

PERCIPIENT STRATEGIES RESEARCH DOSSIER

JASON MINNICOZZI

(NORTH CAROLINA STATE SENATE: SD-07)

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EXECUTIVE SYNOPSIS

DOSSIER NOTES

In preparing this background report, we undertook an examination of all readily available and relevant electronic and online records, several hundred Nexis and news articles, dozens of active and archived web pages, and several dozen public records from Nexis and the resources of various federal, state, and municipal government offices. The results of our analysis are contained below.

Typographical Note: There are a number of articles quoted in this report that contain typographical errors. These are from the original text of the article and have not been corrected when being quoted directly.

MAIN VULNERABILITIES

Personal And Professional Foibles

In both his personal and professional life, Jason Minnicozzi boasts several vulnerabilities which others may seek to capitalize on.

Most notably, Minnicozzi may be accused of not fairly prosecuting allegations of child pornography against a powerful local politician's son. In June 2018, Justin Brochure, the son of Oak Island Mayor Cynthia Brochure, was charged with 31 counts of second degree child exploitation of a minor. Brochure was originally held on a \$1 million bond, but was later reduced to \$100,000 as part of an agreement. Brochure agreed to no contact with minors; however, a month later, Brochure was charged with 11 counts of violation his pretrial release agreement and held under a \$2 million bond; however, this was reduced to only \$50,000. In May 2019, Brochure was released from custody after pleading "no contest" in a plea agreement "stemming from 62 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor charges — 31 in the second degree and 31 in the third. Minnicozzi, who was the lead prosecutor in the case, agreed to no prison time for Brochure as part of the plea agreement and his no contest plea allowed Brochure to not admit to any crime. The plea agreement procured by Minnicozzi was described as a "stark contrast" with other child pornography cases that Minnicozzi given that the same week as Brochure's agreement, Minnicozzi prosecuted a 27-year-old who was sentenced to at least 10 years in prison "despite facing fewer charges than Brochure." The Mother of the boy who was known to have been in Brochure's company while he was out on bail said "the system is broken" and expressed concerns about how Brochure's mother's role as mayor may have impacted the investigation."

Furthermore, Minnicozzi has a track record of interactions with law enforcement. A little over a decade ago, in January 2010, Minnicozzi was charged with driving while impaired on suspicion of driving while intoxicated, during which he refused blood alcohol level tests at the time of his arrest. In December 2011, Minnicozzi pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated. Similarly, in February 2003, Minnicozzi was charged with possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, and unsafe movement. In March 2004, all of the charges were dismissed. Additionally, in October 2002, Minnicozzi was charged with disturbing the peace; this charge

was dismissed by the district attorney. In January 2002, Minnicozzi was charged with underage possession of a malt beverage; this charge was dismissed following a deferred prosecution agreement.

As a public defender, Minnicozzi sought to assist several child predators. In 2014, Minnicozzi, as a public defender, made a motion to suppress evidence in a case against his client who was accused of sexual exploitation of a minor; Minnicozzi contended that his client's cell phone was unlawfully searched. In 2015, Minnicozzi, as a public defender, contended his client, who plead guilty to first-degree sexual offense of a child, among other charges, was unfairly charged as an adult since the crimes took place when his client was only 17.

Embrace Of Liberal Policies And Leftist Politics

Despite claiming he is not a “cookie-cutter Democrat,” a review of Minnicozzi's public comments and social media accounts has revealed blatant support for the left's policy agenda and politics.

Through social media, Minnicozzi has indicated he supports several fiscally responsible policies. Minnicozzi has indicated he supports some form of tax increase on wealthier Americans. Minnicozzi also has indicated increasing wage mandates on North Carolina businesses. Notably, Minnicozzi has indicated the U.S. should reduce military spending.

On healthcare, Minnicozzi has adopted most aspects of the progressive healthcare agenda – including Medicaid expansion, Obamacare, and universal healthcare. During the covid-19 pandemic, Minnicozzi frequently used social media to express support for mask mandates. For example, in March 2021, Minnicozzi tweeted that it was “too soon to relax or eliminate mask mandates and other mitigation efforts.”

Perhaps most alarming is Minnicozzi's apparent agreement with radical “squad” members on several issues (anti-police and immigration). In April 2021, Minnicozzi promoted a post by Rep. Omar That called to “disband and deconstruct failed police departments”. In January 2021, Minnicozzi promoted post by AOC claiming that pro-police slogans by Republicans were to “uphold a system of state violence that targets black people and people of color”. Separately, Minnicozzi has promoted calls from AOC to “abolish” immigration and customs enforcement.

On social issues, Minnicozzi is in lockstep with the left. Minnicozzi is pro-abortion and appears to support Planned Parenthood. Additionally, Minnicozzi has expressed anti-second amendment sentiments and is opposed to the death penalty. Minnicozzi appears to have embraced leftist racial politics including support for Colin Kaepernick's national anthem protests.

Minnicozzi is endorsed by several “progressive” organizations that support rigid left-leaning agendas. The Carolina Forward Slate, a group focused on “bold, progressive leadership,” supports “affordable housing, universal healthcare, racial justice, environmental protection...” According to Carolina Forward's website, the Carolina Forward Slate supported Gov. Cooper's vetoing of commonsense legislation that sought to unwind Covid-related heavy-handedness and seek a return to normalcy. Additionally, Minnicozzi is endorsed by Work For Democracy, “a

progressive grassroots movement”. Work For Democracy promotes “universal access to healthcare” and “reproductive freedom for women.”

Additionally, Minnicozzi has taken up radical political positions. Notably, Minnicozzi supports efforts to consolidate liberal power in Washington through ending the filibuster and granting D.C. statehood. Minnicozzi has expressed a backing for Stacey Abrams and has indicated he supports varying forms of censorship on social media.

Notably, in January 2021, Minnicozzi promoted a tweet that appeared to attempt dark humor through suggestion that Josh Hawley was beneath comparison to Hitler.

TOP HITS

Legal

Not Fairly Prosecuting On Allegations Of Child Pornography Against A Powerful Local Politician's Son

- In June 2018, Justin Brochure, the son of Oak Island Mayor Cynthia Brochure, was charged with 31 counts of second degree child exploitation of a minor.
 - Brochure was originally held on a \$1 million bond, but was later reduced to \$100,000 as part of an agreement.
 - Brochure agreed to no contact with minors; however, a month later, Brochure was charged with 11 counts of violation his pretrial release agreement and held under a \$2 million bond; however, this was reduced to only \$50,000.
- In May 2019, Brochure was released from custody after pleading “no contest” in a plea agreement “stemming from 62 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor charges — 31 in the second degree and 31 in the third.”
 - Minnicozzi, who was the lead prosecutor in the case, agreed to no prison time for Brochure as part of the plea agreement and his no contest plea allowed Brochure to not admit to any crime.
- The plea agreement procured by Minnicozzi was described as a “stark contrast” with other child pornography cases that Minnicozzi was the prosecutor for given that the same week as Brochure’s agreement, Minnicozzi prosecuted a 27-year-old who was sentenced to at least 10 years in prison “despite facing fewer charges than Brochure.”
 - The Mother of the boy who was known to have been in Brochure’s company while he was out on bail said “the system is broken” and expressed concerns about how Brochure’s mother’s role as mayor may have impacted the investigation.”

Criminal

Driving While Intoxicated

- In January 2010, Minnicozzi was charged with driving while impaired on suspicion of driving while intoxicated, during which he refused blood alcohol level tests at the time of his arrest.
 - In December 2011, Minnicozzi pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated.

Possession Of Marijuana/Drug Paraphernalia

- In February 2003, Minnicozzi was charged with possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, and unsafe movement.
 - In March 2004, all of the charges were dismissed.

Disturbing The Peace

- In October 2002, Minnicozzi was charged with disturbing the peace.
 - In March 2003, this charge was dismissed by the district attorney.

Underage Possession Of Alcohol

- In January 2002, Minnicozzi was charged with underage possession of a malt beverage.
 - In April 2003, this charge was dismissed following a deferred prosecution agreement.

Political**Voting**

- Minnicozzi voted in the 2016 Republican Party primary election.

Additional

- Minnicozzi has indicated he is a supporter of Stacey Abrams voting reform efforts.
- Minnicozzi supports efforts to consolidate liberal power in Washington through ending the filibuster and granting D.C. statehood.
- Minnicozzi has indicated he supports varying forms of censorship on social media.
- Notably, in January 2021, Minnicozzi promoted a tweet that appeared to attempt dark humor through suggestion that Josh Hawley was beneath comparison to Hitler.

Policy**Fiscal**

- Minnicozzi appears to support some form of tax increase on Americans of a certain income threshold.
- Minnicozzi appears to have called for the U.S. to cut military spending.
- On social media, Minnicozzi has indicated support for raising wage mandates on businesses.

Healthcare And Covid

- Minnicozzi has adopted most aspects of the progressive healthcare agenda – including Medicaid expansion, Obamacare, and universal healthcare.
- Minnicozzi is a supporter of mask mandates and has pushed for mask wearing through the pandemic.

Police

- Minnicozzi has promoted the anti-police views of AOC and Ilhan Omar:
 - In April 2021, Minnicozzi ‘liked’ a post by Rep. Omar That called to “disband and deconstruct failed police departments”.
 - In January 2021, Minnicozzi retweeted a post by AOC claiming that pro-police slogans by Republicans were to “uphold a system of state violence that targets black people and people of color”.

Immigration

- Minnicozzi has promoted calls from AOC to “abolish” immigration and customs enforcement.

Social Issues

- Minnicozzi is pro-abortion and appears to support Planned Parenthood.
- Minnicozzi has expressed anti-second amendment sentiments.
- Minnicozzi is opposed to the death penalty.
- Minnicozzi appears to have embraced leftist racial politics including support for Colin Kaepernick’s national anthem protests.
- Minnicozzi is endorsed several “progressive” organizations that support a rigid left-leaning agenda.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

PERSONAL INFORMATION: JASON MINNICOZZI

Full Name: Jason David Minnicozzi

DOB: December 27, 1982 (39)

Social Security: 135-76-XXXX

Home Address: 6211 Wrightsville Avenue Apt 110
 Wilmington, NC 28403
 New Hanover County
 (2012-Pres.)



Marital Status: Divorced

Ex-Spouse: Courtney Colton Whitley
 DOB: February 22, 1991 (31)

Children: N/A

Voter Registration: Registered Democrat – New Hanover County, North Carolina

Education: 2007 – 2010 J.D., Campbell University
 2001 – 2005 B.A., Criminology, North Carolina State University

Employment: 2013 – Pres. Assistant Public Defender, New Hanover County
 2010 – Pres. Adjunct Professor, University of Mount Olive
 2017 – 2021 Assistant District Attorney, Brunswick County
 2017 – 2017 Senior Associate, McAngus Goudelock & Courie
 2010 – 2013 Owner, Minnicozzi Law Firm, PLLC
 2009 – 2009 Extern, North Carolina Court of Appeal, Judge Barbara Jackson
 2009 – 2009 Intern, New Hanover County Public Defender’s Office
 2006 – 2007 Paralegal, Freilicher and Hoffman

Associations: Unk.

