

**APPLICATION (INCLUDING ATTACHMENTS) FOR  
INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION**

**Answer all items in print or type. Attach additional sheets as needed to answer completely.**

FULL NAME Stanley Joseph Usinowicz

SPOUSE'S NAME (if applicable) N/A

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CITY Lake Havasu City STATE Arizona ZIP 86406

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE Mohave RESIDENT OF ARIZONA SINCE 1978

EMPLOYER Stan Usinowicz Communications TITLE Owner/President

OFFICE ADDRESS 470 Acoma Blvd. South Unit 111 OFFICE PHONE 928.453.8350

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EDUCATION: Include name(s) of institution(s) and year diploma(s) or degree(s) received.

Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service, 1964, BS Foreign Service; American Press  
Institute, 1974; ASU Institute for Public Executives, 2005

List **all** political activities for **at least** the past ten years. Include dates of service and indicate **all** offices held in any organization. (Use attachment if necessary.)

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List **all** professional and occupational memberships for **at least** the past ten years. Include dates of service and indicate **all** offices held in any organization. Please include honors, awards and other forms of recognition. (Use attachment if necessary.)

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List **all** civic and community service activities for **at least** the past ten years. Include dates of service and indicate **all** offices held in any organization. Please include honors, awards and other forms of recognition. (Use attachment if necessary.)

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**ATTACH A RESUME OR BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT. Applications that do not include a resume or biographical statement will be considered incomplete and will NOT be considered for nomination.**

**ATTACH A STATEMENT OF INTEREST EXPLAINING WHY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION. Applications that do not include a statement of interest will be considered incomplete and will NOT be considered for nomination.**

**COMPLETELY ANSWER ALL OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:**

1. Are you committed to applying the provisions of the Arizona Constitution, Article IV, Part 2, Section 1 in an honest, independent and impartial fashion, and to upholding public confidence in the integrity of the redistricting process? Yes ( x ) No ( )

2. Will your employment and/or personal circumstances permit you to attend meetings of the Independent Redistricting Commission in their entirety? Yes (  ) No (  )
3. Are you a registered Arizona voter? Yes (  ) No (  )
4. Have you been continuously registered for at least the past three years with the same political party or as unaffiliated with a political party? Yes (  ) No (  ) If no, attach explanation.

Indicate political registration for the past three years: Independent

5. During the past three years, have you:
  - a. been appointed to, elected to, or a candidate for any other public office, including precinct committeeman or committeewoman, but not including school board member or officer? Yes (  ) No (  )
  - b. served as an officer of a political party or as an officer of a candidate's campaign committee? Yes (  ) No (  )
  - c. served as a registered paid lobbyist? Yes (  ) No (  )

If your answer to any part of this question is "Yes," attach an explanation.

6. Is there any possible conflict of interest or other matter that would create problems or prevent you from fairly and impartially discharging your duties as an appointee to the Independent Redistricting Commission? Yes (  ) No (  ) If your answer is "Yes," attach an explanation.
7. Are you now an officer, director, or majority stockholder, or otherwise engaged in the management, of any business enterprise? Yes (  ) No (  )

If your answer is "Yes," give details by attachment, including the name of the enterprise, the nature of the business, the title and description of your position, the nature of your duties, and the term of your service.
8. If your parents, siblings, spouse, or children are employed or engaged in any business or profession, state (by attachment) their names and the name and address of their employer or the business in which they are engaged.
9. Have you filed your state or federal income tax returns for all years you were legally required to file them? Yes (  ) No (  ) If your answer is "No," explain by attachment.
10. Have you paid all state, federal and local taxes when due? Yes (  ) No (  ) If your answer is "No," explain by attachment.
11. Have you ever violated a court order including but not limited to an order for payment of child or spousal support? Yes (  ) No (  ) If your answer is "Yes," explain by attachment.
12. Have you ever been expelled, terminated, or suspended from any employment or school

or course of learning on account of plagiarism, cheating, or any other "cause" that might reflect in any way on your integrity? Yes ( ) No ( x ) If your answer is "Yes," explain by attachment.

