

**Occupation:** CNC Machinist

**Occupational Background:** Design Engineer

**Educational Background:** BSEE Purdue University 1984

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Voter Advocate since 1992

I'm a civil rights activist - not a politician. I'm committed to free elections, where all voters and candidates are guaranteed an equal opportunity to participate - even those I disagree with.

### **Top-Two Primary?**

California and Washington have abolished partisan elections. Both states now conduct nonpartisan "Top-Two" elections. No voter or candidate is forced to join a political party just to participate, and no candidate qualifies for any ballot based solely on party affiliation or endorsement.

### **Separate but Equal?**

In contrast, Oregon voters are segregated by party affiliation. Major parties are subsidized at taxpayer expense while Independents are systematically disenfranchised.

### **Secretary of State?**

Minority rights are enforced by our courts – not by initiative petition, and the Secretary of State should represent all voters – not just partisans. If elected, I believe I can successfully challenge the constitutionality of partisan elections in court. I don't believe this can be accomplished by anyone but Oregon's Chief Elections Officer.

### **Why Vote Independent?**

I'm an Independent voter because existing political parties don't represent working people like me.

### **Jobs and Business (JaB)?**

When business provides jobs, individuals can provide for themselves and their families - without government assistance. Jobs also generate tax revenue, which can be used for public spending on infrastructure, police, education, healthcare... Lose jobs, and all social ills like crime and terrorism increase.

### **Pandering + Organized Labor?**

Liberals constantly propose new government regulations and spending (Pandering), but can't create the jobs needed to fund the increased spending. Government doesn't create jobs. Labor Unions don't create or preserve jobs. Business creates jobs.

### **Profiteering + Religion?**

Conservatives claim that creating private wealth (Profiteering) automatically creates jobs and business through "trickle-down" economics. It just isn't true. More often, profiteering leads to job elimination, unsafe/unfair workplace conditions and environmental destruction. Finally, using legislation to impose religious beliefs is never acceptable.