

Candidate Statement of Joseph D. Murphy Running for Secretary



Resume: Upon graduating from Cornell Law School (1969), I practiced law/mediation and was politically active in Seattle until moving to Venice (2004). I helped draft the current Bylaws (2005-06 Bylaws Committee). I became a **Community Officer** in 2006 (Administrative Committee, Chair Rules & Elections Committee), and **Secretary** in 2007.

My Seattle experience includes community and citywide political groups and campaigns with emphasis on City Council reform (election of reform candidates, campaign finance), urban design, transportation, and human rights. I am a Vietnam Veteran.

Interests: I am interested in exploring options in VNC Board structure & procedures to broaden consensus on historically contentious Venice issues. I believe this is key to building VNC credibility in Venice and strengthening VNC influence on government politicians and agencies.