



STATE OF MICHIGAN
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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August 13, 2014

Tracy Paulus, Treasurer
Citizens to Elect Todd Courser
455 South Main Street
Lapeer, Michigan 48446

Todd Courser
Todd A. Courser, PLLC
455 South Main, LLC
455 South Main Street
Lapeer, Michigan 48446

Dear Ms. Paulus and Mr. Courser:

The Department of State (Department) received two formal complaints filed by Elizabeth DeShone against the Citizens to Elect Todd Courser committee (Committee), Todd A. Courser, PLLC, and 455 South Main, LLC (the Companies), alleging that the Committee and the Companies violated the Michigan Campaign Finance Act (MCFA or Act), 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.201 *et seq.* The investigation and resolution of these complaints is governed by section 15 of the Act and the corresponding administrative rules, R 169.51 *et seq.* Copies of the complaints and supporting documentation are enclosed with this letter.

The MCFA requires a committee to file a statement of organization within 10 days after a committee is formed. MCL 169.224(1). Late fees may be incurred if the statement of organization is filed late. *Id.* Failure to file a statement of organization for more than 30 days is a misdemeanor offense. *Id.* By statutory definition, a committee is formed when "a person¹ receives contributions or makes expenditures for the purpose of influencing or attempting to influence the action of voters for or against the nomination or election of a candidate . . . if contributions received total \$500.00 or more in a calendar year or expenditures made total \$500.00 or more in a calendar year." MCL 169.203(4). A statement of organization must be filed within 10 days of reaching one of these \$500.00 thresholds.

The Act further requires committees to file periodic campaign finance statements and reports. MCL 169.233, 235. The failure to file a single campaign statement may trigger late filing fees. MCL 169.233(7), 235(3). In certain circumstances, a failure to file may constitute a misdemeanor offense. MCL 169.233(8), 235(5).

¹ Under the MCFA, "person" includes a business, partnership, or company. MCL 169.211(2).

Ms. DeShone alleges that 455 South Main made expenditures or in-kind contributions to the Committee exceeding the \$500.00 threshold and has not filed a statement of organization or filed any required campaign finance statements.

The MCFA requires filed campaign finance statements and reports to be complete and accurate. MCL 169.233. A treasurer who knowingly files an incomplete or inaccurate statement or report may be subject to a civil fine of up to \$1,000.00. MCL 169.233(10). A treasurer who knowingly omits or underreports a contribution or expenditure may be subject to a civil fine of up to \$1,000.00, or the amount of the undisclosed contribution or expenditure, whichever is greater. MCL 169.233(11).

Ms. DeShone alleges that the Committee has failed to report in-kind contributions in regard to the Todd Courser candidate website and the use of office space.

The Department notes that Ms. DeShone has also alleged that the Companies have possibly made impermissible corporate contributions to the Committee in contravention of section 54 of the Act. MCL 169.254. However, the Attorney General has stated that "the prohibition on corporations making contributions or expenditures in elections for state office in section 54(1) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act does not apply to limited liability companies formed under the Michigan Limited Liability Company Act." AG Op. # 6807 (June 23, 1994). (Enclosed.) Therefore, these portions of Ms. DeShone's complaints are dismissed.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the Department's examination of these matters and your right to respond to the allegations before the Department proceeds further. It is important to understand that the Department is neither making this complaint nor accepting the allegations as true.

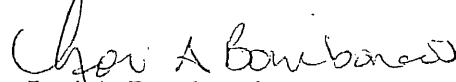
If you wish to file a written response to the complaint, you are required to do so within 15 business days of the date of this letter. You may submit one answer signed by both of you, or you each may submit a separate answer. Your response may include any written statement or additional documentary evidence you wish to submit. All materials must be sent to the Department of State, Bureau of Elections, Richard H. Austin Building, 1st Floor, 430 West Allegan Street, Lansing, Michigan 48918. If you fail to submit a response, the Department will render a decision based on the evidence furnished by the complainant.

A copy of your reply will be provided to Ms. DeShone, who will have an opportunity to submit a rebuttal statement to the Department. After reviewing all of the statements and materials provided by the parties, the Department will determine whether "there may be reason to believe that a violation of [the MCFA] has occurred [.]". MCL 169.215(10). Note that the Department's enforcement powers include the possibility of entering a conciliation agreement, conducting an administrative hearing, or referring this matter to the Attorney General for enforcement of the criminal penalties provided in sections 24(1), 33(8), and 35(5) of the Act.

