

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE COMMITTEE  
OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK  
HELD ON SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2021  
CROWN PLAZA ALBANY - THE DESMOND HOTEL  
660 ALBANY SHAKER ROAD, ALBANY, NEW YORK 12211  
AND ON THE ZOOM MEETING APP AND PORCUPINE APP**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Lisa D. Gansky, Judicial District 1\*  
Alycia K. Miller, Judicial District 1  
Matthew I. Morgan, Judicial District 2  
Gary S. Popkin, Judicial District 2  
Stacey H. Prussman, Judicial District 2  
William Cody Anderson, Judicial District 3  
Jay A. Carr, Judicial District 3  
Lora L. Newell, Judicial District 3  
Robert M. Arrigo, Judicial District 4  
John A. Janes, Judicial District 4  
Karyn A. Keniry-Thompson, Judicial District 4  
Brandon G. Lyon, Judicial District 4  
Zachary D. Remian, Judicial District 4  
Brian L. Wells, Judicial District 4  
Rachel E. Becker, Judicial District 5  
Patricia M. Berthod, Judicial District 5\*  
Craig L. Colwell, Judicial District 5\*  
Milva E. Dordal, Judicial District 5  
Shawn Hannon, Judicial District 5  
Mark S. Braiman, Judicial District 6  
Timothy M. O'Connor, Judicial District 6  
Christopher M. Olenski, Judicial District 6  
Richard F. Purtell, Judicial District 6  
Thomas D. Quiter, Judicial District 6  
Steven G. Becker, Judicial District 7  
Anthony D'Orazio, Judicial District 7  
James M. Dayton, Judicial District 7  
Angela B. Einwachter, Judicial District 7  
Mark E. Glogowski, Judicial District 7  
Robert J. Glomboski, Judicial District 7\*  
Sean C. Phelan, Judicial District 7  
James P. Russell, Judicial District 7  
Marc A. Smith, Judicial District 7\*  
Erin M. Becker, Judicial District 8  
Maura E. Botsford, Judicial District 8\*  
Gerrit R. Cain, Judicial District 8  
Andrew M. Kolstee, Judicial District 8  
Leonard E. Morlock, Judicial District 8  
Duane J. Whitmer, Judicial District 8  
Jame J. VanDewalker, Judicial District 8\*  
Daniel P. Donnelly, Judicial District 9  
Pietro S. Geraci, Judicial District 9  
Robert J. Greibesland, Judicial District 9  
William K. Schmidt, Judicial District 9

Jeffrey J. Denecke, Jr., Judicial District 10\*  
Gary L. Donoyan, Judicial District 10  
George T. Ostrowski, Jr., Judicial District 10\*  
Arthur F. Sintef, Judicial District 10  
William C. VanHelmond, Judicial District 10  
Angelo E. Veltri, Judicial District 10\*  
Gabrielle S. Cordova, Judicial District 11  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt, Judicial District 11  
Richard Bell, Judicial District 13  
Paul M. Grindle, Member-At-Large, Exec. Comm.

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Mark N. Axinn, Judicial District 1  
Gilbert L. Midonnet, Judicial District 2  
Todd G. Haggerty, Judicial District 3  
David E. Fite, Judicial District 5  
Craig A. Miles, Judicial District 5  
Eric A. Cooper, Judicial District 7  
Francis Law, Judicial District 8  
F. Patrick Mahoney, Jr., Judicial District 8  
Anthony W. Pellegrino, Judicial District 9  
Kevin A. Warmhold, Judicial District 10  
Michael A. Arcati, Judicial District 11  
Enmanuel H. Torres, Judicial District 12  
Susan B. Overeem-Cummings, Judicial District 13

**OBSERVERS**

Timothy "TJ" Ferreira, Porcupine Administrator  
Paul C. Sechrist, Porcupine Administrator  
Ryan K. Hallahan, Brooklyn Vice-Chair/Secretary  
Nicole M. Colwell, Chemung County Secretary  
Jonathan H. Gunther, Nassau County Exec. Com. Chair  
Howard Rabin, Nassau County Vice-Chair  
William O. O'Donnell, Putnam County Chair  
Eric M. Cordova, Queens County Vice-Chair  
Theresa E. Gosart, Tioga County Chair  
John P. Caulfield, Ulster County Chair  
Justin N. Carman, Albany County  
Michelle Y. Butman, Chautauqua County  
Joseph G. T. Sabin, Herkimer County  
Debra E. Altman, Staten Island  
James E. Harris, Suffolk County  
Erik Frankel, Candidate for New York City Council  
Nick LeMay

(\*) indicates a member of the State Committee filling a vacancy during the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 10:24 p.m. by William Cody Anderson, Chair. The Credentials and Nominations Report (**Exhibit 1**) indicated that there were 57 voting members at the time the meeting was called to order. Resignations since the previous meeting were recognized: Sean Stevens on April 13, 2021 as a member from Judicial District 5 (**Exhibit 2**), Andrew Hollister on May 2, 2021 as a member from Judicial District 7 (**Exhibit 3**), Ilya Schwartzburg on June 18, 2021 as a member from Judicial District 1 (**Exhibit 4**), and Kari Bittner on July 2, 2021 as a member from Judicial District 5 (**Exhibit 5**). A roll call of voting members was conducted by Andrew Kolstee, Secretary.