Business Interest: Minnicozzi Law Firm, P.L.L.C.
 NC Business ID: 1168084
 (2010-2013)

Military Service: N/A

Election Results: N/A

Web Sites: <https://www.jasonminnicozzi.com/>
<https://ballotpedia.org/>

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[Facebook](#) (Campaign)
[Twitter](#) (Personal)
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ELECTION RESULTS

NOTE: Jason Minnicozzi has never run for elected public office. Minnicozzi initial ran for the U.S. House of Representatives for North Carolina's seventh district, but dropped out for his current campaign for the North Carolina State Senate.

CAMPAIGN FINANCE

Jason Minnicozzi has not yet reported any campaign finance documents since declared his candidacy for the North Carolina State Senate. Prior to dropping out to run for the North Carolina State Senate for District Seven, Minnicozzi received an aggregate of \$133,928.31 for his campaign for the U.S. House of Representatives for North Carolina's seventh district. While primarily funded by small-dollar, individual donors, Minnicozzi received max contributions from several business leaders and attorneys throughout the state. Minnicozzi disbursed \$133,982.31, spending his funds on consulting.

Individually, Minnicozzi has contributed an aggregate of \$105 to federal and statewide campaign committees. Minnicozzi contributed \$5 to his campaign for the U.S. House of Representatives (prior to dropping out) and \$100 to Josh Stein's attorney general campaign in North Carolina.

Jason Minnicozzi For NC (2022)

NOTE: Minnicozzi has not yet reported any campaign finance documents since declared his candidacy for the North Carolina State Senate. Contributions for his campaign for the U.S. House of Representatives can be found below.

Jason Minnicozzi For Congress (2022)

Notable Contributions

Between 2021 And 2022, Minnicozzi Received An Aggregate Of \$133,982.31 In Total Contributions For His Campaign For The U.S. House Of Representatives. ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

- **Between 2021 And 2022, Minnicozzi Received \$5,600 From William Peregoy, An Attorney From Wilmington, North Carolina. ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 5/2/22)**
- **Between 2021 And 2022, Minnicozzi Received \$4,960 From Tom Sapp Of Oak Island, North Carolina. ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 5/2/22)**
- **In 2021, Minnicozzi Received \$2,900 From Mark Kuhn, The Owner Of Kuhn Advisors Inc. From Durham, North Carolina. ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 5/2/22)**
 - **In 2021, Minnicozzi Received \$2,900 From Cynthia Kuhn, A Scientist At Duke University From Durham, North Carolina. ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 5/2/22)**

- **In 2021, Minnicozzi Received \$2,900 From Richard Cook, An Attorney From Wilmington, North Carolina.** ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 5/2/22)
- **In 2021, Minnicozzi Received \$2,900 From James Griffin, The Chief Compliance Office Of HealthGram Inc. From Charlotte, North Carolina.** ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

Notable Expenditures

Between 2021 And 2022, Minnicozzi Disbursed An Aggregate Of \$133,982.31 For His Campaign For The U.S. House Of Representatives. ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

- **Between 2021 And 2022, Minnicozzi Disbursed \$36,724.99 To 4Degrees Inc. For Digital Consulting.** ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 5/2/22)
- **Between 2021 And 2022, Minnicozzi Disbursed \$20,010.45 To Blue Wave Political Partners For Compliance Consulting.** ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 5/2/22)
- **Between 2021 And 2022, Minnicozzi Disbursed \$12,078.13 To Berger Hirschberg Strategies For Fundraising Consulting.** ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

Individual Contributions

Federal Election Commission

According To The Federal Election Commission, Minnicozzi Has Contributed An Aggregate Of \$5 To Federal Campaign Committees. ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

- **In 2021, Minnicozzi Contributed \$5 To ActBlue.** ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 5/2/22)
 - **In 2021, Minnicozzi Earmarked \$5 To His Own Campaign.** ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

North Carolina State Board of Elections

According To The North Carolina State Board Of Elections, Minnicozzi Has Contributed An Aggregate Of \$100 To Campaign Committees In The State Of North Carolina. (North Carolina State Board Of Elections, Accessed 5/2/22)

- **In 2021, Minnicozzi Contributed \$100 To Josh Stein For Attorney General.** (North Carolina State Board Of Elections, Accessed 5/2/22)

VOTING RECORDS

Jason Minnicozzi has been an actively-registered Democratic Party voter in New Hanover County, North Carolina since October 4, 2010. Since 2010, Minnicozzi has failed to vote in at least four elections. Notably, Minnicozzi voted in the 2016 Republican Party primary election. Minnicozzi registered as an unaffiliated voter in Harnett County, North Carolina on March 20, 2008. Between 2008 and 2010, Minnicozzi only voted in two elections. Minnicozzi registered as a Democratic Party voter in Wake County, North Carolina on August 23, 2004. While registered

in Wake County, Minnicozzi only voted in one election. Minnicozzi originally registered as an unaffiliated voter in Essex County, New Jersey on September 25, 2001. Minnicozzi did not vote in any elections while registered in Essex County.

New Hanover County, NC

According To The North Carolina State Board Of Elections, Minnicozzi Has Been An Actively Registered Democratic Party Voter In New Hanover County, North Carolina Since October 4, 2010. ([North Carolina State Board Of Elections](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

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YOUR VOTER DETAILS

County:	NEW HANOVER
Status:	ACTIVE
Voter Reg Num:	000000298173
NCID:	DB234240
Party:	DEM
Race:	WHITE
Ethnicity:	NOT HISPANIC or NOT LATINO
Gender:	MALE
Registration Date:	10/04/2010
NCDMV Customer:	Yes

([North Carolina State Board Of Elections](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

Since 2010, Minnicozzi Has Failed To Vote In At Least Four Elections: The 2014 And 2018 Primary Elections; As Well As The 2013 And 2015 Municipal Elections. ([North Carolina State Board Of Elections](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

<u>Election</u>	<u>Voted Method</u>	<u>Voted County</u>	<u>Primary Election Ballot</u>
11/02/2021 MUNICIPAL	IN-PERSON ELECTION DAY	NEW HANOVER	
11/03/2020 GENERAL	ONE-STOP EARLY VOTING	NEW HANOVER	
03/03/2020 PRIMARY	ONE-STOP EARLY VOTING	NEW HANOVER	DEMOCRATIC
11/06/2018 GENERAL	ONE-STOP EARLY VOTING	NEW HANOVER	
11/08/2016 GENERAL	ONE-STOP EARLY VOTING	NEW HANOVER	
03/15/2016 PRIMARY	ONE-STOP EARLY VOTING	NEW HANOVER	REPUBLICAN
11/04/2014 GENERAL	ONE-STOP EARLY VOTING	NEW HANOVER	
11/06/2012 GENERAL	IN-PERSON ELECTION DAY	NEW HANOVER	
05/08/2012 PRIMARY	IN-PERSON ELECTION DAY	NEW HANOVER	DEMOCRATIC
11/08/2011 MUNICIPAL	IN-PERSON ELECTION DAY	NEW HANOVER	
11/02/2010 GENERAL	IN-PERSON ELECTION DAY	NEW HANOVER	

([North Carolina State Board Of Elections](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

- **Minnicozzi Voted In The 2016 Republican Party Primary Election.** ([North Carolina State Board Of Elections](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

Harnett County, NC

According To The North Carolina State Board Of Elections, Minnicozzi Registered As An Unaffiliated Voter In Harnett County, North Carolina On March 20, 2008. ([North Carolina State Board Of Elections](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

HARNETT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS				Page 1 of 1
VOTER PROFILE				
Full Name:	MINNICOZZI, JASON DAVID	VRN:	00000844971	
Residence Address:	108 ARIEL ST LILLINGTON, NC 27546	Age:	39	
Mailing Address on File:		Register Date:	03/20/2008	
		Status:	R	
Sex:	MALE			
Race:	W	Ethnicity:	UN	
Party:	UNAFFILIATED			
Birth Place:	NJ			

([North Carolina State Board Of Elections](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

Between 2008 And 2010, Minnicozzi Voted In The 2008 Primary And General Elections. ([North Carolina State Board Of Elections](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

11/04/2008 GENERAL	IN-PERSON ELECTION DAY	HARNETT	
05/06/2008 PRIMARY	IN-PERSON ELECTION DAY	HARNETT	DEMOCRATIC

([North Carolina State Board Of Elections](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

- **Minnicozzi Voted In The 2008 Democratic Party Primary Election.** ([North Carolina State Board Of Elections](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

Wake County, NC

According To The North Carolina State Board Of Elections, Minnicozzi Registered As A Democratic Party Voter In Wake County, North Carolina On August 23, 2004. ([North Carolina State Board Of Elections](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

JASON DAVID MINNICOZZI

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YOUR VOTER DETAILS

County:	WAKE
Status:	REMOVED
Voter Reg Num:	000031256746
NCID:	EH614178
Party:	DEM
Race:	WHITE
Ethnicity:	NOT HISPANIC or NOT LATINO
Gender:	MALE
Registration Date:	08/23/2004
NCDMV Customer:	Yes

([North Carolina State Board Of Elections](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

While Registered In Wake County, Minnicozzi Only Voted In The 2004 General Election.
([North Carolina State Board Of Elections](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

Election	Voted Method	Voted County	Primary Election Ballot
11/02/2004 GENERAL	IN-PERSON ELECTION DAY	WAKE	

([North Carolina State Board Of Elections](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

Essex County, NJ

According To Essex County Superintendent Of Elections, Minnicozzi Registered As An Unaffiliated Voter In Essex County, New Jersey On September 25, 2001. (Voter Profile Report: Jason Minnicozzi, Essex County Superintendent Of Elections, Filed 9/25/01, New Jersey Open Public Records Request, Filled 3/23/22)

<p>Voter Information:</p> <p>Voter Name: JASON D MINNICOZZI</p>	<p>Residence Address:</p> <p>County: Essex Street Number: 35 Street Name: Harvard St Address Line 2: Municipality: Montclair Township City: Montclair State: NJ Zipcode: 070425027</p>	<p>Party Information:</p> <p>Current Party: Unaffiliated Party Privilege Date: 10/24/2001</p> <p>Miscellaneous:</p> <p>Gender: Registration Date: 09/25/2001 Registration Type: In Person</p>
<p>Status Information:</p> <p>Voting Privilege Date: 10/24/2001 Date Last Voted: Current Status: Deleted Deleted Date: Invalid date Deleted Reason: Inactive Confirmation Through Two Federal Poll Worker Status:</p>	<p>Mailing Address:</p> <p>Address:</p>	<p>Inactive Confirmation Address:</p> <p>Address:</p>

(Voter Profile Report: Jason Minnicozzi, Essex County Superintendent Of Elections, Filed 9/25/01, New Jersey Open Public Records Request, Filled 3/23/22)

- **Between 2001 And 2004, Minnicozzi Did Not Vote In Any Elections.** (Voter Profile Report: Jason Minnicozzi, Essex County Superintendent Of Elections, Filed 9/25/01, New Jersey Open Public Records Request, Filled 3/23/22)

PUBLIC COMPENSATION

NOTE: Percipient Strategies currently awaits responsive records relating to Jason Minnicozzi's time as a public defender and assistant district attorney.

