

**Dimitri Shein—U.S. Representative—Alaska Democratic Party Primary Candidate (D)**

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**Age:** 37

**Place of Birth:** Vladivostok, Russia

**Spouse's Name:** Melissa Shein

**Children's Name(s):** too many

**Occupation:** Accountant, Business owner

**Length of Residency in Alaska:** 25

**Alaskan Communities Lived in:** Anchorage: 1993 to 2018

**Education:** West Anchorage High School, Accounting Degree – University of Alaska Anchorage

**Business and Professional Positions:** Auditor and CEO e-commerce company

**Other:**

When I was 12, my single mother brought me to Anchorage because she did not accept the life of poverty in Russia. At West High School, I met my wife Melissa. After graduation, I worked a union job as a pipeline operator to pay for our college educations. Melissa was the first in her family to go to college, she became a doctor, while I started a business as a CPA working in rural Alaska. From Anchorage I founded a successful global e-commerce company that still operates today. In 2016, while raising two children, Melissa and I intervened to save four siblings from a failing system. We adopted the children to make sure they would have a happy home.

**Position Statement:**

To build a better future for our children we cannot continue to do the same thing while expecting a different result. We need a new message and vision for Alaska and our Nation. To build a better future we need to pass Medicare For All, end corporate tax handouts and eliminate corporate money from politics.

In Congress, I will work to end corporate tax handouts that do nothing to invest in our country's future. Our future depends on federal investment in renewable energy, an educated workforce and a modern healthcare system. To create jobs in Alaska and the rest of the country we should be fixing bridges and roads, installing wind turbines and investing in education.

Our nation's healthcare system is bankrupting Alaskans and our State Government. In Congress, I will work to pass Medicare For All so our state will have the money to invest in education, economic development and public safety. As an Alaskan business owner, I know the importance of getting the health insurance companies off the backs and out of the pockets of Alaskans so we can create jobs in our state. I know that single payer Medicare For All is the right solution for our country because my family uses the Alaska Native healthcare system for our healthcare needs.

Special interest groups and corporate donors are a threat to our democratic process. In Congress, I will work to remove the influence of special interest groups and corporate donors from our system of government.

