

STATE OF MINNESOTA

DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF RAMSEY

SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

CASE TYPE: CIVIL/OTHER

Paul Wikstrom,

CASE NO.: 62-CV-24-7378

Contestant,

v.

Curtis Johnson,

Contestee.

**AFFIDAVIT OF NICHOLAS R. MORGAN**

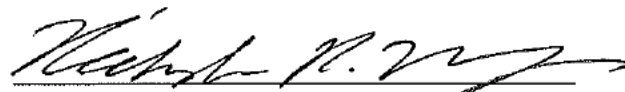
STATE OF MINNESOTA    )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN    )

NICHOLAS R. MORGAN states:

1. I am one of the attorneys representing the Contestant Paul Wikstrom and am familiar with the facts surrounding the notice of Election Contest and the procedural posture of the Notice of Election Contest filed under Chapter 209 et. seq.
2. I had a process server serve the petition upon contestant on Wednesday, November 20, 2024. The Affidavit of Service is attached as Exhibit A.
3. I filed with Court Administration in compliance with Chapter 209 et. seq. on Wednesday, November 20, 2024.
4. I had a process server serve courtesy copies of the Notice of Election Contest with the Minnesota Secretary of State and Ramsey County Auditor in compliance with

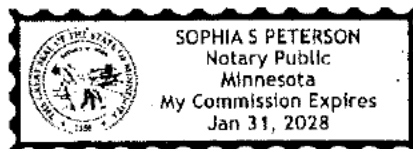
Chapter 209 et. seq. on Wednesday, November 20, 2024. Their Affidavits of Service are attached as Exhibits B and C.

5. Contestant Paul Wikstrom met every provision required under Minn. Stat. 209.021 to perfect jurisdiction
6. A Notice of Contest related to a general election under Minn. Stat. 209.03 subd. 2 requires an answer within seven days of service.
7. Service of the Notice of Election Contest occurred on Wednesday November 20, 2024.
8. Therefore, an answer from Contestee Curtis Johnson was due on or before Wednesday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
9. Contestant Paul Wikstrom did not receive an answer as required under 209.03 subd. 2
10. Contestant Paul Wikstrom has not received an answer to date from Contestee Curtis Johnson or any legal counsel retained by Contestee

  
NICHOLAS R. MORGAN

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
This 2nd day of ~~November~~ <sup>December</sup>, 2024

  
Notary Public



# **EXHIBIT A**

STATE OF MINNESOTA

AFFIDAVIT OF NON SERVICE

COUNTY OF HENNEPIN

**METRO LEGAL SERVICES**

Dave L. Holper, agent for Metro Legal Services, Inc., being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and states on November 20, 2024, at 1:45 PM that agents in his employ attempted to serve the:

Notice of Election Contest; List of Exhibits; Affidavit of Paul Wikstrom; Affidavit of Chris Bakeman; Affidavit of Kristine Bakeman; Affidavit of Elizabeth Guthrie; Affidavit of Denise Kruse; Affidavit of Julie K. Nordstrom; Affidavit of Christofer Sears; Exhibits [printed and thumb drive]; and [Proposed] Order

upon the within-named:


Curtis Johnson

at the address of:

3084 Payne Avenue, Little Canada, County of Ramsey, State of Minnesota, and was unable to effect personal service of process for the following reasons:

- The server spoke to a woman at 3084 Payne Avenue, believed to be Curtis's wife, who said he does not live there but got him on the phone. He arranged with the server to meet him at 2735 Rice Street.

**FURTHER YOUR AFFIANT SAITH NOT**

  
11/20/2024  
 Dave L. Holper, Process Server

Subscribed and sworn to before me on

11 / 20 / 2024

Michael Anthony Bernabo



# **EXHIBIT B**

State of Minnesota  
County of Hennepin

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Affidavit of Service

I, Mark Miller, state that on Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at 1:30 PM I served the Notice of Election Contest; List of Exhibits; Affidavit of Paul Wikstrom; Affidavit of Chris Bakeman; Affidavit of Kristine Bakeman; Affidavit of Elizabeth Guthrie; Affidavit of Denise Kruse; Affidavit of Julie K. Nordstrom; Affidavit of Christofer Sears; Exhibits [printed and thumb drive]; and [Proposed] Order upon Minnesota Secretary of State, therein named, personally at Suite 1400, 445 Minnesota Street, Saint Paul, MN 55101, by handing to and leaving with Matt Ferche, Assistant Attorney General, an Expressly Authorized agent of said Minnesota Secretary of State, a true and correct copy thereof.

I declare under penalty of perjury that everything I have stated in this document is true and correct. Minnesota Statute § 358.116.

Dated: 11/20/2024

  
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Mark Miller, Process Server



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# EXHIBIT C



State of Minnesota        )  
County of Hennepin        )

Affidavit of Service

I, Mark Miller, state that on Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at 1:10 PM I served the Notice of Election Contest; List of Exhibits; Affidavit of Paul Wikstrom; Affidavit of Chris Bakeman; Affidavit of Kristine Bakeman; Affidavit of Elizabeth Guthrie; Affidavit of Denise Kruse; Affidavit of Julie K. Nordstrom; Affidavit of Christofer Sears; Exhibits [printed and thumb drive]; and [Proposed] Order upon Ramsey County Property Tax & Election Services, therein named, personally at 90 Plato Boulevard West, Saint Paul, MN 55107, by handing to and leaving with David Triplett, Director, an Expressly Authorized agent of said Ramsey County Property Tax & Election Services, a true and correct copy thereof.

I declare under penalty of perjury that everything I have stated in this document is true and correct. Minnesota Statute § 358.116.

Dated: 11/20/2024 Mark Miller  
Mark Miller, Process Server



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