13. Are you, in any jurisdiction, currently charged with or have you ever been arrested for, convicted of, or pleaded guilty to any felony, misdemeanor (excluding civil traffic violations), or violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice? Yes ( x ) No ( ) If your answer is "Yes," explain by attachment.
14. If you performed military service, please indicate the date and type of discharge. If other than honorable discharge, explain by attachment.
15. List and describe by attachment any litigation involving an allegation of fraud in which you are or were a defendant.
16. In the past year, have you ever been reprimanded, demoted, disciplined, placed on probation, suspended, or terminated by an employer as a result of your alleged consumption of alcohol, prescription drugs, or use of illegal drugs? Yes ( ) No ( x ) If your answer is "Yes," explain by attachment the circumstances under which such action was taken, the name(s) of any persons who took such action, and the background and resolution of such action.
17. Have you failed to vote in any general election held during the past eight years? Yes ( ) No ( x ) If your answer is "Yes," explain by attachment.
18. Have you ever refused to submit to a test to determine whether you had consumed and/or were under the influence of alcohol or drugs? Yes ( ) No ( x ) If your answer is "Yes," state the date you were requested to submit to such a test, type of test requested, the name of the entity requesting that you submit to the test, the outcome of your refusal and the reason you refused to submit to such a test.
19. Within the last five years, have you ever been formally reprimanded, demoted, disciplined, placed on probation, suspended or terminated by an employer? Yes ( ) No ( x ) If your answer is "Yes," state the circumstances under which such action was taken, the date(s) such action was taken, the name(s) of any persons who took such action, and the background and resolution of such action.
20. Has a judgment or finding that you failed to comply with the substantive requirements of any business or contractual arrangement, including but not limited to bankruptcy proceedings, ever been entered against you? Yes ( ) No ( x ) If your answer is "Yes," explain by attachment.
21. List by attachment all elected or appointed offices that you have held and/or for which you have been a candidate, and the dates.
22. Provide any additional information relative to your application or qualifications you would like to bring to our attention at this time.

**BY SIGNATURE OF THIS APPLICATION:**

If appointed to the Independent Redistricting Commission I understand I will be ineligible for Arizona public office or for registration as a paid lobbyist during my term on the Independent Redistricting Commission and for three years thereafter, pursuant to the Arizona Constitution, Article IV, Part 2, Section 1.



# Stan Usinowicz

## Communications

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### **ATTACHMENT** **IRC 2011 APPLICATION**

#### Political Activities, Offices Held in Any Organization:

- No political participation at any level
- Organization offices included below

#### Professional & Occupational Memberships, Offices:

- Red River Valley Fighter Pilots Association, 1970 to present
- Colorado Associated Press Managing Editors, 1973 to 1977. Chairman, 1976-77
- Chairman, Associated Press Managing Editors Continuing Education Committee, 1976-1977
- Journalism Instructor, Northland Pioneer College, 1981-1982
- Director-at-Large, Arizona Newspapers Association Board of Directors, 1981-1984
- Chairman, Western Newspapers Association Editorial Committee, 1985-1986
- Board of Directors, Partnership for Economic Development, 2003-2010
- Member, Arizona Airports Association, 2005-2010
- Board of Directors, Lake Havasu Convention and Visitor Bureau, 2006-2010. Marketing Committee, 2008-2009. Executive Committee, 2008-2010
- Ex-Officio Member, Main Street Association, 2006-2008
- Ex-Officio Member, Havasu Foundation for Higher Education, 2006-2010

#### Honors, Awards, Recognition:

- Community Service Award, Northland Pioneer College, 1984
- Outstanding Service Award, Boy Scout Troop 25, 1992
- Outstanding Media Contribution, Lake Havasu City Child Enrichment Fund, 1992
- American Heart Association, Lake Havasu Division, Outstanding Media Achievement Awards, 1995-1996
- Excellence in Community Service, Daughters of the American Revolution, 1996

- Outstanding Commitment to Education Award, Lake Havasu Unified School District No. 1, 1999

Civic and Community Activities:

