

## **What is the relationship between HHPCommunity and the Board/POA during the Covenant Vote**

This is complicated and will take some explanation but is important for us to understand. The role of the POA and the Board in this vote can be viewed as being like the election monitors and those managing the voting process and the voting machines during a general election.

They must be neutral about the vote and not take sides. I like to use the analogy of two political parties and those running the election. The election officials cannot take sides and recommend one party or the other. If they do it could invalidate the election.

The POA is in the position of the election officials. If they take sides, it could be legally challenged and possibly cause the vote to be invalidated.

Now here is the rub. We have two sides in this vote, one side wants to stop STR (Us) and the other side wants to allow it (folks who want to do STR).

To be sure the vote is not challenged, the POA lawyer advises using people who are able to interface with the voters without taking sides. Most of us in this group are biased against STR and might not be a good fit.

This might be an issue and the last thing we want to do is have the vote challenged after we have done all this work.

But I see an advantage in this. If we are independent of the POA, we can push our point of view as hard as we want. We can pass out flyers saying how much HHP will be hurt by allowing STR.

If we work as volunteers for the POA, they could be challenged for using biased volunteers. So, lets focus all of our efforts on getting our point across without the encumbrances that the POA would require.

And this does not mean the Board or Peter Kristian are not in favor of the covenant change, it simply means they cannot take sides during this voting process. We had a good meeting today with Peter and the Board Chairman Tony. Thanks to Both.

**But I'm not a lawyer – thank goodness!**