CRIMINAL RECORDS

Jason Minnicozzi has a long history of criminal activity. Most notably, in January 2010, Minnicozzi was charged with driving while impaired on suspicion of driving while intoxicated, during which he refused blood alcohol level tests at the time of his arrest. In December 2011, Minnicozzi pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated. Further, in February 2003, Minnicozzi was charged with possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, and unsafe movement. In March 2004, all of the charges were dismissed. Additionally, in October 2002, Minnicozzi was charged with disturbing the peace; this charge was dismissed by the district attorney. In January 2002, Minnicozzi was charged with underage possession of a malt beverage; this charge was dismissed following a deferred prosecution agreement.

Minnicozzi has also been issued at least three traffic citations for speeding.

Driving While Intoxicated

In January 2010, Minnicozzi Was Charged With Driving While Impaired On Suspicion Of Driving While Intoxicated In Wake County, North Carolina. (Case No. 10CR200735, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 1/1/10)

Defendant

Name: MINNICOZZI,JASON,DAVID
Date of Birth/Estimated Age:12/27/1982
Race: WHITE
Sex: MALE
Address: 1013 NICHOLS DR
 RALEIGH, NC 27605-1107

First Alias: -
Second Alias: -
Driver's License State: NC
Commercial Driver's License: NO

Witnesses

Name	Type	Agency
HARRELSON,K	COMPLAINANT	CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

District Court Offense Information

Current Jurisdiction: DISTRICT COURT

#		Description	Severity	Law
01	CHARGED	DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED(Blood Alcohol = REFUSAL)	TRAFFIC	G.S. 20-138.1
	CONVICTED	DWI - LEVEL 5(Blood Alcohol = REFUSAL)	TRAFFIC	G.S. 20-138.1(A)
Plea: GUILTY		Verdict: GUILTY	Disposed on: 12/15/2010	
Disposition Method: DISPOSED BY JUDGE				
02	CHARGED	CIVIL REVOCATION DR LIC (30)	TRAFFIC	G.S. 20-16.5
	CONVICTED	-	-	-
Plea: -		Verdict: -	Disposed on: 12/15/2011	
Disposition Method: OTHER				

(Case No. 10CR200735, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 1/1/10)

- **Minnicozzi Refused Blood Alcohol Level Tests At The Time Of His Arrest.** (Case No. 10CR200735, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 1/1/10)
- **In December 2011, Minnicozzi Pleaded Guilty To Driving While Intoxicated.** (Case No. 10CR200735, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 1/1/10)

NOTE: Percipient Strategies currently awaits responsive records relating to the police report of this incident.

Possession Of Marijuana

In February 2003, Minnicozzi Was Charged With Possession Of Marijuana And Unsafe Movement In Wake County, North Carolina. (Case No. 03CR021309, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 2/28/03)

Defendant	
Name: MINNICOZZI, JASON, D	First Alias: -
Date of Birth/Estimated Age: 12/27/1982	Second Alias: -
Race: WHITE	Driver's License State: NJ
Sex: MALE	Commercial Driver's License: NO
Address: 611 LEE HALL NCSU RALEIGH, NC 27607	

Witnesses

Name	Type	Agency
ROMMEL	COMPLAINANT	CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

District Court Offense Information

Current Jurisdiction: DISTRICT COURT

#		Description	Severity	Law
01	CHARGED	UNSAFE MOVEMENT	INFRACTION	G.S. 20-154
	CONVICTED	-	-	-
Plea: -		Verdict: -		Disposed on: 03/25/2004
Disposition Method: DISMISSED BY COURT				
02	CHARGED	POSSESS MARIJUANA UP TO 1/2 OZ	MISDEMEANOR	G.S. 90-95(D)(4)
	CONVICTED	-	-	-
Plea: -		Verdict: -		Disposed on: 03/25/2004
Disposition Method: DISMISSED BY COURT				

(Case No. 03CR021309, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 2/28/03)

- **In March 2004, Both Charges Were Dismissed By The Court.** (Case No. 03CR021309, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 3/25/04)

NOTE: Percipient Strategies currently awaits responsive records relating to the police report of this incident.

Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia

In February 2003, Minnicozzi Was Charged With Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia In Wake County, North Carolina. (Case No. 03CR018625, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 2/28/03)

Defendant	
Name: MINNICOZZI,JASON,D	First Alias: -
Date of Birth/Estimated Age:12/27/1982	Second Alias: -
Race: WHITE	Driver's License State: NJ
Sex: MALE	Commercial Driver's License: NO
Address: 611 LEE HALL NCSU BOX 15711 RALEIGH, NC 27607	

Witnesses		
Name	Type	Agency
ROMMEL,B	COMPLAINANT	CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

District Court Offense Information				
Current Jurisdiction: DISTRICT COURT				
#		Description	Severity	Law
01	CHARGED	POSSESS DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	MISDEMEANOR	G.S. 90-113.22
	CONVICTED	-	-	-
Plea: -		Verdict: -		Disposed on: 03/25/2004
Disposition Method: DISMISSED BY COURT				

(Case No. 03CR018625, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 2/28/03)

- **In March 2004, The Charge Was Dismissed By The Court.** (Case No. 03CR018625, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 3/25/04)

NOTE: Percipient Strategies currently awaits responsive records relating to the police report of this incident.

Disturbing The Peace

In October 2002, Minnicozzi Was Charged With Disturbing The Peace In Wake County, North Carolina. (Case No. 02CR101284, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 10/18/02)

Defendant	
Name: MINNICOZZI,JASON,D	First Alias: -
Date of Birth/Estimated Age:12/27/1982	Second Alias: -
Race: WHITE	Driver's License State: NJ
Sex: MALE	Commercial Driver's License: NO
Address: 611-A NC STATE UNIVERSITY RALEIGH, NC 27606	

Witnesses		
Name	Type	Agency
KERENSKY	COMPLAINANT	CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

District Court Offense Information				
Current Jurisdiction: DISTRICT COURT				
#		Description	Severity	Law
01	CHARGED	DISTURBING PEACE	MISDEMEANOR	G.S. 12-5007
	CONVICTED	-	-	-
Plea: -		Verdict: -		Disposed on: 03/25/2003
Disposition Method: DISMISSAL WITHOUT LEAVE BY DA				

(Case No. 02CR101284, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 10/18/02)

- **In March 2003, The Case Was Dismissed Without Leave By The District Attorney.**
(Case No. 02CR101284, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 3/25/03)

NOTE: Percipient Strategies currently awaits responsive records relating to the police report of this incident.

Underage Possession Of Alcohol

In January 2002, Minnicozzi Was Charged With Underage Possession Of A Malt Beverage In Orange County, North Carolina. (Case No. 02CR000039, Orange County Clerk Of Court, Filed 1/11/02)

Defendant	
Name: MINNICOZZI,JASON,D	First Alias: -
Date of Birth/Estimated Age: 12/27/1982	Second Alias: -
Race: WHITE	Driver's License State: NJ
Sex: MALE	Commercial Driver's License: NO
Address: 35 HARVARD STREET MONTCLAIR, NJ 07042	

Witnesses		
Name	Type	Agency
SOTO	COMPLAINANT	CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

District Court Offense Information

Current Jurisdiction: DISTRICT COURT

#		Description	Severity	Law
01	CHARGED	POSS MTBV/U-WN BY 19/20	MISDEMEANOR	G.S. 18B-302(B)(1)
	CONVICTED	-	-	-
Plea: -		Verdict: -	Disposed on: 04/08/2002	

Disposition Method: DEFERRED PROCEEDING OR DEFERRED PROSECUTION DISMISSAL

(Case No. 02CR000039, Orange County Clerk Of Court, Filed 1/11/02)

- **In April 2002, The Case Was Dismissed After Entering Into A Deferred Prosecution Agreement.** (Case No. 02CR000039, Orange County Clerk Of Court, Filed 4/8/02)

NOTE: Percipient Strategies currently awaits responsive records relating to the police report of this incident.

Traffic Citations

NOTE: Minnicozzi has received at least three traffic citations for speeding.

POLICE RECORDS

NOTE: Percipient Strategies currently awaits responsive records relating to Jason Minnicozzi's police involvements. Please see "Criminal Records" for more information on Minnicozzi's law enforcement issues.

REAL PROPERTY RECORDS

6211 Wrightsville Avenue Unit 110, Wilmington, NC, New Hanover County

This is the primary residence owned by Jason Minnicozzi. This single-family residential property comprises two bedrooms and two bathrooms and has a 2022 assessed value of \$233,200. Minnicozzi has owned the property since December 2012.



([New Hanover County Assessor](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

Property Information

Full Address:	6211 Wrightsville Avenue Unit 110, Wilmington, NC 28403
County:	New Hanover County
Parcel ID:	R05611-004-013-010
Property Type:	Single-Family Residential
Owner:	MINNICOZZI JASON D
Sale Date:	12/12/2012
Sale Price:	\$150,000
Year Built:	1989
Total Bedrooms:	2
Total Bathrooms:	2
Total Square Footage:	1,251
2022 Assessed Value:	\$233,200

([New Hanover County Assessor](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

Tax Information

In 2021, Minnicozzi Paid \$1,995.73 In Total Municipal Property Taxes. ([New Hanover County Tax Collector](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

BILL YEAR	BILL TYPE	BILL NUMBER	LEGAL DESCRIPTION		PARCEL NUMBER	
2021	20	21054345	LOT 110 SEC 1 WRIGHT		R05611-004-013-010	
PROPERTY LOCATION		PROPERTY VALUE	DEFERRED	EXEMPTION	TOTAL TAXABLE VALUE	
6211 WRIGHTSVILLE AVE 110		233,200			233,200	
MESSAGES		JURISDICTION	TYPE	TAX RATE PER \$100.00 VALUE	ITEMIZED TAX AMOUNT	
FINAL DATE TO PAY IS WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2022. INTEREST BEGINS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON THIS DAY. CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS ARE ACCEPTED IN THE OFFICE. If you need a payment arrangement outside of the enclosed installment coupons, please contact our office by August 31, 2021 to establish those payment arrangements.		New Hanover-General Fund	NH1	0.43040	1,003.69	
		Debt Fund	NH3	0.04460	104.01	
		Wilmington	WM1	0.38080	888.03	
		TOTAL TAX DUE				1,995.73
		LATE LIST PENALTY				
+/- PAYMENTS AND ADJUSTMENTS						
INTEREST						
BALANCE				1,995.73		

DETACH AND RETAIN THIS PORTION FOR INCOME TAX PURPOSES

([New Hanover County Tax Collector](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

BANKRUPTCIES, JUDGMENTS, & LIENS RECORDS

NOTE: No bankruptcies, judgments, or lien records could be found for Jason Minnicozzi.

LEGAL ISSUES

NOTE: No divorce record could be found involving Minnicozzi and his then-wife Courtney, in New Hanover County, North Carolina. Based on readily available information from Minnicozzi's property, it appears they married sometime in 2013 and divorced in late 2020.

NOTE: Percipient Strategies currently awaits potentially responsive records relating to Minnicozzi's record as an attorney.

Jason Minnicozzi V. Courtney Minnicozzi

NOTE: No divorce record could be found involving Minnicozzi and his then-wife Courtney, in New Hanover County, North Carolina. Based on readily available information from Minnicozzi's property, it appears they married sometime in 2013 and divorced in late 2020.

