for those 65 and older, the only group where less than half were estimated to only use cellphones.

They're people like Rebecca Whittier, 74, of Penacook, New Hampshire. She has both types of lines but prefers to use a landline. She only got a basic cellphone in case of emergencies when she was away from home.

"I guess you'd call me old fashioned," she said. "I'm not good with computers or electronics. So a landline's good."

HOW AND WHEN DID THE SHIFT HAPPEN?

What drove the change? It was that shift from telephones being mainly for voice communication to becoming tiny, data-saturated computers that were carried around in our pockets, Hodel says.

Of particular significance: the introduction of Apple's first iPhone in 2007. The rise of the smartphone fundamentally changed people's relationships with the devices in their pockets. "I do think that was the big watershed moment was when smartphone adoption really started to take off," Hodel said.

The introduction of a new technology into society has a blowback effect on the ones it is supplanting, said Brian Ott, a professor of communication and media at Missouri State University.

"Basically, the new technology trains us to alter our use of the old technology," Ott said. "So even though the old technology hasn't gone away, the logic of mobile telephony exists across our entire society today, even for people who still have landlines."

But the sometimes headlong rush to adopt new technologies can have its own problems, he said: "Anytime a new technology is introduced, there's sort of a rapid adoption period before we understand the consequences."

The outage, he says, is a case in point. Even though it was resolved quickly, it raises questions about what would happen if a broader-scale event disrupted cellphones more widely in a world where landline phones are no longer as ubiquitous.

Hodel was skeptical, though, at the notion that people would be unsettled enough to bring landlines and additional phone bills back into their lives.

"Unless you really are faced with something dire, the odds of you actually being concerned enough to go out and do something about it, hat's going to cost you some amount of money seems to be pretty low," he said. "The service that we get where we're connected the vast majority of the time, if not all the time, has been sufficient to keep people satisfied by and large."

If nothing else, the outage made Mary Minshew of Bethesda, Maryland, who is in her 40s, feel better about the landline she and her husband have so far not gotten around to scrapping. They don't use it; they and their children all have cellphones. And if it actually rings, she figures it's a scam or sales call and doesn't answer.

But, she said, part of holding onto it was "out of this concern that you should always have a landline if something like this would ever happen. I mean, it's rare. But something like that did happen."

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Some cry foul over candidate's move to district

Orange moves to run for port seat; he owns house outside taxing district

Dameon Pesanti

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Some election watchers are crying foul that Port of Vancouver Commission District 1 candidate Don Orange moved into the district just to run for office. Orange said he isn't surprised by the criticism and he makes no apology for relocating.

"I moved specifically because I'm very concerned about the port," he said.

Orange owns a home outside of the port's taxing district, but he says that he moved into an apartment within port District 1 last March.

Clark County Republican Party Chairman
David Gellatly said he's spoken with people
who say Orange is staying in his original home
and who are irked that he doesn't pay port
district taxes for either property. Orange
refutes claims he's living in his house outside
the port taxing district.



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"It's not that the Republican Party has been facilitating anything — or his opponents campaign," Gellatly said. "It's people who don't like carpetbaggers."

Orange said he considers his move a nonissue and what he did is "completely ethical and legal," adding that while he's new to District 1, he owns a business in the Uptown Village within walking distance of the port itself.

Elections to the nonpartisan commission once were a subdued affair, but that was before the port signed a lease with Tesoro Corp. and Savage Cos., now jointly operating at Vancouver Energy, so they could build an oil terminal.

"Even in nonpartisan races, in Clark County as a whole, it's important to have integrity to our elections," Gellatly said, adding that Orange's move rankles people for different reasons. "For many it's in an integrity thing, for others it's a partisan thing — depending on whom you ask," he said.

Orange's opponent Kris Greene, said he's heard similar rumors as well.

"But I'm not going to throw stones. It's not my position to speak for his activities," he said, noting that he's lived in District 1 for 19 years. "I want to say I'd be uncomfortable having someone that just moved into an area represent me."

