

## Allow Debate on Proposals to Delete Platform Planks

### Adopted 9-0

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
<p><b>RULE 5: DEBATING AND VOTING -- PLATFORM</b></p> <p>1. After the adoption of the convention agenda, the convention will vote whether to delete planks from the existing platform. This will be accomplished as follows: [...]</p> <p>g. As its first item of platform business, the convention shall vote whether to delete each of those planks that received a number of tokens for deletion equal to 20% or more of the number of credentialed delegates. Such votes shall be cast without amendment or debate.</p>	<p><b>RULE 5: DEBATING AND VOTING -- PLATFORM</b></p> <p>1. After the adoption of the convention agenda, the convention will vote whether to delete planks from the existing platform. This will be accomplished as follows: [...]</p> <p>g. As its first item of platform business, the convention shall vote whether to delete each of those planks that received a number of tokens for deletion equal to 20% or more of the number of credentialed delegates. <del>Such votes shall be cast without amendment or debate.</del> <u>The Convention Chair shall then open the deletion proposal for debate without amendment for a period of up to ten minutes before bringing the matter to a vote.</u></p>	<p><b>RULE 5: DEBATING AND VOTING -- PLATFORM</b></p> <p>1. After the adoption of the convention agenda, the convention will vote whether to delete planks from the existing platform. This will be accomplished as follows: [...]</p> <p>g. As its first item of platform business, the convention shall vote whether to delete each of those planks that received a number of tokens for deletion equal to 20% or more of the number of credentialed delegates. The Convention Chair shall then open the deletion proposal for debate without amendment for a period of up to ten minutes before bringing the matter to a vote.</p>

## Clarify Method of Electing Judicial Committee

### Adopted 8-0

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<p><b>RULE 2: VOTING PROCEDURE AND MOTIONS</b> On all matters, except the retention of platform planks, the election of Party Officers and at-large members of the National Committee, and the nomination of Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates, voting will be by either voice vote or rising vote. If any delegate objects to the Chair's ruling on the outcome of a voice vote, a rising vote shall be conducted. If 20 or more delegates object to the Chair's ruling on the outcome of a rising vote, a counted vote will be held.</p>	<p><b>RULE 2: VOTING PROCEDURE AND MOTIONS</b> On all matters, except the retention of platform planks, the election of <a href="#">Judicial Committee Members</a>, Party Officers and at-large members of the National Committee, and the nomination of Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates, voting will be by either voice vote or rising vote. If any delegate objects to the Chair's ruling on the outcome of a voice vote, a rising vote shall be conducted. If 20 or more delegates object to the Chair's ruling on the outcome of a rising vote, a counted vote will be held.</p>	<p><b>RULE 2: VOTING PROCEDURE AND MOTIONS</b> On all matters, except the retention of platform planks, the election of Judicial Committee Members, Party Officers and at-large members of the National Committee, and the nomination of Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates, voting will be by either voice vote or rising vote. If any delegate objects to the Chair's ruling on the outcome of a voice vote, a rising vote shall be conducted. If 20 or more delegates object to the Chair's ruling on the outcome of a rising vote, a counted vote will be held.</p>

## Appoint Credentials Committee Members Earlier

Adopted 8-0

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<p><b>ARTICLE 11: OTHER COMMITTEES</b></p> <p>4. The Credentials Committee, composed of ten members, shall be selected as follows.</p> <p>a. Five members chosen by the National Committee no later than six months before a Regular Convention.</p> <p>b. One member by each of the five affiliate parties having the largest sustaining memberships as determined for Convention delegate allocations at the most recent Regular Convention. These shall be selected by each of the affiliate parties no later than one month prior to the Regular Convention.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 11: OTHER COMMITTEES</b></p> <p>4. The Credentials Committee, composed of ten members, shall be selected as follows.</p> <p>a. Five members chosen by the National Committee no later than six months before a Regular Convention.</p> <p>b. One member by each of the five affiliate parties having the largest sustaining memberships as determined for Convention delegate allocations at the most recent Regular Convention. These shall be selected by each of the affiliate parties no later than <del>one month</del> <u>six months</u> prior to the Regular Convention.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 11: OTHER COMMITTEES</b></p> <p>4. The Credentials Committee, composed of ten members, shall be selected as follows.</p> <p>a. Five members chosen by the National Committee no later than six months before a Regular Convention.</p> <p>b. One member by each of the five affiliate parties having the largest sustaining memberships as determined for Convention delegate allocations at the most recent Regular Convention. These shall be selected by each of the affiliate parties no later than six months prior to the Regular Convention.</p>

## Clarifying Procedures for Regional Alternates

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<p><b>ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>8. A National Committee Regional Representative may be removed and replaced only by the act of the affiliate parties which constitute the subject region. The voting procedure for the removal and replacement of regional representatives shall be determined by the regions. In the absence of any such procedures, a majority vote of the state chairs shall prevail.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>8. A National Committee Regional Representative <u>or Alternate</u> may be removed and replaced only by the act of the affiliate parties which constitute the subject region. The voting procedure for the removal and replacement of regional representatives <u>or alternates</u> shall be determined by the regions. In the absence of any such procedures, a majority vote of the state chairs shall prevail.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>8. A National Committee Regional Representative or Alternate may be removed and replaced only by the act of the affiliate parties which constitute the subject region. The voting procedure for the removal and replacement of regional representatives or alternates shall be determined by the regions. In the absence of any such procedures, a majority vote of the state chairs shall prevail.</p>
<p><b>RULE 8: ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>4. In the event a region has not otherwise provided for the election of its regional representative to the National Committee then the delegates from the region shall elect its regional representative, provided there are at least five delegates present. Each Region's delegates may elect their representative in whatever manner they choose, provided all delegates present from that region are given equal voice in the selection.</p>	<p><b>RULE 8: ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>4. In the event a region has not otherwise provided for the election of its <del>regional representative to the</del> National Committee <u>representation</u> then the delegates from the region shall elect its regional representative <u>and alternate</u>, provided there are at least five delegates present. Each Region's delegates may elect their representative <u>and alternate</u> in whatever manner they choose, provided all delegates present from that region are given equal voice in the selection.</p>	<p><b>RULE 8: ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>4. In the event a region has not otherwise provided for the election of its National Committee representation then the delegates from the region shall elect its regional representative and alternate, provided there are at least five delegates present. Each Region's delegates may elect their representative and alternate in whatever manner they choose, provided all delegates present from that region are given equal voice in the selection.</p>

## Simplify Article 4 Language on Membership

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<p><b>ARTICLE 4: MEMBERSHIP</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Members of the Party shall be those persons who have certified in writing that they oppose the initiation of force to achieve political or social goals.</li> <li>2. The National Committee may offer life memberships, and must honor all prior and future life memberships.</li> <li>3. "Sustaining member" is any Party member who has given at least \$25 to the Party in the prior twelve months, or who is a life member.</li> <li>4. The National Committee may create other levels of membership and shall determine the contribution or dues levels for such memberships.</li> <li>5. Higher levels of contribution by or on behalf of a Party member qualify as sustaining member status for any provision of these Bylaws.</li> <li>6. Only sustaining members shall be counted for delegate apportionment and National Committee representation. Only sustaining members shall be eligible to hold National Party office or be a candidate for President or Vice-President.</li> </ol>	<p><b>ARTICLE 4: MEMBERSHIP</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Members of the Party shall be those persons who have certified in writing that they oppose the initiation of force to achieve political or social goals.</li> <li>2. The National Committee may offer life memberships, and must honor all prior and future life memberships.</li> <li><del>3. "Sustaining member" is any Party member who has given at least \$25 to the Party in the prior twelve months, or who is a life member.</del></li> <li><del>4. The National Committee may create other levels of membership and shall determine the contribution or dues levels for such memberships.</del></li> <li><del>5. Higher levels of contribution by or on behalf of a Party member qualify as sustaining member status for any provision of these Bylaws.</del></li> <li>3. <u>Only sustaining members shall be counted for delegate apportionment and National Committee representation. Only sustaining members shall be eligible to hold National Party office or be a candidate for President or Vice-President. "Sustaining members" are members of the Party who:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <u>During the prior twelve months have donated, or have had donated on their behalf, an amount of at least \$25; or</u></li> <li>b. <u>Are Life members.</u></li> </ol> </li> </ol>	<p><b>ARTICLE 4: MEMBERSHIP</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Members of the Party shall be those persons who have certified in writing that they oppose the initiation of force to achieve political or social goals.</li> <li>2. The National Committee may offer life memberships, and must honor all prior and future life memberships.</li> <li>3. "Sustaining members" are members of the Party who:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. During the prior twelve months have donated, or have had donated on their behalf, an amount of at least \$25; or</li> <li>b. Are Life members.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

