

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ELECTIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE  
OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK  
HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2024 ON THE ZOOM MEETING APP**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Andrew Kolstee, Chair of the Libertarian Party of New York  
Mark Axinn, Judicial District 1  
Matthew Morgan, Judicial District 2  
James Ziobro, Judicial District 7  
Samuel Hordeski, Judicial District 6  
Juan Ayala, Judicial District 9  
Robert Schuon, Judicial District 10

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Zachary Remian, Judicial District 4  
Francisco Olvera, Judicial District 11

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Andrew Kolstee, Chair of the Libertarian Party of New York. It was determined that a quorum was present.

**The reading of the minutes of the July 29, 2024 meeting of the Elections Oversight Committee was waived and the minutes were approved** without objection.

Judicial District 1 has two (2) seats on the State Committee. New York (Manhattan) held their elections on July 10, 2024 and cast votes for Mark Axinn and Morry Davis. They have subsequently submitted their minutes. Motion by Juan Ayala to **certify that Mark Axinn and Morry Davis have been elected to the State Committee representing Judicial District 1** was seconded by Samuel Hordeski and passed without objection.

Judicial District 2 has two (2) seats on the State Committee. Kings (Brooklyn) held their elections on July 17, 2024 and cast votes for Paul Grindle and Gary Popkin. They have subsequently submitted their minutes. Motion by Mark Axinn to **certify that Paul Grindle and Gary Popkin have been elected to the State Committee representing Judicial District 2** was seconded by Juan Ayala and passed without objection.

Judicial District 3 has two (2) seats on the State Committee. Ulster County held their elections on July 8, 2024 and cast votes for Justin Carman and Gary Triestman. They have subsequently submitted their minutes. Columbia County held their elections on July 17, 2024 and cast votes for Justin Carman and Evan Lebrecht. They have subsequently submitted their minutes. Schoharie County did not participate in this election. Motion by Mark Axinn to **certify that Justin Carman has been elected to the State Committee representing Judicial District 3** was

seconded by Juan Ayala and passed without objection. One vacancy remains in Judicial District 3.

There were no candidates to certify in Judicial District 4. Three vacancies remain in Judicial District 4.

Judicial District 5 has three (3) seats on the State Committee. Onondaga County held their elections on June 26, 2024 and cast votes for Daniel Castello, James Fitch, and Rose Leatherman. They have subsequently submitted their minutes. Oneida County participated in the election, but after the deadline and casted a vote for Amber Nunes. Motion by Mark Axinn to **certify that Daniel Castello, James Fitch, and Erinn Rose Leatherman have been elected to the State Committee representing Judicial District 5** was seconded by Robert Schuon, debated, and passed without objection.

There were no further candidates to certify in Judicial District 6.

Judicial District 7 has four (4) seats on the State Committee. Monroe County held their elections on July 11, 2024 and cast votes for Steven Becker, Justin Pelletier, Sean Phelan, and James Ziobro. They have subsequently submitted their minutes. Wayne and Yates Counties did not participate in this election. Motion by James Ziobro to **certify that Steven Becker, Justin Pelletier, Sean Phelan, and James Ziobro have been elected to the State Committee representing Judicial District 7** was seconded by Robert Schuon and passed without objection.

Judicial District 8 has five (5) seats on the State Committee. Chautauqua County held their elections on July 15, 2024 and cast votes for Maura Botsford, Andrew Kolstee, Leonard Morlock, Wendi Szabo, and Duane Whitmer. They have subsequently submitted their minutes. Erie County held their elections on July 31, 2024 and cast votes for Maura Botsford, Andrew Kolstee, Leonard Morlock, Wendi Szabo, and Duane Whitmer. They have subsequently submitted their minutes. Motion by Mark Axinn to **certify that Maura Botsford, Andrew Kolstee, Leonard Morlock, Duane Whitmer, and Wendi Szabo have been elected to the State Committee representing Judicial District 8** was seconded by Robert Schuon and passed without objection.

There were no further candidates to certify in Judicial District 9.

There were no further candidates to certify in Judicial District 10.

Judicial District 11 has two (2) seats on the State Committee. Queens County held their elections on June 8, 2024 and cast votes for Francisco Olvera and Irwin Mark Weinblatt. They have subsequently submitted their minutes. Motion by Mark Axinn to **certify that Francisco Olvera**

**and Irwin Mark Weinblatt have been elected to the State Committee representing Judicial District 11** was seconded by Robert Schuon and passed without objection.

Motion by Robert Schuon to **adopt the Report of the Elections Oversight Committee (Exhibit 1)** was seconded by James Ziobro and passed without objection. *(Note: The report was amended by Andrew Kolstee to add a notation that State Committee-member elect Leonard Morlock passed away on August 26, 2024).*

There were no candidates to certify in Judicial District 12. One vacancy remains in Judicial District 12.