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If you have any questions concerning this matter, you may contact me at (517) 241-0395.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lori A. Bourbonais".

Lori A. Bourbonais
Bureau of Elections
Michigan Department of State

c: Elizabeth DeShone

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STATE OF MICHIGAN

FRANK J. KELLEY, ATTORNEY GENERAL

Opinion No. 6807

June 23, 1994

CORPORATIONS:

Ban on corporate political contributions or expenditures in elections for state office

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES:

Ban on corporate political contributions or expenditures in elections for state office

MICHIGAN CAMPAIGN FINANCE ACT:

Ban on corporate political contributions or expenditures in elections for state office

The prohibition on corporations making contributions or expenditures in elections for state office in section 54(1) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act does not apply to limited liability companies formed under the Michigan Limited Liability Company Act.

Contributions or expenditures to a candidate from a limited liability company may be attributed to individual members of the company.

A limited liability company that has a corporation as a member may not make contributions or expenditures in elections for state office with funds derived from the corporate member.

A limited liability company that has a corporation as a member may make contributions or expenditures in elections for state office with segregated funds derived from the non-corporate members of the limited liability company.

Honorable Richard H. Austin

Secretary of State

Treasury Building

Lansing, Michigan

You have asked several questions regarding the ability of limited liability companies formed under the Michigan Limited Liability Company Act (LLCA), 1993 PA 23, MCL 450.4101 et seq; MSA 21.198(4101) et seq, to make political contributions. Your first question is whether the prohibition on corporate contributions or expenditures in elections for state office in section 54(1) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act (CFA), 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.254 (1); MSA 4.1703(54)(1), applies to limited liability companies formed under the LLCA.

The LLCA authorizes a new form of organization for conducting business. In a limited liability company the members of the company, like the shareholders of a corporation, are not personally liable for the debts of the organization. See section 501(2) of the LLCA. But section 204(2)(b) and (2)(c)(i) requires a limited liability company to distinguish itself from a corporation in its name. Unlike a corporation, a limited liability company does not have an unlimited duration. See sections 203(1)(e) and 801 of the LLCA. Finally, the LLCA is designed so that limited liability companies will be treated like partnerships rather than corporations for federal income tax purposes. House Legislative Analysis, HB4023, May 26, 1993.

In *Austin v Michigan Chamber of Commerce*, 494 US 652; 110 SCt 1391; 108 LEd2d 652 (1990), on remand 937 F2d 608 (1991), the United States Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the section 54(1) prohibition on corporate contributions or expenditures in elections for state office. In reaching that result, the Court made it clear that the section 54(1) prohibition on corporate contributions did not apply to "unincorporated associations." *Austin*, supra, at 666.

Section 102(2)(i) of the LLCA defines a "limited liability company" as "an entity that is an unincorporated association having 2 or more members and is formed under this act." (Emphasis added.) Based on this statutory definition, it is clear that a limited liability company is not a corporation subject to the prohibitions on campaign contributions in section 54(1) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act.

It is my opinion, therefore, that the prohibition on corporations making contributions or expenditures in elections for state office in section 54(1) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act does not apply to limited liability companies formed under the Michigan Limited Liability Company Act.

Your second question is whether contributions or expenditures to a candidate from a limited liability company may be attributed to individual members of the company. There is currently no specific statutory or administrative rule covering how political contributions of a limited liability company account must be attributed.

The main purpose of the LLCA is to provide a form of business organization in which the limited liability company's members are not personally liable for the company's debts while securing the same federal tax treatment as partnerships. House Legislative Analysis, HB4023, May 26, 1993. If properly structured, a limited liability company will be treated as a pass-through entity for federal income tax purposes. See Rev.Rul. 88-76, 1988-2 CB 360. Pass-through entities are not subject to federal income tax at the entity level, unlike corporations.

Your department has addressed this issue, in the context of partnerships, in 1982 AACs, R 169.35a, which provides:

(1) A contribution drawn on a partnership account shall be attributed to the partners as individuals, and not to the partnership, if the contribution is accompanied by a written statement containing the name and address of each contributing partner and the amount of each partner's contribution. The statement shall include the occupation, employer, and principal place of business of each individual who is a member of the partnership and contributed \$200.01 or more for that election.

(2) A committee which receives a written statement attributing a partnership contribution to the partners as individuals shall report the contribution as if the committee had received a separate contribution from each individual. [Emphasis added.]