## Make Elected Libertarians Automatic Delegates at Convention Adopted 8-0

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<p><b>ARTICLE 10: CONVENTIONS</b></p> <p>4. Affiliate Party Delegate Entitlements:</p> <p>Each affiliate party shall be entitled to send delegates to each Regular Convention on the following basis:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a. One delegate for each 0.14 percent, or fraction thereof, of the total Party sustaining membership in that affiliate; provided that at least one such delegate must be a resident of that State or District.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">b. One delegate for each 0.35 percent, or fraction thereof, of the votes cast nationwide for the Libertarian Party candidate in the most recent presidential election, cast in that affiliate's state.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 10: CONVENTIONS</b></p> <p>4. Affiliate Party Delegate Entitlements:</p> <p>Each affiliate party shall be entitled to send delegates to each Regular Convention on the following basis:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a. One delegate for each 0.14 percent, or fraction thereof, of the total Party sustaining membership in that affiliate; provided that at least one such delegate must be a resident of that State or District.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">b. One delegate for each 0.35 percent, or fraction thereof, of the votes cast nationwide for the Libertarian Party candidate in the most recent presidential election, cast in that affiliate's state.</p> <p><u>Unless disapproved by a majority vote of the affiliate's or Convention's non-ex-officio delegates, in addition to the delegate allocation, any sustaining member serving in public office subject to a vote of the general electorate is entitled to be a delegate in the corresponding affiliate's delegation upon presenting proof of such status to the Credentials Committee. The Credentials Committee shall include in its report the number of such delegates added to each delegation.</u></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 10: CONVENTIONS</b></p> <p>4. Affiliate Party Delegate Entitlements:</p> <p>Each affiliate party shall be entitled to send delegates to each Regular Convention on the following basis:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a. One delegate for each 0.14 percent, or fraction thereof, of the total Party sustaining membership in that affiliate; provided that at least one such delegate must be a resident of that State or District.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">b. One delegate for each 0.35 percent, or fraction thereof, of the votes cast nationwide for the Libertarian Party candidate in the most recent presidential election, cast in that affiliate's state.</p> <p>Unless disapproved by a majority vote of the affiliate's or Convention's non-ex-officio delegates, in addition to the delegate allocation, any sustaining member serving in public office subject to a vote of the general electorate is entitled to be a delegate in the corresponding affiliate's delegation upon presenting proof of such status to the Credentials Committee. The Credentials Committee shall include in its report the number of such delegates added to each delegation.</p>

## Expand Report from the Bylaws and Rules Committee

Adopted 8-0

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<p><b>ARTICLE 11: OTHER COMMITTEES</b></p> <p>6. Committee Procedures</p> <p>b. Four or more members of the Platform Committee may join together to issue a minority report regarding any plank reported to the floor of the Convention. Two or more members of the Bylaws and Rules Committee or of the Credentials Committee may join together to issue a minority report regarding their business.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 11: OTHER COMMITTEES</b></p> <p>6. Committee Procedures</p> <p>b. Four or more members of the Platform Committee may join together to issue a minority report regarding any plank reported to the floor of the Convention. <del>Two or more members of the Bylaws and Rules Committee or of the Credentials Committee may join together to issue a minority report regarding their business.</del></p> <p><u>c. Each proposal supported by at least two members of the Bylaws and Rules Committee shall be included in the committee's report, ordered by number of votes in favor. The Bylaws and Rules Committee shall consider proposals submitted not less than six months prior to the convention by resolution of any three state affiliates or any board or committee established by these bylaws. The Bylaws and Rules Committee shall recommend that each proposal be either a) adopted as proposed, b) adopted following adoption of a pending amendment, or c) not adopted.</u></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 11: OTHER COMMITTEES</b></p> <p>6. Committee Procedures</p> <p>b. Four or more members of the Platform Committee may join together to issue a minority report regarding any plank reported to the floor of the Convention.</p> <p>c. Each proposal supported by at least two members of the Bylaws and Rules Committee shall be included in the committee's report, ordered by number of votes in favor. The Bylaws and Rules Committee shall consider proposals submitted not less than six months prior to the convention by resolution of any three state affiliates or any board or committee established by these bylaws. The Bylaws and Rules Committee shall recommend that each proposal be either a) adopted as proposed, b) adopted following adoption of a pending amendment, or c) not adopted.</p>

**Condense Articles 6 through 8**  
**Adopted 8-0**

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<p><b>ARTICLE 6: OFFICERS</b></p> <p>1. The officers of the Party shall be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Chair,</li> <li>o Vice-Chair,</li> <li>o Secretary, and</li> <li>o Treasurer.</li> </ul> <p>All of these officers shall be elected by a Regular Convention of the Party, shall take office immediately upon the close of the Convention and shall serve thereafter until the final adjournment of the next Regular Convention. No person shall serve as an officer who is not a sustaining member of the Party.</p> <p>2. No offices shall be combined.</p> <p>3. The Chair shall preside at all Conventions and all meetings of the National Committee. The Chair is the chief executive officer of the Party with full authority to direct its business and affairs, including hiring and discharging of National Committee volunteers and paid personnel, subject to express National Committee policies and directives issued in the exercise of the National Committee's plenary control and management of Party affairs, properties and funds.</p> <p>4. The Vice-Chair shall be the chief assistant to the Chair, performing such duties as the Chair shall prescribe, and holding such executive powers as the Chair shall delegate and shall perform the duties of the Chair in the event that the Chair is, for any reason, unable to perform the duties of the office.</p> <p>5. The Secretary shall be the recording officer of the Party and shall perform such duties as are assigned by the Chair or the National Committee. The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the National Committee and all Party Conventions and shall act as Secretary thereof, keeping such</p>	<p>[COMPLETE RE-WRITE]</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 6: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>1. The National Committee shall have control and management of all the affairs, properties and funds of the Party consistent with these Bylaws. The Libertarian National Committee shall establish and oversee an organizational structure to implement the purposes of the Party as stated in Article 2. The National Committee shall adopt rules of procedure for the conduct of its meetings and the carrying out of its duties and responsibilities. The National Committee may delegate its authority in any manner it deems necessary.</p> <p>2. The National Committee shall be composed of the following members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Chair;</li> <li>b. Vice Chair;</li> <li>c. Secretary;</li> <li>d. Treasurer;</li> <li>e. five members elected at large by the delegates at a Regular Convention; and</li> <li>f. additional members as specified below:</li> </ul> <p>Any affiliate party with 10% or more of the total national party sustaining membership within affiliate parties (as determined for delegate allocation) shall be entitled to one National Committee representative and one alternate for each 10% of national sustaining membership. Affiliate parties may, by mutual consent, band together to form "representative regions," and each such "region" with an aggregate national party sustaining membership of 10% or more shall be entitled to one National Committee representative and one alternate for each 10% of national party sustaining membership. "Representative regions" may be formed or dissolved once every</p>



<p>minutes and records as necessary.</p> <p>6. The Treasurer shall receive, expend and account for the funds of the Party under the supervision and direction of the Chair and the National Committee. The Treasurer shall make an annual financial report to the National Committee and shall perform all duties required of the office by applicable federal and state law. The Treasurer is responsible for oversight of all financial functions, including, but not limited to receipts, disbursements, internal and external reporting. The Treasurer shall report to the National Committee and the Convention both the financial situation of the Party and the results of its activities. The report of the Treasurer to the Convention, specified in Convention Rule 1 agenda item 4, shall include an independent auditor's report opining whether the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Party and the changes in its net assets and its cash flow for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Unaudited interim financial statements shall also be presented. Such reports shall be made available to every delegate.</p> <p>7. The National Committee may, for cause, suspend any officer by a vote of 2/3 of the entire National Committee. The suspended officer may challenge the suspension by an appeal in writing to the Judicial Committee within seven days of receipt of notice of suspension. Failure to appeal within seven days shall confirm the suspension and bar any later challenge or appeal. The Judicial Committee shall set a date for hearing the appeal between 20 and 40 days of receipt of the appeal and shall notify all interested persons, which persons shall have the right to appear and present</p>		<p>two years during a period beginning 90 days before the beginning of and ending on the second day of the National Convention, and notice of new formations or dissolutions must be given in writing to the national Secretary prior to the close of the Convention at which they take place.</p> <p>3. The Chair shall preside at all Conventions and all meetings of the National Committee. The Chair is the chief executive officer of the Party with full authority to direct its business and affairs, including hiring and discharging of National Committee volunteers and paid personnel, subject to express National Committee policies and directives issued in the exercise of the National Committee's plenary control and management of Party affairs, properties and funds.</p> <p>4. The Vice-Chair shall be the chief assistant to the Chair, performing such duties as the Chair shall prescribe, and holding such executive powers as the Chair shall delegate and shall perform the duties of the Chair in the event that the Chair is, for any reason, unable to perform the duties of the office.</p> <p>5. The Secretary shall be the recording officer of the Party and shall perform such duties as are assigned by the Chair or the National Committee. The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the National Committee and all Party Conventions and shall act as Secretary thereof, keeping such minutes and records as necessary.</p> <p>6. The Treasurer shall receive, expend and account for the funds of the Party under the supervision and direction of the Chair and the National Committee. The Treasurer shall make an annual financial report to the National Committee and shall perform all duties required of the office by applicable federal and state law. The Treasurer is responsible for oversight of all</p>
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evidence and argument. At the hearing the burden of persuasion shall rest upon the appellant. The Judicial Committee shall either affirm the National Committee's suspension of the officer or order the officer's reinstatement within 30 days of the hearing. Failure of the Judicial Committee to rule within 30 days shall constitute an affirmation of the National Committee's suspension of the officer. At such time as the suspension is final, the office in question shall be deemed vacant.

8. The National Committee shall appoint new officers if vacancies occur, such officers to complete the term of the office vacated.

#### **ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE**

1. The National Committee shall have control and management of all the affairs, properties and funds of the Party consistent with these Bylaws. The Libertarian National Committee shall establish and oversee an organizational structure to implement the purposes of the Party as stated in Article 2. The National Committee shall adopt rules of procedure for the conduct of its meetings and the carrying out of its duties and responsibilities. The National Committee may delegate its authority in any manner it deems necessary.

2. The National Committee shall be composed of the following members:

- a. the officers of the Party;
- b. five members elected at large by the delegates at a Regular Convention; and
- c. any additional members as specified below:

Any affiliate party with 10% or more of the total national party sustaining membership within affiliate parties (as determined for delegate allocation) shall be entitled to one National Committee representative and one alternate for each 10% of national sustaining membership. Affiliate

financial functions, including, but not limited to receipts, disbursements, internal and external reporting. The Treasurer shall report to the National Committee and the Convention both the financial situation of the Party and the results of its activities. The report of the Treasurer to the Convention, specified in Convention Rule 1 agenda item 4, shall include an independent auditor's report opining whether the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Party and the changes in its net assets and its cash flow for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Unaudited interim financial statements shall also be presented. Such reports shall be made available to every delegate.

