## **Nevada Assembly Seat- Assembly District 42 Interest Application**

(Note: This document and accompanying materials become public record once received by Clark County.)

# PLEASE NOTE: YOU ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE YOUR DECLARATION OF ELIGIBLITY NOTARIZED PRIOR TO SUBMISSION.

## **Residency Requirement:**

NRS 218A.260 (2) requires that any applicant must have actually, as opposed to constructively, resided in the district for at least 30 days immediately preceding the date in which this application closes.

You can verify that you live within the boundaries of Assembly District 42 by referring to the map on the legislative website: <a href="http://bit.ly/2XxVvRm">http://bit.ly/2XxVvRm</a>. Or, you may do an address/elected official search on the Clark County website: <a href="http://maps.clarkcountynv.gov/ow/?@782884,26762114,6">http://maps.clarkcountynv.gov/ow/?@782884,26762114,6</a>.

## Required Additional Information:

General Information:

You are required to submit a resume <u>and</u> a statement of interest. At a minimum, your resume and statement of interest should contain political activities, community work, and memberships, in various organizations.

Full Name (First, Middle, Last): Jack Andrew Absher #
Home Street Address: 4575 Dean Martin Dr Unit 2911
Home Address City/State/Zip Code: Las Vegas, NV 89103
Mailing Address:
Mailing Address City/State/Zip Code:
Michigan F. L. Company
Employer: Absher Enterprises
Occupation: President
Best Daytime Contact Phone:
Email Address:

# **Declaration of Eligibility:**

e vacancy in the office of a Legislator in the following legislative dersigned
perjury that I actually, as opposed to constructively, reside at, in the City of
, County of Clark, State of Nevada; that, as required by NRS
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ne date established pursuant to NRS 218A.262 for the close of filing
t I am registered as a member of the Democratic Party; that I am a
1 of Article 2 of the Constitution of the State of Nevada; that if I
or a felony, my civil rights have been restored; that I will otherwise
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(Attach additional sheet or sheets of residences as necessary.)	
Jack Aosher III Name of Applicant	Signature of Applicant
Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of the month of January the year	
Notary Public or Other Person Authorized to Administer an Oath	LISA M. CONGER  Notary Public, State of Nevada Appointment No. 02-77074-1 My Appt. Expires Aug 10, 2022

### **Certification:**

I verify by my signature below that all statements made on this application, as well as any information attached hereto, are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that an electronic signature has the same weight and effect as a handwritten signature. Furthermore, I understand that an incomplete application and any modifications to this application will not be considered.

Signature 1/25/21
Date

## **Submitting Application:**

Your signed application and supporting documents must be received no later than **NOON**, **January 26**, **2020**. You may email your completed application packet to Katie Walpole, Kathleen.Walpole@ClarkCountyNV.gov, or deliver the same in-person to the County Manager's Office, 6th Floor, Clark County Government Center, 500 South Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas.

## Jack A. Absher III

4575 Dean Martin Drive Unit 2911 Las Vegas, Nevada 89103

January 25, 2021

Re: Statement of Interest, Assembly District 42

## Dear Clark County Commission:

I hereby submit my application and respectfully request your consideration for the open District 42 seat in the Nevada State Assembly. I believe my experience and vision uniquely qualify me for this position. I am ready, willing, and able to immediately head to Carson City and commit to a four month legislative session in full support of the Democrtic Party Platform. Please allow me to present myself:

- 1. I've been a continuous Las Vegas resident since 2011 and a continuous resident/homeowner in District 42 since July 2015. I'm dedicated to the neighborhoods and people for whom I will serve.
- 2. The issues voters face in this district are exactly the issues I wish to address: pandemic recovery, healthcare, jobs, education, and economic development. I understand the challenges we're all going through as both a small business owner who saw sales decrease last year by over 90% at our movie theater, and as a person who lost two grandparents to Covid-19 in November.
- 3. I've been a proud Democrat all my life. I grew up deep in the heart of the Eastern Kentucky coal fields, the grandson of Mexican immigrants, surrounded by members of the United Mine Workers. I was the lone Michael Dukakis voter in my first-grade class (while in grad school at Harvard some 20 years later I got to share this story with Governor Dukakis). Over the years I've volunteered on campaigns too numerous to list going back to the Wendel Ford days in Kentucky. In 2004 I was elected at large at the Kentucky State Democratic Convention to be an Undeclared Add-On Delegate to the Democratic National Convention. That same year I was the deputy finance director for Ginny Schrader, the Democratic candidate in Pennsylvania's 8th Congressional District. In 2005 I was the Kentucky Delegation Chairman at the National Young Dems

Convention in San Francisco. Here in Nevada I have participated in the last two Caucuses as a volunteer. I was an elected delegate for Hillary Clinton to the County and State Conventions in 2016. I was an elected Amy Klobuchar delegate to the County Convention last year before the Covid changed everything. The last several years my campaign volunteer activities have been limited by my work and personal obligations but my commitment to the principles and ideals of the party is as strong as ever.

