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COMPLAINT FOR VIOLATION OF THE CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE ACT

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Angela Berger
Signature of person filing complaint

9/27/02
Date

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You will find the complete text of Minn. Stat. §10A and Minn. Rules Chapters 4501 - 4525 on the Board's website at www.cfboard.state.mn.us.

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Explain in detail why you believe the respondent has violated Chapter 10A, the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Act. Attach an extra sheet of paper if necessary. Attach any documents, materials, minutes, resolutions or other evidence to support your allegations.

See attached

Minn. Stat. 10A.02, subd 11 - Violations; enforcement.

The board shall investigate any alleged violation filed in writing with the board. For an alleged violation of sections 10A.25 (expenditure limits) or 10A.27 (additional limits) the board shall either enter into a conciliation agreement or make a public finding of whether or not there is probable cause, within 60 days of the filing of the complaint. For alleged violations of all other sections, the board shall within 30 days after the filing of the complaint make a public finding of whether or not there is probable cause to believe a violation has occurred.

The deadline for action may be extended by a majority vote of the board. Within a reasonable time after beginning an investigation of an individual or association, the board shall notify that individual or association of the fact of the investigation. The board shall make no finding without notifying the individual or association of the nature of the allegations and affording an opportunity to answer those allegations.

Any hearing or action of the board concerning a complaint or investigation shall be confidential until the board makes a public finding concerning probable cause or enters into a conciliation agreement.

Except as provided in section 10A.28, after the board makes a public finding of probable cause the board shall report that finding to the appropriate law enforcement authorities.

Intelligent Choices MN filed as a 501c4 nonprofit with the Secretary of State in September 2012. Subsequently on September 15th, 2012 a mailing was sent (enclosed) to Edina homes. A website was also published with this same information called www.intelligentchoices.mn (enclosed). Two or more people joining together to influence elections would register their group as a political committee. Because everything that a political committee does is to influence elections, all of its finances are disclosed on its reports to the Board. This first and only mailing by Intelligent Choices MN is clearly focused on influencing the election in MN House race 49A. Intelligent Choices should change their filing designation to a political committee and report to the campaign finance board as required.

I believe that this literature piece meets the definition of an independent expenditure. When a committee or fund makes an independent expenditure, the communication must include a disclaimer stating that the activity is an independent expenditure, that it was made without the approval of the candidate, and that the candidate is not responsible for the activity. The disclaimer must be included in all oral communications, in conspicuous type on the front page of all literature and advertisements published or posted, and at the end of all broadcast ads. The literature piece not only did not contain the disclaimer but it specifically said it was not an independent expenditure.

Furthermore, it is my knowledge that Dick (Richard) Novack prepared the literature piece and designed and posted the website for Intelligent Choices MN. Mr. Novack posted very similar allegations about candidate Bill Glahn and his blog postings on a Facebook site called Politics in Edina in August 2012. Mr. Novack has subsequently removed this Facebook post prior to the Intelligent Choices lit piece being mailed. Mr. Novack is on candidate Ron Erhardt's campaign team and the lead person for lawn sign placement. I would like you to investigate the possibility that Ron Erhardt's campaign coordinated with Intelligent Choices MN in developing this literature mailing and website.

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Intelligent Choices Minnesota mission is to level the playing field in selected local areas, by providing the public with information on which to make their election decisions.

At the late date this effort started, for the 2012 election year we feel comfortable assisting a few Minnesota legislative races, races apparently targeted by mis-information groups that wish to sway the election their way. We promise to assist more areas in the future. Join us by contributing.

Help provide full information and truth to those who must make intelligent choices when choosing those candidates that will represent their districts.

Request Information



First Race Analyzed: District 49A - Edina, MN

Intelligent Choices Minnesota is entering this race because for the second time in a year in which one of the candidates for Edina elective office has hidden very controversial formerly public writings to keep the public from knowing how the candidate really thinks.

This time Bill Glahe, the writer of three widely circulated, and, in certain circles, often quoted blog columns caused all of the extensive writings in the three different blogs disappear from the internet after he received his party's endorsement. Soon after he wrote a goodbye saying he was doing so on May 17, 2012.

Fortunately, a member of ICM copied Bill Glahe's blogs before he erased them from public view and may, in time, publish all of them. At this time ICM is revealing one, a blog in which Glahe in all seriousness believes officials ought to lie to the public to achieve their goals. He directly includes himself whom he describes as "elite." Does that mean he will lie to get elected? You decide.

