

WASHINGTON COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY

COUNTY COMMITTEE

June 13, 2023

Resolution for the removal of the WCGOP Vice Chairman and State Committeeman

Whereas in accordance with OKGOP Rule 8(b) and Oklahoma Statute §26-2-111, the WCGOP Central Committee submitted to the Oklahoma State Election Board a nominee for membership to the Washington County Election Board;

Whereas Vice Chairman Juli Merciez and State Committeeman Rebecca Whisman submitted to the Oklahoma State Election Board, without authorization or knowledge of the Chairman, a duplicate form falsely purporting to be the WCGOP Central Committee's nomination of the Washington County Election Board Member;

Whereas upon investigation of the incident, the Oklahoma State Election Board confirmed receipt of duplicate nomination forms reporting to be from the Central Committee of the Washington County Republican Party;

Whereas members of the WCGOP County Committee disapprove of the duplicate form being submitted to the Oklahoma State Election Board, without authorization or knowledge of the Chairman by Vice Chairman Juli Merciez and State Committeeman Rebecca Whisman as it damaged the welfare of the Republican Party of Washington County by disenfranchising its members;

Whereas according to OKGOP Rule 19(g), "Any County Chairman or Vice Chairman, or any member of the State Committee, or any Congressional District Committee, may be removed at any time for cause by a majority vote of the entire existing membership of the County Committee of their County;"

Whereas Vice Chairman Juli Merciez and State Committeeman Rebecca Whisman were given appropriate notice of the County Committee meeting in accordance with OKGOP Rule 19(g); Now, therefore, be it resolved by the County Committee of the Washington County Republican Party, that Vice Chairman Juli Merciez and State Committeeman Rebecca Whisman be removed for the cause of submitting to the Oklahoma State Election Board, without authorization or knowledge of the Chairman, a duplicate form falsely purporting to be the WCGOP Central Committee's nomination of the Washington County Election Board Member.