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On Saturday, April 9, 2022, at the Colorado Republican Party Assembly and Convention I was designated to be a GOP candidate for Colorado Attorney General (AG). The proceedings were administered by Kristi Burton Brown, Chairwoman of the Colorado GOP (Chair) and Priscilla Rahn, Chairwoman (Co-Chair).

I was nominated from the floor and gave a short acceptance speech to the Assembly in which I offered myself as a Republican candidate AG for Colorado. My credentials as a Republican were challenged from the floor and in answer to the specific question from the Chair, I stated I was a Republican.

The Chair then allowed me to move on through the nomination and voting process before the Assembly, as per party rules of the day, and I received above 30% of the votes. My nomination was accepted by the Chair and she moved on the agenda to the only other announced AG candidate, John Kellner, who was duly nominated.

In due course, the Assembly delegates voted and I received 42.5 percent of the votes and John Kellner received 57.5 percent of the votes. The Chair announced to the Assembly the results of the voting, that both John Kellner and I were GOP candidates for Colorado Attorney General, and that my name would be placed second on the primary ballot after John Kellner (C.R.S. 1-4-601).

The Assembly continued through the meeting agenda to conclusion and was adjourned by the Chair. Shortly after the Assembly was adjourned, I received from Joe Jackson, Executive Director of the Colorado GOP, a form entitled "Candidate Acceptance of Designation Attorney General".

As I started filling in the blanks in the form I was reminded that I needed to correct my residence address on my voter registration from my previous address in Golden, Colorado to my current residence address in Morrison, Colorado. That realization occurred when I erroneously started to fill the blank for Residence address with my mailing address information. I went back to Executive Director of the Colorado GOP and requested and received a new "Candidate Acceptance of

Designation Attorney General” to complete. (A copy of the incomplete/unsigned form with the erroneous mailing information is attached).

Later on April 9, 2022, I went online to the Colorado Secretary of State website to correct my residence address, and in doing so discovered that my voter registration status was “Unaffiliated”. I was confused by that status because it should have been “Republican”. As soon as I discovered that on April 9, 2022, I corrected it when I changed my affiliation to “Republican” at 11:47 PM (documented by Colorado Secretary of State certificate attached).

On Monday, April 11, 2022, it was brought to my attention that Kristi Burton Brown, the Chair, and Priscilla Rahn, Co-chair, appeared on the George Brauchler radio show.

I have not yet listened to the show myself, but as I understand it from others, during that appearance, the Chair and Co-chair announced that the Colorado Attorney General race with John Kellner is uncontested, that I was removed from the primary ballot because I am not a registered Republican voter and that they would not certify my “Candidate Acceptance of Designation Attorney General” to the Colorado Secretary of State.

I am told that as the radio show went on, the Chair and Co-chair and George Brauchler made numerous remarks disparaging me personally, including inuendos that my announced endorsements might not be real and other statements which have no doubt influenced voters to question my integrity. More of the same has happened during the George Brauchler radio show on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 and I am told that the Chair appeared on the show again today, Wednesday, April 13, 2022.

No one from CO GOP contacted me about this issue before making their decision to remove me from the ballot known to the public early on the morning of April 11, 2022. As requested by Joe Johnson, Executive Director of the Colorado GOP, I furnished my email and telephone contact information to him immediately after the assembly was adjourned and before leaving from the arena on April 9, 2022.

In light of the fact that the Executive Director of the Colorado GOP officially requested and received my telephone and email contact information on April 9,

2022, it strikes me as grossly inappropriate for legal conclusions about my eligibility to be made on April 11, 2022 by Kristi Burton Brown and Priscilla Rahn without any inquiry to me as to the facts about my Republican Party affiliation.

The conduct of Kristi Burton Brown and Priscilla Rahn from and after April 11, 2022 is beyond the scope of their authority as officers of the Executive Director of the Colorado GOP and violates their duty of pre-primary neutrality toward all designated candidates. For the Chair and Co-Chair to remove me from the primary ballot in this manner was a breach of their duties as Colorado GOP officers which has done irreparable harm to not only the Assembly delegates, but also to Colorado primary election voters.

My status as a duly designated GOP primary candidate for Colorado Attorney General was announced by the Chair, and that status became final when the Chair adjourned the Assembly. The same is true for John Kellner. From and after adjournment, the only authority over that status remaining in the Chair was her ministerial duty to certify to the Colorado Secretary of State the already final actions of the delegates in designating John Kellner and me as their candidates.

To top it all off, on April 11, 2022, I discovered that an unknown person most certainly had changed my April 9, 2022 correction of Republican affiliation back to Unaffiliated (and other alterations). As soon as I discovered that on April 11, 2022, I corrected it at 10:21 AM (documented by Colorado Secretary of State certificate attached).

When I repeatedly tried to access my online voter registration records today, April 13, 2022, the system said no record could be found.

Today, April 13, 2022, I completed and signed the "Candidate Acceptance of Designation Attorney General". (A copy of the complete/signed form is attached). I hereby submit my attached "Candidate Acceptance of Designation Attorney General" to the Secretary of State, as required no later than four days after adjournment of the assembly.

I request an immediate, expedited Secretary of State investigation of the fact that my voter registration affiliation on the CO Secretary of State website was changed

by an unknown person from Republican to Unaffiliated between April 9, 2022 at 11:47 PM and April 11, 2022 at 10:31 AM.

I also request an immediate, expedited Secretary of State investigation of the conduct of Kristi Burton Brown and Priscilla Rahn and George Brauchler in this matter, as their actions have influenced the primary election outcome in a way which may violate state and federal election laws.

I also respectfully request immediate, expedited Secretary of State Certification that I am a Duly Designated Candidate for the Republican Primary Ballot for Colorado Attorney General.

To negate the votes of 42.5 percent of the delegates at the GOP Assembly under these extraordinary circumstances cannot and will not be accepted without appropriate consequences.

I am available to you at any time to furnish documentation and additional details.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments

Fact Statement of Stanley Charles Thorne

Incomplete/unsigned "Candidate Acceptance of Designation Attorney General" of Stanley Charles Thorne

Complete/signed "Candidate Acceptance of Designation Attorney General" of Stanley Charles Thorne

April 9, 2022, 11:47 PM Colorado Secretary of State certificate of Voter
Registration of Stanley Charles Thorne

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