43 of 57 Members of the State Committee were present at the time of roll call, with 34 attending in-person and 9 attending remotely via the Zoom Meeting App. Gary Popkin later entered the meeting.

The Chair issued welcoming remarks.

Motion by Anthony D'Orazio to **adopt the Agenda (Exhibit 6)** was seconded by Mark Braiman and passed by voice vote.

A moment of silence was held in memory of Michael McDermott, Libertarian Party leader and the Libertarian Party of New York's 2014 candidate for Governor of New York, who passed away on Tuesday, March 9, 2021.

Motion by Andrew Kolstee to **adopt the Special Rules of Order (Exhibit 7)** was seconded by Thomas Quiter and passed by voice vote.

Secretary Andrew Kolstee issued a Credentials and Nominations report (**Exhibit 1**). The following individuals were submitted to the Secretary to fill vacancies in the State Committee and accepted their nominations. Motion by Andrew Kolstee to **enter the following candidates into nomination to fill vacancies on the State Committee** was seconded by James Dayton.

Lisa D. Gansky, nominated by Lora L. Newell to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 1  
Patricia M. Berthod, nominated by Anthony D'Orazio to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 5  
Craig L. Shute, nominated by Shawn Hannon to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 5  
Craig L. Colwell, nominated by Timothy M. O'Connor to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 6  
Matthew K. McIntyre, nominated by Mark S. Braiman to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 6  
Robert J. Glomboski, nominated by Daniel P. Donnelly to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 7  
Marc A. Smith, nominated by Steven G. Becker to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 7  
Maura E. Botsford, nominated by Duane J. Whitmer to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 8  
Jame J. Vandewalker, nominated by Anthony D'Orazio to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 8  
Jeffrey J. Denecke, Jr., nominated by Christopher M. Olenski to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 10  
Jonathan H. Gunther, nominated by Gary L. Donoyan to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 10  
George T. Ostrowski, Jr., nominated by Arthur F. Sintef III to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 10  
Angelo E. Veltri, nominated by Arthur F. Sintef III to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 10

The candidates were entered into nomination.

The Chair recognized and thanked Paul Sechrist and Timothy “TJ” Ferreira for administering the Porcupine App.

The Chair opened the floor to additional nominations to fill vacancies in Judicial District 1. No additional candidates were nominated.

Lisa Gansky spoke on her candidacy.

In the first round of voting for the vacancies in Judicial District 1 on the State Committee, the results were as follows:

<b>Candidate (vote for 2)</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Lisa D. Gansky	35	89.75%
“Rebecca Lau” (write-in)	4	10.26%
NOTA	2	5.13%
“Reuben” (write-in)	1	2.56%
<b>Total Votes</b>	42	100.00%
<b>Total Voters</b>	37	

**Lisa Gansky was elected to fill the vacancy in Judicial District 1 on the State Committee.**

The Chair opened the floor to additional nominations to fill vacancies in Judicial District 5. No additional candidates were nominated.

Patricia Berthod spoke on her candidacy. Craig Shute spoke on his candidacy.

In the first round of voting for the vacancy in Judicial District 5 on the State Committee, the results were as follows:

<b>Candidate (vote for 1)</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Patricia M. Berthod	20	50.00%
Craig L. Shute	12	30.00%
NOTA	8	20.00%
<b>Total Votes</b>	40	100.00%
<b>Total Voters</b>	40	

None of the candidates were elected to fill the vacancy in Judicial District 5, since no candidate received a majority. Craig Shute was dropped from the ballot.

In the second round of voting for the vacancy in Judicial District 5 on the State Committee, the results were as follows:

<b>Candidate (vote for 1)</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Patricia M. Berthod	30	75.00%
NOTA	10	25.00%
<b>Total Votes</b>	40	100.00%
<b>Total Voters</b>	40	

**Patricia Berthod was elected to fill the vacancy in Judicial District 5 on the State Committee.**

The Chair opened the floor to additional nominations to fill the vacancy in Judicial District 6. No additional candidates were nominated.

Craig Colwell spoke on his candidacy. Matthew McIntyre was not present to speak on his candidacy.

In the first round of voting for the vacancy in Judicial District 6 on the State Committee, the results were as follows:

<b>Candidate (vote for 1)</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Craig L. Colwell	35	87.50%
NOTA	3	7.50%
Matthew K. McIntyre	2	2.50%
<b>Total Votes</b>	40	100.00%
<b>Total Voters</b>	40	

**Craig Colwell was elected to fill the vacancy in Judicial District 6 on the State Committee.**

The Chair opened the floor to additional nominations to fill vacancies in Judicial District 7. No additional candidates were nominated.

Robert Glomboski spoke on his candidacy. Marc Smith spoke on his candidacy.

In the first round of voting for the vacancies in Judicial District 7 on the State Committee, the results were as follows:

<b>Candidate (vote for 2)</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Marc Smith	34	87.18%
Robert J. Glomboski	21	53.84%
NOTA	1	2.56%
“Tucker Coburn” (write-in)	1	2.56%
“Jolana Hollister” (write-in)	1	2.56%
<b>Total Votes</b>	58	100.00%
<b>Total Voters</b>	39	

**Robert Glomboski and Marc Smith were elected to fill the vacancies in Judicial District 7 on the State Committee.**

The Chair opened the floor to additional nominations to fill vacancies in Judicial District 8.

