

Anoka, Minnesota,  
October, 4, 1918.

Hon. Julius A. Schmahl,  
Secretary of State,  
State Capitol,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

The undersigned hereby requests that his name as a candidate of the National Party be removed and eliminated from the list of those to be voted for, for the office of Secretary of State of Minnesota, at the General Election to be held on the 5th. day of November, 1918.

Accompanying this request is the affidavit of the undersigned in due form and compliance with the Statute in such case made and provided, and I request that said affidavit be filed in your office, to take effect immediately.

Very respectfully,

*W. L. Johnson*

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STATE OF MINNESOTA :  
:SS  
COUNTY OF HENNERIN :

C. L. Johnson, being first duly sworn, deposes as follows:

That he is a resident and citizen of Anoka County, Minnesota, of law age; that heretofore and prior to the 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1918, the ~~Prohibition~~ Prohibition Party was a lawful and legally acting political party having a separate existence and organization in the State of Minnesota as a political party; that by participation in primary elections and by polling the requisite number of votes for its nominees for State Offices it had become entitled to participate as a party in the primary election held in said State on the 17th. day of June, 1918, for the nomination of party candidates for State Offices; that on the said 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1918, by proper and regular procedure and in accordance with the provisions of the Statutes governing therein, the said ~~Prohibition~~ Prohibition party of the State of Minnesota changed its name to, and became the National Party, and as such was lawfully entitled to participate fully in said State primary election; that heretofore, to-wit on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1918, this affiant regularly and in due form filed an affidavit in the office of the Secretary of State and paid the fee fixed by the statute and requested that his name be entered and listed as a candidate of said party for Secretary of State and paid the fee fixed by the statute and requested that his name be entered and listed as a candidate of said party for Secretary of State to be voted for by the members and adherents of said National party at the next ensuing primary election to be, which was held on the 17th. day of June, 1918; that no other candidate took the necessary steps to participate as a candidate of said party or as a contestant for that office of said party, so that in due course and by operation of law, and without being voted for at said primary election, affiant became the candidate of said party for said office, solely to be voted for as such at the general election to be

held on the 5th. day of November, 1918.

And affiant further deposes and says that he wishes no longer to be a candidate of said party, or at all, for said office of Secretary of State, but desires to withdraw as a candidate and contestant for said office; that he has requested and now requests the Secretary of State to remove and eliminate his (affiant's) name from the list of candidates for Secretary of State.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
5 day of October, 1918.

AS McLaughlin

Notary Public, Hennepin County, Minn.  
My commission expires July 21-1922

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