<u>DECLARATION</u> (TEX. CIV. PRAC. & REM. CODE § 132.001)

My name is Charles R. Shirley; my date of birth isDecember 15, 1961; and my
address is 3226 West Benders Landing Blvd, Spring, Texas 77386 I declare under penalty
of perjury that the following statements are true and correct:
1. I am a resident of Montgomery County and voted in the 2022 Republican Primary.
2. I have been personally present at events concerning a division of the Montgomery County Republican Party Executive Committee ("CEC") and write this declaration in support of legal action to resolve the division. As the CEC has duties concerning elections, I believe that this division imperils the CEC's orderly participation in county elections, as I am aware that Bryan Christ, the elected Montgomery County Republican Party Chair, is not accurately recognizing properly seated chairs or officers, or managing the CEC's resources properly, such as the space leased by the Montgomery County Republican party, its bank account, and its website.
3. I hold the position of Republican Party Treasurer in Montgomery County, having obtained that seat as indicated below by the checked paragraph:
☐ ELECTED AND NOT DISPUTED - I was elected to the office of Precinct Chair during the 2022 Republican Primary and to my knowledge, no one contests my election or position as a duly elected Precinct Chair and member of the CEC.
APPOINTED AND NOT DISPUTED - I was appointed to the office of Precinct Chair on, after nomination and election by a majority of CEC members, as reflected by the minutes of the CEC meeting held that day. To my knowledge, no one has challenged my position and all members of the CEC accept my appointment.
APPOINTED BUT DISPUTED - I was appointed to the office of Treasurer on July 23, 2022, after nomination and election by a majority of CEC members, as reflected by the minutes of the CEC meeting held that day. I am aware that Bryan Christ has claimed to have appointed someone else to this position or otherwise asserts that my claim to this position is not valid.

- 4. On July 23rd, at a reconvening meeting from the July 19th organization meeting, and attended by a majority of the CEC, Chairman Bryan Christ was removed as presiding officer of that meeting, due to his unwillingness to chair it. Later in that meeting according to the agenda, along with other officers, I was appointed as Treasurer.
- 5. On July 28, 2022, I filed with Texas Ethics Commission ("TEC") the Form CECTA, the Appointment of a Campaign Treasurer by the Montgomery CEC (Filer ID #00083126), in accordance with appointment made on July 23, 2022 by a majority of the CEC.
- 6. On August 13, 2022, the majority of the CEC voted to pass a banking resolution, which added me, Vice Chair Jon P. Bouche, and John H. Wertz, Precinct 69 chair and former Treasurer, as signatories to the CEC's bank account, while removing Chairman Christ from the bank account.
- 7. On October 31, 2022, I filed a Form CEC with the Texas Ethics Commission (TEC), in accordance with the Texas Election Code, which is also known as the Eight Day report. This was done in conjunction with Treasurer Wertz formally retiring his CEC officer position from the TEC.
- 8. On December 20, 2022, Christ sent an email to the TEC stating that he did not recognize me as Treasurer and that he had already appointed another individual to that position on December 5, 2022, and he asked the TEC to remove as me as the Treasurer for Filer ID #00083126 and replace me with the individual that he appointed. Chairman Christ's actions were a result of an illegitimately called CEC meeting by an illegitimately formed Steering Committee at their illegitimate 8/13/22 meeting (they failed to reach the 20% threshold (only 19 of 97) to call that meeting).

From: Bryan Christ [mailto:bryan4mcrp@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, November 21, 2022 5:42 PM

Cc: Judi Thomas; Scott Baker; James Byers; Jamie Metts, Jr.; Rebecca Vance

Subject: CEC Meeting December 5th

Pct Chairs,

In accordance with the MCRP Bylaws for 2020-2022 reenacted on 07/19/2022 for 2022-2024, the MCRP Steering Committee pursuant to Article VI, Section 2 calls a CEC meeting for December 5th. The agenda prepared by the Steering Committee on 11/20 is attached and includes all refevant information including time and location.

Bryan Christ MCRP Chairman

9. On December 21, 2022, the TEC asked Christ to file Form Amendment:

Appointment of a Campaign Treasurer by a County Executive Committee (Form ACECTA) to have me replaced with the individual that Christ appointed. Later that day, the TEC sent a Confirmation Letter to the individual that Christ appointed stating that December 21, 2022 would be his effective start date, removing me from the Treasurer position on TEC paperwork.