7. The National Committee shall meet at such times and places as may be determined by: action of the Committee, call of the Chair, or written request of 1/3 or more of its members.

8. A majority of the membership of the National Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings.

9. The National Committee may adopt public policy resolutions by a ¾ vote with previous notice or by unanimous consent without previous notice.

10. Upon appeal by ten percent of the delegates credentialed at the most recent Regular Convention or one percent of the Party sustaining members the Judicial Committee shall consider the question of whether or not a decision of the National Committee contravenes specified sections of the Bylaws. If the decision is vetoed by the Judicial Committee, it shall be declared null and void.

11. The National Committee shall use roll call voting on all substantive motions. Additionally, the National committee must

parties may, by mutual consent, band together to form "representative regions," and each such "region" with an aggregate national party sustaining membership of 10% or more shall be entitled to one National Committee representative and one alternate for each 10% of national party sustaining membership.

"Representative regions" may be formed or dissolved once every two years during a period beginning 90 days before the beginning of and ending on the second day of the National Convention, and notice of new formations or dissolutions must be given in writing to the national Secretary prior to the close of the Convention at which they take place.

3. The National Committee shall take office immediately upon the close of the Regular Convention at which they are selected, and serve until the final adjournment of the next Regular Convention.

4. A National Committee member shall be a sustaining member of the Party, and shall not be the candidate of any party except the Party or an affiliate.

5. The National Committee may, for cause, suspend any member-at-large by a vote of 2/3 of the entire National Committee. The suspended member-at-large may challenge the suspension by an appeal in writing to the Judicial Committee within seven days of receipt of notice of suspension. Failure to appeal within seven days shall confirm the suspension and bar any later challenge or appeal. The Judicial Committee shall set a date for hearing the appeal between 20 and 40 days of receipt of the appeal and shall notify all interested persons, which persons shall have the right to appear and present evidence and argument. At the hearing the burden of persuasion shall rest upon the appellant. The Judicial Committee shall either affirm the National Committee's suspension of the member-at-large or order

have a roll call vote upon request of any single Committee member present on any motion. On all roll call votes, the vote of each individual Committee member shall be recorded in the minutes.

12. The Secretary or a designee shall promptly post notice for each session of the National Committee; any National Committee proposed agendas; and approved minutes of each Convention and open National Committee session to a permanent archive section on the Party's website. Any person may record the National Committee's proceedings while in open session, or subscribe to a read-only email list on which LNC votes are recorded.

#### **ARTICLE 7: ELIGIBILITY, TERMS OF OFFICE, AND REMOVAL**

1. No offices shall be combined. No member of the National Committee may be a member of the Judicial Committee.

2. The National Committee and Judicial Committee shall take office immediately upon the close of the Regular Convention at which they are elected, and serve until the final adjournment of the next Regular Convention.

3. A National Committee member shall be a sustaining member of the Party, and shall not be the candidate of any party except the Party or an affiliate. All Judicial Committee members shall have been Party members at least four years at the time of their selection.

4. A National Committee member who fails to attend two consecutive regular sessions of the National Committee shall be deemed to have vacated his or her seat. The appointing body shall be free to reappoint the member who vacated the seat.

5. The National Committee shall appoint new officers and members-at-large if vacancies occur, such officers and members-at-large to complete the term of the office vacated.

<p>reinstatement of the member-at-large within 30 days of the hearing. Failure of the Judicial Committee to rule within 30 days shall constitute an affirmation of the National Committee's suspension of the member-at-large. At such times as the suspension is final, the office in question shall be deemed vacant.</p> <p>6. A National Committee member who fails to attend two consecutive regular sessions of the National Committee shall be deemed to have vacated his or her seat. The appointing body shall be free to reappoint the member who vacated the seat.</p> <p>7. The National Committee shall appoint new officers and members-at-large if vacancies occur, such officers and members-at-large to complete the term of the office vacated.</p> <p>8. A National Committee Regional Representative may be removed and replaced only by the act of the affiliate parties which constitute the subject region. The voting procedure for the removal and replacement of regional representatives shall be determined by the regions. In the absence of any such procedures, a majority vote of the state chairs shall prevail.</p> <p>9. The National Committee shall meet at such times and places as may be determined by: action of the Committee, call of the Chair, or written request of 1/3 or more of its members.</p> <p>10. A majority of the membership of the National Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings.</p> <p>11. The National Committee may adopt public policy resolutions by a ¾ vote with previous notice or by unanimous consent without previous notice.</p> <p>12. Upon appeal by ten percent of the delegates credentialed at the most recent Regular Convention or one percent of the Party sustaining members the Judicial Committee shall consider the question of whether or not a</p>		<p>The remaining members of the Judicial Committee shall appoint new members if vacancies occur, such appointees to serve until the final adjournment of the next Regular Convention.</p> <p>6. The National Committee may, for cause, suspend any officer or member-at-large by a vote of 2/3 of the entire National Committee. The suspended individual may challenge the suspension by an appeal in writing to the Judicial Committee within seven days of receipt of notice of suspension. Failure to appeal within seven days shall confirm the suspension and bar any later challenge or appeal. The Judicial Committee shall set a date for hearing the appeal between 20 and 40 days of receipt of the appeal and shall notify all interested persons, which persons shall have the right to appear and present evidence and argument. At the hearing the burden of persuasion shall rest upon the appellant. The Judicial Committee shall either affirm the National Committee's suspension or order reinstatement within 30 days of the hearing. Failure of the Judicial Committee to rule within 30 days shall constitute an affirmation of the National Committee's suspension. At such times as the suspension is final, the office in question shall be deemed vacant.</p> <p>7. A National Committee Regional Representative may be removed and replaced only by the act of the affiliate parties which constitute the subject region. The voting procedure for the removal and replacement of regional representatives shall be determined by the regions. In the absence of any such procedures, a majority vote of the state chairs shall prevail.</p>
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**ARTICLE 8: JUDICIAL COMMITTEE**

1. The Judicial Committee shall be composed of seven Party members elected at each Regular Convention, and any five members shall constitute a quorum. No member of the National Committee may be a member of the Judicial Committee. The members of the Judicial Committee shall select the Chair of the Judicial Committee. The Judicial Committee shall take office immediately upon the close of the Regular Convention at which elected and shall serve until the final adjournment of the next Regular Convention. All Judicial Committee members shall have been Party members at least four years at the time of their selection. The remaining members of the Judicial Committee shall appoint new members if vacancies occur, such appointees to serve until

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2. The subject matter jurisdiction of the Judicial Committee is limited to consideration of only those matters expressly identified as follows:

- a. suspension of affiliate parties (Article 5, Section 6),
- b. suspension of National Committee members (Article 7, Section 6),
- c. voiding of National Committee decisions (Article 7, Section 10),
- d. challenges to platform planks (Rule 5, Section 7),
- e. challenges to

<p>the final adjournment of the next Regular Convention.</p> <p>2. The subject matter jurisdiction of the Judicial Committee is limited to consideration of only those matters expressly identified as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. suspension of affiliate parties (Article 5, Section 6),</li> <li>b. suspension of officers (Article 6, Section 7),</li> <li>c. suspension of National Committee members-at-large (Article 7, Section 5),</li> <li>d. voiding of National Committee decisions (Article 7, Section 12),</li> <li>e. challenges to platform planks (Rule 5, Section 7),</li> <li>f. challenges to Resolutions (Rule 6, Section 2), and</li> <li>g. suspension of Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates (Article 14, Section 5).</li> </ul> <p>3. Within 90 days following the Regular Convention at which elected, the Judicial Committee shall establish Rules of Appellate Procedure to govern its consideration of matters within the scope of its jurisdiction. The existing Rules shall remain in effect until and unless the Judicial Committee submits new proposed rules to the National Committee for approval, which approval shall be deemed given unless denied by a 2/3 vote of the National Committee within 60 days of submission. A copy of the current Rules of Appellate Procedure shall be maintained by the Secretary at the Party Headquarters and shall be available to any member at cost.</p>		<p>Resolutions (Rule 6, Section 2), and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>f. suspension of Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates (Article 14, Section 5).</li> </ul> <p>3. Within 90 days following the Regular Convention at which elected, the Judicial Committee shall establish Rules of Appellate Procedure to govern its consideration of matters within the scope of its jurisdiction. The existing Rules shall remain in effect until and unless the Judicial Committee submits new proposed rules to the National Committee for approval, which approval shall be deemed given unless denied by a 2/3 vote of the National Committee within 60 days of submission. A copy of the current Rules of Appellate Procedure shall be maintained by the Secretary at the Party Headquarters and shall be available to any member at cost.</p>
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# Elevate Style Changes from Rule to Bylaw

Adopted 7-0

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
<p><b>RULE 5: DEBATING AND VOTING – PLATFORM</b></p> <p>8. Should changes to the bylaws or platform result in a grammatical error in accordance with the latest edition of the Chicago Manual of Style, the LNC presiding at the time of that discovery is authorized to make those grammatical corrections provided it does not change the meaning or intent of the item edited.</p>	<p><del><b>RULE 5: DEBATING AND VOTING – PLATFORM</b></del></p> <p><del>8. Should changes to the bylaws or platform result in a grammatical error in accordance with the latest edition of the Chicago Manual of Style, the LNC presiding at the time of that discovery is authorized to make those grammatical corrections provided it does not change the meaning or intent of the item edited.</del></p> <p><b><u>ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</u></b></p> <p><u>15. Should changes to the bylaws or platform result in a grammatical error in accordance with the latest edition of the Chicago Manual of Style, the LNC presiding at the time of that discovery is authorized to make those grammatical corrections provided it does not change the meaning or intent of the item edited.</u></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>15. Should changes to the bylaws or platform result in a grammatical error in accordance with the latest edition of the Chicago Manual of Style, the LNC presiding at the time of that discovery is authorized to make those grammatical corrections provided it does not change the meaning or intent of the item edited.</p>

