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Barwood disavows UFO believers -- or does she?

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[2 messages below. One is a news article in which Barwood is said to distance herself from UFO believers. It is followed by Barwood's own denial. -- Moderator]
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Saturday, 5 September 1998

Bayless, Barwood view secretary of state role differently

By Jill Jorden Spitz The Arizona Daily Star

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Betsey Bayless and Frances Emma Barwood are both Republicans.

They both have held public office.

They're both 54.

They're both seeking the Republican nomination to be secretary of state

And that's where the similarities end.

Bayless, who was appointed secretary of state last September, is warm

and understated. Barwood, a former Phoenix City Council member and $\ensuremath{\text{vice}}$

mayor, is high-spirited and outspoken.

Bayless prides herself on her efficiency, integrity and leadership. Barwood takes pride in her take-no-prisoners sensibility and willingness to take on whomever and whatever is in her way.

Bayless is buttoned-down and businesslike. Barwood appeared at her campaign kickoff with UFO researchers who vowed the candidate would bring unexplained, extraterrestrial visitations to the forefront.

After unexplained lights appeared over Phoenix in March 1997, Barwood

then a city councilwoman - demanded an investigation. She now says she still wants to know the source of the mysterious V-shaped light formation reported by hundreds of Phoenix-area residents, but she maintains she has no particular interest - or belief - in UFOs.

She says she no longer is affiliated with the UFO believers who attended her kickoff press conference.

But perhaps the biggest difference between the candidates is in their ideas for cleaning up the voter rolls. During her year in office, Bayless has worked to purge the names of voters who have died, moved out of the state or been convicted of a felony.

Barwood says that's not enough. She believes voter fraud is rampant - particularly among illegal aliens and people voting under false names. The only way to combat that, she contends, is to require voters to show

proof of identification and U.S. citizenship at the polls.

"There is absolutely nothing to check the validity of voters," Barwood said. "We found people voting under criminal aliases, bogus names. Even animals were registered to vote."

Although the U.S. Justice Department has ruled it illegal to ask for proof of citizenship, Barwood said that's a ruling she's prepared to challenge.

"We need to have somebody in that office who's not afraid to deal with the hard stuff," she said. "If that means taking on the federal government and saying, 'This is our state and this is the way we're going to do it,' so be it."

In Bayless' view, her job is to uphold the law - not to fight it.

"Whatever I do from this office will be done according to the law, because that's the oath I took." she said. "I am unwilling to put tax dollars at risk and our elections at risk by undertaking elections that

could be illegal in the eyes of the federal government."

Beyond cleaning up the voter rolls, Bayless wants to increase voter turnout. Her office mails birthday cards and voter registration forms to 18-year-olds, and plans extensive research and community forums to determine why people don't vote.

Barwood said she would push for greater Election Day accountability,

with large windows that allow the public to watch as ballots are counted. She also would like all counting videotaped, and favors keeping ballots for the term of each office.

Considering the office's relatively unexciting role overseeing elections and processing paperwork, differences between the candidates may seem inconsequential.

But consider this: The secretary of state steps into the governor's office should it be vacated. And consider this: In the past two decades, three secretaries of state have ascended to Arizona's highest office.

Last fall, Jane Hull was sworn in after former Gov. Fife Symington was convicted of federal bank fraud. In 1988, Rose Mofford became governor after Evan Mecham was impeached.

Wesley Bolin moved into the governor's office in 1977, after Raul Castro resigned to become U.S. ambassador to Argentina.

The winner of Tuesday's primary will face House Minority Leader Art Hamilton, who is the sole Democrat seeking the post.

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>>Subject: Barwood No Longer Affiliated With UFO Believers

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Dear People,

This article was emailed to me by Jim Hickman and several others. It was the first I saw it and I never interviewed with that reporter. I did interview with the editor, Mike. He asked me if Steve Bassett was still with the campaign and I said no and that I didn't even know what he was doing now. That was all that was said.

I still have all the friends I started with regarding the Phoenix Lights and have not nor will I ever distance myself from them. There are some really neat people that I met due to whatever it was over Arizona.

It seems so interesting that first they blasted me for asking the question and now they are trying to cause disension within the ranks. The Tucson paper has never been known for their accuracy and is known as the Red Star even by Tucsonians. Wonder why?

If you have any doubt that I will stop pushing for answers regarding March 13, please put it to rest.

Most of the UFO community have been invited over to my house election night. I would not be writing this now if I shyed away from questioning the govt. or if I reacted to pressure to change my thinking.

Remember all the people that have been attacked from within and don't fall for the last minute minipulations of the news media who are afraid to ask the govt the tough questions. They only know how to create gossip. Feel free to visit my website. I wish that I was asked about this before it was assumed the article was correct.

Thank you and please feel free to call, email or write.

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away with it, But we are all going to judgement and that is all that matters."----John Leissner Koch 1955

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