

**WASHINGTON COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY
COUNTY COMMITTEE
June 24, 2023**

Resolution condemning the actions of the State Chairman

Whereas, per OKGOP Rule 12, the State Central Committee has no authority over a County Committee, and does not have the responsibility to recognize the inner workings of a County Committee;

Whereas, the State Chairman has inserted himself into matters that are the responsibility of the County Committee. Per Rule 6(b)1 - "The County Committee of each county is the supreme Republican Party authority of the county, subject to these rules and the direction and control of County Conventions. It is charged with the duty of promoting the welfare and directing and controlling the affairs of the Republican Party in its county." The State Chairman only has a responsibility to keep a roster of the membership of the County Committee and Executive Committee as sent by the County Chairman, but is not charged with any duties with regard to the County Committee. Furthermore, Rule 19(a) states, "All officers, committees, and delegates recognized or established by these rules are authorized to appoint, or elect, their own chairman and such subordinate officers or committees, and promulgate such additional rules, not inconsistent with these rules, as they may deem necessary from time to time to aid them in the performance of their duties, and may discontinue or change any of such officers, committees or rules at any time;"

Whereas, the State Chairman has directed the involvement of Sarah Clutts as Deputy General Counsel outside of his authority granted in OKGOP Rule 10(j): "The State Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and General Counsel of the State Committee shall be appointed by the State Chairman, subject to the approval of the State Committee...;"

Whereas, the OKGOP is a bottom-up party, with the highest authority being the voters, who are represented in the County Committee by their Precinct Officers;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the County Committee of the Washington County GOP condemns the State Chairman for his violation of the aforementioned OKGOP rules and direct him to not involve himself in matters outside his role as dictated in the OKGOP Rules.

Furthermore, we urge the State Chairman to accept and uphold the authority of the WCGOP County Committee, and direct him to update the roster for the WCGOP Officers by:

- Removing Juli Merceiz as Vice Chairman
- Removing Rebecca Whisman as State Committeeman
- Adding Tom Stearman as Vice Chairman
- Updating the roster of the Executive Committee per the removals and appointments of Chairman Murray and Vice Chairman Stearman

Wendi Stearman
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WCGOP State Committeeman



Travis Perry
District Committeeman



Melanie Miller
Precinct 33
Chairman

~~Tom Stearman~~

Tom Stearman, Vice Chairman

Washington County Republican Party

Chelsie Waggoner



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Zachary A. Costello
Vice Chairman - Precinct 28


Eddie Collins

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Precinct #51 Chair

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Joshua Lock

Chair, Pct #27


RICK FRITTS
Chairman Precinct 74

Rebecca Fargel
Rebecca Fargel Precinct #22


Thomas Lowery
Chairman 76th Precinct

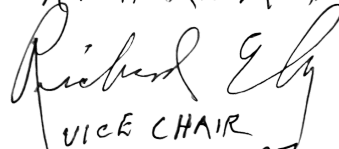
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Vice-Chair #46

Lashelle Griffith
#32


Sophia Lowery
Vice Chair #76
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Don Baldwin
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Kevin Taylor
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