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**Sent:** Saturday, December 16, 2023 10:44 PM

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Mr. Chairman,

The bylaws specifically state "5 days," not to the hour. But furthermore, the email may not have went through until 12:01 but the petition was valid the moment there were 5 signatures on it and I sent it several minutes before... However, I contend you are adding an interpretation to the bylaws that does not exist. Also, the Administrator of Elections told me that the deadline for removal was 5 days before the 28th of December... and to that effect was in no hurry providing me the voter information that I needed. In fact, I ordered the information on Tuesday (as he would not give it to me over the phone) and had to beg to get it Friday afternoon. If you have a deadline, it needs to state a specific time. You can not allow Democrats to remain on our ballot because of an arbitrary rule that is not stated without ambiguity. I followed the rules, the procedure, and I would submit that "5 days" legally would mean business days. To that effect, the deadline would not have been until today (end of business day)... but if there were some 12:00 hard and fast rule that is not stated... it would still be noon on a business day.

Jenna Amacher  
Chairman of the Coffee County Young Republicans

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From: "Jason Quick" <jquick@tullahomatn.gov>  
Sent: Monday, December 18, 2023 5:56pm  
To: jamacher@tullahomatn.gov  
Subject: Fwd: Challenge to Bona fide Republican Status for School board petitioners

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Greg Sandlin <gjsandlin@lighttube.net>  
**Date:** December 18, 2023 at 5:42:38 PM CST  
**To:** bwilson@tullahomatn.gov  
**Cc:** Kurt Glick <kurtglick@icloud.com>, Chuck Deen <chuckdeen17@gmail.com>, dmann@tullahomatn.gov, Jason Quick

Daniel,

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Greg

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To: Scott Golden <[golden@tngop.org](mailto:golden@tngop.org)>, <[ck\\_tata@bellsouth.net](mailto:ck_tata@bellsouth.net)>

Mr. Brooks is a bona fide Republican voter... as the city of Tullahoma charter allows property owners to vote and he is registered as a city of Tullahoma voter by that address. Legally 5 days would be business days... if a court were to interpret it. Furthermore, the administrator of elections contends the deadline is 5 days to the date submitted pursuant to 2-5-204 which was submitted as the 28th of December. The bylaws also state OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE deadline. The language says or not AND. Therefore, it is timely.

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Feel free to reply if any of the above information is incorrect. Thanks and good luck in your campaign.

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Rest up Greg, you're going to need it moving forward. As for this conversation, I'm done having it.

Thanks,  
Daniel Berry

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Any you want to run for Mayor? Good luck with that.

As for abusing the system, you are in error. I and my Exec Board followed the process per our bylaws. The new state by laws intentionally leaves the responsibility for booting candidates to the state party chairman.

Now that the Republican Party is completely dominant in Coffee Co, it is my job to bring in the remaining conservatives into the fold. After two Republican primaries in 2024, an even higher majority of Coffee Countians will be voting Republican and be bonafide Republicans.

For someone who voted for Obama for POTUS, one would think you would show a bit more grace to those leaving the dark side.