Although Orange is renting in District 1 now, he plans to buy a home in the district if he wins the election, but he's too busy to start house hunting now.

Carpetbagging isn't a new phenomenon in Clark County.

Current but outgoing District 1 Commissioner Brian Wolfe, said he moved into the district so he could run for office in 2005.

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"My wife and I got in our car and toured

District 1 where they were leasing out houses," he said.

He said they rented a house in District 1 a week or two before he filed for election, and then about two years later bought a home in the district.

Also in 2005, then former 18th District legislator Tom Mielke, a Republican and then a Battle Ground resident, bought a condominium in the VanMall neighborhood and announced a run for the Clark County Commission two weeks later. According to The Columbian archives, he denied the move was only for the election and he dismissed the carpetbagger label.

In 2004, Jeanne Harris announced plans to move into Clark County District 3 shortly after losing the race for the District 2 position.

More recently, in 2015, Monica Stonier moved

out of the 17th Legislative District, a swing district, and into the solidly Democratic 49th District, where she won the following year. Around the time of her relocation, she said she moved for a number of reasons, being close to her husband's work among them.

"It's a fact of life sometimes people have to cross over boundaries to fulfill their passions," said Rich Rogers Chair of the Clark County Democrats.

He said he's not surprised to hear Republicans criticizing Orange's move.

"If it were a Republican we'd probably come out against it," he said. "That's just politics."

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AUDITOR
GREG KIMSEY

September 22, 2017

County Auditor Decision Re: Donald Orange Voter Registration Challenges

On Wednesday, September 20th a voter registration challenge hearing was held in Clark County, pursuant to RCW 29A.08.840.

This challenge is based on a challenge of Mr. Donald Orange's voter registration, and was initiated by Ms. Carolyn Crain, and Mr. Jason Atkins pursuant to RCW 29A.08.810.

Based on the timing of the challenges, all parties agreed that the relevant Revised Code of Washington (RCWs) require the challenge to be resolved by, me, in my capacity as the Clark County Auditor. Although the relevant RCW's did not require the hearing be held pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act (APA), I used the APA as guidance, and in order to create a clear record. I erred on the side of allowing all submitted evidence for the purposes of transparency, and ensuring that the parties had an adequate opportunity to present their case. Mr. Atkins did not appear at the hearing, either personally, or through counsel, but he submitted evidence that I considered in making my determination. Ms. Crain appeared personally, and through counsel, and testified under oath, and under the penalty of perjury. Mr. Orange appeared through counsel, having previously submitted sworn affidavits from himself, his wife Mary Orange, and Jorin Copeland, a resident at 4721 NE 66th Ave, Apt. B-20, in Vancouver. Counsel for Mr. Orange has previously provided various written records intended to demonstrate that Mr. Orange's residence is at the address where he is currently registered to vote, and I have accepted those documents into evidence.

Prior to the Hearing I provided my analysis to the parties regarding my interpretation of the relevant RCWs as follows: "registration of a person as a voter is presumptive evidence of their right to vote at any election, as provided in RCW 29A.08.810. The burden to prove otherwise is therefore upon the challenger. The challenger must do so by presenting clear and convincing evidence that the voter does not reside at the address on their registration record. The challenge in this matter is based upon the allegation that the voter does not reside at the address shown on their voter registration record. 'Residence' for the purpose of voter registration is defined by RCW 29A.04.151 as follows:

'Residence' for the purpose of registering and voting means a person's permanent address where he or she physically resides and maintains his or her abode."

The parties did not challenge my analysis regarding the relevant standards, nor did they propose alternative analysis or standards of proof.

During the course of the hearing, evidence was freely admitted, and freely heard. My decision, however, is based on the kind and type of evidence which a reasonably prudent person would find is relevant to the question of residence. My determination is very narrow in scope. The question is whether or not as of August 24, 2017, the date the challenge was filed, was Mr. Orange properly registered to vote at 4721 NE 66th Ave, Apt 15 B, Vancouver, Washington, 98661. The burden of proof was on the challengers to demonstrate through clear and convincing evidence that he is not properly registered to vote at that address.

