# **Application for a Compliance Audit**

Municipal Elections Act, 1996, S.O. 1996, c. 32, Sched.

#### Instructions:

Applications for a compliance audit of a candidate or third party advertiser's election campaign finances for the Town of Oakville municipal election can be:

 hand delivered or sent by regular mail to Town of Oakville, Attention: Town Clerk, 1225 Trafalgar Road, Oakville, ON, L6H 0H3

- sent by fax to 905-815-6015 to the attention of the Town Clerk, or
- emailed to elections@oakville.ca

Compliance audit applications for the Halton Regional Chair must be sent to the Regional Clerk.

### **Applicant Information**

Name: Gobinder Randhawa

Mailing Address:

Address or description of property that qualifies the applicant as an elector in The Regional Municipality of

Halton:	
Email Address:	
Personal Phone:	
Business Phone:	

## Candidate/Registered Third Party Advertiser Information:

Municipality: Town of Oakville

Name: Nav Nanda

Registered for: Town&Regional Councillor

Financial Statement Filing Date: Mar 24, 2023

#### **Reasons for Compliance Audit**

In the space below, provide the reason(s) why you believe the candidate named above has contravened the

Municipal Elections Act, 1996 relating to campaign finances. Attach additional pages if necessary.

Please see attached.

Total number of pages submitted (including attachments): 9

## Confirmation

✓ I confirm that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my

knowledge, and that I am eligible under the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, to vote in an election held in The Regional Municipality of Halton.

Signature of Applicant

# Office Use Only:

Received by:

Date:

Date:

Personal information contained on this form is collected under the authority of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, s. 88.33. The information will be used to respond to your application for a compliance audit. This document is a public record and until its destruction, will be available online and for public inspection by any person at the Clerk's Office at any time when the office is open. Questions about this collection can be directed to the Regional Clerk, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, ON L6M 3L1 or at regionalclerk@halton.ca.

Subject: Request for Compliance Audit on Ms. Nav Nanda's Financial Statements

Dear Compliance Audit Committee,

I am writing to submit a formal request for a compliance audit on Ms. Nav Nanda's financial statements, pursuant to the requirements outlined in the Municipal Elections Act, 1996. Based on the information provided, I believe there are significant discrepancies in Ms. Nanda's campaign finances that warrant further investigation.

In reviewing Ms. Nanda's submitted Financial Statements, it is evident that she claimed no meetings were hosted during her campaign period. However, there is significant evidence contradicting her claims. Ms. Nanda openly endorsed and posted photographs of numerous meetings on her social media channels, casting doubt on the accuracy of her financial disclosures. It is particularly noteworthy that she selectively deleted certain posts from her social media accounts, raising additional doubts about her motives for concealing these meetings.

Below, I have outlined three specific instances that raise concerns regarding Ms. Nanda's financial statements:

1. Meeting #1: Campaign Kick Off Event - September 18, 2022

On Sunday, September 18, 2022, Ms. Nanda held her campaign kick off event at Boston Pizza, located at 499 Dundas Street West in Oakville. Over 60 people attended the launch, with multiple speakers present. Considering the size of the venue and the attendance, it would be reasonable to assume that some expenditure was incurred. In the photos, you can see beverages and decor such as tablecloths. Enclosed is supporting evidence documenting the existence of this meeting. Appendix 1

2. Meeting #2: "Join Us For a Breakfast & Vote" - Saturday, October 8, 2022

Ms. Nanda circulated an online flyer inviting residents to meet at her campaign office, her place of residence, for breakfast before advance voting. She later posted pictures on her social media accounts, stating that over 100 guests met at the breakfast event. It would be reasonable to assume there was a cost associated with the breakfast meeting. However, Ms. Nanda proceeded to selectively delete these posts from her social media accounts. The now deleted posts are included in Appendix 2.

It is important to note that Ms. Nanda has maintained her election social media accounts up to the present time. I have included screenshots of all of Ms. Nanda's social media posts throughout the campaign period, which clearly demonstrate the removal of the breakfast meeting. Please refer to Appendix 3 for further details.

3. Failure to Report Phone and Internet Charges

Ms. Nanda's financial statements do not reflect any expenses incurred for phone and internet charges. In today's digital age, posting campaign-related material on social media platforms would invariably involve data and internet usage. Even though the costs may be minimal, the failure to report such expenses would constitute a violation of the Act. It is essential to ensure that all campaign-related expenditures are accurately disclosed, regardless of their size. This raises concerns about the completeness and accuracy of Ms. Nanda's financial statements.

