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Endorsement of Steven Kohn by Elton Johnson, Jr., Non-Executive Chairman, AmeriVet Securities, Inc.

After careful consideration, I have decided to endorse Mr. Stephen Kohn in his bid to win election to the FINRA Board as a Small Firm Governor. My decision is based upon the platform he is running on. I believe that ALL FINRA members should be entitled to fair and equal treatment by the FINRA. FINRA members should NEVER be subjected to unfair and biased treatment due to their size and/or the race of their owners (Something I have experienced firsthand in the operating of my broker-dealer since it became a FINRA member in 1994).

Elton Johnson, Jr.

Note: Elton Johnson, Jr., is a black, disabled US Army combat veteran. He was sole owner of his own BD from 1994 to 2018. During this period, he operated his BD three times from a combat zone (Iraq-twice, Afghanistan-once). For his combat tours, he received the Bronze Star Medal, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, one Joint Service Commendation Medal, two Joint Service Achievement Medals, and the US Army Combat Action Badge (for engaging in actual combat).