Duane Whitmer **nominated Michael Rebmann to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 8.** Michael Rebmann accepted the nomination.

Maura Botsford spoke on her candidacy. Jame VanDewalker spoke on her candidacy. Michael Rebmann spoke on his candidacy.

In the first round of voting for the vacancies in Judicial District 8 on the State Committee, the results were as follows:

<b>Candidate (vote for 2)</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Maura E. Botsford	37	92.50%
Jame J. VanDewalker	21	52.50%
Michael Rebmann	17	42.50%
“Charlene Botz-Slungini” (write-in)	1	2.50%
NOTA	0	0.00%
<b>Total Votes</b>	76	100.00%
<b>Total Voters</b>	40	

**Maura Botsford and Jame VanDewalker were elected to fill the vacancies in Judicial District 8 on the State Committee.**

The Chair opened the floor to additional nominations to fill the vacancy in Judicial District 10. No additional candidates were nominated. Howard Rabin, who had been nominated by Gary Donoyan prior to the meeting, declined to accept the nomination.

Jeffrey Denecke spoke on his candidacy. George Ostrowski spoke on his candidacy. Jonathan Gunther spoke on his candidacy. Angelo Veltri spoke on his candidacy.

In the first round of voting for the vacancies in Judicial District 10 on the State Committee, the results were as follows:

<b>Candidate (vote for 3)</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Angelo E. Veltri	32	86.49%
Jeffrey J. Denecke, Jr.	28	75.68%
Jonathan H. Gunther	22	59.46%
George T. Ostrowski, Jr.	22	59.46%
NOTA	0	0.00%
<b>Total Votes</b>	104	100.00%
<b>Total Voters</b>	37	

**Angelo Veltri and Jeffrey Denecke were elected to fill the vacancies in Judicial District 10 on the State Committee.**

In the second round of voting for the vacancy in Judicial District 10 on the State Committee, the results were as follows:

<b>Candidate (vote for 1)</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
George T. Ostrowski, Jr.	21	53.85%
Jonathan H. Gunther	15	38.46%
NOTA	3	7.59%
<b>Total Votes</b>	39	100.00%
<b>Total Voters</b>	39	

**George Ostrowski was elected to fill the vacancy in Judicial District 10 on the State Committee.**

The Chair opened the floor to additional nominations to fill the vacancy in Judicial District 12. No candidates were nominated.

The meeting stood at ease from 11:35 a.m. to 11:47 a.m.

James Harris announced that the 25<sup>th</sup> annual Long Island Libertarian Cook Out will be held on Saturday, August 28, 2021.

Fundraising Committee Co-Chair Gabrielle Cordova issued a report. Over \$5,000 was raised for the cocktail fundraiser held on Saturday, July 18, 2021. The Fundraising Committee is preparing for fundraising activities for the State Committee meeting that will be held the weekend of November 5-7, 2021 in Syracuse. The LPNY Store is also up and running. For the month of June 2021, a total of \$2,809 was raised.

Local Affiliate Development Committee Chair Robert Arrigo issued a report. The committee's focus in recent months has been to work on maintaining and growing stronger county affiliates. The party resources page has been developed with resources for local leaders. Monthly trainings have been held for county leaders and county contacts.

Legislative Affairs Committee Chair Richard Purtell issued a report. The committee has been focusing on issues regarding the government response to COVID-19. The committee is also in need of a Second Amendment activist.

IT Committee Chair Andrew Kolstee issued a report. The website continues to be updated with a recent call for updates from county affiliate leaders. The LPNY Discord Server was displayed to the meeting and will become the official collaboration and messaging platform for the Libertarian party of New York on August 1, 2021.

Public Engagement Committee Chair Anthony D'Orazio issued a report. The committee continues to distribute press releases. Recently there has been more focus with social media outreach on Facebook, with new people brought in to help. The Twitter account is more active, with Lisa Gansky recently promoted to help manage the account. Maura Botsford continues to manage the Instagram account. Recently, the Libertarian Party of New York began a presence on Clubhouse, and the meeting is also being broadcast there and YouTube. Maura Botsford will be working on the Young Engagement Subcommittee. In November 2021, Spike Cohen will headline a tour of New York colleges.

Lora Newell issued a Treasurer's Report in writing (**Exhibit 8**).

The meeting stood in recess for lunch from 12:07 p.m. to 1:05 p.m.

A roll call of voting members was conducted by Andrew Kolstee, Secretary. 47 of 67 Members of the State Committee were present at the time of roll call, with 36 attending in-person and 11 attending remotely via the Zoom Meeting App. Gerrit Cain, Lisa Gansky, Shawn Hannon, Alycia Miller, Gary Popkin, Zachary Remian, Arthur Sintef, and Jame VanDewalker were present after roll call.

Special Committee on the Judicial Committee Chair Milva Dordal issued a report.

Rules Committee Chair Paul Grindle issued a report in writing (**Exhibit 9**).

Motion by Paul Grindle to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York by adopting Proposal 3, Proposal 4, Proposal 5, Proposal 6, Proposal 7, Proposal 8, Proposal 9, Proposal 10, Proposal 12, Proposal 13, Proposal 14, Proposal 15, Proposal 16, Proposal 17, Proposal 18, Proposal 19, Proposal 20, Proposal 21, Proposal 24, and Proposal 25 as recommended by the Rules Committee** passed 36-4-6 without debate.