BUSINESS RECORDS

Jason Minnicozzi is the former owner of his North Carolina-domiciled law firm the Minnicozzi Law Firm, P.L.L.C., which he incorporated in September 2010. The company is currently suspended and has been since April 2013, according to Minnicozzi's LinkedIn.

Minnicozzi Law Firm, P.L.L.C

In September 2010, Minnicozzi Incorporated The Minnicozzi Law Firm, P.L.L.C. As A Domestic For-Profit Entity With The North Carolina Secretary Of State. (North Carolina Secretary Of State, Filed 9/21/10)

Legal Name

Minnicozzi Law Firm, P.L.L.C.

Information

SosId: 1168084

Status: Suspended ⓘ

Date Formed: 9/21/2010

Citizenship: Domestic

Annual Report Due Date:

Registered Agent: [Minnicozzi, Jason](#)

(North Carolina Secretary Of State, Filed 9/21/10)

- **The Company Is Currently Suspended.** (North Carolina Secretary Of State, Accessed 5/2/22)

According To His LinkedIn, Minnicozzi’s Law Firm Was In Service Until April 2013. (Jason Minnicozzi Profile, [LinkedIn](#), Accessed 5/2/22)



Jason Minnicozzi

Democratic Candidate for NC State Senate, currently serving as Assistant Public Defender at the New Hanover County Public Defender’s Offi...



Owner / Operator

Minnicozzi Law Firm, PLLC

Sep 2010 - Apr 2013 · 2 yrs 8 mos

Wilmington, North Carolina

(Jason Minnicozzi Profile, [LinkedIn](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

NON-PROFIT RECORDS

NOTE: No non-profit records could be found for Jason Minnicozzi.

PROFESSIONAL & RECREATIONAL LICENSES

Jason Minnicozzi has been licensed to practice law in the state of North Carolina since August 27, 2010 and his license is currently active to date.

Attorney License

North Carolina

Minnicozzi Has Been Licensed To Practice Law In The State Of North Carolina Since August 27, 2010. ([North Carolina Bar](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

Mr. Jason David Minnicozzi - Attorney

Bar #: 41449	Status: Active
Name: Mr. Jason David Minnicozzi	The lawyer is presently eligible to practice law in North Carolina.
Address: 320 Chestnut St, Ste 201 Unit 2	Date Admitted: 08/27/2010
City: Wilmington	Judicial District: 6 - New Hanover, Pender
State: NC	
Zip Code: 28401	
Work Phone: 910-343-5428	
Email: jason.d.minnicozzi@nccourts.org	

([North Carolina Bar](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

- **Minnicozzi’s License Is Currently Active To Date.** ([North Carolina Bar](#), Accessed 5/2/22)

PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

On his 2022 Statement of Economic Interests, Jason Minnicozzi declared he was employed as an assistant public defender with the state of North Carolina. Minnicozzi declared ownership over his primary residence but disclosed he held no stock interests and no business interests. Minnicozzi declared he received a salary from his position as an assistant public defender and wages from the University of Mount Olive. Minnicozzi disclosed one liability for more than \$10,000 to the U.S. Department of Education and that he has never been convicted of a felony.

2022 Statement Of Economic Interests, North Carolina State Senate

Employment

In 2022, Minnicozzi Declared He Was Employed As An Assistant Public Defender With The State Of North Carolina. (2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

Current Employer	Job Title
State of NC	Assistant Public Defender
Nature or Type of Business	
Lawyer	

(2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

Property Interests

In 2022, Minnicozzi Declared He Owned A Property In Wilmington, North Carolina. (2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

Property Interests			
1. As of December 31, 2021, did you or any members of your immediate family:			
A. have an ownership interest in North Carolina real estate (including your residence) with a market value of \$10,000 or more?			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Owner of Real Estate	% Ownership Interest	Location by City	Location by County
Jason Minnicozzi (Self)	100.00%	Wilmington	New Hanover

(2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

Financial Interests

In 2022, Minnicozzi Declared He Did Not Hold Any Stock In A Public Or Non-Public Company. (2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

Financial Interests	
3. As of December 31, 2021, did you or any members of your immediate family own any of the following financial interests valued at \$10,000 or more? List each company individually.	
A. Stock in a publicly owned company?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
▶ Do <u>not</u> list interests in a widely held investment fund (including mutual funds, regulated investment companies, or pension or deferred compensation plans) if:	
1. the fund is publicly traded or its assets are widely diversified; and	
2. neither you nor an immediate family member are able to control the underlying assets.	
Owner of Interest	Full Name of Company or ticker symbol
B. Stock options in a company or business?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Owner of Stock Option	Full Name of Company (Do not use a ticker symbol)
C. Interests in a non-publicly owned company or business entity? These include interests in sole proprietorships, partnerships, limited partnerships, joint ventures, limited liability companies, limited liability partnerships, and closely held corporations.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - If "No," proceed to question 4.	
Owner of Interest	Name of Company or Business Entity

(2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

Liabilities

In 2022, Minnicozzi Declared He Owed More Than \$10,00 To The US Department Of Education. (2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

5. As of December 31, 2021, did you any members of your immediate family have liabilities of \$10,000 or more, excluding the mortgage on your primary personal residence? Examples include credit card debts, auto loans, student loans, personal loans and intra-family debt.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Name of Debtor	Type of Creditor (commercial Bank, credit union, individual, etc.)
Jason Minnicozzi (Self)	US Dept. of Education

(2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

Income

In 2022, Minnicozzi Declared He Received A Salary From The State Of North Carolina. (2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

In 2022, Minnicozzi Declared He Received Wages From The University Of Mount Olive. (2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

6. List each source of income (not specific amounts) of more than \$5,000 received by you or any members of your immediate family during 2021. Include salary, wages, state/local government retirement income, professional fees, honoraria, interest, dividends, rental income, business income, and other types required to be reported on State and federal tax returns. Please remember to disclose your receipt of salary or wages from any governmental or private entity.			
Do not include income received from the following sources:			
▶ Capital gains	▶ Federal government retirement		
▶ Military retirement	▶ Social security income/SSDI		
Recipient of Income	Name of Source	Type of Business/Industry	Type of Income
Jason Minnicozzi (Self)	State of North Carolina	Government	Salary
Jason Minnicozzi (Self)	University of Mount Olive	Education	Wages

(2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

Business Interests

In 2022, Minnicozzi Declared He Did Not Have Any Business Interests. (2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

9(a). List the name of each business with which you were associated where you or a member of your immediate family was an employee, director, officer, partner, proprietor, or member or manager as of December 31, 2021.			
Name of Person	Relationship to Filer	Name of Company	Role of Person
No Business Associations			

(2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

Felony Convictions

In 2022, Minnicozzi Declared He Has Never Been Convicted Of A Felony. (2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

18. Have you ever been convicted of a felony for which you have not received either: (i) a pardon; or (ii) an order of expungement? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
Offense	Date of Conviction	County of Conviction	State of Conviction

(2022 Statement Of Economic Interest, [North Carolina State Ethics Commission](#), Filed 3/24/22)

MINNICOZZI'S PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL FOIBLES

In both his personal and professional life, Jason Minnicozzi boasts several vulnerabilities which others may seek to capitalize on.

Most notably, Minnicozzi may be accused of not fairly prosecuting allegations of child pornography against a powerful local politician's son. In June 2018, Justin Brochure, the son of Oak Island Mayor Cynthia Brochure, was charged with 31 counts of second degree child exploitation of a minor. Brochure was originally held on a \$1 million bond, but was later reduced to \$100,000 as part of an agreement. Brochure agreed to no contact with minors; however, a month later, Brochure was charged with 11 counts of violation his pretrial release agreement and held under a \$2 million bond; however, this was reduced to only \$50,000. In May 2019, Brochure was released from custody after pleading "no contest" in a plea agreement "stemming from 62 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor charges — 31 in the second degree and 31 in the third. Minnicozzi, who was the lead prosecutor in the case, agreed to no prison time for Brochure as part of the plea agreement and his no contest plea allowed Brochure to not admit to any crime. The plea agreement procured by Minnicozzi was described as a "stark contrast" with other child pornography cases that Minnicozzi given that the same week as Brochure's agreement, Minnicozzi prosecuted a 27-year-old who was sentenced to at least 10 years in prison "despite facing fewer charges than Brochure." The Mother of the boy who was known to have been in Brochure's company while he was out on bail said "the system is broken" and expressed concerns about how Brochure's mother's role as mayor may have impacted the investigation."

Furthermore, Minnicozzi has a track record of interactions with law enforcement. A little over a decade ago, in January 2010, Minnicozzi was charged with driving while impaired on suspicion of driving while intoxicated, during which he refused blood alcohol level tests at the time of his arrest. In December 2011, Minnicozzi pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated. Similarly, in February 2003, Minnicozzi was charged with possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, and unsafe movement. In March 2004, all of the charges were dismissed. Additionally, in October 2002, Minnicozzi was charged with disturbing the peace; this charge was dismissed by the district attorney. In January 2002, Minnicozzi was charged with underage possession of a malt beverage; this charge was dismissed following a deferred prosecution agreement.

As a public defender, Minnicozzi sought to assist several child predators. In 2014, Minnicozzi, as a public defender, made a motion to suppress evidence in a case against his client who was accused of sexual exploitation of a minor; Minnicozzi contended that his client's cell phone was unlawfully searched. In 2015, Minnicozzi, as a public defender, contended his client, who plead guilty to first-degree sexual offense of a child, among other charges, was unfairly charged as an adult since the crimes took place when his client was only 17.

**MINNICOZZI MAY BE ACCUSED OF NOT FAIRLY PROSECUTING
ALLEGATIONS OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY AGAINST A POWERFUL
LOCAL POLITICIAN'S SON**

In June 2018, Justin Brochure, The Son Of Oak Island Mayor Cynthia Brochure, Was Charged With 31 Counts Of Second-Degree Sexual Exploitation Of A Minor

In June 2018, Justin Brochure, The Son Of Oak Island Mayor Cynthia Brochure, Was Charged With 31 Counts Of Second-Degree Sexual Exploitation Of A Minor. “According to warrants for her son’s arrest, the alleged criminal activity — duplicating sexually explicit visual material of minors — began in August of 2015. Justin Brochure’s alleged offenses continued until March 2017, one month after Homeland Security handed the case off to the town, an incident report shows. Over a year later, on June 28, 2018, an Oak Island detective filed the first warrants for Brochure’s arrest. Brochure, 36, was charged with 31 counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.” (Johanna Ferebee And Michael Praats, “Update: Documents Reveal Child Porn Crimes Were Committed At Oak Island Mayor’s Address,” [Port City Daily](#), 11/2/18)

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Brochure Was Originally Held On A \$1 Million Bond, Which Was Reduced To \$100,000 As Part Of An Agreement In Which He Was Prohibited From Having Contact With Minors. “He was first held on a \$1 million secured bond, reduced the next day to \$100,000. Four days later, he posted bail. As part of a pretrial release agreement, Brochure was prohibited from having contact with minors. However, it is now clear that Brochure did have contact with minors, violating that agreement. In fact, after his early July release, at least two minor children lived with him at his Leland apartment, according to photographic evidence and multiple witness statements — including statements from the grandmother of the children — provided to the Oak Island Police Department.” (Johanna Still, “In-Depth Investigation: Despite False Testimony, Sex Offender Walked Free In Child Pornography Plea Deal,” [Port City Daily](#), 8/4/19)

