



## **Arnold J. Trembley**

The last twelve months have been a very difficult time for all Americans. We have been attacked on our own soil, and we are in recession. Millions of Americans have lost significant portions of their 401K retirement savings, and the markets are reeling from accounting scandals and mismanagement in high-technology companies, such as Enron and Worldcom. Now more than ever, Americans need to know that they can trust the numbers. Now more than ever, Americans need to know that they can trust their government not to waste their hard-earned tax dollars.

The Missouri State Auditor's office reviews the performance and accounting of state agencies and other political subdivisions in order to improve efficiency and eliminate waste and fraud. These goals are even more important now, when Missouri tax revenues are threatened by the current economic climate. Therefore, the State Auditor's office should be an independent and impartial watchdog when auditing partisan political subdivisions.

I believe a Libertarian State Auditor could provide a balanced stand between Democratic and Republican partisans when reviewing government activities and agencies at all levels. Libertarians view themselves as classical liberals in the Jeffersonian sense. They believe in constitutionally limited government, free enterprise, private property rights, individual liberty, and personal responsibility. That is why I traveled to Jefferson City on March 15th to file for the State Auditor race.

As a candidate, I have received many survey requests from special interest groups wanting to know my positions on various issues, such as abortion, gun rights, school choice, taxes, business regulation, and transportation policy. I have posted my responses on my campaign web site and you are encouraged to review them, but I have not yet seen a survey that adequately addresses the duties of the State Auditor. While the citizens of Missouri are absolutely entitled to know my views on all these subjects, these issues are not really germane to the State Auditor's office.

The State Auditor has no legislative or judicial function. The duties of the office are defined in the Missouri Constitution and the Revised Statutes of Missouri (RsMO), and their objective is to ensure that the government we have is operated lawfully, efficiently, and transparently.

The Libertarian party is Missouri's third largest political party, running nearly 50 candidates in the 2002 election. I believe the Libertarian party, with its emphasis on fiscal restraint by government, is a natural fit for State Auditor, and I hope you will consider voting for me on November 5th.

Thank you.

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