ICM is withholding publishing copies of the rest of Mr. Glahe's redacted writings at this time to see if he will step forward and republish the entire set for the public by himself. However, as the campaign goes on, we will reveal them in the public interest.

Compare former Representative Ron Erhardt now running to return for his 10th term representing Edina.

Ron Erhardt's record is very public, easily found, and available not only on his own website but directly from the state archives and several independent tracking websites. News media references on Ron Erhardt run very deep. People may love, like, dislike or hate Erhardt for various reasons and beliefs but there is nothing hidden about him. All sides agree Ron Erhardt is forthright in saying what he thinks and that he does what he says he will do.

Individually addressed

The question is ... Should a Candidate Deliberately Lie to the family to achieve his goals?

*Candidate Bill Glahe Actually Said * that he will lie to the public, in one of his online blogs, which he has now hidden! ***

*Compare: Candidate former Representative Ron Erhardt's extensive public record and achievements. **

* Fully Documented Information. See other side of postcard for exact references.
** Intelligent Choices MN made copies of Bill Glahe's essay blogs before he deleted them from the internet. Bill Glahe's own statements in a 2012 interview publicly admitted he hid information to mislead voters and to keep the public from knowing how the candidate really thinks.

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Ron says ¹

His 18 year record of public service and common sense leadership is public.

Ron's record is fully accessible ¹

Bill says ³

"Elite" persons like himself should lie to the public to achieve goals

Bill hid all his blog writings ²

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Compare Candidates **Erhardt** family

1 Representative Erhardt's record is public in both the House and Senate records and is available on the web.
2 Link here: http://www.leg.state.mn.us/legprdb/fulltext.asp?id=10167
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3 See Erhardt's blog: http://www.leg.state.mn.us/legprdb/fulltext.asp?id=10167
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- VoteSmart: <http://votesmart.org/candidate/ron-erhardt-votes/3770/mn-erhardt>
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- Sun Newspapers: <http://www.sunnewspapers.com/2012/07/28/ron-erhardt-ron-erhardt-10th-term-representative-edina-mn/>
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- Wikipedia.com: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ron_Erhardt_\(politician\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ron_Erhardt_(politician))
- Bill Glahe website: <http://www.billglahe.com/>

Bill Glahe writing three different blog series as shown here on his Blogger Profile: [Bill Glahe Blogger Profile.pdf](#) (note still hidden as of Sept 15, 2012)

Bill Glahe's last index from the one Bill Glahe blog as he closed it off May 17, 2012: [last published: BillGlahe.blogspot.com/index.html, May 17, 2012.pdf](#)

Glahe Blog title: Hypocrisy is Great, subtitled: Wanted: More Hypocrisy in Politics: [Bill Glahe - Hypocrisy is Great.pdf](#)

Column July 28, 2012 mentioning Glahe hiding his writings - titled: Who is Bill Glahe subtitled: What are you hiding, Bill? [http://bill.mn/2012/07/who-is-bill-glahe/](#)

Bill Glahn

Rebuilding America from the Bottom Up

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Hypocrisy is Good

Wanted: More Hypocrisy in Politics

It has been said that hypocrisy is the greatest sin in politics. This charge is usually leveled against Republican and Conservative politicians—assumed to favor “family values”—for whom every divorce, affair, or DWI is an indictment against their suitability to hold public office if not proof against the whole enterprise of social conservatism. Closer to the mark is the famous quote, “hypocrisy is the tribute vice pays to virtue.” With so little virtue left in our world, any tribute, however insincere, should be welcomed. The famous quote is attributed to the 17th century French nobleman François de La Rochefoucauld, known to history as an author of maxims.

Having grown up in America, in the 1970’s—rather than France in the 17th century—I was introduced in elementary school to Benjamin Franklin and his Poor Richard’s Almanac with its collection of timeless maxims. We were taught that “a penny saved is a penny earned,” “Early to Bed, and early to Rise, makes a Man healthy, wealthy, and wise,” and “Haste makes waste, Lost Time is never found again.” Of course my Mom’s favorite was always “God helps them that help themselves.” And by “taught” I mean the lesson our young minds were to take away from this exercise was that our “Founding Fathers” possessed good wisdom and had bequeathed to us this good advice we should follow in living our lives more than two hundred years later.

As much as we would like to believe differently, our modern society with its capitalist underpinnings depends upon a level of virtue, especially a habit of thrift, which arises (or doesn’t) from a broader culture outside of capitalism itself.