# Clarify that Alternates are not Members on National Committee

## Adopted 6-0

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
<p><b>ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>2. The National Committee shall be composed of the following members:</p> <p>a. the officers of the Party;</p> <p>b. five members elected at large by the delegates at a Regular Convention; and</p> <p>c. any additional members as specified below:</p> <p>Any affiliate party with 10% or more of the total national party sustaining membership within affiliate parties (as determined for delegate allocation) shall be entitled to one National Committee representative and one alternate for each 10% of national sustaining membership. Affiliate parties may, by mutual consent, band together to form "representative regions," and each such "region" with an aggregate national party sustaining membership of 10% or more shall be entitled to one National Committee representative and one alternate for each 10% of national party sustaining membership. "Representative regions" may be formed or dissolved once every two years during a period beginning 90 days before the beginning of and ending on the second day of the National Convention, and notice of new formations or dissolutions must be given in writing to the national Secretary prior to the close of the Convention at which they take place.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>2. The National Committee shall be composed of the following members:</p> <p>a. the officers of the Party;</p> <p>b. five members elected at large by the delegates at a Regular Convention; and</p> <p>c. any additional members as specified below:</p> <p>Any affiliate party with 10% or more of the total national party sustaining membership within affiliate parties (as determined for delegate allocation) shall be entitled to one National Committee representative and one alternate for each 10% of national sustaining membership. Affiliate parties may, by mutual consent, band together to form "representative regions," and each such "region" with an aggregate national party sustaining membership of 10% or more shall be entitled to one National Committee representative and <del>one alternate for each 10% of national party sustaining membership</del> <u>for each 10% of national party sustaining membership. Each region shall also be entitled to one alternate for each 10% of national party sustaining membership, who shall not be a National Committee member but may, if the LNC so provides, substitute for the regional representative at meetings and in voting.</u></p> <p>"Representative regions" may be formed or dissolved once every two years during a period beginning 90 days before the beginning of and ending on the second day of the National Convention, and notice of new formations or dissolutions must be given in writing to the national Secretary prior to the close of the Convention at which they take place.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>2. The National Committee shall be composed of the following members:</p> <p>a. the officers of the Party;</p> <p>b. five members elected at large by the delegates at a Regular Convention; and</p> <p>c. any additional members as specified below:</p> <p>Any affiliate party with 10% or more of the total national party sustaining membership within affiliate parties (as determined for delegate allocation) shall be entitled to one National Committee representative and one alternate for each 10% of national sustaining membership. Affiliate parties may, by mutual consent, band together to form "representative regions," and each such "region" with an aggregate national party sustaining membership of 10% or more shall be entitled to one National Committee representative and for each 10% of national party sustaining membership. Each region shall also be entitled to one alternate for each 10% of national party sustaining membership, who shall not be a National Committee member but may, if the LNC so provides, substitute for the regional representative at meetings and in voting. "Representative regions" may be formed or dissolved once every two years during a period beginning 90 days before the beginning of and ending on the second day of the National Convention, and notice of new formations or dissolutions must be given in writing to the national Secretary prior to the close of the Convention at which they take place.</p>



## Amend Style Change Provisions

Adopted 6-2

This proposal being presented is contingent upon the previous proposal being adopted.

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
<p><b>ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>15. Should changes to the bylaws or platform result in a grammatical error in accordance with the latest edition of the Chicago Manual of Style, the LNC presiding at the time of that discovery is authorized to make those grammatical corrections provided it does not change the meaning or intent of the item edited.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>15. <del>Should changes to the bylaws or platform result in a grammatical error in accordance with the latest edition of the Chicago Manual of Style, the LNC presiding at the time of that discovery is authorized to make those grammatical corrections provided it does not change the meaning or intent of the item edited.</del> <u>The National Committee is authorized to make corrections to conform the Bylaws and Convention Rules and the Platform with the latest edition of the Chicago Manual of Style, provided such changes do not alter the meaning or intent. The National Committee may not delegate this power.</u></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>15. The National Committee is authorized to make corrections to conform the Bylaws and Convention Rules and the Platform with the latest edition of the Chicago Manual of Style, provided such changes do not alter the meaning or intent. The National Committee may not delegate this power.</p>

# Make Judicial Committee a Four-Year Term

Adopted 7-0

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
<p><b>ARTICLE 8: JUDICIAL COMMITTEE</b>                      1. The Judicial Committee shall be composed of seven Party members elected at each Regular Convention, and any five members shall constitute a quorum. No member of the National Committee may be a member of the Judicial Committee. The members of the Judicial Committee shall select the Chair of the Judicial Committee. The Judicial Committee shall take office immediately upon the close of the Regular Convention at which elected and shall serve until the final adjournment of the next Regular Convention. All Judicial Committee members shall have been Party members at least four years at the time of their selection. The remaining members of the Judicial Committee shall appoint new members if vacancies occur, such appointees to serve until the final adjournment of the next Regular Convention.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 8: JUDICIAL COMMITTEE</b>                      1. The Judicial Committee shall be composed of seven Party members elected at each Regular <u>Non-Presidential</u> Convention, and any five members shall constitute a quorum. No member of the National Committee may be a member of the Judicial Committee. The members of the Judicial Committee shall select the Chair of the Judicial Committee. The Judicial Committee shall take office immediately upon the close of the Regular <u>Non-Presidential</u> Convention at which elected and shall serve until the final adjournment of the next Regular <u>Non-Presidential</u> Convention. All Judicial Committee members shall have been Party members at least four years at the time of their selection. The remaining members of the Judicial Committee shall appoint new members if vacancies occur, such appointees to serve until the final adjournment of the next Regular <u>Non-Presidential</u> Convention.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 8: JUDICIAL COMMITTEE</b>                      1. The Judicial Committee shall be composed of seven Party members elected at each Regular Non-Presidential Convention, and any five members shall constitute a quorum. No member of the National Committee may be a member of the Judicial Committee. The members of the Judicial Committee shall select the Chair of the Judicial Committee. The Judicial Committee shall take office immediately upon the close of the Regular Non-Presidential Convention at which elected and shall serve until the final adjournment of the next Regular Non-Presidential Convention. All Judicial Committee members shall have been Party members at least four years at the time of their selection. The remaining members of the Judicial Committee shall appoint new members if vacancies occur, such appointees to serve until the final adjournment of the next Regular Non-Presidential Convention.</p>
<p><b>RULE 1: ORDER OF BUSINESS</b></p> <p>The standing order of business for a Regular Convention shall be as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Call to order</li> <li>2. Credentials Committee report</li> <li>3. Adoption of agenda</li> <li>4. Treasurer's report</li> <li>5. Audit Committee report</li> <li>6. Bylaws and Rules Committee report</li> <li>7. Platform Committee report</li> <li>8. Nomination of Party candidates for President and Vice-President (in appropriate years)</li> <li>9. Election of Party Officers and at-large members of the National Committee</li> <li>10. Election of Judicial Committee</li> </ol>	<p><b>RULE 1: ORDER OF BUSINESS</b></p> <p>The standing order of business for a Regular Convention shall be as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Call to order</li> <li>2. Credentials Committee report</li> <li>3. Adoption of agenda</li> <li>4. Treasurer's report</li> <li>5. Audit Committee report</li> <li>6. Bylaws and Rules Committee report</li> <li>7. Platform Committee report</li> <li>8. Nomination of Party candidates for President and Vice-President (in appropriate years)</li> <li>9. Election of Party Officers and at-large members of the National Committee</li> <li>10. Election of Judicial Committee <u>(in appropriate years)</u></li> </ol>	<p><b>RULE 1: ORDER OF BUSINESS</b></p> <p>The standing order of business for a Regular Convention shall be as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Call to order</li> <li>2. Credentials Committee report</li> <li>3. Adoption of agenda</li> <li>4. Treasurer's report</li> <li>5. Audit Committee report</li> <li>6. Bylaws and Rules Committee report</li> <li>7. Platform Committee report</li> <li>8. Nomination of Party candidates for President and Vice-President (in appropriate years)</li> <li>9. Election of Party Officers and at-large members of the National Committee</li> <li>10. Election of Judicial Committee <u>(in appropriate years)</u></li> </ol>

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## Elect LNC and JC Earlier Adopted 7-0

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
<p><b>RULE 1: ORDER OF BUSINESS</b></p> <p>The standing order of business for a Regular Convention shall be as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Call to order</li> <li>2. Credentials Committee report</li> <li>3. Adoption of agenda</li> <li>4. Treasurer's report</li> <li>5. Audit Committee report</li> <li>6. Bylaws and Rules Committee report</li> <li>7. Platform Committee report</li> <li>8. Nomination of Party candidates for President and Vice-President (in appropriate years)</li> <li>9. Election of Party Officers and at-large members of the National Committee</li> <li>10. Election of Judicial Committee</li> <li>11. Resolutions</li> <li>12. Other business</li> </ol>	<p><b>RULE 1: ORDER OF BUSINESS</b></p> <p>The standing order of business for a Regular Convention shall be as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Call to order</li> <li>2. Credentials Committee report</li> <li>3. Adoption of agenda</li> <li>4. Treasurer's report</li> <li>5. Audit Committee report</li> <li>6. Bylaws and Rules Committee report</li> <li>7. <a href="#">Election of Judicial Committee</a></li> <li>8. <a href="#">Election of Party Officers and at-large members of the National Committee</a></li> <li>9. Platform Committee report</li> <li>10. Nomination of Party candidates for President and Vice-President (in appropriate years)</li> <li><del>11. Election of Party Officers and at-large members of the National Committee</del></li> <li><del>12. Election of Judicial Committee</del></li> <li><del>13.</del>11. Resolutions</li> <li><del>14.</del>12. Other business</li> </ol>	<p><b>RULE 1: ORDER OF BUSINESS</b></p> <p>The standing order of business for a Regular Convention shall be as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Call to order</li> <li>2. Credentials Committee report</li> <li>3. Adoption of agenda</li> <li>4. Treasurer's report</li> <li>5. Audit Committee report</li> <li>6. Bylaws and Rules Committee report</li> <li>7. Election of Judicial Committee</li> <li>8. Election of Party Officers and at-large members of the National Committee</li> <li>9. Platform Committee report</li> <li>10. Nomination of Party candidates for President and Vice-President (in appropriate years)</li> <li>11. Resolutions</li> <li>12. Other business</li> </ol>

