



Campaign season officially launches

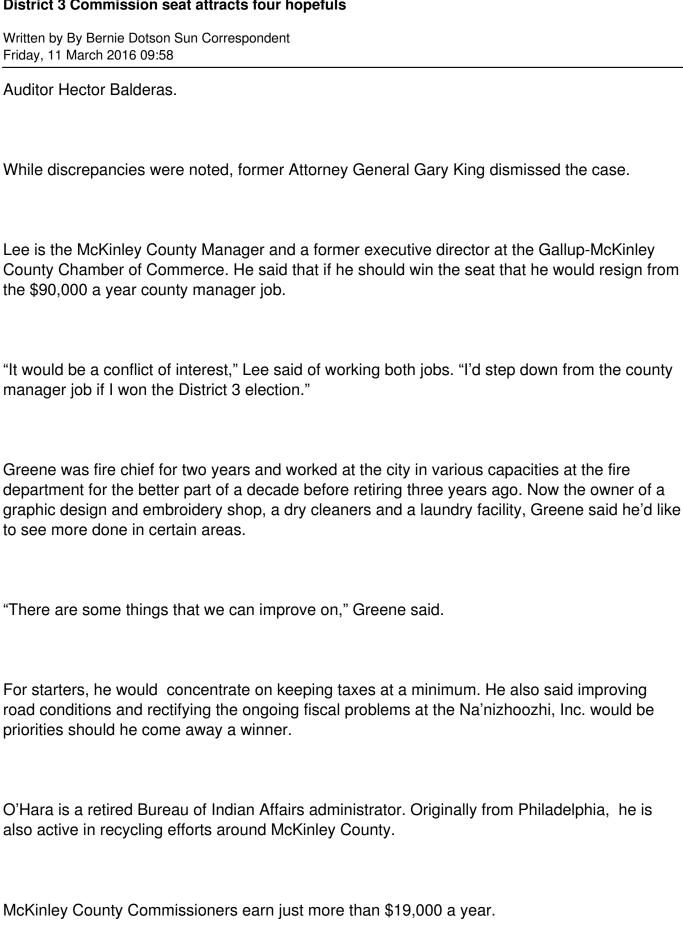
Four candidates have filed for the District 3 McKinley County Board of Commissioners seat currently held by outgoing commissioner Tony Tanner.

Tanner recently announced at a commission meeting that he would not be seeking another term.

McKinley County Bureau of Elections Director Rick Palochak said the ballot order is as follows: David Dallago, Bill Lee, Johnny Greene, Jr, and Gerald O'Hara.

Dallago is an engineer and contractor who operates the Dallago Corporation, and a former commissioner whose contracting jobs with the county while holding a county seat brought forth concerns over conflicts of interest, and forth a special audit by the former Office of the State

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Also filing Tuesday were candidates for McKinley County Clerk and McKinley County Treasurer.

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Jackie Sloan and Vanessa Begaye-Lee filed for the County Clerk seat currently held by Harriett Becenti. Becenti filed to run again.

Incumbent Ernest Becenti, Jr., is running unopposed for County Treasurer. Everyone who filed Tuesday for county seats is a Democrat. Both the clerk and treasurer jobs pay an average of \$48,000 annually.

In the race for McKinley County District Attorney of the 11th Judicial District, newcomer Bernadine Martin is challenging incumbent Karl Gillson.

McKinley County Senate District 3 incumbent John Pinto is facing Willis Nez. McKinley County Senate District 4 incumbent George K. Munoz faces two candidates – Felisha Adams and Jordon L. Johnson. State Representative District 5 incumbent Doreen W. Johnson will face off against Kevin M. Mitchell, the current Gallup McKinley County Schools board vice president.

State Representative District 9 Patricia "Patty" A. Lundstrom runs again, unopposed.

The New Mexico primary election is June 7, and the general election is Nov. 8.

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