Greg Sandlin, c931-273-8955  
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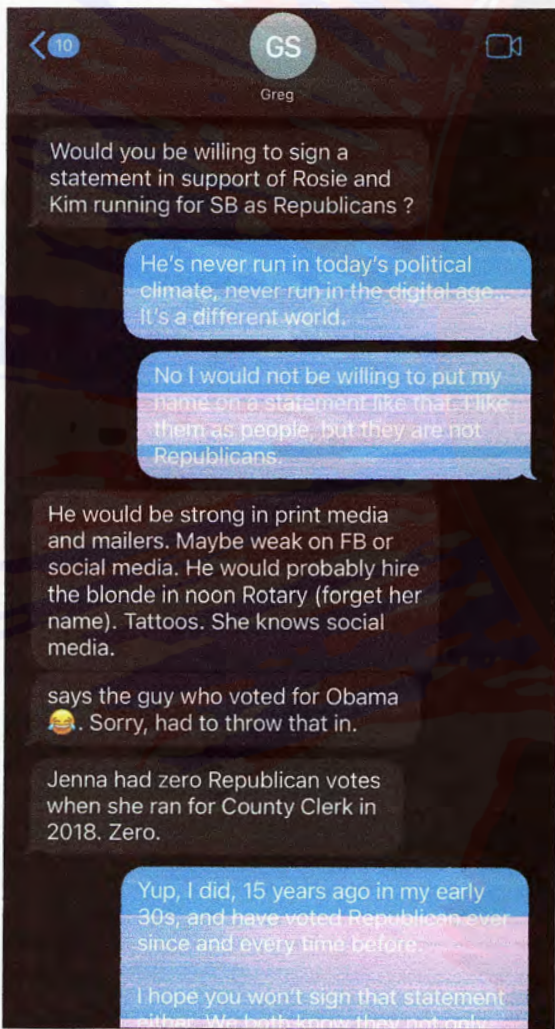
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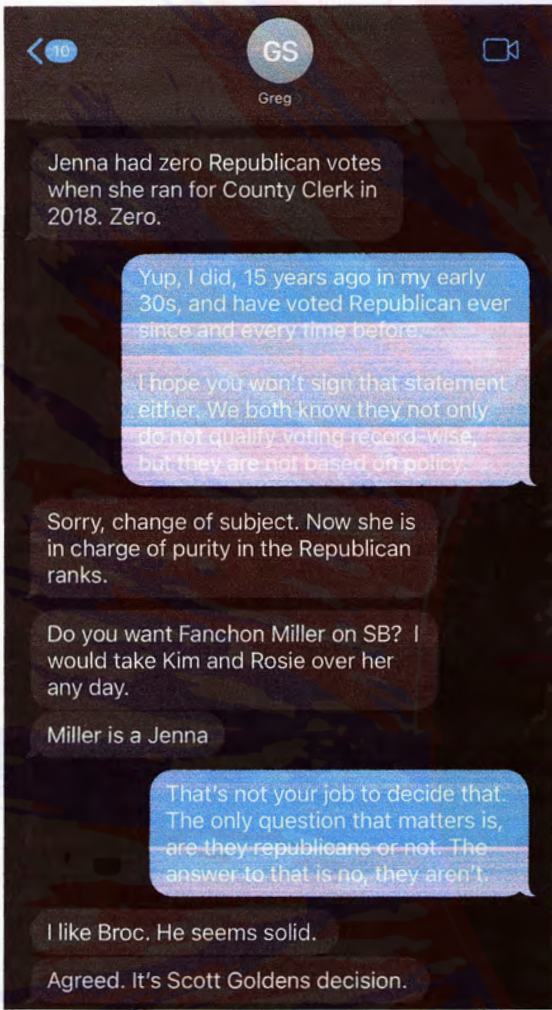
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That was a childish response. I feel that you have forgotten which party you represent. You abused the system because of your personal disagreements with a candidate. You've also admitted to using the RI be "inclusive"

You are the REPUBLICAN PARTY CHAIRMAN. With that comes responsibilities to the Republicans in our county. Is that partisan? Yes, but you chose to run for a partisan seat.





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Greg >

You are the county Republican chairman. Which means he is going to ask you.

Both Rosie and Kim are 2 of the last 4. They are half Republican/ half ...

We both know they are not Republican. You can try to justify however you want.

Doesn't change the fact they aren't Republican.

This is one where we will disagree privately and publicly.

Not a justification. The data is clear. Rosie is 2/4 and 5/9. Kim is 2/4 and 6/8. Data.

Few people get it. There will be no Democrats or Independents on the March or August ballot. The Republican primary IS the election.

We need to treat this responsibility with the respect and inclusiveness that it deserves.

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Also, Section 2A requires 5 Bona fide Republicans that "live in the district." Although Mr. Brooks is a 4/4 voter, the address listed in your challenge is a business (not a residence). Mr. Brooks' voting information shows him as a resident of Manchester, TN.

Feel free to reply if any of the above information is incorrect. Thanks and good luck in your campaign.

Thanks.  
Scott Golden  
Chair, TNGOP

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Sent: Mon, Dec 18, 2023 at 2:27 pm

To: bwilson@tullahomatn.gov, Kurt Glick, Chuck Deen, dmann@tullahomatn.gov

Cc: Jason Quick

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From: "jamacher@tullahomatn.gov" <jamacher@tullahomatn.gov>

Sent: Monday, December 18, 2023 2:25pm

To: "Greg Sandlin" <gjsandlin@lighttube.net>

Cc: golden@tngop.org, ck\_tata@bellsouth.net, "Elizabeth Bowling" <elizabeth.bowling@gmail.com>

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Dear Chairman of the Coffee County Republican Party,

As taken directly from the bylaws, "County Parties shall exist to promote Republican ideals, values, and all Republican elected officials across Tennessee while, at the same time, nominating Republican candidates for public office and helping all Republican nominees defeat Democrats in general elections.....

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The three candidates being challenged, as evidenced by the voting record you provided, are the only candidates who have ever voted Democrat. None of these candidates have EVER attended a Republican event nor are they active

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From: gjsandlin@lighttube.net

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Jenna,

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Below are the voting records of the candidates you are contesting:

- Uselton – 2 of the last 4 as Republican, 6 of the last 8
  - Welsh – 11 of last 12 Republican *2018 - D*
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