

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA**

STEPHEN CHRISTOPHER WRIGHT,)
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 Plaintiff,)
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v.)
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The State of Oklahoma)
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Defendant.)

Case No. CIV -20-287

Brief in Support of Temporary Restraining Order

9. §265111. Declaration of candidacy forms:
 - a. Forms to be used for filing Declarations of Candidacy shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the State Election Board and shall contain the following information: name of the candidate; the candidate's place of residence and his mailing address; name of the office sought; the candidate's date of birth; party affiliation of candidate seeking political party nomination; precinct and county wherein the candidate is a registered voter; an oath wherein the candidate swears or affirms that he is qualified to become a candidate for the office which he is seeking, and that, if elected, he will be qualified to hold said office; and any additional information which the Secretary deems necessary. A Declaration of Candidacy form must be signed by the candidate, and the signature must be properly notarized by a notary public or other person authorized by law to administer oaths.

10. §265111.1. Declaration of Candidacy Signature of candidate.
 - a. To be valid, a Declaration of Candidacy submitted to the secretary of any county election board or to the Secretary of the State Election Board shall be signed by the candidate in writing. The candidate shall personally subscribe his name to the Declaration of Candidacy, and no agent, representative or employee of the

candidate may sign on the candidate's behalf. The signature must be the original, handwritten signature or autograph of the candidate. No facsimile, reproduction, typewritten or other substitute signature or autograph will be valid.

11. §265112. Petitions and filing fees.

- a. A declaration of candidacy must be accompanied by a petition supporting a candidate's filing signed by five percent (5%) of the registered voters eligible to vote for a candidate in the first election wherein the candidate's name could appear on the ballot, as reflected by the latest January 15 registration report; or by a cashier's check or certified check in the amount of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for candidates filing with the Secretary of the State Election Board or the secretary of a county election board; provided, however, such cashier's check or certified check shall be in the amount of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) for candidates for Governor, One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for candidates for United States Senator and Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) for candidates for the United States Congress, and Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for candidates for Lieutenant Governor, Corporation Commission, Attorney General, State Auditor and Inspector, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, State Treasurer, Commissioner of Insurance and Commissioner of Labor.
- b. A filing fee received by the Secretary of the State Election Board shall be deposited in the State Election Board Revolving Fund created pursuant to Section 3-107 of this title. A filing fee received by a secretary of a county election board shall be deposited in the County Election Board Special Depository Account authorized by Section 3-108 of this title.

12. The Oklahoma Constitution: Article 2 § 1. Political power - Purpose of government - Alteration or reformation. All political power is inherent in the people; and government is instituted for their protection, security, and benefit, and to promote their general welfare; and they have the right to alter or reform the same whenever the public good may require it: Provided, such change be not repugnant to the Constitution of the United States.

13. The Oklahoma Constitution: Article 1 § 1. Supreme law of land. The State of Oklahoma is an inseparable part of the Federal Union, and the Constitution of the United States is the supreme law of the land.

14. The Oklahoma Constitution: Article 1 § 4. Territorial debts and liabilities. The debts and liabilities of the Territory of Oklahoma are hereby assumed, and shall be paid by the State.