- 4. Since finishing law school ten years ago (I'm a member of no bar.), I've run a small family business based out of Kentucky consisting of two Long John Silvers franchises, a movie theater, a portfolio of commercial real estate, and an investment management company. I've worked every job in a restaurant from dishwasher to owner, worked every job in a movie theater from popcorn popper to owner, and I understand that people are the most important part of any organization.
- 5. I first came to Las Vegas in the Summer of 2010 to care for my late paternal grandfather. While staying with him I spent my days interning in the court of U.S. District Judge Gloria Navarro. I had a great experience that summer and came back after finishing law school. I've been here ever since. I have every intention to remain.
- 6. I'm a benefactor of the Las Vegas NAACP, the Italian American Social Club, and I'm a 32nd Degree Mason.
- 7. I'm excited for the opportunity to head to Carson City immediately should I be selected to represent District 42. I have the time and ability to commit myself wholeheartedly to a four month legislative session that might have already begun before a new assemblyperson is chosen.

Thank you for considering my application and thank you for the work you do for Clark County. The past year has presented challenges no one could have imagined. We still have a long way to go before things are back to normal. Your service is recognized and appreciated. I wish you all the best.

If I can answer any questions please don't hesitate to call the cell number I have provided above.

Sincerely,

#### Jack A. Absher III

4575 Dean Martin Drive Unit 2911 Las Vegas, Nevada 89103

#### Education

- Tulane University. New Orleans, LA. 2000-2005. Bachelors of Arts, Social Sciences Major.
- Harvard University. Cambridge, MA. 2005-2007. ALM in History Candidate. No Degree Received.
- Barry University School of Law. Orlando, FL. 2008-2011. Juris Doctorate.
  - Hebrew University. Jerusalem, Israel. December 2010. Certificate: Conflict Resolution from Religious Traditions.

#### **Employment History**

- Absher Enterprises. President. 2011-Current.
  - o Founded in 1946. Headquartered in Betsy Layne, Kentucky.
  - Presently consisting of two Long John Silvers franchises, one movie theater, a portfolio of commercial real estate, and an investment management company.
  - Duties involve strategy, analysis, compliance, budgeting, asset allocation, portfolio management, and human resource management (approximately 30 employees pre-pandemic).
- State Street Corporation. Portfolio Accountant, Institutional Investor Services. 2006-2008.
  - o Headquartered in Boston, Massachusetts.
  - World's 2nd largest institutional bank with over \$40 trillion under custody and/or management.
  - Duties involved accounting, analysis, analytics, asset and fund pricing, systems maintenance, compliance, audits, forex, and reporting for institutional clients.

#### **Political Activity**

- Nevada Democratic Caucus. Participant/Volunteer. February 2020.
  - o Caucus Day Volunteer.
  - o Elected Precinct Delegate to County Party Convention for Amy Klobuchar.
- Nevada Democratic Caucus. Participant/Volunteer. February 2016
  - Elected Precinct Delegate to County Party Convention for Hillary Clinton.
  - Elected delegate at County Party Convention to State Convention for Clinton.
  - Lost election at State Convention to be delegate at National Convention for Clinton.
- Democratic National Convention. Boston, MA. July 2004. Kentucky Delegate.
- Ginny Schrader for Congress. 2004. Bucks County, PA. Deputy Finance Director.
- National Young Dems Convention. August 2005. San Francisco, CA. Kentucky Delegation Chairman.
- Kentucky State Democratic Convention. Lexington, KY. Delegate. 2004 and 2008.
- Volunteer on campaigns too numerous to name, but admittedly few in recent years.

#### **Relevant Internships**

- US District Judge Gloria Navarro. Las Vegas, NV. Legal Intern. Summer 2010.
- US DOJ Executive Office of Immigration Review. Orlando, FL. Legal Intern. Fall Semester 2010.
- Orange County State Attorney's Office. Orlando, FL. Legal Intern. Spring Semester 2009.
- Nimba Conseil Consulting Firm. Conakry, Guinea, West Africa. Intern/Consultant. Summer 2009.

#### **Memberships**

- Las Vegas Italian American Social Club. Lifetime Member (Non-Italian).
- 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Freemason.
- Milken Institute Middle East and Africa Summit 2020, Abu Dhabi, UAE. Guest.