**VOTES IN FAVOR (36)**

Robert Arrigo  
Erin Becker  
Rachel Becker  
Steven Becker  
Richard Bell  
Maura Botsford  
Mark Braiman  
Jay Carr  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Anthony D'Orazio  
James Dayton  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Daniel Donnelly  
Gary Donoyan

Angela Einwachter  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Greibesland  
Paul Grindle  
Shawn Hannon  
John Janes  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Andrew Kolstee  
Brandon Lyon  
Alycya Miller  
Matthew Morgan  
Leonard Morlock  
Lora Newell  
Christopher Olenski  
George Ostrowski

Stacey Prussman  
Richard Purtell  
Thomas Quiter  
Arthur Sintef  
Brian Wells  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
Duane Whitmer  
**VOTES AGAINST (4)**  
Lisa Gansky  
Pietro Geraci  
James Russell  
William Schmidt  
**ABSTENTIONS (6)**  
Craig Colwell  
Milva Dordal

Timothy O'Connor  
Marc Smith  
William VanHelmond  
Angelo Veltri  
**DID NOT VOTE (8)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Patricia Berthod  
Gerrit Cain  
Robert Glomboski  
Gary Popkin  
Sean Phelan  
Zachary Remian  
Jame VanDewalker

Motion by Paul Grindle to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York by adopting Proposal 1 as recommended by the Rules Committee** was debated and passed 32-14-2:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (32)**

Erin Becker  
Rachel Becker  
Steven Becker  
Richard Bell  
Mark Braiman  
Maura Botsford  
Jay Carr  
Gabrielle Cordova  
James Dayton  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Milva Dordal  
Angela Einwachter  
Mark Glogowski  
Paul Grindle

Shawn Hannon  
John Janes  
Brandon Lyon  
Alycya Miller  
Matthew Morgan  
Leonard Morlock  
Lora Newell  
Timothy O'Connor  
Sean Phelan  
Stacey Prussman  
Richard Purtell  
Thomas Quiter  
James Russell  
Marc Smith  
William VanHelmond

Angelo Veltri  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
Duane Whitmer  
**VOTES AGAINST (14)**  
Craig Colwell  
Anthony D'Orazio  
Daniel Donnelly  
Gary Donoyan  
Lisa Gansky  
Pietro Geraci  
Robert Glomboski  
Robert Greibesland  
Andrew Kolstee  
Christopher Olenski  
George Ostrowski

William Schmidt  
Arthur Sintef  
Brian Wells  
**ABSTENTIONS (2)**  
Robert Arrigo  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
**DID NOT VOTE (6)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Patricia Berthod  
Gerrit Cain  
Gary Popkin  
Zachary Remian  
Jame VanDewalker



Motion by Paul Grindle to **constitute a special committee to design a proposal for the composition and selection of the State Committee during periods of non-ballot access** was debated and passed 33-12-1 without debate.

**VOTES IN FAVOR (33)**

Robert Arrigo  
Rachel Becker  
Steven Becker  
Richard Bell  
Maura Botsford  
Jay Carr  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Anthony D'Orazio  
James Dayton  
Daniel Donnelly  
Milva Dordal  
Lisa Gansky  
Pietro Geraci  
Mark Glogowski

Robert Greibesland  
Shawn Hannon  
John Janes  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Brandon Lyon  
Leonard Morlock  
Lora Newell  
Christopher Olenski  
George Ostrowski  
Sean Phelan  
Stacey Prussman  
Richard Purtell  
Thomas Quiter  
James Russell  
Marc Smith

William VanHelmond  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
Brian Wells  
Duane Whitmer  
**VOTES AGAINST (12)**  
Mark Braiman  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Gary Donoyan  
Angela Einwachter  
Robert Glomboski  
Paul Grindle  
Andrew Kolstee  
Alycia Miller  
Timothy O'Connor  
William Schmidt

Arthur Sintef  
Angelo Veltri

**ABSTENTIONS (1)**  
Craig Colwell

**DID NOT VOTE (8)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Erin Becker  
Patricia Berthod  
Gerrit Cain  
Matthew Morgan  
Gary Popkin  
Zachary Remian  
Jame VanDewalker

The Chair **appointed Andrew Kolstee to chair the special committee to design a proposal for the composition and selection of the State Committee during periods of non-ballot access.**

Motion by Paul Grindle to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York by adopting Proposal 2 as recommended by the Rules Committee** was debated and passed 28-13-5:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (28)**

Erin Becker  
Steven Becker  
Richard Bell  
Mark Braiman  
Gabrielle Cordova  
James Dayton  
Milva Dordal  
Angela Einwachter  
Pietro Geraci  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Greibesland  
Shawn Hannon  
John Janes  
Andrew Kolstee

Brandon Lyon  
Alycia Miller  
Leonard Morlock  
Timothy O'Connor  
Christopher Olenski  
Sean Phelan  
Stacey Prussman  
Richard Purtell  
Thomas Quiter  
James Russell  
William Schmidt  
Marc Smith  
William VanHelmond  
Brian Wells

**VOTES AGAINST (13)**

Maura Botsford  
Jay Carr  
Craig Colwell  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Gary Donoyan  
Lisa Gansky  
Robert Glomboski  
Paul Grindle  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
George Ostrowski  
Arthur Sintef  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
Duane Whitmer