## Eliminate Unused Convention Rule 5.6

Adopted 6-0

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
<p><b>RULE 5: DEBATING AND VOTING -- PLATFORM</b></p> <p>5. After all Committee recommendations have received initial consideration, any delegate may propose amendments to the Platform. The delegate may take up to two minutes to state and explain the proposal, with debating and voting to proceed as described in Section 3b.</p> <p>6. Finally, if time permits, proposals which were considered by the Platform Committee but which received an unfavorable vote from a majority of the Committee, may be considered, with a spokesperson for the minority position giving the reasons in favor and the Platform Committee Chair or other representative of the majority position giving the reasons why it was voted down, before the proposal is taken to the floor for debate.</p>	<p><b>RULE 5: DEBATING AND VOTING -- PLATFORM</b></p> <p>5. After all Committee recommendations have received initial consideration, any delegate may propose amendments to the Platform. The delegate may take up to two minutes to state and explain the proposal, with debating and voting to proceed as described in Section 3b.</p> <p><del>6. Finally, if time permits, proposals which were considered by the Platform Committee but which received an unfavorable vote from a majority of the Committee, may be considered, with a spokesperson for the minority position giving the reasons in favor and the Platform Committee Chair or other representative of the majority position giving the reasons why it was voted down, before the proposal is taken to the floor for debate.</del></p>	<p><b>RULE 5: DEBATING AND VOTING -- PLATFORM</b></p> <p>5. After all Committee recommendations have received initial consideration, any delegate may propose amendments to the Platform. The delegate may take up to two minutes to state and explain the proposal, with debating and voting to proceed as described in Section 3b.</p>

# Require Endorsed Candidates to Affiliate with the Libertarian Party

## Adopted 7-1

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
<p><b>ARTICLE 5: AFFILIATE PARTIES</b></p> <p>4. No affiliate party shall endorse any candidate who is a member of another party for public office in any partisan election. No affiliate party shall take any action inconsistent with the Statement of Principles or these Bylaws.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 5: AFFILIATE PARTIES</b></p> <p>4. No affiliate party shall endorse any candidate who is <del>a member of another party</del> <u>not a member of the Libertarian Party, or of the affiliate party, or a registered Libertarian voter</u>, for public office in any partisan election. No affiliate party shall take any action inconsistent with the Statement of Principles or these Bylaws.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 5: AFFILIATE PARTIES</b></p> <p>4. No affiliate party shall endorse any candidate who is not a member of the Libertarian Party, or of the affiliate party, or a registered Libertarian voter, for public office in any partisan election. No affiliate party shall take any action inconsistent with the Statement of Principles or these Bylaws.</p>

## Reorganize Purpose Statement Adopted 7-2

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
<p><b>ARTICLE 2: PURPOSES</b> The Party is organized to implement and give voice to the principles embodied in the Statement of Principles by: functioning as a libertarian political entity separate and distinct from all other political parties or movements; moving public policy in a libertarian direction by building a political party that elects Libertarians to public office; chartering affiliate parties throughout the United States and promoting their growth and activities; nominating candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States, and supporting Party and affiliate party candidates for political office; and, entering into public information activities.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 2: PURPOSES</b> The <u>Libertarian</u> Party is organized to <u>defend freedom and expand liberty in America by:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <u>implementing</u> and <del>give-giving</del> voice to the principles embodied in the Statement of Principles <del>by:</del>;</li> <li>2. functioning as a libertarian political entity separate and distinct from all other political parties or movements;</li> <li>3. <del>moving public policy in a libertarian direction by building a political party that elects Libertarians to public office</del> <u>electing Libertarians to public office to move public policy in a libertarian direction;</u></li> <li>4. chartering affiliate parties throughout the United States and promoting their growth and activities;</li> <li>5. nominating candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States, and supporting Party and affiliate party candidates for political office; and;</li> <li>6. entering into public information activities.</li> </ol>	<p><b>ARTICLE 2: PURPOSES</b> The Libertarian Party is organized to defend freedom and expand liberty in America by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. implementing and giving voice to the principles embodied in the Statement of Principles;</li> <li>2. functioning as a libertarian political entity separate and distinct from all other political parties or movements;</li> <li>3. electing Libertarians to public office to move public policy in a libertarian direction;</li> <li>4. chartering affiliate parties throughout the United States and promoting their growth and activities;</li> <li>5. nominating candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States, and supporting Party and affiliate party candidates for political office; and</li> <li>6. entering into public information activities.</li> </ol>

## Nominate Presidential and Vice Presidential Candidates as a Ticket Adopted 6-1

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
<p><b>RULE 7: NOMINATION OF PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE-PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES</b></p> <p>1. No person shall be nominated for President or Vice-President unless at least 30 registered delegates join in the nomination in writing submitted to the Chair. No delegate may join in nominating more than one candidate for each office. The affixing of signatures to a nominating petition per this requirement shall be effected by a transfer of signature tokens issued by the Credentials Committee.</p> <p>2. The Party's nominee for President shall be chosen by majority vote. If no candidate has attained a majority, the candidate with the fewest votes and any candidates polling less than 5% shall be struck from subsequent ballots. This procedure shall be repeated after every ballot in which no candidate has received a majority vote, until one candidate attains a majority.</p> <p>4. The Party's nominee for Vice-President shall be chosen by the same procedure as for the Presidential nominee except that the Presidential nominee shall have the privilege of addressing the Convention for 5 minutes, after nominations have been made but before voting has begun, for the purpose of endorsing or objecting to any of the Vice-Presidential nominees. Nominations for Vice-President shall close after selection of the Presidential nominee.</p> <p>5. Nominating and seconding speeches for each candidate shall be limited in duration as follows: a. President: Total of 16 minutes; b. Vice-President: Total of 11 minutes.</p>	<p><b>RULE 7: NOMINATION OF PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE-PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES</b></p> <p>1. No <del>person</del> <u>slate</u> shall be nominated for President <del>or</del> <u>and</u> Vice-President unless at least 30 registered delegates join in the nomination in writing submitted to the Chair. No delegate may join in nominating more than one <del>candidate for each office</del> <u>slate</u>. The affixing of signatures to a nominating petition per this requirement shall be effected by a transfer of signature tokens issued by the Credentials Committee.</p> <p>2. The Party's nominees <u>for President and Vice President</u> shall be chosen by majority vote. If no <del>candidate</del> <u>slate</u> has attained a majority, the <del>candidate</del> <u>one</u> with the fewest votes and any <del>candidates</del> polling less than 5% shall be struck from subsequent ballots. This procedure shall be repeated after every ballot in which no <del>candidate</del> <u>slate</u> has received a majority vote, until one <del>candidate</del> attains a majority.</p> <p><del>4. The Party's nominee for Vice-President shall be chosen by the same procedure as for the Presidential nominee except that the Presidential nominee shall have the privilege of addressing the Convention for 5 minutes, after nominations have been made but before voting has begun, for the purpose of endorsing or objecting to any of the Vice-Presidential nominees. Nominations for Vice-President shall close after selection of the Presidential nominee.</del></p> <p>5. Nominating and seconding speeches for each <del>candidate</del> <u>slate</u> shall be limited <u>to a total of 20 minutes</u> <del>in duration as follows:</del> <del>a. President: Total of 16 minutes;</del> <del>b. Vice-President: Total of 11</del></p>	<p><b>RULE 7: NOMINATION OF PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE-PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES</b></p> <p>1. No slate shall be nominated for President and Vice-President unless at least 30 registered delegates join in the nomination in writing submitted to the Chair. No delegate may join in nominating more than one slate. The affixing of signatures to a nominating petition per this requirement shall be effected by a transfer of signature tokens issued by the Credentials Committee.</p> <p>2. The Party's nominees for President and Vice President shall be chosen by majority vote. If no slate has attained a majority, the one with the fewest votes and any polling less than 5% shall be struck from subsequent ballots. This procedure shall be repeated after every ballot in which no slate has received a majority vote, until one attains a majority.</p> <p>4. Nominating and seconding speeches for each slate shall be limited to a total of 20 minutes.</p> <p>A delegate who collects the required number of nominating tokens so designated may speak up to 5 minutes in favor of voting for None Of The Above.</p> <p>5. Immediately prior to each round of presidential voting, a motion to divide the selection of the Presidential and Vice-Presidential nominees shall be in order, which requires 30 delegates to second and a majority to adopt.</p> <p>6. If a motion to divide the selection prevails: a. Using voting procedures for selecting slates, Presidential and</p>



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## Add Alternative Certification Language for Membership Adopted 6-2