During the course of the hearing Ms. Crain was questioned regarding her motives in bringing this challenge as well as whom is paying her legal bills associated with this matter. I do not find either of those inquiries relevant to my decision. Ms. Crain testified passionately about her years of canvassing experience, her efforts to register voters, and her representations to those potential voters that our elections are free and fair. She also repeatedly testified regarding her personal belief, that Mr. Orange was not properly registered to vote at his Vancouver apartment. I do not question Ms. Crain's motives, or beliefs. However, the standard in this matter is clear and convincing evidence, and the burden of proof is on Ms. Crain and Mr. Atkins.

Mr. Orange, through counsel, provided sworn affidavits from himself, his wife, and Jorin Copeland, all attesting that he resides at the Vancouver apartment. Additionally, Mr. Orange provided a photocopy of his driver's license and a Registration Certificate for his motor vehicle, both showing the apartment address as his residence and dated March 17, 2017. In addition, I was provided as evidence a photocopy of a letter dated March 17, 2017 from Clark Public Utilities confirming that Mr. Orange had established an account at the apartment address, a Rental Agreement signed June 7, 2017 by the Agent for the Owner of the apartment stating that Mr. Orange "took over lease on 3/17/2017" and photocopies of cancelled checks dated from March through August of 2017 with those checks showing the Vancouver apartment as his address. There was also testimony that Ms. Crain sent a certified piece of mail to Mr. Orange at the Vancouver apartment address, and he picked up the piece of mail at the post office.

Mr. Orange is in the best possible position to speak to his intent regarding his residency. His wife and Jorin Copeland are, arguably, in the best position to be able to speak to where he actually lives. All three have provided written testimony, under oath, that he resides at the Vancouver apartment.

The evidence that Mr. Orange has presented is very strong. To overcome that evidence Ms. Crain and Mr. Atkins would have to prove that Mr. Orange, his wife Mary, and Jorin Copeland, perjured themselves in aid of a conspiracy for Mr. Orange to register at an address other than his residence. The evidence necessary to overcome the affidavits, and other materials, submitted by Mr. Orange would need to be compelling in order to meet the clear and convincing evidence standard. Whether date stamped photos, live testimony from adjacent neighbors of the home where Mrs. Orange resides, and the like, would have been enough to overcome the testimony and evidence submitted by Mr. Orange though counsel, is not a decision I need to make today. There is not evidence of that sort and strength in the record.

The complaining parties have alleged that Mr. Orange didn't have the right to legally enter the apartment until June. However, at the time of the August 24, 2017 voter challenge, Mr. Orange certainly had a legal right to enter and live at the apartment. Ms. Crain has pointed to quotes from Mr. Orange in a newspaper article, that call into question whether he intends to continue living in the district depending on the outcome of November's election. But, Mr. Orange contradicts those quotes with sworn testimony. Ms. Crain has alleged that Mr. Orange's electricity bill is very low, and has suggested that I utilize the calculator on the Clark Public Utilities website to verify her testimony. I do not read the RCWs to allow me to engage in an independent investigation outside of evidence that is before me. Even if I had that right, I would not engage in an independent investigation.

It is important for maintaining public trust and transparency that the parties and the general public have access to the same information as the Auditor in a voter registration challenge. Even the most neutral, and well intentioned, Auditor could call their own objectivity into question if they conducted an independent investigation involving facts outside of the record.

For the reasons stated above, I do not find that Ms. Crain, or Mr. Atkins, have met the required burden of proof, necessary to successfully challenge Mr. Orange's voter registration.

Ms. Crain or Mr. Atkins may seek review of my decision in the superior court, pursuant to RCW Chapter 34.05.

Greg Kimsey

Clark County Auditor