Based on these discrepancies and the available evidence, I strongly believe that a compliance audit is necessary to ascertain the accuracy and completeness of Ms. Nanda's financial statements in the following categories:

- 1. Meetings hosted
- 2. Phone and/or internet expenses incurred until voting day

I kindly request that the Committee carefully review this submission and take appropriate action.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Should you require any additional information or have any questions about the evidence presented, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Gobinder Randhawa

# Appendix 1 - Meeting #1: Campaign Kick Off Event - September 18, 2022

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Campaign Launch!

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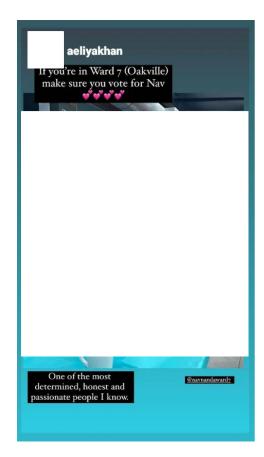
packed with Ward 7 residents, there are too many people to name but you know who you are. I want to thank all of the speakers that came to endorse me and provide a helping hand for the next 6 weeks. It means so much to me to see 7 out of 9 of the Ward 7 Town councillor candidates come and wish us luck and success. We had the Regional Candidates from the last election four years ago come and give their full support. Thank you to Oakville Mavoral Candidate Julia Hanna for your amazing endorsement and for wanting to step up for all residents and to help tackle the issues in Ward 7, we wish you luck.

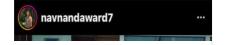
Thank you to Ron Chhinzer, Mansoor Khan and Ibtisam Sharif , Max khan Family, Ibrahim Daniyal , Shahrez D. Hayder , Vic Walia, Arjun Nanda , Amir Henry , Shahab Khan , Dr. Scott Xie , Gregory Park, Nabil Arif, Kashif Chaudry, Faryal Ghazanfar, the kind endorsement of former Town Candidate Saima Zaidi, and the Halton Catholic School Board candidate Chris Saunders . It was great to have members of our Oakville Conservative, Liberal, NDP and Green Party come out to the event to support me.

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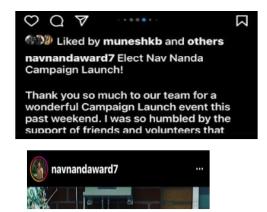
We are all working together to make Ward 7 the greatest place to live. With a change, I am confident that we will be able to take our beautiful community of Ward 7 to new heights. Responsible Development, new schools and safety are priorities for all of us. I would be honoured to represent Oakville Ward 7 as your Regional and Town Councillor.

Email nav@navnanda.ca if you would like to volunteer.



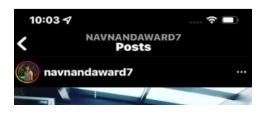






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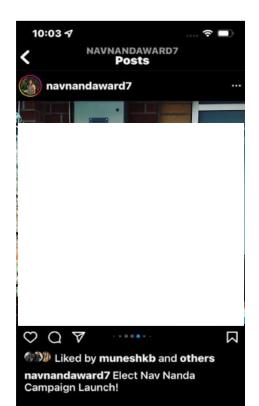


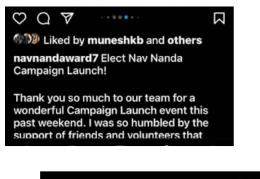
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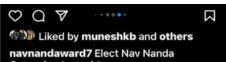
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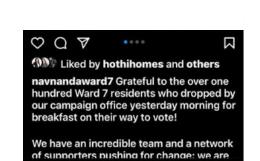


#### Appendix 2 - Meeting #2: "Join Us For a Breakfast & Vote" - Saturday, October 8, 2022









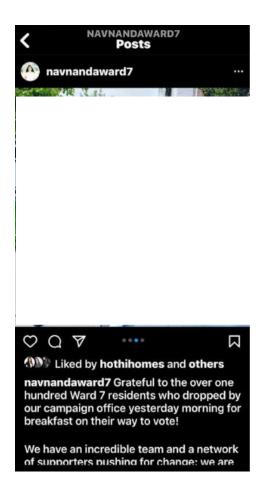


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We have an incredible team and a network of supporters pushing for change: we are



Appendix 3: Current Snap Shot as of June 28 2023 of Instagram Profile from June 2022 - November 2022, where all of the above posts shared in Appendix 1 and 2 do not appear.