Rule 169.35a recognizes that, in Michigan, a partnership is a distinct legal entity separate from the individual partners. *Employment Security Comm v Crane*, 334 Mich 411, 416; 54 NW2d 616 (1952). Contributions drawn on a partnership account are attributed to partners as individuals if they are accompanied by written statements containing the names and addresses of the contributing partners and the amounts of their contributions. Individual partners are not required to form a committee pursuant to MCL 169.203(4); MSA 4.1703(3)4, even if their contributions exceed \$500.00.

The same reasoning underlying Rule 169.35a may be applied to an entity organized under the LLCA. Under section 304 of the LLCA, a limited liability company is similar to a partnership in that a member is entitled to receive distributions from the company before the member's withdrawal and before dissolution. The member, subject to any restrictions in the company's operating agreement and other limitations in the LLCA, may reach his or her draw or share. The individual members are separate and distinct from the limited liability company similar to a partner in a partnership. See section 102(2)(i) and (1) of the LLCA. Accordingly, like a partnership, contributions from a limited liability company may be attributable to individual members if the contributions are accompanied by written statements

containing the names and addresses of the contributing members and the amounts of their contributions.

It is my opinion, therefore, that contributions or expenditures to a candidate from a limited liability company may be attributed to individual members of the company.

Your third question is whether a limited liability company that has a corporation as a member may make contributions or expenditures in elections for state office with funds derived from the corporate member. Under section 102(2)(i)(1) and (o) of the LLCA, a corporation may be a member of a limited liability company. However, there is no language in the LLCA that suggests that the Legislature, in passing that statute, intended to relax the ban on corporate contributions and expenditures in elections for state office found in section 54(1) of the CFA.

The courts have consistently upheld the power of the Michigan Legislature to prohibit corporate contributions or expenditures in elections for state office to preserve the integrity of the elective process. In *People v Gansley*, 191 Mich 357, 376; 158 NW 195 (1916), the Court stated:

It is probable that the legislature had in mind the fact that it is matter of history that corporations have in many instances used their funds (acting through and by their officers) to influence elections, and that body believed that such practice was an abuse and menace to good government, which it sought to remedy by this legislation. The record, in our opinion, is a justification for the legislation complained of.

It was for the legislature to say, in the exercise of the police power, whether such use of corporate funds opened the door to corruption and tended to destroy safeguards sought to be placed around elections to "protect the purity of the ballot."

More recently, in *Advisory Opinion on the Constitutionality of 1975 PA 227* (Questions 2-10), 396 Mich 465, 492; 242 NW2d 3 (1976), four Justices of the Michigan Supreme Court stated:

The legislative intent in prohibiting financial involvement of corporations in the elective process was to prevent the use of corporate funds to impose undue influence upon elections. Large aggregations of capital controlled by a few persons could have a significant impact upon the nomination or election of a candidate. The possibility of misuse of corporate assets by persons acting on behalf of uninformed or unwilling shareholders and the attempts at influence or importunity which might be exerted upon a successfully elected candidate by a contributing corporation represent abuses which the passage of the corrupt practices act sought to eliminate. [Footnote omitted.]

In *Austin*, supra, 494 US, at 659-660, the Supreme Court majority ruled:

[M]ichigan's regulation aims at a different type of corruption in the political arena: the corrosive and distorting effects of immense aggregations of wealth that are accumulated with the help of the corporate form and that have little or no correlation to the public's support for the corporation's political ideas. See supra, at 658-659, 108 LEd2d, at 691. The Act does not attempt "to equalize the relative influence of speakers on elections," rather, it ensures that expenditures reflect actual public support for the political ideas espoused by corporations. We emphasize that the mere fact that corporations may accumulate large amounts of wealth is not the justification for Sec. 54; rather, the unique state conferred corporate structure that facilitates the amassing of large treasuries warrants the limit on independent expenditures. Corporate wealth can unfairly influence elections when it is deployed in the form of independent expenditures, just as it can when it assumes the guise of political contributions. We therefore hold that the State has articulated a sufficiently compelling rationale to support its restriction on independent expenditures by corporations. [Citations omitted.]

If corporations could contribute to candidates for state office indirectly through limited liability companies, it would render the prohibition on corporate contributions in section 54(1) of the CFA meaningless. The legislative intention in passing the LLCA was to authorize a new form of business entity for liability and tax purposes, not to eliminate the ban on corporate contributions in elections for state office.