- Chairman, Durango Chamber of Commerce Retreat, 1978
- Blue Ridge Parent-Teacher Organization, second vice president, 1978-1980
- London Bridge Rotary Club member, 1985-1989. Member, Board of Directors, 1988-1989
- Vice-president, board member, The Boys and Girls Club of Lake Havasu City, 1985-1988
- Member, Lake Havasu City Festival Association Board of Directors, 1986-1987
- Member, Lake Havasu City Blood Advisory Council, 1986-1987
- Lake Havasu City Youth Soccer coach, 1988-1991
- Cub Scout Den Leader, Lake Havasu City, 1987-1990
- Troop 25, Boy Scouts of America, Assistant Scoutmaster, 1990-1991. Scoutmaster, 1991-1992
- Board of Directors, American Heart Association, Lake Havasu Division, 1995-1996
- Board of Directors, Havasu Community Health Trust, 2000-2004

Other:

- In my career, I have also been a speaker; seminar organizer and participant; moderator for candidate forums and for bipartisan political events, such as old-fashioned political rallies; and emcee for community dinners.

**RESPONSES TO APPLICATION QUESTIONS 7, 8, 13.**

Question 7:

When I left the news business in early 1999, I formed a freelance writing and photography agency, Stan Usinowicz Communications. I quickly developed clients, including Associated Desert Shoppers, Palm Desert, Calif., and Lake Havasu City municipal government. There were also one-time clients. I was approached by the City Manager to join Lake Havasu City as an employee doing public information work and special assignments that year. I agreed with the proviso that I be allowed to continue my outside work, which is allowed under city code.

Until retirement from the City in July 2010, I outsourced most of the contract work, taking a management fee.

I continue outsource most of it, for since retirement, I have traveled extensively.

Question 8:

- Daughter: Dawn Cody, Assistant Controller, Sonora Quest Laboratories/Laboratory Sciences of Arizona, 1255 W. Washington Street, Tempe, AZ 85281
- Son: Paul Usinowicz, Manager, Insta Clean LLC, 955 Kiowa Blvd., Suite E, Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403
- Brother: Paul Usinowicz, Research Leader, Battelle, 505 King Street, Columbus, OH 43201
- Brother: George D. Usinowicz, Architectural Representative, WarmVue Partnership LLC, Aspen, CO 81612, and Durango Solariums, Inc., P.O. Box 2634, Durango, CO 81302

Question 13:

- I was arrested along with nine other freshmen at Georgetown University during exam week in the spring of 1961. All charges were later dismissed by the court. The afternoon of the arrests, some students on the fourth floor of the dorm started getting playful, spraying each other with fire extinguishers and generally letting off steam. They headed downstairs to the city street in front of the dorm and started a “snake line,” stopping traffic in front the dorm (small city street), etc.
- As we in the dorm got wind of it, we headed down to see what was going on – probably there were 200 leaderless students by then. About that time, police moved in from four directions and started to grab people to and put them in squad cars. Since I was on the outskirts of the crowd, I was among the 10 who got picked up as most everyone else scattered.
- There was no property damage and no rioting. This was in the era of collegiate party raids, and we were too inept to even head to the girls’ dorm!

Other:

- I have been an Arizona resident since 1978 and a registered voter (Independent) as well.
- I made travel plans and purchased airline tickets to be with family in New England, Dec. 7-15 and Dec. 28-Jan. 15. If I am the successful candidate, I could amend the travel and shorten the time that I would be out-of-state, if necessary.

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### Statement of Interest IRC Application

I ask for your consideration as a candidate for interview with the Independent Redistricting Commission as an Independent. My successful and diverse background as a municipal department director and newspaper manager, as well as military service, community service and university education, is a window into the person that I am:

- A leader and decision-maker whose management style is participatory, not autocratic
- A manager who learned to listen and not rush to judgment
- A person who believes in and who lives service to his community and to his country
- An advocate for fairness

I cast my ballot in favor of Prop 106 and the formation of an independent redistricting panel in 2000. While I don't know that a perfect map of district boundaries could ever be developed, I believe that the fairest one possible should be the end result of a commission's work.

I am semi-retired. My personal business work can be outsourced to writers and photographers that I use.

I have the time.

I would like to serve Arizona.

## **Background**

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## **Experience**

### **Freelance Writer and Photographer**

July 2010 to Present

Following retirement, ongoing freelance work for local agencies and contract travel, advertorial writing for clients. Owner, Stan Usinowicz Communications.