The author Yuval Levin covers much of this ground in his National Affairs essay from Spring 2010, “Recovering the Case for Capitalism.” He reviews the thinking of Franklin’s contemporary from across the ocean, the Scottish economist Adam Smith. Levin writes,

“These moderate virtues are in a sense all just versions of one larger virtue: self-command, or self-control. This is what Smith thought of as the key to the liberal society. ‘Self-command,’ he wrote, ‘is not only itself a great virtue, but from it all the other virtues seem to derive their principal lustre.’ And he defined self-command as the capacity for delayed gratification and restraints upon the appetite — in a word, discipline.”

Mitch Pearlstein, head of the Minneapolis-based Center of the American Experiment, has a forth-coming book *From Family Collapse to America’s Decline*.

In a recently published column in the Minneapolis *Star Tribune* (“Broken economy, broken families”), Mr. Pearlstein catalogs the carnage caused by the fragmentation of the American family, and cites the staggering statistic that 40 percent of American children born outside of marriage. He concludes,

More fragile family structures, meanwhile, guarantee that educational achievement in Minnesota and the United States will remain weaker than international competition compels, with serious economic prices to be paid.”

No doubt Pearlstein is correct. But I can not help but think that the causality goes the other way, as well. I doubt the Franklin and Smith and their sayings are being taught in as

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Bill Glahn

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elementary schools in the 21st century. That is, unless these ideas were presented with the full irony treatment, as quaint reminders of an uncalightened colonial past.

Instead, schools of today seem focused exclusively on the virtues of empathy and diversity. Empathy has risen to become the "in" virtue of the 21st century, to the point where its absence is grounds for expulsion.

Habits of economy in both money and time and habits of self-control reflected as self-restraint and deferred gratification are incompatible with a culture of the libertarianism. Empathy and diversity do not pose any barriers. Of course libertarianism can often appear to be more fun than a life of social sobriety. (However, it should be noted that the legendary Don Juan was dragged into hell.)

Unfortunately, from society's standpoint, libertarianism doesn't work. While I can think of many activities more pleasurable than attending a Rotary Club meeting, few of them tend to build social capital. And it is the accumulated stock of America's social capital that we are spending down at a rate to rival only our squandering of financial capital. To continue as a successful and prosperous society, it turns out that you need both.

Our political elites' operating assumption—that America's great wealth machine will continue to produce rising incomes, goods jobs, innovations ranging up to iPhone 4, regardless of what happens to the larger culture and our stock of social capital—is folly, as evidenced by financial and moral decline of the past few years.

The national pollster Scott Rasmussen has done a series of polls comparing the views of the "political class" and "mainstream America". Rasmussen reports that an August 2011 survey "finds that 28% of Likely Voters say they are both fiscal and social conservatives. Just 12% say they are liberal in both areas, while 60% are some other combination. In poll after poll, Rasmussen's polls reveal the political class to be more liberal than the population at large and less aware of society's underlying rot.

Based on these surveys, I think it safe to conclude that the default mode of our political class is social liberalism. At a minimum, it offers a refuge against the career-ending charge of hypocrisy: "anything goes" if you subscribe to a creed of anything goes.

Many of our elites also claim to support fiscal conservatism. Unfortunately, if you are socially liberal, you cannot also be fiscally conservative. To support the culture that has led to the social ills described by Pearlstein is to advocate, implicitly, ever more spending on social services, remediation, incarceration, etc., that is—in the end—unsustainable.

To reverse these disturbing trends, if it takes a little hypocrisy among our elites, then sign me up.

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Keith & Hannah

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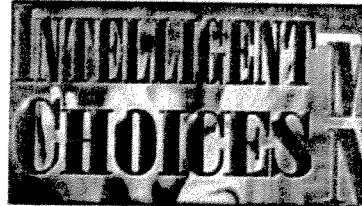


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His 18 year record
of public service and
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Ron's record is
fully accessible ²

photo in legislature stored on www.RonErhardt.com
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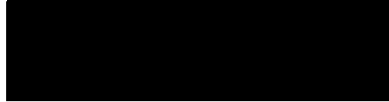
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Compare Candidates. Downey family

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- 2 Look here: <http://www.leg.state.mn.us/legdb/fulldetail.aspx?ID=10167>
Referencing over 770 Bills Ron Erhardt authored / co-authored
also VoteSmart: <http://votesmart.org/candidate/key-votes/3770/ron-erhardt>
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- 3 Bill Glahn named himself "Energy Czar". Real title Deputy Commissioner
- 4 Candidate Bill Glahn has written extensively in 3 formerly public blogs which he removed from internet access after being endorsed to run for State House 49A. Fortunately a member of IntelligentChoices.MN copied the blogs before deletion.
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