



March 18, 2019

To the Board of County Commissioners,

The Registrar of Voters has confirmed that Jonathon R. Haley

who resides at

1831 Fargo Way, Sparks, NV 89434



Meets the below requirements



Does not meet the below requirements

Namely, the applicant:

Actually, as opposed to constructively, resides at the physical address listed above, which is within the boundaries of Assembly District 30;

Is a registered member of the Democratic Party;

Is at least 21 years old and a qualified elector pursuant to Section 1 of of Article 2 of the Constitution of the State of Nevada

The applicant does not meet the above requirements for the following reason(s)

  
Deanna Spikula, Registrar of Voters

  
Date

## NEVADA ASSEMBLY SEAT DISTRICT 30 APPLICATION OF INTEREST

(Note: This document and accompanying materials will become public record as part of the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners March 26, 2019 meeting.)

**Only complete applications will be forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration.**

### General Information

Applicant Name: Jonathon R. Haley  
Physical Address: 1831 Fargo Way  
City: Sparks, NV Zip: 894134  
Mailing Address: Same  
Best Contact Phone Number: 775-357-3001  
Email Address: jonhaley91@gmail.com



I certify, by signing below, the following:

☒ That I actually, as opposed to constructively, reside at the physical address listed above, which is **WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES** of Assembly District 30;

You can verify that you live within the boundaries of Assembly District 30 by referencing this map: <http://www.leg.state.nv.us/division/research/districts/reapp/2001/maps/asm30.jpg>

☒ That I am registered as a member of the **Democratic Party**;

☒ That I am at least **21 YEARS OLD** and a **QUALIFIED ELECTOR** pursuant to Section 1 of Article 2 of the Constitution of the State of Nevada;

☒ That there is no legal condition, status, or other matter which would prevent me from taking the oath of office as a Nevada Legislator or from holding such an office.

Signature

Date 3-19-19

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Along with this application, you may attach information regarding your background and education such as a letter of interest, a resume, or a statement of qualifications. (For example, you may include information about political activities, community work, and memberships in various organizations.)

### **SUBMITTING APPLICATION**

Your completed application may be submitted by email to Dana Searcy at [dsearcy@washoecounty.us](mailto:dsearcy@washoecounty.us) or delivered in-person to the County Manager's Office, 2nd Floor, Room 201, Washoe County Administrative Complex, 1001 E. 9th St, Reno, 89512 by **5 PM, March 19, 2019.**

Jonathon R. Haley  
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February 19, 2019

Board of County Commissioners | Washoe County  
1001 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
Reno, NV 89512

Dear Board of Commissioners:

I am interested in the 30<sup>th</sup> District Assembly Seat. I believe that my education and relevant work experiences make me the best candidate for this position. My knowledge of the community, strong attention to detail, background of social work, analytical skills, Spanish language and interest in mental health provides me an excellent foundation to be an dedicated advocate and voice for my community.

**My Qualifications:**

- I am lifelong democrat and a registered member of the Nevada Democratic Party;
- I am firmly rooted in the social work principals of social justice, integrity and competence;
- I have a Master's Degree in Social Work from the University of Nevada, Reno | GPA 3.99;
- In my MSW program, I conducted the first LGBTQ needs assessment in UNR history;
- I'm Fluent in Spanish, and culturally competent with the needs of all Nevadans ;
- I am very well organized and keep meticulous records a skill deemed essential to this position;
- My current position as a clinical social work intern and child welfare worker for Washoe County provides with the essential knowledge, skills and ability to perform the duties of a Assemblyman effectively;
- I hold two bachelor's degrees, one in Political Science and one in Spanish Language. I Graduated with high honors. I served on the Alma College Presidential Advisory Committee for four years;
- I was president of my class in college, president of Alpha Phi Omega National Service Org, involved in student senate for four years and a three-time award winner in the international Model United Nations competition in New York, New York. I have excellent verbal and written communication skills;
- I've held several positions such as Office Assistant, Student Library Supervisor, Spanish Language Assistant, Case Manager, Food and Beverage Server, and Social Worker that required the ability to work-independently and effectively plan, prioritize and use my time to ensure deadlines were met on time and management objectives were exceeded;
- I'm a proud community supporter of KUNR, KNPB, Upward Bound, Our Center, PLAN, The Nevada Gay Men's Chorus, The Washoe County Democrats and the Food Bank of Northern Nevada.

Enclosed you will find a letter of interest that provides more detail on the above qualifications.

Sincerely,

*Jonathon R. Haley*

Jonathon R. Haley | LSW, MSW, CSW-Intern

( enclosure )

1831 Fargo Way  
Sparks, NV 89434

RE: Letter of Interest

Dear Board of Commissioners:

My name is Jonathon R. Haley and I'm interested in filing the vacant seat for Nevada's 30<sup>th</sup> Assembly District. I believe that I am the best candidate for this position for the following reasons. I have a bachelor's degree in Spanish & Political Science from Alma College and a Master's of Social Work from the University of Nevada. I'm currently employed by Washoe County Human Services as a social worker, investigating allegations of child abuse or neglect that occur in our community.

As a first responder, I get called to the scene when there is an emergency involving children, working cooperatively with our brave women and men from local law enforcement. Through my role, I see the needs in my district for mental health services, affordable housing, improved public transportation, improved K-12 education, and access to food and clothing. These are just a handful of issues that I would like to address at the state level, bringing these vital resources back to our community.

