

# Exhibit 1

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I, Duane Maletski, a citizen of the United States and of the city of Warren, Michigan, do declare under the penalty of perjury:

1. I live at 25165 Audrey Avenue in Warren, in Macomb County, Michigan. I have lived at this address for nine years.
2. I initially rented this home from my mother, and then purchased the home from her in 2002 or 2003. I initially financed the home with a fixed-rate mortgage. I then refinanced in approximately 2004 with another fixed-rate mortgage at a lower rate, approximately 6.25%.
3. Between 1999 and about October of 2005, I worked as fabricator at Wheel to Wheel, a specialty automotive products company. Around when I purchased the home, my annual income was around \$45,000. My mortgage payments were around \$1100. My mortgage payments decreased to around \$1070 after I refinanced.
4. In October 2005, I was laid off with three other people. They were periodically laying people off during that time. As far as I know, they are basically defunct at this time and not producing anymore.
5. Since that time, I've been working odd jobs, selling things on Craigslist to make ends meet.
6. I've had back problems all of my life. I have Scheuermann's disease, which results in degenerative discs and bulging discs. My doctor has recommended fusing eight or nine of my vertebrae. I am now trying to get on Social Security disability.
7. I live with my girlfriend, her fifteen-year-old daughter, and a nineteen-year-old son, who attends David Pressly Cosmetology School. My girlfriend just got a new job at

Providence Park Hospital, part of the St. John's system. Since she moved in with me, five years ago, she has not had regular employment, but had odd jobs as well.

8. I tried to find another position as a fabricator, but I found the physical work increasingly difficult because of my back. I had unemployment for a little while after being laid off, but once that ended, my mom had to help me and my girlfriend out, by dipping into her retirement accounts.
9. After I got laid off, we began to miss mortgage payments here and there. I didn't want to ask my mom to cover all of them because I didn't want her to empty her retirement account.
10. Within the last year, I've been in foreclosure three or four times. The last time I went into foreclosure was around July 29. I am currently not in foreclosure because my mother gave us some money to get us out, sometime in the past month or so.
11. I have been registered to vote at 25165 Audrey Avenue since I moved in. I am pretty sure I registered for the first time in Michigan when I turned 18. I vote regularly, and voted in the 2006, 2004, and 2000 elections.
12. I plan to vote in the November 2008 election, from my registration address at 25165 Audrey Avenue.
13. Sometime this week, I read in the Detroit Free Press about a possible plan the Republican Party in Macomb County has to use publicly available lists of people who are in foreclosure proceedings to challenge voters at the polls on Election Day.
14. I'm worried that because I was placed into foreclosure proceedings by my bank and was in foreclosure until sometime in the past month or so, I will end up on a challenge list.
15. I'm worried that if I'm put on such a list, my right to vote will be challenged at the polls on Election Day.
16. I think everybody should be able to vote. I think not enough people vote, and people shouldn't be given a reason not to.

I declare that the foregoing is  
true and correct.

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