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
<p><b>ARTICLE 4: MEMBERSHIP</b></p> <p>1. Members of the Party shall be those persons who have certified in writing that they oppose the initiation of force to achieve political or social goals.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 4: MEMBERSHIP</b></p> <p>1. Members of the Party shall be those persons who have certified in writing that they:</p> <p><u>a. oppose the initiation of force to achieve political or social goals,</u> <u>or</u></p> <p><u>b. agree all individuals have the right to exercise sole dominion over their own lives, and have the right to live in whatever manner they choose, so long as they do not forcibly interfere with the equal right of others to live in whatever manner they choose.</u></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 4: MEMBERSHIP</b></p> <p>1. Members of the Party shall be those persons who have certified in writing that they:</p> <p>a. oppose the initiation of force to achieve political or social goals, or</p> <p>b. agree all individuals have the right to exercise sole dominion over their own lives, and have the right to live in whatever manner they choose, so long as they do not forcibly interfere with the equal right of others to live in whatever manner they choose.</p>

**Define in Advance the Party's Agreement with Presidential Campaign**  
**Adopted 6-2**

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
	<p><b>ARTICLE 14: PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE-PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGNS</b></p> <p><u>3. During any Regular convention the delegates may by a majority vote amend the standard agreement specifying the terms by which the Party and the Presidential and Vice-presidential campaign shall assist and support each other. Proposed amendments require 90 days notice to the Secretary, who shall cause them to be published on the Party's website not less than 60 days prior to the Convention. The National Committee shall publish the standard agreement on its website. The Chair shall sign on behalf of the Party with each person who otherwise qualifies and desires to be our candidate. Only those persons who have signed prior to the close of nominations and are in compliance with the contract shall be recognized as candidates and be eligible to be nominated for President or Vice-President. The parties may modify the agreement by mutual consent after the nomination.</u></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 14: PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE-PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGNS</b></p> <p>3. During any Regular convention the delegates may by a majority vote amend the standard agreement specifying the terms by which the Party and the Presidential and Vice-presidential campaign shall assist and support each other. Proposed amendments require 90 days notice to the Secretary, who shall cause them to be published on the Party's website not less than 60 days prior to the Convention. The National Committee shall publish the standard agreement on its website. The Chair shall sign on behalf of the Party with each person who otherwise qualifies and desires to be our candidate. Only those persons who have signed prior to the close of nominations and are in compliance with the contract shall be recognized as candidates and be eligible to be nominated for President or Vice-President. The parties may modify the agreement by mutual consent after the nomination.</p>

# PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN COORDINATION AGREEMENT

THIS NATIONAL PARTY AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made as of \_\_\_\_\_, by and between the LIBERTARIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE, INC., a District of Columbia nonprofit corporation ("LNC"), a CANDIDATE seeking the Libertarian Party Nomination for President or Vice-President of the United States ("The Candidate"), and the CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE ("Campaign Committee"), based on the following facts:

- A. The LNC is the governing body of the Libertarian Party® ("LP").
- B. The Candidate aspires to be selected as the Presidential or Vice Presidential nominee of the LP at the Libertarian National Convention on \_\_\_\_\_. The Candidate has formed the Campaign Committee in order to promote his or her election campaign ("Campaign").
- C. The LNC, Candidate, and Campaign Committee desire to assist one another in their respective political activities, as described in this Agreement.

The LNC, Candidate and Campaign Committee agree:

1. That this agreement is subject to the Bylaws of the LP;
2. The Candidate's Pledge. The Candidate represents and warrants to the LNC that he:
  - a. Is eligible under the Constitution and applicable laws, ordinances and regulations, to run for the office for which the LP may nominate him, and take office, if elected; and
  - b. Has disclosed in writing all previous felony convictions and whether to his knowledge he is currently the subject of a criminal investigation.
3. Obligations of the LNC, in the event the Candidate becomes the LP's nominee.
  - a. Fundraising. The LNC shall join the Campaign Committee's joint fundraising committee, if any. The proceeds of funds shall be allocated as described in the Joint Fundraising Agreement.
  - b. Media Contact. The LNC shall independently promote the Campaign via "free" media. To the extent reasonably practicable, the Candidate and Campaign Committee shall work closely with the LNC from time to time, as determined by the Campaign Committee in its sole discretion, to schedule public media appearances, candidate travel and the promotion of a coherent, principled and pleasing political message by the Campaign and the Candidate.
  - c. Promotion. The LNC shall independently promote the Campaign in Libertarian Party® News, to the LNC's e-mail announcement list and on the LNC's website, [www.lp.org](http://www.lp.org) ("LNC Website"). The LNC may, at its option and to the extent of available funds, independently prepare, purchase and publish media advertising and promotional flyers and mailings supporting the Campaign.
  - d. Ballot Access. The LNC shall be primarily responsible for providing ballot access for the Campaign. The Candidate and Campaign Committee understand that this is not a guarantee of 50-state ballot access, but simply the LNC's agreement to proceed in good faith to obtain ballot access for the Campaign on the ballots of as many states as reasonably possible, given all the demands on the LNC's resources. The Campaign Committee shall exercise every reasonable effort to help facilitate those ballot access

activities by the LNC by assisting in the promotion of signature-gathering efforts, and ballot access fundraising.

4. Obligations of Campaign Committee, in the event the Candidate becomes the LP's nominee.
  - a) Candidate as Spokesperson. The Candidate shall make himself available on a full-time basis to promote the Campaign. They shall make reasonable efforts to work with the LNC as described in Paragraph 2 above.
  - b) Campaign Strategy. The Candidate and Campaign Committee shall work closely with the LNC to develop and establish a coherent, principled and politically viable Campaign strategy that is designed to promote not only the Campaign, but also the growth and influence of the LP. To that end, the Campaign Committee shall make every reasonable effort, in its sole discretion, to include the words "Libertarian" or "Libertarian Party" in all Campaign hard mail letters or brochures, unless doing so would significantly increase costs, cause undue delay, or otherwise be impractical. In developing and pursuing the general Campaign strategy, the Candidate and Campaign Committee shall consult with and give serious consideration to the opinions of the LNC, but the Candidate and Campaign Committee shall retain ultimate decision-making authority in all Campaign matters.
  - c) Website. The Campaign Committee shall maintain a website promoting the Campaign that contains on its home page a prominent link to the LNC Website on the bottom.
  - d) Reserved Functions. The Campaign Committee shall be solely responsible, at its expense, for providing any office space it needs, creating and maintaining its own website, handling all its bookkeeping functions (e.g., check cashing, credit card charges, expense payment, Federal Election Committee report filing and accounting functions), and handling all its staffing functions (e.g., campaign manager, operations manager, website manager, candidate travel arranger, treasurer, volunteer manager, and routine (non-inquiry) mail reading and response, administrative assistants). In addition, the Campaign Committee shall raise the funds for and bear the entire cost incurred in the course of the Campaign for all activity conducted by the Campaign Committee, including travel by the Candidate, telephone tolls, Internet service, office supplies, computer hardware and software, promotional materials and other goods and services required by the Campaign. The Campaign shall, at its expense, promptly respond to all voter inquiries with appropriate materials promoting the Campaign. The LNC shall have no obligation to perform or pay the cost of any of these functions except where otherwise agreed in writing.
5. FEC Coordination. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as an intent to make a coordinated communication within the meaning on 11 C.F.R. Section 109.21. Except where the Parties otherwise agree in writing, the LNC shall not create, produce or distribute any communications at the request or suggestion of the Candidate, the Campaign Committee, or any agents of the Candidate or the Campaign Committee; nor shall the LNC create, produce or distribute any communications with the material involvement of or after substantial discussions with the Candidate, the Campaign Committee, or any agents of the Candidate or the Campaign Committee regarding content, intended audience, means or mode of such communication, specific media outlets used, or the timing, frequency, size, or prominence of such communications. Where the Parties agree in writing to make a coordinated communication, the LNC shall promptly provide the Campaign Committee all data necessary to appropriately report such communication to the Federal Election Commission.

6. Data Swap. The Parties agree to engage in a non-FEC-reportable data swap transaction of email lists equivalent in value as follows:
- a. Campaign Email Sends to LNC List. Upon the Candidate receiving the LP's nomination, the LNC shall grant the Campaign Committee a limited license to the LNC's respective existing and distinct list of potential contributor names, addresses, phone numbers, emails, and other pertinent information (the "Party List"), through a third party of the LNC's choosing, subject to such security safeguards as the LNC may reasonably impose, for the purpose of sending up to four separate emails prior to the general election. The Campaign Committee shall provide the LNC a copy of the email content and requested send date in advance for approval prior to distribution. Such license shall expire upon the completion of the fourth mailing, or at 11:59 PM on Election Day, whichever comes first, and the Campaign Committee shall not retain any further right to use or interest in the Party List except as otherwise described in this Agreement.
  - b. LNC License of Campaign List.
    - i. Upon the Candidate receiving the LP's nomination, the Campaign Committee shall grant the LNC a perpetual, non-exclusive, non-transferable, non-revocable except as described below, license to a copy of the Campaign Committee's existing and distinct list of contributor names, addresses, phone numbers, emails, and other pertinent information (the "Campaign List" which shall include any updates provided by Campaign Committee to LNC) for the LNC's own benefit and political messaging, solely for the purpose of membership generation only and not for general fundraising prior to the date listed below, provided that under no circumstance shall the LNC:
      1. send more than four emails to the Campaign List prior to the general election for the purpose of membership generation only and not for general fundraising;
      2. solicit the Campaign List prior to the date of the inauguration of the U.S. Presidential campaign winner. After such inauguration date, the LNC may solicit the Campaign List subject to the limitations below in section 5(b)(i)(3)-(4);
      3. sell, assign, give, rent use of (whether for monetary or non-monetary value), or transfer the Campaign List to any third party (or attempt to do any of the foregoing). This restriction shall not prohibit the LNC from using list management services of vendors provided such vendors are bound by similar terms;
      4. violate any term of this Agreement and/or applicable laws and regulations related to the Campaign List.
    - ii. Any such action listed in 5(b)(i)(1)-(4) will result in an automatic revocation of such license.
    - iii. The Campaign Committee shall provide the LNC three updates to the copy of Campaign List prior to the general election on September 20, October 5 and October 20 and a final update to the copy of Campaign List by January 1.
  - c. Fair Market Value. The Parties agree such exchange is a fair market value swap and shall not cause a contribution from one party to the other.

