

## **REGION 5 REPORT**

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This report will provide information concerning activities of the Libertarian Party state affiliates in Region 5 that have occurred since the LP national convention. I shall provide an updated report at the meeting in Phoenix should additional information become available.

I am pleased to report that I have been able to represent the LP in various ways since the previous LNC meeting. For example, I continue to serve at least once a month as a guest on a two-hour political talk show that airs on weekdays on WINA radio (1070 AM/98.9 FM in Charlottesville, Virginia).

### **Delaware**

Sean Goward ([sean.goward@yahoo.com](mailto:sean.goward@yahoo.com)) is the chair of the Libertarian Party of Delaware. I did not receive a report from him.

### **District of Columbia**

Joe Bishop-Henchman ([jdhenchman@gmail.com](mailto:jdhenchman@gmail.com)) is the chair of the Libertarian Party of the District of Columbia. I did not receive a report from him.

### **Maryland**

Bob Johnston ([bob.johnston@lp.org](mailto:bob.johnston@lp.org)), chair of the Libertarian Party of Maryland, provided the following report:

Membership is 107 as of 12 September, 2018.

Libertarian voter registration is 21,404. This is 0.54% of all of the registered voters in the state.

To maintain ballot access, the Maryland LP need the candidate for Governor, Shawn Quinn, to get at least 1% in the general election, or the party must have at least 1% of the registered voters on December 31 of this year.

The Maryland LP has 19 candidates appearing on the general election ballot. This does not include April Ademiluyi, who was removed from the ballot due to a lawsuit brought on by four plaintiffs last month, who challenged her nomination. The plaintiffs were able to have Ms.

Ademiluyi taken off of the ballot in Prince George's County Circuit Court, and then prevailed in the Court of Appeals, the state's highest court.

Ms. Ademiluyi has filed in US District Court to get back on the ballot, as she feels the plaintiffs did not have standing to challenge the MDLP's nominating process.

This is the third of the last six general elections, going back to 2008, that the Maryland LP is running a full slate of federal candidates. Also, 15 of the 19 candidates are running for the first time.

The Maryland LP held its annual summer picnic at the home of Dave and Renee Sten in North East, MD. LNC regional representative Dr. James Lark attended, as he always does.

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## **North Carolina**

Susan Hogarth ([hogarth@gmail.com](mailto:hogarth@gmail.com)) is the chair of the Libertarian Party of North Carolina. I did not receive a report from her.

## **Pennsylvania**

Drew Bingaman ([chair@susquehannavalleylp.org](mailto:chair@susquehannavalleylp.org)), chair of the Libertarian Party of Pennsylvania, provided the following report:

The LPPA has achieved ballot access for our candidates with two exceptions who have agreed to withdraw. There does seem to be potential charges that were sent to the PA AG against Tim Silfies accusing him of forging signatures. However I believe this to be mostly smoke and an empty threat. Either way it still may drag Tim into court and we certainly don't want that but for now it is out of our hands.

After the majority of the campaigns were settled and on the ballot we have turned out attention to our website which is in major need of rehab. We have appointed a project manager who has outlined an excellent course of action for us to follow in order to address the issues with our website by priority. The two biggest problems is that membership and donation processing is VERY unreliable. Those two are on our list to fix ASAP.

In addition to this we are and will continue to evaluate the national website/crm offering. I expect the board to make a determination very soon on our website direction.

## **South Carolina**

Stewart Flood ([stewart.f.flood.jr@gmail.com](mailto:stewart.f.flood.jr@gmail.com)) is the chair of the South Carolina Libertarian Party. I did not receive a report from him.

## **Virginia**

Bo Brown ([boebrown@yahoo.com](mailto:boebrown@yahoo.com)) is the chair of the Libertarian Party of Virginia. I did not receive a report from him.

## **West Virginia**

Luke Brumfield ([luke.brumfield@lpwv.org](mailto:luke.brumfield@lpwv.org)) is the chair of the Libertarian Party of West Virginia. I did not receive a report from him.