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Brochure’s mother, Oak Island Mayor Cin Brochure, leveraged her Oak Island property as collateral for her son’s release, Brunswick County Register of Deeds records show.” (Johanna Still, “In-Depth Investigation: Despite False Testimony, Sex Offender Walked Free In Child Pornography Plea Deal,” [Port City Daily](#), 8/4/19)

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provided by police to the District Attorney's office. One prosecutor said Brochure had shown "complete disregard" for the court order prohibiting him from having contact with children. Despite that, neither Brochure nor his girlfriend were charged with perjury, obstruction of justice, or any other crime related to the false testimony given in court. And, in May of this year, Brochure was still able to arrange a plea deal that let him walk free. The sentence is a stark contrast with other child pornography cases, including the recent sentencing of 27-year-old Brennan West, who will serve at least 10 years in prison, despite facing fewer chargers than Brochure. Brunswick County Assistant District Attorney Jason Minnicozzi, who prosecuted both cases, addressed the differences between the two cases, saying that West fell into a more dangerous category of child pornography users, while Brochure didn't." (Johanna Ferebee And Benjamin Schachtman, "New Details After Mayor's Son Walks Free In Child Porn Plea Deal," [WECT 6 News](#), 8/5/19)

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Defendant

Name: MINNICOZZI, JASON, DAVID
 Date of Birth/Estimated Age: 12/27/1982
 Race: WHITE
 Sex: MALE
 Address: 1013 NICHOLS DR
 RALEIGH, NC 27605-1107

First Alias: -
 Second Alias: -
 Driver's License State: NC
 Commercial Driver's License: NO

Witnesses

Name	Type	Agency
HARRELSON, K	COMPLAINANT	CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

District Court Offense Information

Current Jurisdiction: DISTRICT COURT

#		Description	Severity	Law
01	CHARGED	DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED(Blood Alcohol = REFUSAL)	TRAFFIC	G.S. 20-138.1
	CONVICTED	DWI - LEVEL 5(Blood Alcohol = REFUSAL)	TRAFFIC	G.S. 20-138.1(A)
Plea: GUILTY		Verdict: GUILTY	Disposed on: 12/15/2010	
Disposition Method: DISPOSED BY JUDGE				
02	CHARGED	CIVIL REVOCATION DR LIC (30)	TRAFFIC	G.S. 20-16.5
	CONVICTED	-	-	-
Plea: -		Verdict: -	Disposed on: 12/15/2011	
Disposition Method: OTHER				

(Case No. 10CR200735, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 1/1/10)

- **Minnicozzi Refused Blood Alcohol Level Tests At The Time Of His Arrest.** (Case No. 10CR200735, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 1/1/10)
- **In December 2011, Minnicozzi Pleaded Guilty To Driving While Intoxicated.** (Case No. 10CR200735, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 1/1/10)

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18. Have you ever been convicted of a felony for which you have not received either: (i) a pardon; or (ii) an order of expungement?			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
Offense	Date of Conviction	County of Conviction	State of Conviction

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Defendant

Name: MINNICOZZI,JASON,D **First Alias:** -
Date of Birth/Estimated Age:12/27/1982 **Second Alias:** -
Race: WHITE **Driver's License State:** NJ
Sex: MALE **Commercial Driver's License:** NO
Address: 611 LEE HALL NCSU
 RALEIGH, NC 27607

Witnesses

Name	Type	Agency
ROMMEL	COMPLAINANT	CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

District Court Offense Information

Current Jurisdiction: DISTRICT COURT

#		Description	Severity	Law
01	CHARGED	UNSAFE MOVEMENT	INFRACTION	G.S. 20-154
	CONVICTED	-	-	-
Plea: -		Verdict: -	Disposed on: 03/25/2004	
Disposition Method: DISMISSED BY COURT				
02	CHARGED	POSSESS MARIJUANA UP TO 1/2 OZ	MISDEMEANOR	G.S. 90-95(D)(4)
	CONVICTED	-	-	-
Plea: -		Verdict: -	Disposed on: 03/25/2004	
Disposition Method: DISMISSED BY COURT				

(Case No. 03CR021309, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 2/28/03)

- In March 2004, Both Charges Were Dismissed By The Court.** (Case No. 03CR021309, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 3/25/04)

In February 2003, Minnicozzi Was Charged With Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia

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Defendant

Name: MINNICOZZI, JASON, D
Date of Birth/Estimated Age: 12/27/1982
Race: WHITE
Sex: MALE
Address: 611 LEE HALL NCSU BOX 15711
 RALEIGH, NC 27607

First Alias: -
Second Alias: -
Driver's License State: NJ
Commercial Driver's License: NO

Witnesses

Name	Type	Agency
ROMMEL, B	COMPLAINANT	CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

District Court Offense Information

Current Jurisdiction: DISTRICT COURT

#		Description	Severity	Law
01	CHARGED	POSSESS DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	MISDEMEANOR	G.S. 90-113.22
	CONVICTED	-	-	-
Plea: -		Verdict: -	Disposed on: 03/25/2004	
Disposition Method: DISMISSED BY COURT				

(Case No. 03CR018625, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 2/28/03)

- **In March 2004, The Charge Was Dismissed By The Court.** (Case No. 03CR018625, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 3/25/04)

MINNICOZZI HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH UNDERAGE POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL

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Defendant

Name: MINNICOZZI,JASON,D
 Date of Birth/Estimated Age:12/27/1982
 Race: WHITE
 Sex: MALE
 Address: 35 HARVARD STREET
 MONTCLAIR, NJ 07042

First Alias: -
 Second Alias: -
 Driver's License State: NJ
 Commercial Driver's License: NO

Witnesses

Name	Type	Agency
SOTO	COMPLAINANT	CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

District Court Offense Information

Current Jurisdiction: DISTRICT COURT

#		Description	Severity	Law
01	CHARGED	POSS MTBV/U-WN BY 19/20	MISDEMEANOR	G.S. 18B-302(B)(1)
	CONVICTED	-	-	-
Plea: -		Verdict: -	Disposed on: 04/08/2002	
Disposition Method: DEFERRED PROCEEDING OR DEFERRED PROSECUTION DISMISSAL				

(Case No. 02CR000039, Orange County Clerk Of Court, Filed 1/11/02)

- **In April 2002, The Case Was Dismissed After Entering Into A Deferred Prosecution Agreement.** (Case No. 02CR000039, Orange County Clerk Of Court, Filed 4/8/02)

MINNICOZZI HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH DISTURBING THE PEACE

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Defendant

Name: MINNICOZZI,JASON,D
 Date of Birth/Estimated Age:12/27/1982
 Race: WHITE
 Sex: MALE
 Address: 611-A NC STATE UNIVERSITY
 RALEIGH, NC 27606

First Alias: -
 Second Alias: -
 Driver's License State: NJ
 Commercial Driver's License: NO

Witnesses

Name	Type	Agency
KERENSKY	COMPLAINANT	CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

District Court Offense Information

Current Jurisdiction: DISTRICT COURT

#		Description	Severity	Law
01	CHARGED	DISTURBING PEACE	MISDEMEANOR	G.S. 12-5007
	CONVICTED	-	-	-
Plea: -		Verdict: -	Disposed on: 03/25/2003	
Disposition Method: DISMISSAL WITHOUT LEAVE BY DA				

(Case No. 02CR101284, Wake County Clerk Of Court, Filed 10/18/02)

- **In March 2003, The Case Was Dismissed Without Leave By The District Attorney.**
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AS A PUBLIC DEFENDER, MINNICOZZI SOUGHT TO ASSIST SEVERAL CHILD PREDATORS

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was sentenced to at least 18 years in prison Tuesday for the molestation of two boys at a Boy Scout camp in Carolina Beach last summer. Timothy Grant Shaw II, 18, pleaded guilty to nine counts of first-degree sexual offense of a child, one count of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, one count of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and one count of dissemination of obscenity... "It's a shame that in North Carolina that this young man is before this court as an adult, because he is not. He was 17 when this happened... These actions are the actions of a child," said Shaw's attorney, public defender Jason Minnicozzi. He said Shaw also was a victim of molestation at the hands of a neighbor when he was 5. Minnicozzi read to the court a letter Shaw wrote the victims upon his arrest. In it Shaw apologized for his actions. "I only did what I did because I was sad and lonely," Shaw wrote." (F.T. Norton, "Wilmington Teen Pleads Guilty To Child-Sex Charges," *Morning Star*, 5/12/15)

MINNICOZZI'S EMBRACE OF LIBERAL POLICIES AND LEFTIST POLITICS

Despite claiming he is not a “cookie-cutter Democrat,” a review of Minnicozzi’s public comments and social media accounts has revealed blatant support for the left’s policy agenda and politics.

Through social media, Minnicozzi has indicated he supports several fiscally responsible policies. Minnicozzi has indicated he supports some form of tax increase on wealthier Americans. Minnicozzi also has indicated increasing wage mandates on North Carolina businesses. Notably, Minnicozzi has indicated the U.S. should reduce military spending.

On healthcare, Minnicozzi has adopted most aspects of the progressive healthcare agenda – including Medicaid expansion, Obamacare, and universal healthcare. During the covid-19 pandemic, Minnicozzi frequently used social media to express support for mask mandates. For example, in March 2021, Minnicozzi tweeted that it was “too soon to relax or eliminate mask mandates and other mitigation efforts.”

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On social issues, Minnicozzi is in lockstep with the left. Minnicozzi is pro-abortion and appears to support Planned Parenthood. Additionally, Minnicozzi has expressed anti-second amendment sentiments and is opposed to the death penalty. Minnicozzi appears to have embraced leftist racial politics including support for Colin Kaepernick’s national anthem protests.

Minnicozzi is endorsed by several “progressive” organizations that support rigid left-leaning agendas. The Carolina Forward Slate, a group focused on “bold, progressive leadership,” supports “affordable housing, universal healthcare, racial justice, environmental protection...” According to Carolina Forward’s website, the Carolina Forward Slate supported Gov. Cooper’s vetoing of commonsense legislation that sought to unwind Covid-related heavy-handedness and seek a return to normalcy. Additionally, Minnicozzi is endorsed by Work For Democracy, “a progressive grassroots movement”. Work For Democracy promotes “universal access to healthcare” and “reproductive freedom for women.”

Additionally, Minnicozzi has taken up radical political positions. Notably, Minnicozzi supports efforts to consolidate liberal power in Washington through ending the filibuster and granting D.C. statehood. Minnicozzi has expressed a backing for Stacey Abrams and has indicated he supports varying forms of censorship on social media.

