Jason Griffith – Candidate for Secretary of State – 2019

1. ***What sets you apart from the other candidates?***  I am an expert in IT and security. I created my own company that deals with security and crme prevention. As the Chief Executive Officer, I have managed every part of my company from start-up to present day.   
     
   I believe my skills sets me apart from other candidates when regarding ways in which we can modernize our election registration and voting system, our business registration procress, and preservation of historic land grant documents and patents. When elected, I can hit the ground running on day one with my platform of modernizing our system, without having to have someone explain potential problems and disadvantages.

1. How are you going to bring Kentucky into the future? I want to modernize our election process by advocating for Automatic Voter Registration. This will allow more persons to vote, produce a higher turnout of our 18-25 year old population, make County Clerk's job of correcting voter information easier, and help push back at efforts by Republicans to purge voters. I will also advocate for earlier voting and longer hours on Election Day. Our 6am to 6pm voting times are antiquated and need updated.   
     
   I also will advocate for a reduction in the fee that the Secretary of State's Office assesses to businesses each year. I believe that small businesses which don't make a profit shouldn't have to pay that yearly registration fee. Small businesses are the backbone of our economy in Kentucky and we need to find ways to improve that spirit of entrepreneurship.

1. What are your goals if elected? Advocate for the automatic restoration of voting rights of former felons who have served their time. Modernize the election registration process and the act of voting. Advocate for extended and earlier voting. Advocate for the reduction of the yearly Secretary of State business filing fee for small businesses that don't make a profit.

1. How do you plan on addressing income inequality in Kentucky? As Secretary of State, it does not fall within the scope of the office to create legislation that addresses income inequality. However, I can promote businesses which promote higher minimum wages and those which address the gender pay gap. I can also work with legislators, sharing information of business registrations and public salary information in order to advocate for a higher standard of living for everyone in the Commonwealth.