

Plaintiffs' Exhibit 8

IN THE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA
INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION

RICHARD STANLEY, JR)	
and TIM CLARK)	
)	No:
Plaintiffs,)	
)	
vs.)	
)	
BROWN COUNTY ELECTION)	
BOARD)	
)	
Defendant.)	
)	

WITNESS STATEMENT OF RICHARD STANLEY, JR.

I, Richard Stanley, Jr., testify to the following, based upon my personal knowledge:

1. I am a resident of Brown County and have lived in Brown County for twelve years. More recently over the last year, I have become interested in and active in local county government and politics. In particular, I believe that Brown County has suffered from government dysfunction and corruption in the local Republican Party. I publicly expressed some of my views on September 17, 2024 in a letter published by the local newspaper that was critical of the local Republican Chairman for the way that he was managing the local Republican Party. I also wrote a follow up letter that was published on October 11, 2024 on the Independent Voters of Brown County website that set out a set of core values for how I believe local government and political parties should operate. The values that I set forth in that letter are: 1. We are against special interests. 2. We are for open, honest and responsible governance. 3. We are for

common decency, including for those we disagree with. 4. We are for fiscal responsibility. 5. We are for maintaining the unique character of Brown County, which includes nature, solitude and tourism. 6. We are for reasonable commercial development.

2. I also volunteered to represent Tim Clark in his complaint against the local Republican Chairman (Mark Bowman) with the Indiana Republican Party. This complaint ultimately led to the present lawsuit which I am a party to. I have spent an inordinate amount of my own time on this matter, and in my view, it should have been entirely unnecessary for me to have to put this amount of work into this affair. It is my opinion that all of the work that I have had to put into this matter was caused by corruption within the Indiana Republican Party at every level within the party. I am incensed by this and have determined that it is important for me to try to make a difference in our local community.

3. For these reasons, I am determined to run for elected office in Brown County within the next five years (i.e., within the term that the Indiana Republican Party has banned me from running as a Republican). When I run for elected office, I most certainly intend to run as a Republican since that is the only political party that I have ever associated with. I have never voted for a Democrat candidate in any election nor have I ever even voted for an Independent candidate. The only way that I could truthfully run for elected office would be to run as a Republican because it would be completely untruthful for me to assert that I am a Democrat or an Independent. I am a Republican, more so than most people who refer to themselves as Republicans.

4. At this point in time, there are no forthcoming elections imminent so it is possible that my specific, current plans might change slightly depending on political issues, possible candidates, likelihood of success, etc. But, regardless of what elected office I ultimately choose to run for, I am 100% committed to running for an elected office in Brown County. The elected office I currently intend to run for is Township Advisory Board Member for Jackson Township in Brown County. The reason that I plan to run for that particular elected office is because it appears to be a less demanding elected office to hold, and I believe it would be in the best interest for my long-term political career to begin with an elected office of this type. Another reason that I believe this elected office would be a good choice for me to pursue is because my primary interest in seeking elected office is to make Brown County better for those living here. And, the elected office of Township Advisory Board Member is directed to doing that for the local people that live closest to me.

5. I believe there is a very good chance that I could win elected office in Brown County. I have lived in Brown County for over ten years. My two sons attended public school here in Brown County and participated in several sports. I have gained significant name recognition in Brown County due to my political activities and my involvement in our local church. My educational and work experience would also position me well to win elected office in Brown County. I have a bachelor's degree in engineering; I worked for a large multi-national corporation as an engineer; I have a master of business administration degree; I have a juris doctor degree; I have extensive experience working for large law firms; and I have litigation experience. I believe my

qualifications would make me a competitive candidate in Brown County and would give me a high chance of winning elected office in Brown County.

I have read the above Witness Statement and verify that all statements herein are factually accurate.

Dated: June 30, 2025

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