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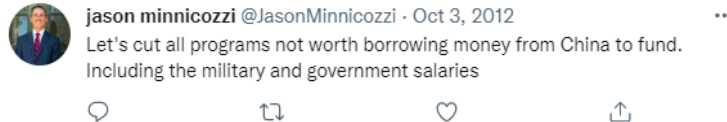


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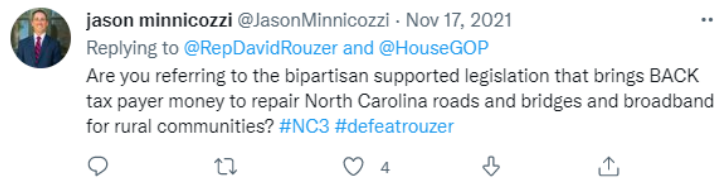
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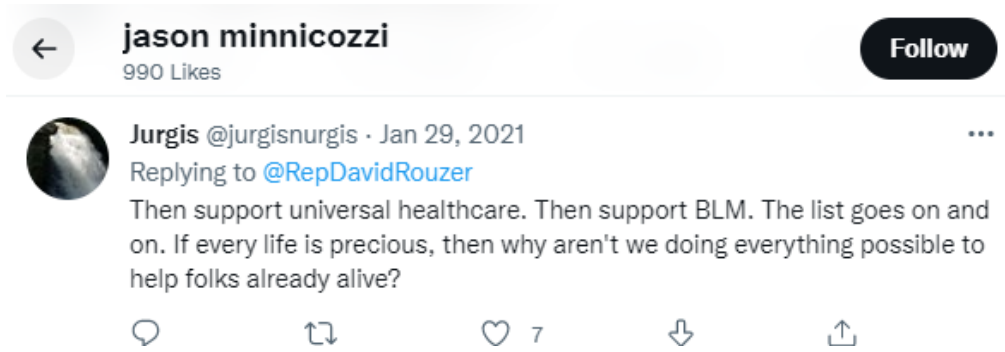
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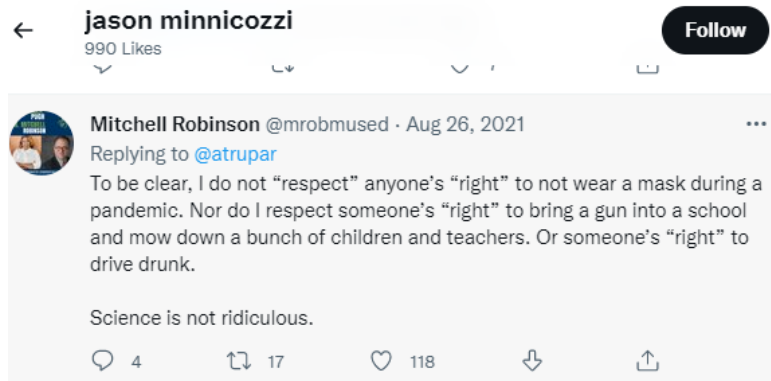
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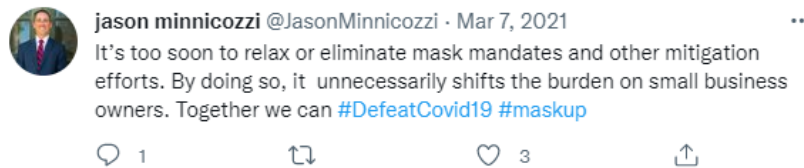
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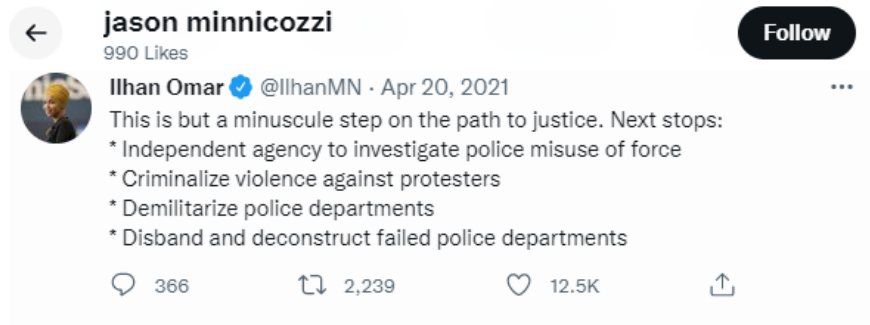


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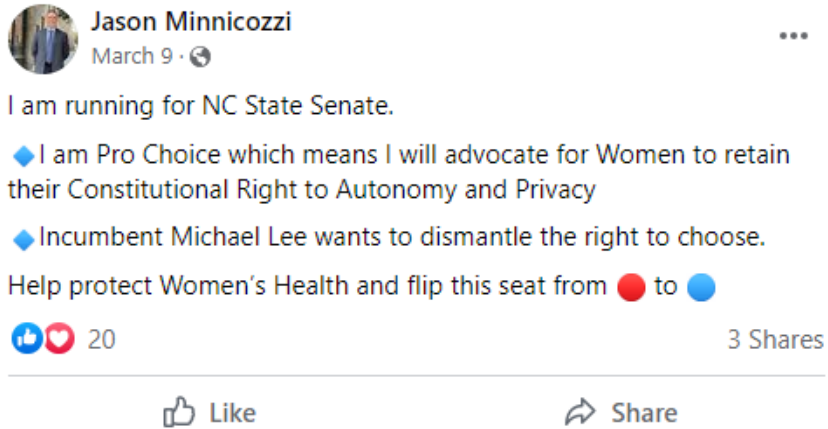


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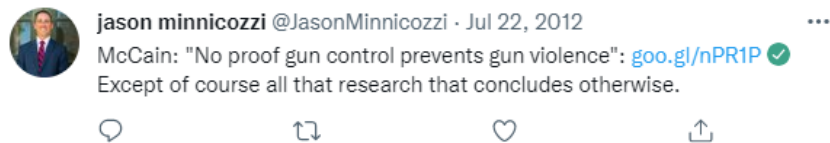


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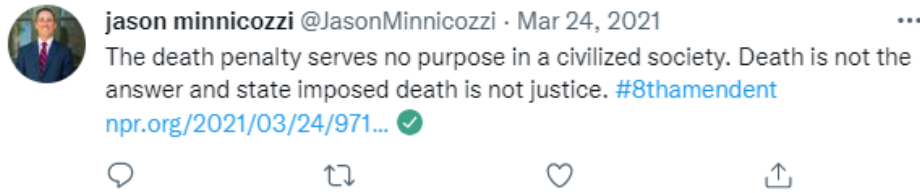


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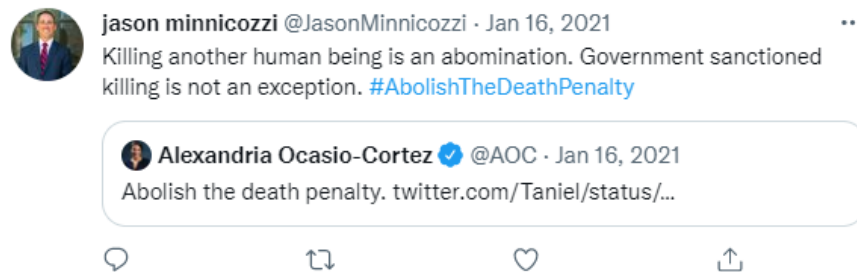
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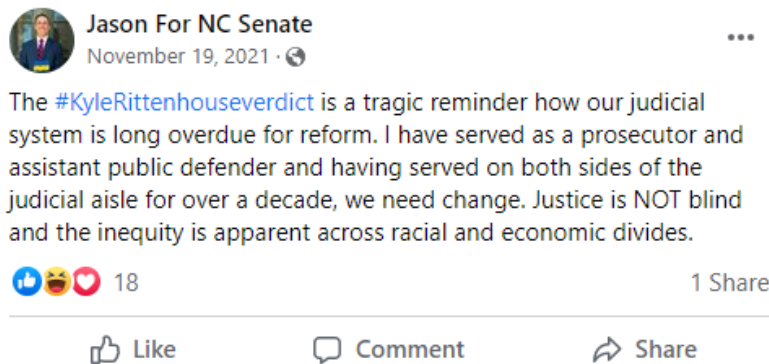


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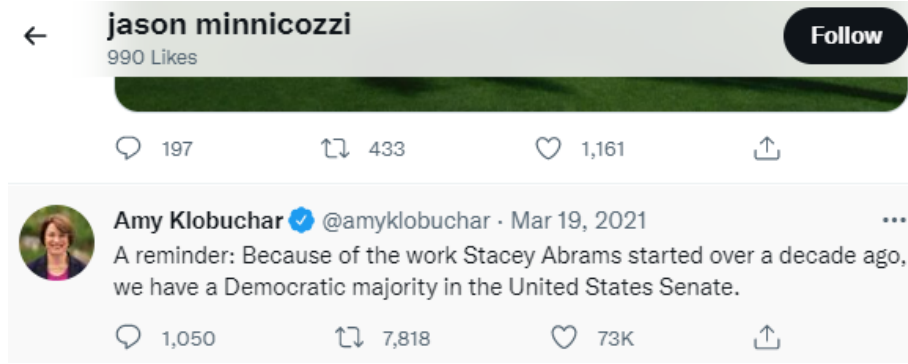
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- Non-partisan redistricting
- Non-discriminatory legislation
- Civil, political and human rights of all persons
- Strong public education
- Universal access to healthcare
- Reproductive freedom for women
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- Rational, science-based public policy
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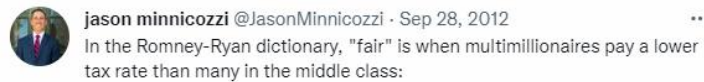
(Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 10/4/12)



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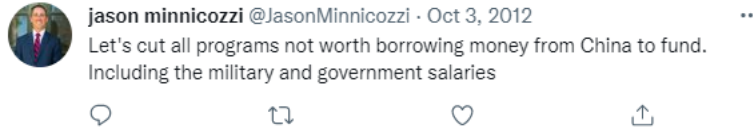


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Federal Spending

Military Funding

In October 2012, Minnicozzi Tweeted That The U.S. Government Should Not Borrow Money In Order To Maintain Military Funding Levels. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 10/3/12)



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Biden Infrastructure Bill

In November 2021, Minnicozzi Tweeted In Support For Increased Spending By The Federal Government On Infrastructure. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 11/17/21)



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In April 2021, Minnicozzi Tweeted That 73% Of Voters Support Back Biden’s Trillion Dollar Infrastructure Plan. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 4/7/21)



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Minimum Wage

In January 2021, Minnicozzi ‘Liked’ A Tweet That Called For A \$15 An Hour Minimum Wage. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/14/21)



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Miscellaneous

Student Loans

It Appears That During A 2016 Hearing With The North Carolina Commission On The Administration Of Law & Justice, Minnicozzi Suggested The Government Would Need To Get Involved To Address Law School Debt. ([North Carolina Commission On The Administration Of Law & Justice](#), 8/11/16)

Jason Minnicozzi	Attorney	Wilmington	Mr. Minnicozzi spoke on behalf of NC LEAF and suggested that it is impossible to reduce law school debt without assistance. He also commented that pay for attorneys and legal staff in offices of public defenders is too low. The offices need more positions, and the combination of high workload and the low current entry level pay limits the number of quality attorneys joining these offices.
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Medicaid