**ABSTENTIONS (5)**

Robert Arrigo  
Rachel Becker  
Anthony D'Orazio  
Lora Newell

Angelo Veltri  
**DID NOT VOTE (8)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Patricia Berthod  
Gerrit Cain  
Daniel Donnelly  
Matthew Morgan  
Gary Popkin  
Zachary Remian  
Jame VanDewalker

Motion by Paul Grindle to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York by adopting Proposal 11 as recommended by the Rules Committee** was debated and passed 27-16-5:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (27)**

Richard Bell  
Maura Botsford  
Mark Braiman  
Craig Colwell  
Gabrielle Cordova  
James Dayton  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Gary Donoyan  
Milva Dordal  
Lisa Gansky  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Glomboski  
Paul Grindle  
Shawn Hannon

John Janes  
Andrew Kolstee  
Brandon Lyon  
George Ostrowski  
Stacey Prussman  
Thomas Quiter  
Matthew Morgan  
Sean Phelan  
Richard Purtell  
James Russell  
William Schmidt  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
Brian Wells  
**VOTES AGAINST (16)**  
Robert Arrigo

Erin Becker  
Rachel Becker  
Steven Becker  
Jay Carr  
Anthony D'Orazio  
Daniel Donnelly  
Pietro Geraci  
Robert Greibesland  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Timothy O'Connor  
Christopher Olenski  
Alycia Miller  
Leonard Morlock  
Lora Newell  
Duane Whitmer

**ABSTENTIONS (5)**

Angela Einwachter  
Arthur Sintef  
Marc Smith  
William VanHelmond  
Angelo Veltri  
**DID NOT VOTE (6)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Patricia Berthod  
Gerrit Cain  
Gary Popkin  
Zachary Remian  
Jame VanDewalker

Motion by Pietro Geraci to **divide Proposal 11** was withdrawn.

Motion by Paul Grindle to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York by adopting Proposal 26 as recommended by the Rules Committee** was debated. Motion by Anthony D'Orazio to **divide Proposal 26 and consider amendments to Article 20.1 separately** was second by Mark Braiman and passed 28-13-5:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (28)**

Robert Arrigo  
Erin Becker  
Rachel Becker  
Steven Becker  
Richard Bell  
Maura Botsford  
Mark Braiman  
Craig Colwell  
Anthony D'Orazio  
Gary Donoyan  
Angela Einwachter  
Lisa Gansky  
Pietro Geraci  
Mark Glogowski

Robert Glomboski  
Shawn Hannon  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Christopher Olenski  
George Ostrowski  
Sean Phelan  
Stacey Prussman  
Richard Purtell  
James Russell  
Leonard Morlock  
Marc Smith  
William VanHelmond  
Brian Wells  
Duane Whitmer

**VOTES AGAINST (13)**

Jay Carr  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Daniel Donnelly  
Milva Dordal  
John Janes  
Andrew Kolstee  
Brandon Lyon  
Lora Newell  
Thomas Quiter  
William Schmidt  
Arthur Sintef  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt

**ABSTENTIONS (5)**

James Dayton  
Paul Grindle  
Alycia Miller  
Timothy O'Connor  
Angelo Veltri  
**DID NOT VOTE (8)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Patricia Berthod  
Gerrit Cain  
Robert Greibesland  
Matthew Morgan  
Gary Popkin  
Zachary Remian  
Jame VanDewalker

The motion to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York by adopting the proposed amendments in Article 20.1 of Proposal 26 as recommended by the Rules Committee** passed 35-6-3:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (35)**

Robert Arrigo  
Rachel Becker  
Steven Becker  
Maura Botsford  
Jay Carr  
Craig Colwell  
Gabrielle Cordova  
James Dayton  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Gary Donoyan  
Milva Dordal  
Angela Einwachter  
Lisa Gansky  
Mark Glogowski

Robert Glomboski  
Robert Greibesland  
Paul Grindle  
Shawn Hannon  
John Janes  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Andrew Kolstee  
Leonard Morlock  
Lora Newell  
Timothy O'Connor  
Sean Phelan  
Stacey Prussman  
Richard Purtell  
Thomas Quiter  
James Russell

Arthur Sintef  
Marc Smith  
William VanHelmond  
Angelo Veltri  
Brian Wells  
Duane Whitmer  
**VOTES AGAINST (6)**  
Mark Braiman  
Anthony D'Orazio  
Daniel Donnelly  
Pietro Geraci  
Brandon Lyon  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
**ABSTENTIONS (3)**  
Christopher Olenski

Alycya Miller  
William Schmidt  
**DID NOT VOTE (10)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Erin Becker  
Richard Bell  
Patricia Berthod  
Gerrit Cain  
Matthew Morgan  
George Ostrowski  
Gary Popkin  
Zachary Remian  
Jame VanDewalker

The motion to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York by adopting the remainder of Proposal 26 as recommended by the Rules Committee** passed 38-2-5:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (38)**

Robert Arrigo  
Rachel Becker  
Richard Bell  
Maura Botsford  
Mark Braiman  
Jay Carr  
Craig Colwell  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Anthony D'Orazio  
James Dayton  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Gary Donoyan  
Milva Dordal  
Angela Einwachter