- d. Data Ownership. All data originally developed or independently gathered by each party shall at all times remain the sole property of such party, and neither party shall retain any further right to use or interest in each other's respective lists except as described in this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each party shall remain joint and severable owners of any data derived or developed as a result of emails sent under this Agreement with no obligation to share with each other any subsequently acquired data except as described in this Agreement,
- e. Representations and Warranties. Each the LNC and the Campaign Committee represent and warrant:
  - i. Each party has personally developed its respective list, or acquired the data from its original developer, if applicable, who has warranted that it was compiled, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations including without limitation if applicable the Controlling the Assault of Non-Solicited Pornography and Marketing Act of 2003, Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended and regulations of the Federal Election Commission;
  - ii. Each party has personally developed its respective list, or its original developer has warranted that such respective list was developed, based on affirmative consent from each individual during the collection of information contained in such respective list, that it honored all opt-out requests, and did not harvest email addresses without the knowledge and agreement of the each individual on its respective list, except to the extent permissible under any applicable law.
7. Proprietary Information. The Parties understand and acknowledge that all knowledge and information of a proprietary and confidential nature relating to either party, ("Confidential Information") shall be kept in the strictest confidence by the parties.
8. Campaign Indemnity. The Candidate and Campaign Committee shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the LNC, and its employees, directors, officers, affiliates, or representatives, from and against any claims, liabilities, losses, costs, expenses, damages, allegations, suits, actions, civil or criminal investigations by a federal or state agency or other proceedings brought against the LNC, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and legal costs, arising from the acts, errors or omissions of the Candidate or Campaign Committee in the performance of this Agreement or the Candidate's or Campaign Committee's breach of this Agreement.
9. LNC Indemnify. The LNC shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Candidate and Campaign Committee, and its employees, directors, officers, affiliates, or representatives, from and against any claims, liabilities, losses, costs, expenses, damages, allegations, suits, actions, civil or criminal investigations by a federal or state agency or other proceedings brought against the Candidate or Campaign Committee, including, without limitation, reasonable attorney's fees and legal costs, arising from the acts, errors or omissions of the LNC in the performance of this Agreement or the LNC's breach of this Agreement.
10. Term. This Agreement shall become effective immediately upon its signature by the parties to this Agreement, and shall terminate upon the certification of the final results of the presidential election. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, the agreements of the parties under Paragraphs 4 through 6, inclusive, of this Agreement shall survive termination of this Agreement, and the parties shall remain liable for any obligations arising or incurred prior to termination of this Agreement.

11. Notices and Reports. All notices and reports under this Agreement shall be in writing (unless otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement) and sent by fax, electronic mail, overnight private delivery service or first class U.S. mail, with postage fully prepaid, to the addresses set forth on Exhibit A attached to this Agreement, and shall be effective upon receipt. Either party may change its address for notice by similar notice to the other party.
12. Assignment; Entire Agreement; Governing Law. No party may assign its interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other parties. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. All prior discussions and understandings are merged in this Agreement. This Agreement is governed by the laws of the District of Columbia applied to contracts made and to be performed in that district.

This Agreement has been signed and delivered as of the date set forth above and may be signed in counterparts each of which is an original and all of which taken together form one single document.

LIBERIARIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE, INC.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

LP and LNC Chair

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Candidate, individually,  
and on behalf of the Campaign Committee

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



EXHIBIT A

Addresses for Notices and Reports

To the LNC:

Executive Director

Libertarian National Committee, Inc.

1444 Duke Street

Alexandria, VA 22314-3403

Phone: (202) 333-0008

Fax: (202) 333-0072

E-mail: [ed@hq.lp.org](mailto:ed@hq.lp.org)

To The Candidate:

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To the Campaign Committee:

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## Protect Party Name Rights for Affiliates

Adopted 6-3

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<p><b>ARTICLE 5: AFFILIATE PARTIES</b></p> <p>1. No person, group or organization may use the name "Libertarian Party" or any confusingly similar designation except the Party or an organization to which the Party grants affiliate party status or as otherwise provided in these bylaws.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 5: AFFILIATE PARTIES</b></p> <p>1. No person, group or organization may use the name "Libertarian Party" or any confusingly similar designation except the Party or an organization to which the Party grants affiliate party status or as otherwise provided in these bylaws.</p> <p><u>2. An affiliate that does not have on file with the Party a signed standard agreement acknowledging that the affiliate's use of the Libertarian Party name is contingent upon it remaining an affiliate, that affiliate shall not be eligible to:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>send delegates to any Regular Convention;</u></li> <li>• <u>join a representative region;</u></li> <li>• <u>receive resources from the Party;</u></li> <li>• <u>appoint anyone to serve on any Party board or committee.</u></li> </ul>	<p><b>ARTICLE 5: AFFILIATE PARTIES</b></p> <p>1. No person, group or organization may use the name "Libertarian Party" or any confusingly similar designation except the Party or an organization to which the Party grants affiliate party status or as otherwise provided in these bylaws.</p> <p>2. An affiliate that does not have on file with the Party a signed standard agreement acknowledging that the affiliate's use of the Libertarian Party name is contingent upon it remaining an affiliate, that affiliate shall not be eligible to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• send delegates to any Regular Convention;</li> <li>• join a representative region;</li> <li>• receive resources from the Party;</li> <li>• appoint anyone to serve on any Party board or committee.</li> </ul>

## Roll Call Votes for Committees

Adopted 6-3

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	<p><b>ARTICLE 11: OTHER COMMITTEES</b></p> <p><u>7. The Bylaws and Rules Committee, Platform Committee, and Credentials Committee shall use roll call voting on all main motions. Additionally, those committees must have a roll call vote upon request of any two Committee members present on any motion. On all roll call votes, the vote of each individual Committee member shall be recorded in the minutes.</u></p> <p><u>8. Any person may record the proceedings of the Bylaws and Rules Committee, Platform Committee, and Credentials Committee while in open session.</u></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 11: OTHER COMMITTEES</b></p> <p>7. The Bylaws and Rules Committee, Platform Committee, and Credentials Committee shall use roll call voting on all main motions. Additionally, those committees must have a roll call vote upon request of any two Committee members present on any motion. On all roll call votes, the vote of each individual Committee member shall be recorded in the minutes.</p> <p>8. Any person may record the proceedings of the Bylaws and Rules Committee, Platform Committee, and Credentials Committee while in open session.</p>

# Reduce Email Vote Time

## Adopted 5-2

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<p><b>ARTICLE 13: ELECTRONIC MAIL BALLOTS</b></p> <p>Boards and committees may transact business by electronic mail. The chair or secretary shall send out electronic mail ballots on any question submitted by the chair or cosponsored by at least 1/5 of the members of the board or committee. The period for voting on a question shall remain open for ten days, unless all members have cast votes, or have stated an intention to abstain or be absent during the voting period, by electronic mail to the entire board or committee. Votes from alternates will be counted, in accordance with previously defined ranked order, in the absence of the corresponding committee member(s). The outcome of each motion shall be announced promptly and recorded in the minutes of the next meeting. The number of votes required for passage of any motion shall be the same as that required during a meeting. Motions dispensed through electronic mail ballots satisfy the requirement of giving previous notice.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 13: ELECTRONIC MAIL BALLOTS</b></p> <p>Boards and committees may transact business by electronic mail. The chair or secretary shall send out electronic mail ballots on any question submitted by the chair or cosponsored by at least 1/5 of the members of the board or committee. The period for voting on a question shall remain open for <del>ten</del> <u>seven</u> days, unless all members have cast votes, or have stated an intention to abstain or be absent during the voting period, by electronic mail to the entire board or committee. Votes from alternates will be counted, in accordance with previously defined ranked order, in the absence of the corresponding committee member(s). The outcome of each motion shall be announced promptly and recorded in the minutes of the next meeting. The number of votes required for passage of any motion shall be the same as that required during a meeting. Motions dispensed through electronic mail ballots satisfy the requirement of giving previous notice.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 13: ELECTRONIC MAIL BALLOTS</b></p> <p>Boards and committees may transact business by electronic mail. The chair or secretary shall send out electronic mail ballots on any question submitted by the chair or cosponsored by at least 1/5 of the members of the board or committee. The period for voting on a question shall remain open for seven days, unless all members have cast votes, or have stated an intention to abstain or be absent during the voting period, by electronic mail to the entire board or committee. Votes from alternates will be counted, in accordance with previously defined ranked order, in the absence of the corresponding committee member(s). The outcome of each motion shall be announced promptly and recorded in the minutes of the next meeting. The number of votes required for passage of any motion shall be the same as that required during a meeting. Motions dispensed through electronic mail ballots satisfy the requirement of giving previous notice.</p>

# Require Credentials and Platform Committee Members to be Party Members

Adopted 5-3

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<p><b>ARTICLE 11: OTHER COMMITTEES</b></p> <p>3. The Platform Committee shall consist of 20 members selected as follows: [...]</p> <p>4. The Credentials Committee, composed of ten members, shall be selected as follows. [...]</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 11: OTHER COMMITTEES</b></p> <p>3. The Platform Committee shall consist of 20 <a href="#">Party sustaining</a> members selected as follows: [...]</p> <p>4. The Credentials Committee, composed of ten <a href="#">Party sustaining</a> members, shall be selected as follows. [...]</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 11: OTHER COMMITTEES</b></p> <p>3. The Platform Committee shall consist of 20 Party sustaining members selected as follows: [...]</p> <p>4. The Credentials Committee, composed of ten Party sustaining members, shall be selected as follows. [...]</p>

