

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COLE COUNTY
STATE OF MISSOURI**

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| RONALD J. CALZONE |) | |
| Plaintiff, |) | |
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| v. |) | CASE NO. 17AC-CC00250 |
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| MARGIE VANDEVEN, et al. |) | |
| Defendants |) | |
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AFFIDAVIT OF STACY SHORE

Comes the affiant, under oath, and does depose and say the following:

1. I, Stacy Shore, am over the age of eighteen and the following is based upon my personal knowledge.

2. I am the mother of children who have been or are enrolled in the public school system.

3. I am a licensed real estate agent and member of Missouri Realtors and incoming State Director for Lake of the Ozarks Board of Realtors.

4. In my private capacity as an individual citizen, I have been extensively involved in the state legislative process, tracking and either supporting or opposing bills that I believe will affect my family and my livelihood.

5. My legislative involvement includes extensive use of the General Assembly's website to try to stay current on the issues of greatest concern to me by searching for bills

that negatively affect my interests.

6. Because my professional commitments, and the responsibilities I have in caring for my home and raising my children take up the balance of my time, I need to be able to count on the legislature to abide by the rules set forth in the Missouri Constitution. I place a great deal of reliance on the original title of bills, as they have been filed, counting on the legislature to keep bills true to the purpose stated in their original title, thus narrowing the number of bills that I must spend time and energy watching. The only way private citizens of Missouri can be a part of the process is for the process to align to the intent of our Constitution.

7. I cannot afford to hire a lobbyist to protect my interests.

8. Because the legislature has been in the habit of amending failed bills to other bills that are continuing to move through the process, and because of what I believe to be their loose interpretation of what they consider to be germane amendments, I am sometimes surprised by the addition of what I consider to be problematic amendments to bills with original titles that describe a purpose not related to the amendment.

9. Most of my legislative activities relate to stopping the passage of laws that restrict my rights or adversely affect my interests. I have found the amendment process to be a greater threat than stand alone bills. There have been times I reasoned with enough legislators to understand the need to kill a bill, only to face threats of the same bill language being amended to numerous other bills – some of which did not start with a purpose that is germane to the matters I was concerned about.

10. In the final weeks of the legislative session, a large volume of bills are moving

and changing so quickly that I believe it is virtually impossible for individual citizens to track every bill the legislature considers to be germane, under existing practices by the legislature. The process becomes convoluted and very confusing. The process moves too fast for the ordinary citizens, who are working and caring for their family, to keep up with the rapid progression of proposed bills, that have not even had hearings, being tagged to a bill to create an omnibus bill that has multiple tentacles that are all unrelated, yet potentially very damaging just the same. This process has the practical effect of undermining the right of ordinary Missourians to affect the process by which the laws they must live under are made. Laws should be hard to pass, not as easy as tagging an amendment to a bill which title has been changed to accommodate the amendment.

Further affiant saith not.



Stacy Shore

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30 day of October A.D. 2017



Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 11-27-21