Lisa Gansky  
Pietro Geraci  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Glomboski  
Paul Grindle  
John Janes  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Andrew Kolstee  
Brandon Lyon  
Leonard Morlock  
Lora Newell  
Christopher Olenski  
George Ostrowski  
Stacey Prussman  
Richard Purtell

Thomas Quiter  
James Russell  
William Schmidt  
Arthur Sintef  
William VanHelmond  
Angelo Veltri  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
Brian Wells  
Duane Whitmer  
**VOTES AGAINST (2)**  
Daniel Donnelly  
Robert Greibesland  
**ABSTENTIONS (5)**  
Steven Becker  
Alycya Miller

Timothy O'Connor  
Sean Phelan  
Marc Smith  
**DID NOT VOTE (9)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Erin Becker  
Patricia Berthod  
Gerrit Cain  
Shawn Hannon  
Matthew Morgan  
Gary Popkin  
Zachary Remian  
Jame VanDewalker

Motion by Paul Grindle to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York by adopting Proposal 22 as recommended by the Rules Committee** was debated and passed 42-0-4:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (42)**

Robert Arrigo  
Rachel Becker  
Steven Becker  
Richard Bell  
Mark Braiman  
Maura Botsford  
Jay Carr  
Craig Colwell  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Anthony D'Orazio  
James Dayton  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Daniel Donnelly  
Gary Donoyan

Milva Dordal  
Lisa Gansky  
Pietro Geraci  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Glomboski  
Robert Greibesland  
Paul Grindle  
Shawn Hannon  
John Janes  
Andrew Kolstee  
Lora Newell  
Christopher Olenski  
Sean Phelan  
Stacey Prussman  
Brandon Lyon

Alycia Miller  
Leonard Morlock  
Timothy O'Connor  
George Ostrowski  
Richard Purtell  
Thomas Quiter  
William Schmidt  
Arthur Sintef  
William VanHelmond  
Angelo Veltri  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
Brian Wells  
Duane Whitmer

**VOTES AGAINST (0)**

**ABSTENTIONS (4)**  
Angela Einwachter  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
James Russell  
Marc Smith  
**DID NOT VOTE (8)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Erin Becker  
Patricia Berthod  
Gerrit Cain  
Matthew Morgan  
Gary Popkin  
Zachary Remian  
Jame VanDewalker

Motion by Paul Grindle to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York by adopting Proposal 23 as recommended by the Rules Committee** was passed 43-1-1 without debate:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (43)**

Robert Arrigo  
Erin Becker  
Rachel Becker  
Steven Becker  
Richard Bell  
Maura Botsford  
Mark Braiman  
Gerrit Cain  
Jay Carr  
Craig Colwell  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Anthony D'Orazio  
James Dayton  
Jeffrey Denecke

Daniel Donnelly  
Gary Donoyan  
Milva Dordal  
Angela Einwachter  
Lisa Gansky  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Glomboski  
Robert Greibesland  
Shawn Hannon  
John Janes  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Andrew Kolstee  
Brandon Lyon  
Alycia Miller  
Leonard Morlock

Lora Newell  
Timothy O'Connor  
George Ostrowski  
Sean Phelan  
Stacey Prussman  
Richard Purtell  
William Schmidt  
Arthur Sintef  
Marc Smith  
William VanHelmond  
Angelo Veltri  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
Brian Wells  
Duane Whitmer

**VOTES AGAINST (1)**

James Russell  
**ABSTENTIONS (1)**  
Paul Grindle  
**DID NOT VOTE (9)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Patricia Berthod  
Pietro Geraci  
Matthew Morgan  
Christopher Olenski  
Gary Popkin  
Thomas Quiter  
Zachary Remian  
Jame VanDewalker

Motion by Paul Grindle to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York by adopting Proposal 27 as recommended by the Rules Committee** was debated. Pietro Geraci **objected to the consideration of the question** and was seconded by Milva Dordal. Mark Glogowski **objected to the Pietro Geraci's objection to the consideration of the question**, and it was noted by the Chair. Pietro Geraci's objection to the question was not sustained 34-8-4:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (8)**

Jeffrey Denecke  
Daniel Donnelly  
Milva Dordal  
Pietro Geraci  
Robert Greibesland  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Andrew Kolstee  
William Schmidt

**VOTES AGAINST (34)**

Robert Arrigo  
Erin Becker  
Rachel Becker  
Mark Braiman  
Maura Botsford

Gerrit Cain  
Jay Carr  
Craig Colwell  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Anthony D'Orazio  
James Dayton  
Gary Donoyan  
Angela Einwachter  
Lisa Gansky  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Glomboski  
Paul Grindle  
Shawn Hannon  
John Janes  
Brandon Lyon

Alycia Miller  
Leonard Morlock  
Lora Newell  
Timothy O'Connor  
George Ostrowski  
Stacey Prussman  
Richard Purtell  
Thomas Quiter  
James Russell  
Arthur Sintef  
William VanHelmond  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
Brian Wells  
Duane Whitmer

**ABSTENTIONS (4)**

Steven Becker  
Christopher Olenski  
Sean Phelan  
Marc Smith

**DID NOT VOTE (8)**

William Cody Anderson  
Richard Bell  
Patricia Berthod  
Matthew Morgan  
Gary Popkin  
Zachary Remian  
Jame VanDewalker  
Angelo Veltri

Motion by Andrew Kolstee to **amend the motion to substitute the text of Proposal 27 with the text of O'Connor Amendment 1 (Exhibit 10)** was seconded by Timothy O'Connor and debated.