**Require Advance Notice of Bylaws Proposals**  
**Adopted 5-3**

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<p><b>BYLAWS ARTICLE 17: AMENDMENT</b></p> <p>1. These Bylaws may be amended by a 2/3 vote of the delegates at any Regular Convention.</p>	<p><b>BYLAWS ARTICLE 17: AMENDMENT</b></p> <p>1. These Bylaws may be amended by a 2/3 vote of the delegates at any Regular Convention <u>with 90 days notice to the Secretary. All proposals shall be published on the Party's website not less than 60 days prior to the Convention.</u></p>	<p><b>BYLAWS ARTICLE 17: AMENDMENT</b></p> <p>1. These Bylaws may be amended by a 2/3 vote of the delegates at any Regular Convention with 90 days notice to the Secretary. All proposals shall be published on the Party's website not less than 60 days prior to the Convention.</p>

## Abolition of Alternates on Committees

Adopted 5-4

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<p><b>ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>2. The National Committee shall be composed of the following members:</p> <p>a. the officers of the Party;</p> <p>b. five members elected at large by the delegates at a Regular Convention; and</p> <p>Any affiliate party with 10% or more of the total national party sustaining membership within affiliate parties (as determined for delegate allocation) shall be entitled to one National Committee representative and one alternate for each 10% of national sustaining membership. Affiliate parties may, by mutual consent, band together to form "representative regions," and each such "region" with an aggregate national party sustaining membership of 10% or more shall be entitled to one National Committee representative and one alternate for each 10% of national party sustaining membership. "Representative regions" may be formed or dissolved once every two years during a period beginning 90 days before the beginning of and ending on the second day of the National Convention, and notice of new formations or dissolutions must be given in writing to the national Secretary prior to the close of the Convention at which they take Place.</p> <p><b>ARTICLE 11: OTHER COMMITTEES</b></p> <p>5. Ranked alternates may be named by the appointing bodies to fill any vacancies or absences in the Convention Committees.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>2. The National Committee shall be composed of the following members:</p> <p>a. the officers of the Party;</p> <p>b. five members elected at large by the delegates at a Regular Convention; and</p> <p>Any affiliate party with 10% or more of the total national party sustaining membership within affiliate parties (as determined for delegate allocation) shall be entitled to one National Committee representative <del>and one alternate</del> for each 10% of national sustaining membership. Affiliate parties may, by mutual consent, band together to form "representative regions," and each such "region" with an aggregate national party sustaining membership of 10% or more shall be entitled to one National Committee representative <del>and one alternate</del> for each 10% of national party sustaining membership. "Representative regions" may be formed or dissolved once every two years during a period beginning 90 days before the beginning of and ending on the second day of the National Convention, and notice of new formations or dissolutions must be given in writing to the national Secretary prior to the close of the Convention at which they take Place.</p> <p><b>ARTICLE 11: OTHER COMMITTEES</b></p> <p><del>5. Ranked alternates may be named by the appointing bodies to fill any vacancies or absences in the Convention Committees.</del></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>2. The National Committee shall be composed of the following members:</p> <p>a. the officers of the Party;</p> <p>b. five members elected at large by the delegates at a Regular Convention; and</p> <p>Any affiliate party with 10% or more of the total national party sustaining membership within affiliate parties (as determined for delegate allocation) shall be entitled to one National Committee representative for each 10% of national sustaining membership. Affiliate parties may, by mutual consent, band together to form "representative regions," and each such "region" with an aggregate national party sustaining membership of 10% or more shall be entitled to one National Committee representative for each 10% of national party sustaining membership. "Representative regions" may be formed or dissolved once every two years during a period beginning 90 days before the beginning of and ending on the second day of the National Convention, and notice of new formations or dissolutions must be given in writing to the national Secretary prior to the close of the Convention at which they take Place.</p> <p><b>ARTICLE 11: OTHER COMMITTEES</b></p> <p>5. Committee Procedures [...]</p> <p><b>ARTICLE 13: ELECTRONIC MAIL BALLOTS</b></p> <p>Boards and committees may</p>

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**Duty to Defend Party Name**  
**Adopted 5-4**

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# Restructure Libertarian National Committee

## Adopted 4-3

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6. A National Committee member who fails to attend two consecutive regular sessions of the National Committee shall be deemed to have vacated his or her seat. The appointing body shall be free to reappoint the member who vacated the seat.

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## ARTICLE 8: JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

2. The subject matter jurisdiction of the Judicial Committee is limited to consideration of only those matters expressly identified as follows:

- a. suspension of affiliate parties (Article 5, Section 6),
- b. suspension of officers (Article 6, Section 7),
- c. voiding of National Committee decisions (Article 7, Section 12),
- d. challenges to platform planks (Rule 5, Section 7),
- e. challenges to Resolutions (Rule 6, Section 2), and
- f. suspension of Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates (Article 14, Section 5).

<p>the term of the office vacated.</p> <p>8. A National Committee Regional Representative may be removed and replaced only by the act of the affiliate parties which constitute the subject region. The voting procedure for the removal and replacement of regional representatives shall be determined by the regions. In the absence of any such procedures, a majority vote of the state chairs shall prevail.</p> <p>10. A majority of the membership of the National Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings.</p>	<p>the term of the office vacated.</p> <p>8. <del>A National Committee Regional Representative may be removed and replaced only by the act of the affiliate parties which constitute the subject region. The voting procedure for the removal and replacement of regional representatives shall be determined by the regions. In the absence of any such procedures, a majority vote of the state chairs shall prevail.</del> <u>A state affiliate may fill vacancies and rescind the selection of National Committee members only by procedures explicitly provided for in the affiliate's bylaws.</u></p> <p>10. <del>A majority of the membership of the National Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings.</del> <u>A majority, not fewer than seventeen, of the National Committee members registered in attendance shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.</u></p>	
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# Restructure Libertarian National Committee – Conforming Amendments to Rules

Adopted 4-3

This proposal being presented is contingent upon the previous proposal being adopted.

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<p>manner:</p> <p>a. Each delegate may cast a ballot with a vote for either none-of-the-above or one vote per candidate for any number of candidates. Every ballot with a vote for none-of-the-above or one or more candidates is counted as one ballot cast. A vote for none-of-the-above shall be ignored if the ballot also includes a vote for any other candidate.</p> <p>b. Each delegation shall tabulate its total vote, and the delegation chair shall deliver a written total to the Secretary, along with the ballots cast.</p> <p>c. When all delegations have submitted their votes, the Chair shall declare the voting closed. The top five candidates receiving a majority vote of the ballots cast shall be elected. Tie votes affecting the outcome shall be decided by lot.</p> <p>3. Nominations for each candidate may be made by any delegate present on the floor, provided he or she has the candidate's permission. Nominating speeches shall be limited in duration as follows:</p> <p>a. Chair: Total of 10 minutes;</p> <p>b. All others: Total of 5 minutes.</p> <p>4. In the event a region has not otherwise provided for the election of its regional representative to the National Committee then the delegates from the region shall elect its regional representative, provided there are at least five delegates present. Each Region's delegates may elect their representative in whatever manner they choose, provided all delegates present from that region are given equal voice in the selection.</p> <p><b>RULE 9: ELECTION OF JUDICIAL COMMITTEE</b> Nominations and elections for members of the Judicial Committee shall be conducted in the same manner as specified for at-large members of the National Committee.</p>	<p>manner:</p> <p>a. Each delegate may cast a ballot with a vote for either none-of-the-above or one vote per candidate for any number of candidates. Every ballot with a vote for none-of-the-above or one or more candidates is counted as one ballot cast. A vote for none-of-the-above shall be ignored if the ballot also includes a vote for any other candidate.</p> <p>b. Each delegation shall tabulate its total vote, and the delegation chair shall deliver a written total to the Secretary, along with the ballots cast.</p> <p>c. When all delegations have submitted their votes, the Chair shall declare the voting closed. The top five candidates receiving a majority vote of the ballots cast shall be elected. Tie votes affecting the outcome shall be decided by lot.</p> <p>3. Nominations for each candidate may be made by any delegate present on the floor, provided he or she has the candidate's permission. Nominating speeches shall be limited in duration as follows:</p> <p>a. Chair: Total of 10 minutes;</p> <p>b. All others: Total of 5 minutes.</p> <p><del>4. In the event a region has not otherwise provided for the election of its regional representative to the National Committee then the delegates from the region shall elect its regional representative, provided there are at least five delegates present. Each Region's delegates may elect their representative in whatever manner they choose, provided all delegates present from that region are given equal voice in the selection.</del></p> <p><b>RULE 9: ELECTION OF JUDICIAL COMMITTEE</b> <del>Nominations and elections for members of the Judicial Committee shall be conducted in the same manner as specified for at-large members of the National Committee.</del></p>	<p>manner:</p> <p>a. Each delegate may cast a ballot with a vote for either none-of-the-above or one vote per candidate for any number of candidates. Every ballot with a vote for none-of-the-above or one or more candidates is counted as one ballot cast. A vote for none-of-the-above shall be ignored if the ballot also includes a vote for any other candidate.</p> <p>b. Each delegation shall tabulate its total vote, and the delegation chair shall deliver a written total to the Secretary, along with the ballots cast.</p> <p>c. When all delegations have submitted their votes, the Chair shall declare the voting closed. The top five candidates receiving a majority vote of the ballots cast shall be elected. Tie votes affecting the outcome shall be decided by lot.</p> <p>3. Nominations for each candidate may be made by any delegate present on the floor, provided he or she has the candidate's permission. Nominating speeches shall be limited in duration as follows:</p> <p>a. Chair: Total of 10 minutes;</p> <p>b. All others: Total of 5 minutes.</p>
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# Create Method for Member Recall of LNC Members

## Adopted 3-2

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#### ARTICLE 7: NATIONAL COMMITTEE

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