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From: [Parley Hellewell](#)

To: [Parley Hellewell](#)

Sent: Friday, May 07, 2004 12:30 PM

Subject: Weber Sentinel article inaccurate

ATTENTION, DELEGATES!

***Weber Sentinel* article seriously inaccurate**

Dear delegate,

Recently, a state delegate from Brigham City asked for clarification about a *Weber Sentinel* article that he received. My campaign manager, Stephen Stone, responded below. Please carefully consider Stephen's response as you assess my well-established credentials as a constitutional conservative.

And be sure to watch my DVD and CD that you received in the mail. I think you'll agree that I'm the most conservative candidate running for governor.

Sen. Parley Hellewell
Candidate for Governor

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From: [Stephen Stone](#)

To: [Cal Potter](#)

Cc: [Parley Hellewell](#)

Sent: Friday, May 07, 2004 1:43 AM

Subject: Re: Questions about voting record

Cal,

The "Weber Sentinel" article about Sen. Hellewell is seriously inaccurate. The article is based on a report from Accountability Utah that considers only a small fraction of a legislator's voting record.

Each year, the legislature takes up over 1,000 bills--and Parley's record on all bills before the Senate is very conservative.

Unfortunately, in grading legislators, Accountability Utah uses only a short list of bills and then makes sweeping generalizations. The resulting rankings are very unfair and distorted.

For instance, last year, using its limited approach, Accountability Utah claimed that Sen. Hellewell's voting record was equal to that of liberal Democrat Patrice Arent. That's unbelievable! When all other issues are factored in, Parley's record that year was as conservative as anyone else's. The criteria used by Accountability are simply too narrow and special-interest-driven to be considered valid.

This year, Parley worked hard for parental rights, healthcare choice, midwifery, the rights of small businesses, and other very critical conservative issues--yet Accountability gives him virtually no credit for his outstanding work. As a result, they show him as basically equivalent to Olene Walker.

How can the most conservative candidate running for governor be labeled one of the most liberal by an organization that claims to be a conservative watchdog? Only by ignoring all the data.

There is no question that Parley is the most conservative candidate for governor.

Thanks for your interest in Sen. Hellewell. He deserves your first-place vote. To learn more about him, see his website at www.parley2004.com.

Stephen Stone
Campaign Manager, Hellewell for Governor

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From: Cal Potter
To: Parley Hellewell
Cc: Stephen Stone ; Matthew Lammi
Sent: Thursday, May 06, 2004 9:07 AM
Subject: Questions about voting record

Senator Hellewell,

I, and I am sure many other state delegates, received an envelope in the mail yesterday with a large rubber stamp "Delegate Information" on it. It contained the May 2004 Special State Delegate Edition of "The Weber Sentinel" tabloid. It graded you as -36% in you voting record for the 2004 legislature. With the possible range falling between +100% (Liberty) and -100% (Tyranny). They apparently found you leaning toward the "tyranny" side, with Marty Stephens doing a little better at -14%, and Olene Walker worse at -45%. I have not researched candidates voting records well enough to know if you are being characterized fairly. Most of the bills the candidates were rated on are not shown in any detail in their paper. I have offered my vote in the state convention, and my continued support if you are nominated, based on my perception that you are the most constitutionally based and most conservative candidate seeking the nomination. Can you clarify this matter for me?

Thank you,

Cal Potter

State Delegate,
Brigham City 9th Precinct