Motion by Mark Braiman to **postpone the consideration of Proposal 27 until immediately after the consideration O'Connor Amendment 1** was seconded by Mark Glogowski and ruled out of order by the Chair.

The motion to **amend the motion to substitute the text of Proposal 27 with the text of O'Connor Amendment 1** passed 33-12-4:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (33)**

Robert Arrigo  
Erin Becker  
Rachel Becker  
Steven Becker  
Richard Bell  
Maura Botsford  
Mark Braiman  
Gerrit Cain  
Jay Carr  
Craig Colwell  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Daniel Donnelly  
Angela Einwachter  
Mark Glogowski

Robert Greibesland  
Shawn Hannon  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Andrew Kolstee  
Alycia Miller  
Lora Newell  
Timothy O'Connor  
George Ostrowski  
Sean Phelan  
Richard Purtell  
Thomas Quiter  
Zachary Remian  
James Russell  
William Schmidt  
Arthur Sintef

Marc Smith  
William VanHelmond  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
Duane Whitmer  
**VOTES AGAINST (12)**  
Anthony D'Orazio  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Gary Donoyan  
Lisa Gansky  
Pietro Geraci  
Paul Grindle  
Robert Glomboski  
John Janes  
Brandon Lyon  
Leonard Morlock

Stacey Prussman  
Brian Wells

**ABSTENTIONS (4)**

James Dayton  
Milva Dordal  
Christopher Olenski  
Angelo Veltri

**DID NOT VOTE (5)**

William Cody Anderson  
Patricia Berthod  
Matthew Morgan  
Gary Popkin  
Jame VanDewalker

The original motion to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York by adopting O'Connor Amendment 1** was debated and passed 31-9-9:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (31)**

Robert Arrigo  
Erin Becker  
Rachel Becker  
Steven Becker  
Richard Bell  
Maura Botsford  
Mark Braiman  
Gerrit Cain  
Jay Carr  
Craig Colwell  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Gary Donoyan  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Glomboski

Robert Greibesland  
Shawn Hannon  
John Janes  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Matthew Morgan  
Lora Newell  
Timothy O'Connor  
George Ostrowski  
Richard Purtell  
Zachary Remian  
James Russell  
William Schmidt  
Arthur Sintef  
Jame VanDewalker  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt

Brian Wells  
Duane Whitmer  
**VOTES AGAINST (9)**

Anthony D'Orazio  
Milva Dordal  
Angela Einwachter  
Pietro Geraci  
Paul Grindle  
Brandon Lyon  
Alycya Miller  
Leonard Morlock  
Sean Phelan  
**ABSTENTIONS (9)**  
James Dayton  
Jeffrey Denecke

Daniel Donnelly  
Andrew Kolstee  
Christopher Olenski  
Stacey Prussman  
Thomas Quiter  
Marc Smith  
Angelo Veltri  
**DID NOT VOTE (5)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Patricia Berthod  
Lisa Gansky  
Gary Popkin  
Jame VanDewalker

Daniel Donnelly spoke in regard Donnelly Amendment 1 and indicated that he would not make a motion to adopt the proposed amendment.

The meeting stood at ease from 3:31 p.m. to 3:44 p.m.

Motion by Mark Braiman to **amend the agenda to insert a motion from Irwin Mark Weinblatt regarding a request for funding, to be followed by the Platform Committee report, to be followed by old business at 4:50 p.m., to be followed by new business at 4:55 p.m.** was seconded by Pietro Geraci, debated, and failed 10-27-3:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (10)**

Steven Becker  
Mark Braiman  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Pietro Geraci  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Greibesland  
Christopher Olenski  
Marc Smith  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
**VOTES AGAINST (27)**  
Robert Arrigo  
Erin Becker  
Rachel Becker

Richard Bell  
Maura Botsford  
Gerrit Cain  
Jay Carr  
Craig Colwell  
Anthony D'Orazio  
Daniel Donnelly  
Gary Donoyan  
Angela Einwachter  
Robert Glomboski  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Leonard Morlock  
Lora Newell  
Timothy O'Connor  
George Ostrowski

Sean Phelan  
Stacey Prussman  
Richard Purtell  
Thomas Quiter  
James Russell  
Jame VanDewalker  
Angelo Veltri  
Brian Wells  
Duane Whitmer  
**ABSTENTIONS (3)**  
James Dayton  
Andrew Kolstee  
William Schmidt  
**DID NOT VOTE (14)**  
William Cody Anderson

Patricia Berthod  
Milva Dordal  
Lisa Gansky  
Paul Grindle  
Shawn Hannon  
John Janes  
Brandon Lyon  
Alycya Miller  
Matthew Morgan  
Gary Popkin  
Zachary Remian  
Arthur Sintef  
William VanHelmmond

Platform Committee Chair Mark Braiman issued a report in writing (**Exhibit 11**).

Motion by Mark Braiman to **adopt the following platform plank:**

The Right to Decide - Individuals and families have a right to decide for themselves all issues regarding their health, wealth, and safety.

