

STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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August 8, 2018

Via Hand Delivery

J. Anthony Penry, Esq., Chair Josh Lawson, Esq., General Counsel North Carolina State Board of Elections & Ethics Enforcement 430 N. Salisbury Street, Third floor Raleigh, North Carolina 27603-5918

> Re: Conditional Candidate Withdrawal for NC Supreme Court Associate Justice Seat 1 (Jackson Seat)

Dear Messrs. Penry and Lawson,

As you are aware, litigation exists concerning the application of Session Law 2018 – 130 (Senate Bill 3) to "Clarify Political Party Disclosure on the Ballot for Judicial Races in 2018," (*Anglin v. Berger, Moore, et. al.* 18 CVS 9748, and *Edwards v. State Board, Strach* in Wake County Superior Court). Until this litigation concludes, my proper placement and party label on the November 2018 ballot by the North Carolina State Board of Elections & Ethics Enforcement ("Board") remains uncertain.

While I firmly believe and intend to prove in court that S.L. 2018-130 is an unconstitutional violation of my rights under the North Carolina Constitution, in the unlikely circumstance that the courts allow it to go into effect, I will not allow my party designation to be misrepresented on the ballot. Section 4.(c)(2) of S.L. 2018-130 would require that I withdraw from the race by close of business on August 8, 2018 or allow my name to be on the ballot with no designation. Judge Holt's Temporary Restraining Order stays that deadline.

Consequently, pursuant to Section 4.(c)(2) of S.L. 2018-130, I hereby file the attached conditional notice. This conditional notice is to be effective only should the Board be ordered to take action by a North Carolina court, to finalize and print the North Carolina November 2018 General Election ballot listing Christopher (Chris) Anglin as a candidate for NC Supreme Court Associate Justice Seat 1 (Jackson Seat) without my accompanying party affiliation of Republican, or if the Board otherwise determines—in the absence of a court order prohibiting such determination—it appropriate to certify, finalize, or print such ballots subject to the provisions of S.L. 2018-130. In that event, my attached candidate withdrawal takes effect retroactively to August 8, 2018 at noon. Should the courts otherwise allow my original filing based upon my party registration as of July 29, 2018 under S.L. 2018-13 to stand, the attached document should be considered void and of no effect.

Section 2(c) of S.L. 2018-13 (unamended), my attached candidate withdrawal takes effect retroactively to August 8, 2018 at noon.

Should you have any question about this conditional candidate withdrawal, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Christopher Anglin

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Conditional Candidate Withdrawal

Subject to the conditions contained in my accompanying 8 August 2018 letter, I hereby withdraw as a candidate for election to the office of *NC Supreme Court Associate Justice Seat 1 (Jackson Seat)* effective on this date 8 August 2018 at 12:00 noon, in the regular North Carolina general election to be held Tuesday, 6 November 2018.

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Christopher (Chris) Anglin

Witness:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF WAKE

Signed and sworn to before me this day by Christopher (Chris) Anglin, and I certify that the aforesaid person personally appeared before me this day acknowledging to me that he signed the foregoing Conditional Candidate Withdrawal.

Date:

(Official/Notarial Seal)

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Notary's Printed Name: Service Color

My commission expires: 42-2022