It is my opinion, therefore, that a limited liability company that has a corporation as a member may not make contributions or expenditures in elections for state office with funds derived from the corporate member.

Your fourth question is whether a limited liability company that has a corporation as a member may make contributions or expenditures in elections for state office with funds derived from the non-corporate members of the limited liability company. There is no prohibition on contributions or expenditures in elections for state office by the non-corporate members. Thus, the limited liability company may make contributions and expenditures in elections for state office with segregated funds derived from the non-corporate members. Given the prohibition on corporate contributions, the limited liability company may not make contributions or expenditures in elections for state office unless it segregates its funds so the contributions are made only with funds derived from the non-corporate members.

It is my opinion, therefore, that a limited liability company that has a corporation as a member may make contributions or expenditures in elections for state office with segregated funds derived from the non-corporate members of the limited liability company.

Frank J. Kelley

Attorney General

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State of Michigan, Department of Attorney General

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Complaint Against:

*Citizens to Elect Todd Courser
Committee Identification No. 517033
Treasurer: Tracy Paulus
455 S. Main Street
Lapeer, MI 48446
Telephone No. 810.375.7818*

*Todd A. Courser, PLLC
Resident Agent: Todd Courser
455 S. Main Street
Lapeer, MI 48446
Telephone No. 800.376.2216*

Complainant:

*Elizabeth DeShone
215 South Washington Square, Suite B
Lansing, MI 48933
Telephone No. 517.375.2769*

Dated: July 31, 2014

***Filed Pursuant to MCL 169.215
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Lansing, Michigan 48918***

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COMPLAINT

Complainant, Elizabeth DeShone, whose address is 215 South Washington Square, Suite B, Lansing, MI 48933, Telephone: 517.375.2769, declares to the Michigan Secretary of State the following:

STATEMENT OF FACTS

1. Todd Courser is a candidate for the office of State Representative.
2. Citizens to Elect Todd Courser is the candidate committee for Todd Courser. See Attachment 1. Tracy Paulus is the Treasurer of Citizens to Elect Todd Courser. See Attachment 1.
3. Todd A. Courser, PLLC is a "corporation" for the purposes of Section 54 of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act. See Attachment 2.
4. Citizens to Elect Todd Courser and Todd A. Courser, PLLC both utilize the website domain name, www.toddcourser.com. See Attachment 1 (Item 6), Attachment 3, and Attachment 4. As evidenced by the Statement of Organization for Citizens to Elect Todd Courser being filed in an envelope owned by Todd A. Courser, PLLC (see Attachment 1), there appears to be a pattern of corporate resources supporting campaign activity by the Respondents.
5. The website domain name, www.toddcourser.com was created in the year 2000. See Attachment 5. Attachment 5 does not indicate the owner of the website domain name, www.toddcourser.com.
6. According to the Pre-Primary Report filed by Citizens to Elect Todd Courser on July 25, 2014, there are no in-kind contributions or expenditures reported which indicate how Citizens to Elect Todd Courser is paying for the use of the website domain name, www.toddcourser.com.
7. Accordingly, there are two likely possibilities:
 - (a) If the website domain name, www.toddcourser.com is owned by Todd Courser individually, the use of the domain name would be a reportable in-kind contribution; therefore, Citizens to Elect Todd Courser has violated Section 33(10) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act for knowingly filing an incomplete or inaccurate statement or report, thereby subjecting a treasurer or other designated individual to a civil fine of not more than \$1,000; or
 - (b) If Todd A. Courser, PLLC owns the website domain name, www.toddcourser.com, then Todd A. Courser, PLLC has violated Section 54 of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act by making an illegal corporate contribution to Citizens to Elect Todd Courser, thereby subjecting a person to a felony and fines.

CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, either Respondent Citizens to Elect Todd Courser has violated Section 33(10) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act or Respondent Todd A. Courser, PLLC has violated Section 54 of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act.

REQUEST FOR ACTION BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Accordingly, the Complainant respectfully requests that the Secretary of State immediately investigate these violations and determine whether Respondent Citizens to Elect Todd Courser has violated Section 33(10) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act or Respondent Todd A. Courser, PLLC has violated Section 54 of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act and to assess all appropriate penalties. Further, the Complainant respectfully requests the Secretary of State refer this matter to the Michigan Attorney General for the enforcement of appropriate criminal penalties.

