



Appendix A
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Statement of Organization
Candidates, Political Action or Ballot Question Committees
State of South Dakota

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State law requires statewide and legislative candidate committees, political action committees (PAC) and ballot question committees to register with the Secretary of State. Candidate committees must register within fifteen days after becoming a candidate. Candidate committees that have not already filed a statement of organization, PACs and ballot question committees must register not later than fifteen days after the date upon which the committee made contributions, received contributions or paid expenses in excess of five hundred dollars unless such activity falls within thirty days of any statewide election in which case the statement of organization shall be filed within forty-eight hours.

Full Name of Committee: Merchant for Senate

Street Address: ~~PO~~ 1140 Apache TR Brookings SD 57006

Postal Address: P.O. Box 763 Brookings SD 57006

Name of Chair: Pamela Merchant

Chair Daytime Telephone Number: 605-692-8547

Street Address: 1140 Apache Trail Brookings

Postal Address: P.O. Box 763 Brookings SD 57006

Name of Treasurer: Harold Widvey

Treasurer Daytime Telephone Number: 692-9599

Street Address: 681 Faculty Drive

Postal Address: Brookings, SD 57006-1635

Filed this 22 day of May 08
Chris Nelson
SECRETARY OF STATE

You must list the name, street address, postal address and telephone number of each financial institution where an account or depository is maintained.

Name of Financial Institution	Street and Postal Address	Telephone Number
<u>1st Bank & Trust</u>	<u>520 6th St P.O. Box 5057 Brookings SD 57006</u>	<u>605-696-BANK</u>

If you are a political action committee or a ballot question committee, you must include a concise statement of your purpose and goals.

Statement of Purpose and Goals:

NA

If you are a political action committee or a ballot question committee, you must list the full name, street address, and postal address of the organization with which the committee is connected or affiliated, or if the committee is not connected or affiliated with any one organization, the trade, profession, or primary interest of the committee.

Name of Organization: Merchant for Senate

Street and Postal Address: 1140 Apache Tr P.O. Box 763

Trade, profession, or primary interest of the committee: _____

Check here if your committee is incorporated under federal or state laws for liability purposes only.

The following verification must be completed before submitting statement.

VERIFICATION OF PERSONS MAKING REPORT

We Pamela Merchant Harold Widvey (print both names legibly), certify that we have examined this statement and to the best of our knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete. We also understand that failure to timely file any statement, amendment, or correction required subjects the treasurer responsible for filing to a civil penalty of fifty dollars per day for each day that the statement remains delinquent.

Date: 5/22/08 Pamela Merchant
Signature of candidate or chair

Date: 5/22/08 Harold Widvey
Signature of treasurer

The candidate or treasurer of a political committee shall file an updated statement of organization not later than fifteen days after any change in the information contained on the most recently filed statement of organization.

Submit Statement of Organization to:
Secretary of State, Elections Department
500 East Capitol Ave., Ste 204
Pierre, SD 57501

or fax to 605-773-6580 or email to kea.warne@state.sd.us

Fax and email images must contain the signature(s) and the original must be filed in our office within one week following the date the fax/email was received.

County, municipal and school candidates file with the person in charge of the local election.