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Dear Mr. Zarwell:

Per your request, the appropriate form for submitting as a declared write-in for President of the United States in Washington State is enclosed. Please use this form if you wish to be considered a declared candidate.

Documents submitted to the Secretary of State must be original documents; this includes signatures of support submitted with other nomination documents.

All of the information above may be found in the enclosed documents. If you need further information, please feel free to contact our office.

Thank You,

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Encl: Declaration of Write-in Candidacy

DECLARATION OF WRITE-IN CANDIDACY

FOR THE OFFICES OF PRESIDENT and VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

1. I, _____ am a natural born citizen of the United States
(Print Applicant's Name)

of America, residing at:

2. _____
(Residence Address) _____ *(Telephone Number)*

(City) _____ *(County)* _____ *(State / ZIP Code)*

3. _____
(Mailing Address) _____ *(Email address)*

(City) _____ *(State / ZIP Code)*


And, at the time of filing this declaration, I am legally qualified to assume office if elected. I hereby declare myself as a write-in candidate for the office of President/Vice President of the United States of America for the general election to be held November 4, 2008.

4. I am:

- A candidate of the _____ Party, or
 An independent candidate.

I swear, or affirm, that this information is, to the best of my knowledge, true. I also swear, or affirm, that I will support the Constitution and the laws of the United States.

Note: Your signature must be personally witnessed by either a notary public or by the officer with whom the declaration is filed.

5. Sign Here  _____
(Signature of Candidate as Registered to Vote)

Subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

(Signature of Official or Notary)

(Signature of Official or Notary)

(Title of Official or Notary)

FILING A DECLARATION OF WRITE-IN CANDIDACY FOR PRESIDENT / VICE PRESIDENT

Qualifications for Write-in Candidates

In order to file a write-in candidate declaration for President or Vice President, you must be qualified to assume office if elected.

Write-in candidate declaration forms must be filed no later than the day prior to the general election that the office of President appears on the ballot.

Advantages of Filing a Write-in Declaration

Filing as a write-in candidate allows voters to write your name, or a recognizable variation of your name, under the office heading and still have the vote counted. Minor variations of your name will be accepted as long as the voter's intent is discernable. Voters do not need to write in your party affiliation or the title of the office you seek as this information will already be on file.

Restrictions for Write-in Candidates

As a write-in candidate, your name will not be printed on the ballot and will not appear in the state voters' pamphlet. You cannot be a write-in candidate if you are already running for another office that appears on the ballot. (Except for Precinct Committee Officer)

Write-in votes will not be tabulated unless there are enough votes to change the outcome of the election.

If your bid for candidacy is successful and you obtain the greatest number of votes, you must immediately submit the names and addresses of eleven electors to the Secretary of State to serve in the Electoral College in the State of Washington (RCW 29A.56.320).

Form Instructions: Please submit one form per nominee

1) Please print:

- Your name.
- Your address of residence.
- Contact mailing information.

2) Indicate if you are affiliated with a political party or are running as an independent candidate by checking the appropriate box. Fill in the name of the political party, if applicable.

3) Sign the form. Your signature must be personally witnessed by either a notary public or by the officer with whom the declaration is filed.