- 10. On December 22, 2022, Wertz and I reached out to our TEC contact in Austin and made an informal complaint over the telephone about Christ removing me as the Treasurer on the CEC TEC account by simply sending an email. Our contact stated that she would talk to TEC General Counsel and follow up with us.
- 11. After Christmas and New Year's break, on January 10, 2023, under the direction of our contact at TEC, I filed another Form CECTA with TEC, restoring me to the position of Treasurer for the CEC (Filer ID #00083126).
- 12. On January 12, 2023, I filed the semi-annual TEC report for CEC, which was due on January 17.
- 13. On January 13, 2023, Wertz filed a Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") Request with the TEC and requested all email correspondence between the TEC and Christ, concerning Christ's attempts to remove me as Treasurer.
- 14. On January 26, 2023, the TEC responded to Wertz's FOIA request. I have attached a copy of the FOIA request response sent to us by the TEC.
- 15. I have been a long-time activist in the Republican Party, I am aware that dueling sets of precinct chairmen will cause difficulties as the election draws near. Also, having dueling sets of bank accounts and party Treasurers will also cause difficulties as the election nears. Additionally, the name of the appointed Treasurer and precinct chair lists are public information (see section 172.029(b) of the Texas Election Code). I am aware that candidates depend on these lists.
- 16. Additionally, precinct conventions are historically run by precinct chairs or their agents and allies. If this matter is not resolved, we may well have competing claims and disputes about which precinct convention held for a precinct is valid.
- 17. Aside from the challenges of disputed precinct chair lists, Christ is refusing to allow access to CEC resources and meeting space, and claiming to fill precinct chair vacancies through a committee of his ~30 supporting precinct chairs, which is not close to a majority of the CEC; and all of these appointments appear to be invalid to me.
- 18. As I have watched the division in the CEC, it appears that slightly less than one-third of the precinct chairs support Christ during his meetings, and two-thirds are opposed

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to his leadership actions. The result of his lack of support means that none of his meetings can appoint a person to a vacant precinct chair, as such votes require a one-third quorum of the CEC, which he does not have. His divisive approach resulted in a Republican Party of Texas (RPT) Rule 8M complaint signed by a majority of the CEC in August of 2022, along with a vote of no confidence on January 3rd, 2023.

19. I have employed Warren V. Norred of Norred Law, PLLC to resolve the CEC division and have contributed to funds to pay for him and his firm for that purpose.

Executed in Montgomery County, State of Texas on __February 10,__, 2023.

signed:

printed name: Charles R. Shirley

Dear Mr. Wertz,

This email is in response to your public information request received by the Texas Ethics Commission ("Commission") on January 13, 2023. Specifically, you requested any and all correspondence between the Commission on GOP Chairman Bryan Christ regarding his written request to remove Mr. Charles Shirley, Treasurer of Montgomery County Republican Party and replace him with Mike Medved on or about 12/20/22.

We are providing electronic copies of the documents responsive to your request. The information is included with this email as a separate attachment in PDF format. Due to the small volume of information being delivered by e-mail, there is no charge for this information.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Natalie McDermon Assistant General Counsel TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION P.O. Box 12070 Austin, Texas 78711-2070 Main: (512) 463-5800

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From: Bryan Christ
To: treasappoint

Cc: <u>Eric Opiela</u>; <u>Mike Medved</u>

Subject: Fwd: DRAFT - 00083126 - Treasurer Appointment for Montgomery county republican party

Date: Tuesday, December 20, 2022 10:05:20 AM

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To: <u>Bryan Christ</u>

Cc: <u>Eric Opiela</u>; <u>Mike Medved</u>

Subject: RE: DRAFT - 00083126 - Treasurer Appointment for Montgomery county republican party

Date: Tuesday, December 20, 2022 3:01:00 PM

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To: <u>Bryan Christ</u>

Cc: <u>Eric Opiela</u>; <u>Mike Medved</u>

Subject: RE: DRAFT - 00083126 - Treasurer Appointment for Montgomery county republican party

Date: Wednesday, December 21, 2022 12:30:00 PM

Attachments: 83126-Mike Medved-ACECTA.pdf

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Mr. Mike Medved 115 Wild Garden Ct. Conroe, TX 77304

FILER ID: 00083126

COMMITTEE NAME: Montgomery County GOP (CEC)

Amendment: Appointment of a Campaign Treasurer by a **DOCUMENT RECEIVED:**

County Executive Committee

ASSISTANT TREASURER: No One Indicated December 20, 2022 **EFFECTIVE DATE:**

REPORTING TYPE: Regular

Dear Mr. Medved:

The Ethics Commission has received the document referenced above appointing you as the committee's campaign treasurer. Please use the committee's Ethics Commission Filer ID number on all correspondence and documents that you submit to the Ethics Commission.

Reporting Requirements: You must file semiannual reports with the Ethics Commission not later than January 15 and July 15 of each year. These reports must be filed even if there was no activity during the reporting period. Other reports are required in connection with elections. You should review the appropriate Ethics Commission campaign finance guide and filing schedule for more detailed information about filing requirements.

Late-Filing Penalties: As the committee's campaign treasurer, you are personally responsible for filing the committee's reports and for any late-filing penalties in connection with the committee's reports. The late-filing penalty for most reports is \$500. For a report due eight days before an election and for the first semiannual report required to be filed after a primary election or after a general election, the late-filing penalty is \$500 for the first day the report is late and \$100 for each day thereafter that the report is late.

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We have received your Form Security-CF where you provided us with an email address. That email has now been entered into our system. The email will set you up to receive notices regarding filing deadlines, notices of importance, as well as provide you with a link for password access. By the time you receive this letter you should have received an email from the Ethics Commission with your link for password access. If you have not received this email, or if you experience any difficulties, please contact us at the number listed on the front page of this letter.

Visit our website at https://www.ethics.state.tx.us for upcoming deadlines as well as announcements. We strive to keep you informed. Other information also for review on our website:

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- You submit a written notice to the Texas Ethics Commission that you are resigning as treasurer; or
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