

Press Release

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Las Vegas, NV October 26, 2009: Robert Holloway, representing a group of Nevada Republicans, announced today the formation of a Political Action Committee to oppose the candidacy of Sue Lowden for the United States Senate. Mr. Holloway stated the reasons for forming the committee as follows:

“Sue Lowden betrayed the trust of hundreds of delegates to the state Republican Convention in April of last year. She did so by abruptly halting the convention without the approval of the convention delegates and in the middle of vote counting. This prevented the election of delegates to the National Convention. Halting the convention without approval of the delegates was contrary to the rules of the convention and also violated an agreement that the state party had with the Republican National Committee to elect delegates at the convention.

As state party chairperson, Sue Lowden played a leading role in subverting the election. The election was halted so suddenly that one ballot box was carried away before the counting was completed. No explanation of the results for that ballot box has ever been made. It simply disappeared as if it had never existed. The delegates to the national convention were later selected by Sue Lowden and a few others, contrary to state law and party rules, which require that the delegates be elected by the state convention.

A contest committee consisted of nine high ranking members of the National Republican Committee characterized the actions of Lowden and her circle as follows:

‘The Committee on Contests, however, is deeply troubled by the ineptness of the State Party in conducting its process to select delegates and alternate delegates to the national convention. This committee rejects any process to select delegates and alternate delegates that restricts party grassroots activists from participating in that process, as appears to be the case here.

In its certification to the RNC, required to be filed by September 4, 2007, the Nevada State Party certified that it would elect its national convention delegates and alternate delegates at its state convention. The record before this committee is clear that this did not occur. Rather the record reflects that delegates to the national convention were selected by the State Party’s Executive Committee via teleconference after the state

convention failed to elect delegates and the State Party failed to reconvene the state convention. The Committee finds the State Party's delegate selection process flawed, inadequate, and unacceptable.'

Many Republicans were troubled by the arrogant and selfish actions of Sue Lowden. She was more interested in currying favor with a possible McCain administration than in promoting the long term interests of good government. Sue Lowden's leading role in improperly halting the delegate election disqualifies her for any position of trust in government. She apparently has little respect for one of the most important institutions in American government, that of fair elections. Our group hopes to raise awareness of the dismal record of Sue Lowden and to oppose her election to the Senate. The Political Action Committee has created a website at <http://www.fairnevadaelections.com/>

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