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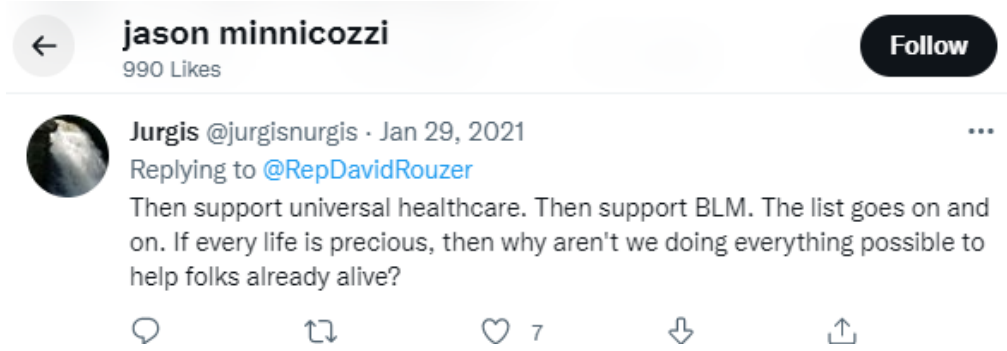
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Universal Healthcare

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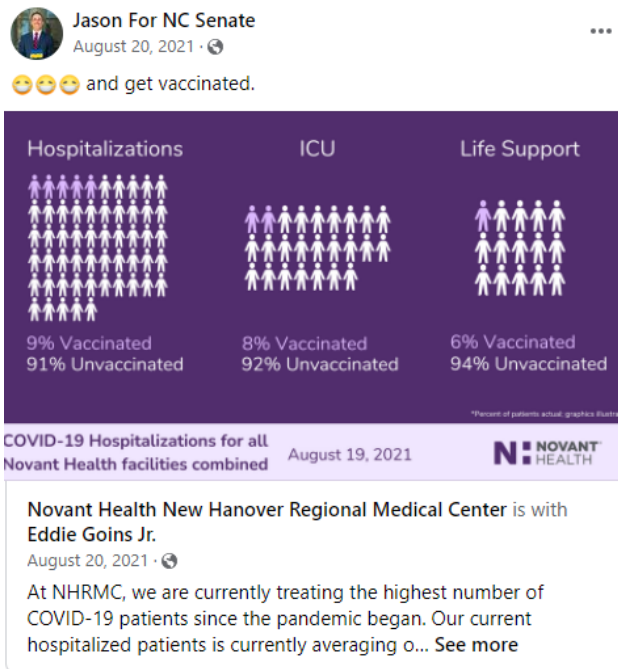
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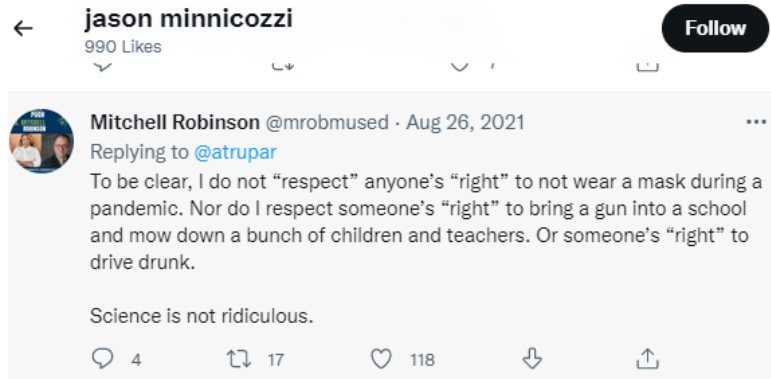
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Mask Mandates

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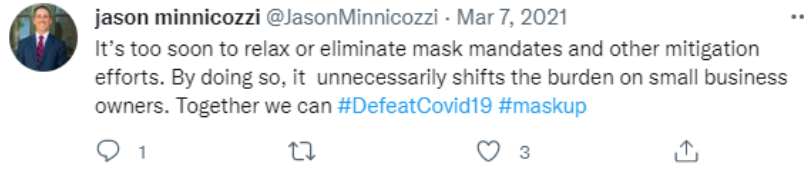
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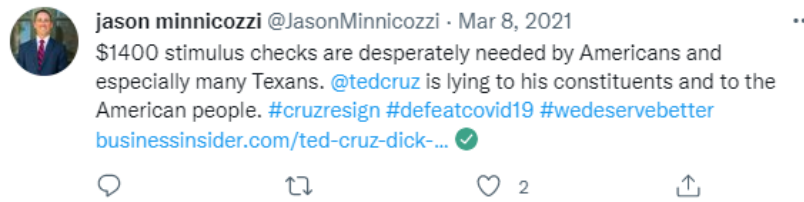
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Covid Stimulus

In March 2021, Minnicozzi Claimed That Americans Desperately Need The \$1400 Stimulus Check From The Federal Government. (Minnicozzi's Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 3/8/22)



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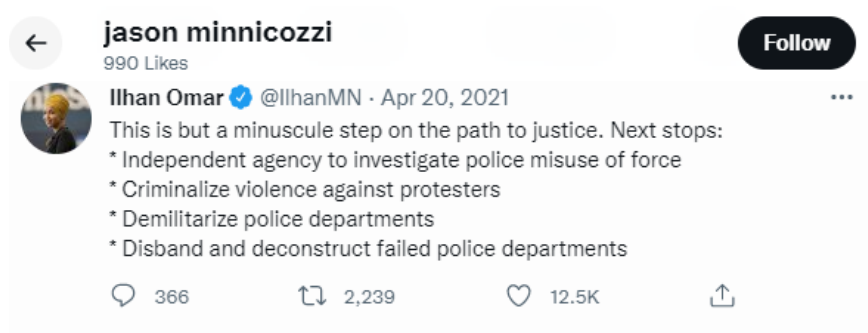


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Policing

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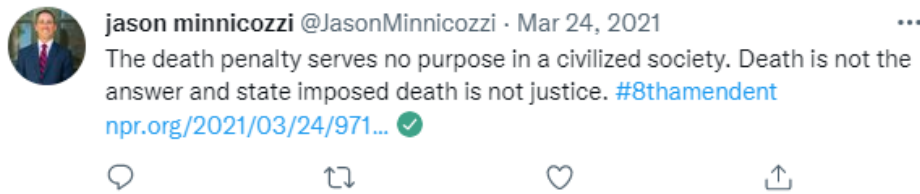
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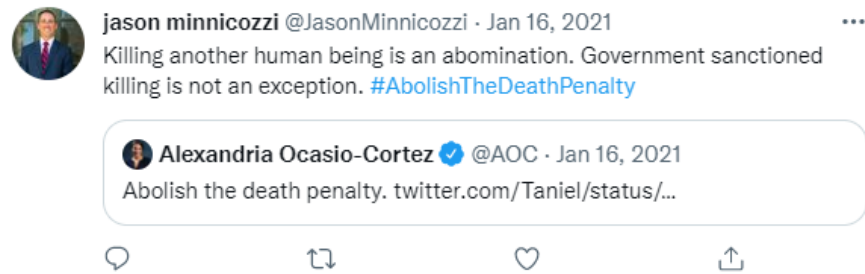
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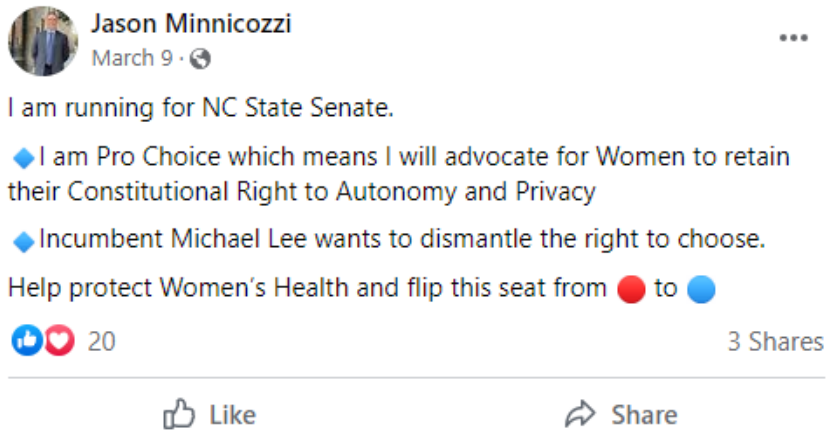
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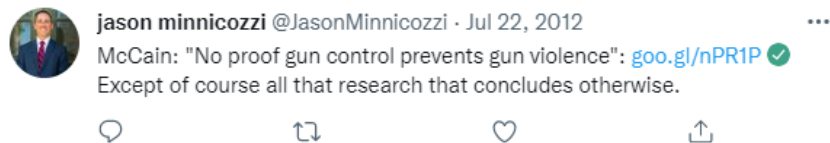
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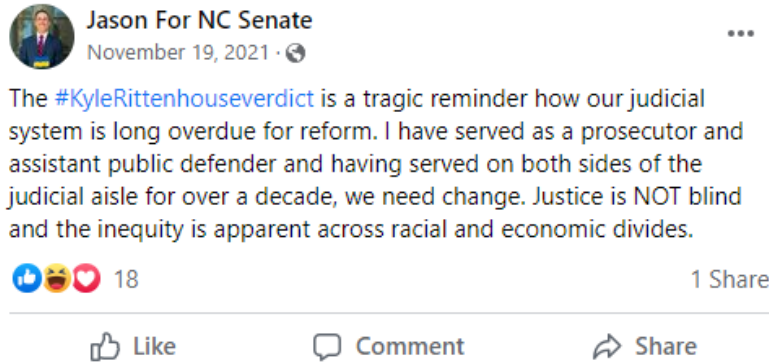
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Minnicozzi Said He's Not A "Cookie-Cutter Democrat." (*Star-News*, 7/16/21)

Congressional Candidacy (2021)

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- **“WFD Is A Progressive Grassroots Movement Organized As A Political Action Committee Under North Carolina Law.”** “WFD is a progressive grassroots movement organized as a political action committee under North Carolina law. We formed in 2016 in response to threats to our democracy. Our focus has been to elect outstanding Democratic candidates to the NC legislature.” ([Work For Democracy](#), 2022)

Work For Democracy Promotes “Universal Access To Healthcare” And “Reproductive Freedom For Women.” ([Work For Democracy](#), 2022)

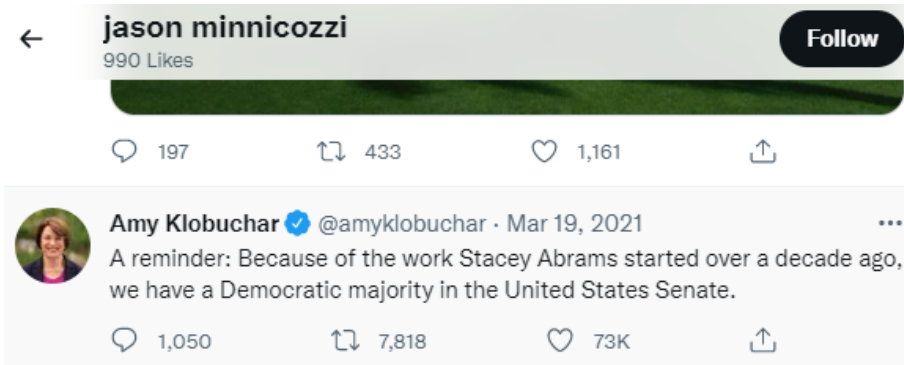
Work for Democracy promotes:

- Fair and free elections so that every vote counts
- Non-partisan redistricting
- Non-discriminatory legislation
- Civil, political and human rights of all persons
- Strong public education
- Universal access to healthcare
- Reproductive freedom for women
- Protection of the environment
- Rational, science-based public policy
- A culture that reduces gun violence

([Work For Democracy](#), 2022)

Democrat Associations

In March 2021, Minnicozzi ‘Liked’ A Tweet From Amy Klobuchar That Attributed The Democrat Majority To The Work Of Stacey Abrams. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, Twitter, 3/19/21)



In October 2012, Minnicozzi Seemed To Tweet In Support Of Obama’s Re-Election Campaign. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 10/3/12)



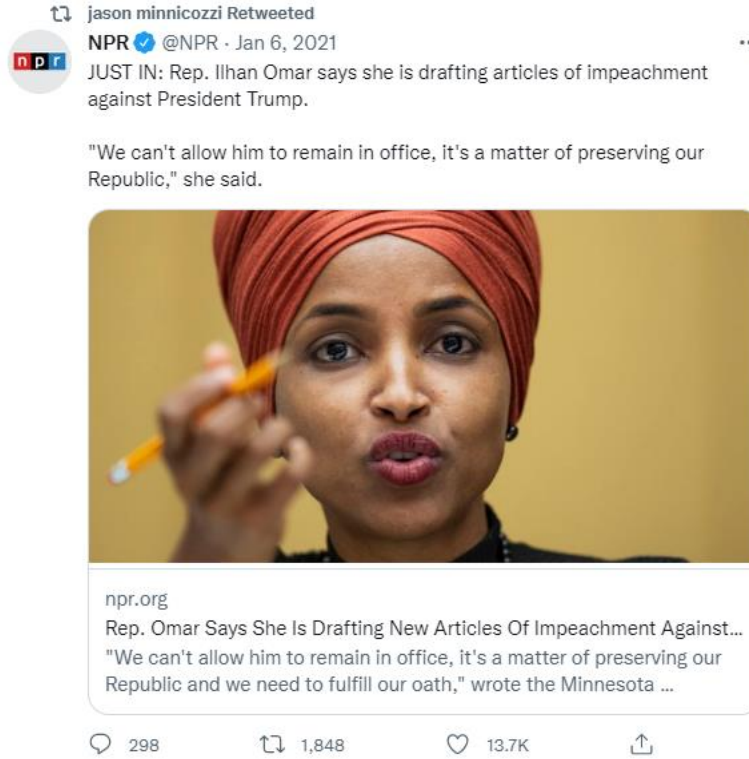
(Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 10/3/12)

January 6th

“Minnicozzi Said Jan. 6 Was A Significant Moment For Him In Deciding To Run For Congress — The Day The U.S. Capitol Was Under Attack By Rioters.” (*Star-News*, 7/16/21)

Trump

In January 2021, Minnicozzi Retweeted An Article That Stated That Rep. Ilhan Omar Was Drafting Articles Of Impeachment For The President. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/6/21)



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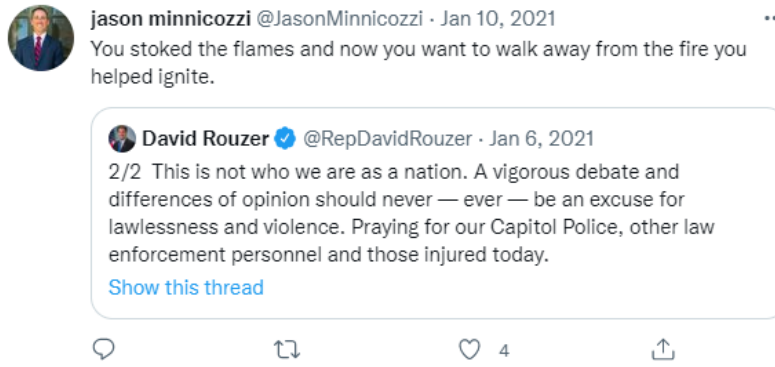
In January 2021, Minnicozzi Retweeted A Tweet That Claimed The President Incited The Violence On January 6th. (Minnicozzi's Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/6/21)



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Rep. Rouzer

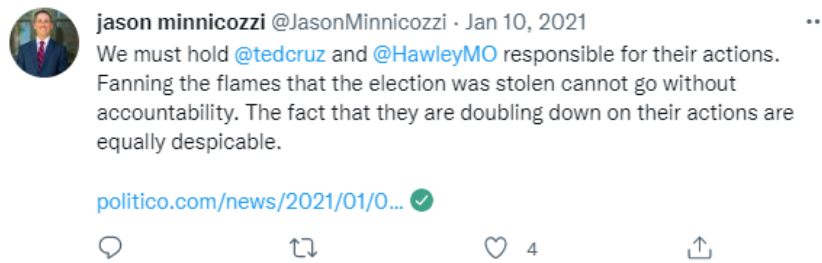
In January 2021, Minnicozzi Tweeted That Rep. Rouzer Helped Ignite The Fire, The January 6th Riots. (Minnicozzi's Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/10/21)



(Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/10/21)

Cruz And Hawley

In January 2021, Minnicozzi Tweeted That Senator Cruz And Hawley Fanned The Flames Of The Election Being Stolen And They Are Also Accountable For January 6th. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/10/21)



(Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/10/21)

Election Law

John Lewis Voting Rights Act

In December 2021, Minnicozzi Tweeted That He Supports The John Lewis Voting Rights Act. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 12/11/21)



(Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 12/11/21)

Freedom To Vote Act

In October 2021, Minnicozzi Posted In Support Of The Freedom To Vote Act. (Minnicozzi’s Campaign Profile, [Facebook](#), 10/22/21)



(Minnicozzi’s Campaign Profile, [Facebook](#), 10/22/21)

Legislative Politics

Filibuster

In April 2021, Minnicozzi ‘Liked’ A Tweet That Stated That The Filibuster Is Rooted In Racism And Called For It To Be Eliminated. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 4/23/21)



(Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 4/23/21)

In January 2021, Minnicozzi ‘Liked’ A Tweet That Called For The End Of The Filibuster.
(Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/21/21)



(Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/21/21)

DC Statehood

In April 2021, Minnicozzi Tweeted In Support Of DC Statehood. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 4/23/21)



(Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 4/23/21)

In April 2021, Minnicozzi Liked A Tweet That Stated The White House Backed A Bill For DC Statehood. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 4/21/21)



(Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 4/21/21)

Miscellaneous

Censorship

In January 2021, Minnicozzi ‘Liked’ A Thread Of Tweets That Justified The Censorship Of Speech On Social Media Sites. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/10/21)



(Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/10/21)

In January 2021, Minnicozzi ‘Liked’ A Tweet That President Trump Was Removed From Social Media. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/8/22)



(Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/8/22)

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL

Attorney And Public Defender

“Jason Took His Work Ethic To The District Attorney’s Offices In Brunswick, Bladen, And Columbus Counties To Serve As A Prosecutor, Where He Developed A Specialty In Convicting Predators Who Sexually Abuse Children.” ([Jason Minnicozzi For Senate](#), Accessed May 2022)

- **“Jason Built Trust And Listened Closely To Victims So He Could Be Their Voice At Trial And Often Dug Deeply Into His Cases, Taking On Investigations Himself And Never Giving Up In Order To Get Justice For The Victims.”** ([Jason Minnicozzi For Senate](#), Accessed May 2022)

Jason “Also Went To Work At The New Hanover County Public Defender’s Office As A Way To Stand Up For People Wrongly Accused And Help Offenders, Many Of Whom Are Addicts, Find The Treatment They Need To Heal Themselves And Change After Paying Their Debt To Society.” ([Jason Minnicozzi For Senate](#), Accessed May 2022)

Sexual Exploitation Of Minor Case - 2014

In 2014, Minnicozzi, As A Public Defender, Made A Motion To Suppress Evidence In A Case Against His Client Who Was Accused Of Sexual Exploitation Of A Minor; Minnicozzi Contended That His Client’s Cell Phone Was Unlawfully Searched. “An anonymous package delivered to the New Hanover County Sheriff’s Office in December contained a cellphone and a note. “Found this phone with very disturbing pictures on it including child pornography,” the unsigned paper wrapped around the phone read. Two sheriff’s office investigators viewed the phone’s contents. Among items found were videos of a man engaging in sex with a dog and photos depicting young girls being molested, court documents reveal. After contacting T-Mobile to identify the owner, police secured a search warrant for the Chestnut Street home of 33-year-old Derek Scott Price. Price was arrested on 18 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor and one count of crimes against nature. While Price remains in jail in lieu of \$350,000 bail and is awaiting his day in court, a recent U.S. Supreme Court opinion puts the government’s case -- and an unknown number of other cases that have cellphone searches at their core -- in jeopardy. “But for the unlawful search, the officers would not have had probable cause to search Price’s home nor would officers had a probable cause to arrest Price,” Price’s court-appointed public defender Jason Minnicozzi wrote in a July 14 motion to suppress the evidence. “Thus, under the fruit of the poisonous tree doctrine, all evidence against Price is the tainted fruit of an unlawful search.” Minnicozzi’s motion is based on the June 25 opinion by the U.S. Supreme Court that declared cellphones constitutionally protected items searchable only by warrants.” (F.T. Norton, “New Hanover Child Porn Case In Jeopardy After Cellphone Ruling,” *Morning Star*, 8/28/14)

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Search.” (F.T. Norton, “New Hanover Child Porn Case In Jeopardy After Cellphone Ruling,” *Morning Star*, 8/28/14)

Sexual Offense Of A Child – 2015

In 2015, Minnicozzi, As A Public Defender, Contended His Client, Who Plead Guilty To First-Degree Sexual Offense Of A Child, Among Other Charges, Was Unfairly Charged As An Adult Since The Crimes Took Place When His Client Was Only 17. “A Wilmington teen was sentenced to at least 18 years in prison Tuesday for the molestation of two boys at a Boy Scout camp in Carolina Beach last summer. Timothy Grant Shaw II, 18, pleaded guilty to nine counts of first-degree sexual offense of a child, one count of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, one count of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and one count of dissemination of obscenity... "It's a shame that in North Carolina that this young man is before this court as an adult, because he is not. He was 17 when this happened... These actions are the actions of a child," said Shaw's attorney, public defender Jason Minnicozzi. He said Shaw also was a victim of molestation at the hands of a neighbor when he was 5. Minnicozzi read to the court a letter Shaw wrote the victims upon his arrest. In it Shaw apologized for his actions. "I only did what I did because I was sad and lonely," Shaw wrote.” (F.T. Norton, “Wilmington Teen Pleads Guilty To Child-Sex Charges,” *Morning Star*, 5/12/15)

Education

“Jason Earned A Degree In Criminology From North Carolina State And His Law Degree From Campbell University Before Settling In Wilmington.” ([Jason Minnicozzi For Senate](#), Accessed May 2022)

Questionable Social Media Posts

In January 2021, Minnicozzi Liked A Tweet That Said It Is Wrong To Compare Josh Hawley To Hitler Because Hitler Is A Published Author. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/8/21)



(Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/8/21)

In January 2013, Minnicozzi Tweeted That He Was Excited About The 5th Annual Striperfest, Until He Notice He Misread The Headline. (Minnicozzi’s Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/15/13)



(Minnicozzi's Personal Profile, [Twitter](#), 1/15/13)