

January 4, 2010

Dear Adam,

Effective today I submit my resignation as Political Director for the Adam for Illinois Committee.

I remain a strong supporter of you for Governor as the best conservative, and the only well credentialed reformer in this contest. However, I have had some strong differences of opinion with some members of our key leadership, both staff and volunteer, about how to compare your background and record to that of our opponents.

In my 21 years in the arena of Illinois politics I have helped defeat some of the most powerful and entrenched politicians in government, including four men who had a combined 137 years of incumbency between them. The only way, in my view, to defeat that kind of strength is by exposing the truth behind their records. Sometimes uncomfortable, but true, things need to be said for the voters to understand the real records and backgrounds of all of the candidates.

Since I will no longer be with your campaign after today, you cannot, fairly, be subjected to attacks and threats on you when others lash out in anger as the flimsy and questionable records of those they support are exposed to the sunlight that transparency brings.

I wish you, Kerry, our team, and our legions of volunteer grassroots supporters Godspeed.

Sincerely,

Jon A. Zahm

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