There were no candidates to certify in Judicial District 13. One vacancy remains in Judicial District 13.

Motion by Robert Schuon to **adjourn** was seconded by Juan Ayala and passed without objection.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Andrew Martin Kolstee  
Chair of the Elections Oversight Committee

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### REPORT OF THE ELECTIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE CERTIFICATION OF RESULTS AS OF AUGUST 19, 2024

#### **Judicial District 1 (2 seats)**

Voting Counties: New York

**Mark Axinn (1/1 votes - elected)**

**Morry Davis (1/1/ votes - elected)**

#### **Judicial District 2 (2 seats)**

Voting Counties: Kings

**Paul Grindle (1/1 votes - elected)**

**Gary Popkin (1/1 votes - elected)**

#### **Judicial District 3 (2 seats)**

Voting Counties: Columbia and Ulster

**Justin Carman (2/2 votes - elected)**

*Gary Triestman (1/2 votes - not elected)*

*Evan Lebrecht (1/2 votes - not elected)*

*Schoharie County did not vote. There is 1 vacancy in Judicial District 3.*

#### **Judicial District 4 (3 seats)**

Voting Counties: None

*Zachary Remian (0 votes - not elected)*

*Saratoga County did not vote. There are 3 vacancies in Judicial District 4.*

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### **Judicial District 5 (3 seats)**

Voting Counties: Onondaga

**Daniel Castello (1/1 votes - elected)**

**James Fitch (1/1 votes - elected)**

**Erinn Rose Leatherman (1/1 votes - elected)**

*Amber Nunes (0 votes - not elected)*

*Keith Redhead (0 votes - not elected)*

*Oneida County held their elections on August 8, 2024, but it was past the deadline of July 31, 2024. Oneida County cast a single vote for Amber Nunes.*

### **Judicial District 6 (3 seats)**

Voting Counties: Chemung, Madison, Tioga

**Mark Braiman (3/3 votes - elected)**

**Samuel Hordeski (2/3 votes - elected)**

*Charles Dorgan (1/3 votes - not elected)*

*Christopher Olenski (1/3 votes - not elected)*

*Michael Boyce (0/3 votes - not elected)*

### **Judicial District 7 (4 seats)**

Voting Counties: Monroe

**Steven Becker (1/1 votes - elected)**

**Justin Pelletier (1/1 votes - elected)**

**Sean Phelan (1/1 votes - elected)**

**James Ziobro (1/1 votes - elected)**

*Wayne and Yates Counties did not vote.*

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### **Judicial District 8 (5 seats)**

Voting Counties: Chautauqua, Erie

**Maura Botsford (2/2 votes - elected)**

**Andrew Kolstee (2/2 votes - elected)**

**Leonard Morlock (2/2 votes - elected)\***

**Wendi Szabo (2/2 votes - elected)**

**Duane Whitmer (2/2 votes - elected)**

*Roy Scott Moseley (0/2 votes - not elected)*

*Michael Rebmann (0/2 votes - not elected)*

*Jame VanDewalker (0/2 votes - not elected)*

*\*Note: Leonard Morlock passed away on August 26, 2024.*

### **Judicial District 9 (3 seats)**

Voting Counties: Putnam, Orange, Ulster

**Pietro Geraci (3/3 votes - elected)**

**Catrina Rocco (3/3 votes - elected)**

**William Schmidt (2/3 votes - elected)**

*Nicole Hewson (1/3 votes - not elected)*

*Brandon Larsen (0/3 votes - not elected)*

### **Judicial District 10 (6 seats)**

Voting Counties: Nassau, Suffolk

**Jeffrey Denecke (2/2 votes - elected)**

**Jonathan Gunther (2/2 votes - elected)**

**Vincent O'Neill (2/2 votes - elected)**

**Christian Padgett (2/2 votes - elected)**

**Robert Schuon (2/2 votes - elected)**

**Blay Tarnoff (2/2 votes - elected)**

*John Gemelli (0/2 votes - not elected)*

*Steven Torre (0/2 votes - not elected)*

### **Judicial District 11 (2 seats)**

Voting Counties: Queens

**Francisco Olvera (1/1 votes - elected)**

**Irwin Mark Weinblatt (1/1 votes - elected)**

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**Judicial District 12 (1 seat)**

Voting Counties: None

*Jeffrey Monheit (0 votes - not elected)*

*Bronx County is not organized.*

**Judicial District 13 (1 seat)**

Voting Counties: None

*There were no candidates in Judicial District 13, which consists entirely of Richmond County, which is organized.*