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, formed after a reasonable inquiry under the circumstances, each factual contention of this complaint is supported by evidence.

Respectfully submitted,


Dated: July 31, 2014


Elizabeth DeShone

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, there are grounds to conclude that the following specifically identified factual contentions are likely to be supported by evidence after reasonable opportunity for further inquiry. Those specific contentions are the owner of the website domain name, www.toddcourser.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: July 31, 2014


Elizabeth DeShone

ATTACHMENT 1



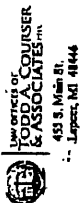
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STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION FORM FOR CANDIDATE COMMITTEES

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| 1. Committee ID #: 517033 | | *2. Type of Filing: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original: <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment to Items: | | Eff. Date: | |
| *3. Full Name of Committee (must include Candidate's first and last name): Citizens to Elect Todd Courser | | | | | |
| *4a. Candidate Full Name: Last Name Courser | | First Name Todd | | M.I. A | |
| *4b. Political Party (if applicable): Republican Party | | *4c. County of Residence: LAPEER | | | |
| *4d. Office Sought: State Rep | | *4e. District/Circuit # or Jurisdiction: 82 | | | |
| *5. Date Committee was Formed: 4/22/2014 | | | | | |
| *6a. Committee Phone: (810) 375-7818 | | 6b. Committee Fax #: (810) 245-0907 | | | |
| 6c. Committee Email Address: toddcourser@toddcourser.com | | 6d. Committee Website Address: toddcourser.com | | | |
| *7a. Complete Committee Mailing Address (May be PO Box): 455 S Main St Lapeer, MI 48446 | | | | | |
| *7b. Complete Committee Street Address (May not be PO Box): 455 S Main St Lapeer, MI 48446 | | | | | |
| *8. Treasurer Name and Complete Address: Tracy Paulus 455 S Main St Lapeer, MI 48446 | | | | | |
| Phone #: (810) 245-0813 | | Email Address: tracypaulus@hotmail.com | | | |
| 9. Designated Record Keeper Name and Complete Address: Georgeann Courser 455 S Main St Lapeer, MI 48446 | | | | | |
| Phone #: (810) 245-0813 | | Email Address: georgeann@toddcourser.com | | | |
| *10. REPORTING WAIVER REQUEST: <input type="checkbox"/> YES, I/WE WANT TO APPLY FOR THE REPORTING WAIVER. The committee does not expect to receive or expend in excess of \$1,000 in an election. I/We understand that if the committee does not spend or received in excess of \$1,000 in an election, the committee does not owe Pre, Post, Quarterly and Annual Campaign Statements. I/We further understand that the Reporting Waiver will be automatically lost if the committee exceeds the \$1,000 threshold and all required campaign statements must be filed. <u>A Reporting Waiver does not exempt a committee from filing Late Contribution Reports.</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO, I/WE DO NOT WANT TO APPLY FOR THE REPORTING WAIVER. The committee expects to receive or expend in excess of \$1,000 in an election. I/We understand that the committee owes Pre, Post, Quarterly and Annual Campaign Statements even if the committee does not spend or receive in excess of \$1,000 in an election. I further understand that the Reporting Waiver cannot be requested retroactively to avoid filing requirements and to avoid paying late filing fees. Further information regarding Reporting Waivers can be found in <u>Appendix C</u> of the Committee Manual. | | | | | |
| *11. Name and Address of Depositories or Intended Depositories of committee funds. (Michigan Bank, Credit Union or Savings & Loan Association) While this item must be completed, an account does not have to be opened until the first contribution is received. *Official Depository (name and address): Chase Bank 1643 N Lapeer Rd Lapeer, MI 48446 Secondary Depository (name and address): | | | | | |
| 12. <input type="checkbox"/> This item applies only to Gubernatorial Candidate Committees: Check if this committee intends to seek qualifying contributions or make qualifying expenditures. | | | | | |
| 13. ELECTRONIC FILING: This item applies to committees that file with the Michigan Department of State Bureau of Elections only and does not apply to Candidate Committees that file with the County Clerk's office. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Committee spent or received or expects to spend or receive in excess of \$5,000 and is required to file electronically. <input type="checkbox"/> Committee did not spend or receive or does not expect to spend or receive in excess of \$5,000 and would like to file electronically voluntarily. Further information regarding Electronic Filing can be found in <u>Appendix D</u> of the Committee Manual. | | | | | |
| 14. Verification: I/We certify that all reasonable diligence was used in the preparation of the above statement and that the contents are true, accurate and complete to the best of my/our knowledge or belief. If filing electronically, we further agree that the signatures below shall serve as the signatures that verify the accuracy and completeness of each statement filed electronically by the committee. I/We certify that all reasonable diligence will be used in the preparation of each statement electronically filed by this committee and that the contents of each statement will be true, accurate and complete to the best of my/our knowledge or belief. (Sign Name and Date) | | | | | |
| *Candidate: | | Date: 4/22/14 | | *Current Treasurer: | |
| Designated Record Keeper (Required only if filing electronically): | | Date: 4/22/14 | | Date: 4/22/14 | |