### **Community Services Director, Lake Havasu City**

2330 McCulloch Blvd. N., Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403

July 2005 to July 2010

Administrator for Airport, Transit, Grants Divisions. Board Member, to Partnership for Economic Development; Ex-Officio, Havasu Foundation for Higher Education. Executive Board Member, Convention and Visitors Bureau. Special assignments from City Manager, including coordinate ARRA energy stimulus grants; Team Leader: Obtain 280 acres of federal land for multi-purpose use through R&PP process.

### **Community Development Director, Lake Havasu City**

January 2001 to July 2005

Administrator for Planning and Zoning, Building and Administrative Divisions of a 26-person department, \$2.1 million budget.

### **Public Information Officer, Lake Havasu City**

2330 McCulloch Blvd. N., Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403

July 2000 to January 2001

Responsible for media relations to include disaster coordination; special projects; writing and photography.

**Owner, Stan Usinowicz Communications**

April 1999 to present.

Writing and photography contract services, including newspaper consulting. Maintained several freelance contracts while employed in municipal government since July 2000.

**Managing Editor, Today's News Herald, Lake Havasu City, Arizona**

1890 W. Acoma Blvd., Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403. (520-855-6397)

September 1995 to April 1999

Managed a newsroom of 10-12 people for this 5-day, 10,000-circulation newspaper, the result of a merger in 1995 of two competing daily papers.

**Editor, Today's Daily News, Lake Havasu City, Arizona**

February 1987 to September 1995

Editor of newspaper that began as a weekly and became the city's first daily paper. Circulation grew from 4,300 to 8,400. Judged best newspaper in state in its division, 1994 (Arizona Newspapers Association annual contest). Established strong reputation as manager, writer, editorialist, columnist. Paper merged with competitor in 1995.

**Publisher, Lake Havasu City Herald, Lake Havasu City, Arizona**

February 1985 to February 1987

Supervised all operations of a twice-weekly newspaper (5,700 circulation), including advertising, news, circulation, business and production departments. Paper merged with competitor in 1995. Resigned.

**Editor and General Manager, White Mountain Publishing Co., Show Low, Arizona**

P.O. Box 1570, Show Low, AZ 85901 (520-537-5721)

February 1978 to February 1985

Responsible for editorial departments for newspaper group in four communities in Navajo and Apache counties. Combined circulation of these semi-weekly papers: 11,500. These papers were consistent first place award-winning papers from 1979-1985. Three-year board member, Arizona Newspapers Association. Seminar leader, forum moderator, panelist.

**Managing Editor, The Durango Herald, Durango, Colorado**

Drawer A-0950, Durango, CO 81302 (970-247-3504)

September 1973 to February 1978

Joined the Herald in February 1973 as sports editor, then promoted to managing editor of this circulation 7,000 daily six months later. Developed newsroom team that became award winners within two years. Chairman, Colorado Associated Press Managing Editors, 1976. Speaker, panelist, moderator.

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Worked for three months in early 1973 this now-defunct weekly newspaper near Durango, Colo. Responsible for news, ad sales, circulation, billing, and anything else that came up. Resigned when owner announced plans to sell publication.

**European Travel**

October 1971 to June 1972.

**USAF fighter pilot**

February 1965 to October 1971

Squadron air combat tactics instructor, flight instructor and test pilot, F-106 "Delta Dart," 1967-1971. Deployed to South Korea during Pueblo Crisis. 100 missions, North Vietnam, as F-4C "Phantom II" pilot; 38 missions, South Vietnam and Laos, 1966-1967. Undergraduate Pilot Training, 1965-1966. Rank: Captain.

**Education**

B.S. Foreign Service degree, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., 1964.

**Personal and professional**

Active in numerous professional and community organizations and boards of directors since 1973, as well as Scouting and coaching youth soccer. American Press Institute, 1974. Community college journalism instructor. Northland Pioneer College Community Service Award, 1984. Daughters of the American Revolution National Service Award, 1995. ASU Institute for Public Executives, 2005. Numerous other community awards. Newspaper consultant, panel moderator, panelist. Personal interests include American history, travel, hiking, photography.