According to a October 31, 2018 report by *Nevada Current*, Nevada ranks 51<sup>st</sup> in the nation for access to mental health resources. Furthermore, the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health Office of Suicide Prevention reported that Nevada has the 11<sup>th</sup> highest suicide rate in the nation. These numbers are unacceptable and I believe that the Silver State can do better. I will introduce legislation to combat this epidemic in our community.

Just in my zip code alone, 95% of housing units are already occupied. The median home value in Washoe County is \$367K and the median rental cost is \$1,750 a month. Families making minimum wage are being priced out of the market forcing families to move in together to share housing costs or become homeless. The Washoe County School District (WCSD) identified over 3,500 children living in motels, homeless shelters, domestic violence shelters, Kids Kottage, and doubled up with other families. In 2017, WCSD had a graduation rate of 84% according to the Nevada Department of Education. 16% of Washoe County's youth are being left behind. If chosen for this seat, I will introduce legislation to improve funding for Washoe County schools with a goal of raising the graduation rate to 95% within the next ten years.

For two years I worked at Catholic Charities in Reno in the immigration assistance and food pantry programs. I saw the number of families needing food assistance rising as cost of living increased without an increase in wages. As a new legislator, I will propose an increase in SNAP benefits and the Nevada minimum wage so that any Nevadan who works full time does not struggle to make ends meet. I'm a first generation college student and the first in my family to have an advanced degree. I personally understand the stress and financial burden of going to college. I'm still paying off my student loans. I support college access programs like TRiO, Gear Up and First in the Pack. As a member of the Nevada Legislature I will vote expand these programs for Nevada's youth.

I'm a firm believer in the National Association of Social Worker's Code of Ethics. We believe in service, social justice, dignity and worth of the person, importance of human relationships integrity and competence. Social workers provide essential services to our community and I believe that my first job as a social worker is to be an advocate for my clients. Nevada Assembly Majority Leader, Teresa Benitez-Thompson is a social worker and the epitome of dedicated public servant. I will use my training as a social worker to be an advocate for my community.

Overall, it would be an honor and the fulfillment of a lifetime goal to be chosen as the next member of the Nevada Assembly. I will be an advocate for my community and fight for the rights of all Nevadans. Go Pack!

Sincerely,

*Jonathon R. Haley*

Jonathon R. Haley | LSW, MSW, CSW-Intern

# Jonathon R. Haley

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## EMPLOYMENT OBJECTIVE

To become the next assemblyman for the 30<sup>th</sup> District of Nevada. I believe that my knowledge of the community, strong attention to detail, background of social work, analytical skills, Spanish language and interest in mental health provides me an excellent foundation to be a dedicated advocate and voice for my community.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Fluent in Spanish | Eagle Scout | Clinical Social Work (CSW) Intern | First Generation College Student
- Licensed Social Worker (LSW) | Master of Social Work (MSW) from University of Nevada, Reno | **GPA 3.99**
- Knowledgeable regarding therapeutic interventions, child welfare, experience working with diverse clients
- Exceptionally organized, strong analytical skills, ability to work independently and in teams

## WORK HISTORY

**WASHOE COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES**—Children's Services – Reno, NV **06/2017 – Present**  
*Social Worker III*

- Conduct in-depth interviews with clients, family members, caregivers, and community members;
- Prepare case notes, court reports, document information and maintain accurate case records;
- Investigate cases concerning child neglect or abuse; gather information, determine the urgency and severity of risk and recommend appropriate action to safeguard child;

**WASHOE COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES**—Children's Services – Reno, NV **08/2015 – 05/2016**  
*Social Work Independent Living Intern*

- Ensured child safety, facilitated client meetings, home visits, youth transportations and physician appointments;
- Worked independently to complete *Casey Life Skills Assessments* for youth in care;
- Documented case notes, assessments, & direct client contact in UNITY;
- Independently completed psychosocial assessments with adults and adolescents consistent;
- Provided case management services utilizing the SAFE model to assure children's needs were being met by making referrals and coordinating team meetings;

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF NORTHERN NV** – Reno, NV **06/2014 – 08/2015**  
*Pantry Outreach Coordinator*

- Traveled to food pantries in Washoe County to conduct needs assessments and distribute resources;
- Assisted clients with applications for SNAP, Medicaid, rental assistance, energy assistance;
- Followed up with clients monthly until needs were met or benefits obtained;
- Maintained confidential client records while documenting all client communications extensively.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF NORTHERN NV** – Reno, NV **08/2013 – 06/2014**  
*LEAPS Services Coordinator*

- Interviewed clients in Spanish and verified their eligibility for DACA (immigration relief for students);
- Interpreted and explained immigration law, procedure and policy to clients in manner that was accessible;
- Managed a database of all previous and current clients and became familiar with federal immigration laws.

## EDUCATION

[2015—2017] **Master of Social Work (MSW) | University of Nevada, Reno**  
Thesis: *OUTnumbered Assessing the LGBTQ Campus Climate at the University of Nevada—Reno.*

*Internships: Washoe County Social Services & Upward Bound*

[2009—2013] **Bachelor of Arts (BA) | Spanish Language & Political Science | Alma College**