Law Office of
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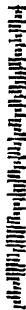
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ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION
For use by Domestic Professional Service Limited Liability Companies
 (Please read information and instructions on last page)

Pursuant to the provisions of Act 23, Public Acts of 1993, the undersigned execute the following Articles:

ARTICLE I

The name of the professional limited liability company is: **Todd A Courser pllc**

ARTICLE II

The limited liability company is organized for the sole and specific purpose of rendering the following professional service(s):

Attorney at Law

ARTICLE III

The duration of the limited liability company if other than perpetual is: _____

ARTICLE IV

1. The street address of the registered office is:

455 S. Main Street **Lapeer** **48446**
 (Street Address) (City) (ZIP Code)

2. The mailing address of the registered office if different than above:

 (Street Address or P.O. Box) (City) Michigan (ZIP Code)

3. The name of the resident agent at the registered office is: **Todd A. Courser**

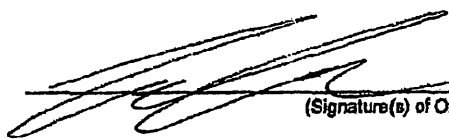
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ARTICLE V

All members and managers, will be duly licensed or otherwise legally authorized to render one or more of the professional service(s) for which this limited liability company is organized except as otherwise provided in Section 904 of P.A. 23 of 1993 or prohibited.

ARTICLE VI (Insert any additional provisions authorized by the act, attach additional pages if needed.)

Signed this 9th day of January, 2007


(Signature(s) of Organizer(s))

Todd A. Courser

(Type or Print Name(s) of Organizer(s))

ATTACHMENT 3

Menu

TODD COURSER

For State Representative

THE RIGHT COURSE FOR MICHIGAN



Todd's Right Course for Michigan Plan





About Todd Courser



Where Todd stands on the issues

"I am running for State Representative in Michigan's 82nd District because we need to put Michigan on the right course. I will be a strong conservative leader who will stand up for what is right.

As a 20 year small business owner, accountant and attorney specializing in taxes, estate planning, medicare, and business law I know how to bring jobs back to Michigan and Lapeer County."

Todd Courser

Latest News

Press Release: Todd Courser Confirms Status as Frontrunner

MAY 14, 2014

Lapeer, Michigan- Lifelong Lapeer County resident, small business owner, attorney and candidate for the 82nd State House District, Todd Courser, holds a sizable lead over all of his opponents for the August 5, 2014 Republican Primary election. According to poll results conducted for the campaign by Bellwether Strategies, the Courser campaign has...

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Press Release: Website Relaunch

MAY 09, 2014

Lapeer, Michigan- Todd Courser, candidate for State Representative in the 82nd district serving Lapeer County,

announces the relaunch of his website, which has moved away from party activism and is geared up for his race to fill the open seat vacated by termed out Representative Kevin Daley. The website can be viewed...

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State Rep. Announcement

MAY 09, 2014

I have filed today to run for State Representative for Lapeer County, in the 82nd District. I am running for State Representative to put Michigan on the right course. It will take Principled Constitutional Conservative Leadership to restore our State and Nation back to greatness. We no longer have faith in...

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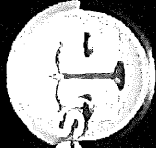
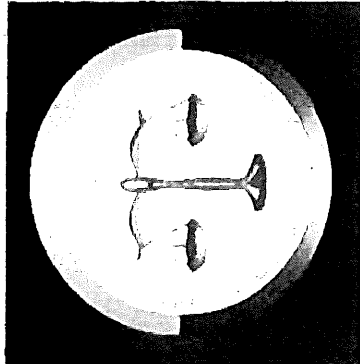
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