The motion passed 38-1-0:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (38)**

Robert Arrigo  
Rachel Becker  
Steven Becker  
Richard Bell  
Maura Botsford  
Mark Braiman  
Gerrit Cain  
Jay Carr  
Craig Colwell  
Gabrielle Cordova  
James Dayton  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Daniel Donnelly  
Angela Einwachter

Pietro Geraci  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Glomboski  
Robert Greibesland  
John Janes  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Andrew Kolstee  
Matthew Morgan  
Leonard Morlock  
Lora Newell  
Timothy O'Connor  
Christopher Olenski  
George Ostrowski  
Sean Phelan  
Stacey Prussman

Richard Purtell  
James Russell  
William Schmidt  
Marc Smith  
Jame VanDewalker  
Angelo Veltri  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
Brian Wells  
Duane Whitmer  
**VOTES AGAINST (1)**  
Brandon Lyon  
**ABSTENTIONS (0)**  
**DID NOT VOTE (15)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Erin Becker

Patricia Berthod  
Anthony D'Orazio  
Gary Donoyan  
Milva Dordal  
Lisa Gansky  
Paul Grindle  
Shawn Hannon  
Alycia Miller  
Gary Popkin  
Thomas Quiter  
Zachary Remian  
Arthur Sintef  
William VanHelmmond

Motion by Mark Braiman to **adopt the following platform plank:**

**Eliminate taxation and regulation of cannabis for adults.** We support the full legalization of cannabis and hemp products, including cultivation, processing, distribution, sales, possession, and transportation, without introducing any new taxes or licensing requirements.

The motion failed 16-24-4:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (16)**

Steven Becker  
Richard Bell  
Mark Braiman  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Pietro Geraci  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Greibesland  
Paul Grindle  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Matthew Morgan  
Leonard Morlock  
Timothy O'Connor  
Christopher Olenski  
George Ostrowski

Marc Smith  
Mark Irwin Weinblatt  
**VOTES AGAINST (24)**  
Robert Arrigo  
Erin Becker  
Rachel Becker  
Maura Botsford  
Gerrit Cain  
Jay Carr  
Craig Colwell  
Anthony D'Orazio  
James Dayton  
Daniel Donnelly  
Angela Einwachter  
Robert Glomboski

John Janes  
Shawn Hannon  
Brandon Lyon  
Lora Newell  
Sean Phelan  
Stacey Prussman  
Richard Purtell  
Thomas Quiter  
James Russell  
William Schmidt  
Angelo Veltri  
Brian Wells  
**ABSTENTIONS (4)**  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Andrew Kolstee

Jame VanDewalker  
Duane Whitmer  
**DID NOT VOTE (10)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Patricia Berthod  
Gary Donoyan  
Milva Dordal  
Lisa Gansky  
Alycia Miller  
Gary Popkin  
Zachary Remian  
Arthur Sintef  
William Van Helmond

Motion by Anthony D’Orazio to **continue platform debate by scheduling a meeting of the full State Committee via the Zoom Meeting App and the Porcupine App for Sunday, August 15, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.** was seconded by Sean Phelan and debated. Motion by Robert Arrigo to **amend the motion to set the date to Saturday, September 11, 2021** was seconded by Brian Wells and failed 12-28-2:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (12)**

Steven Becker  
Maura Botsford  
Craig Colwell  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Daniel Donnelly  
Gary Donoyan  
Robert Glomboski  
Matthew Morgan  
Leonard Morlock  
Richard Purtell  
William Schmidt  
Jame VanDewalker

**VOTES AGAINST (28)**

Robert Arrigo

Erin Becker  
Rachel Becker  
Mark Braiman  
Jay Carr  
Anthony D’Orazio  
James Dayton  
Angela Einwachter  
Pietro Geraci  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Greibesland  
Shawn Hannon  
John Janes  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Andrew Kolstee  
Brandon Lyon

Lora Newell  
Timothy O’Connor  
George Ostrowski  
Sean Phelan  
Stacey Prussman  
Thomas Quiter  
James Russell  
Marc Smith  
Angelo Veltri  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
Brian Wells  
Duane Whitmer  
**ABSTENTIONS (2)**  
Richard Bell  
Christopher Olenski

**DID NOT VOTE (12)**

William Cody Anderson  
Patricia Berthod  
Gerrit Cain  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Milva Dordal  
Lisa Gansky  
Paul Grindle  
Alycya Miller  
Gary Popkin  
Zachary Remian  
Arthur Sintef  
William VanHelmnd

Motion Andrew Kolstee to **amend the motion to set the next meeting of the full State Committee to Sunday, September 12, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. via the Zoom Meeting App and the Porcupine App to discuss the platform and any other business deemed necessary by the Executive Committee** was seconded by Thomas Quiter, debated, and passed 33-6-5:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (33)**

Robert Arrigo  
Erin Becker  
Richard Bell  
Mark Braiman  
Jay Carr  
Craig Colwell  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Anthony D’Orazio  
Daniel Donnelly  
Gary Donoyan  
Angela Einwachter  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Glomboski  
Robert Greibesland

Shawn Hannon  
John Janes  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Andrew Kolstee  
Matthew Morgan  
Lora Newell  
Timothy O’Connor  
Christopher Olenski  
George Ostrowski  
Sean Phelan  
Richard Purtell  
Thomas Quiter  
James Russell  
Marc Smith  
Jame VanDewalker

William Schmidt  
Angelo Veltri  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
Brian Wells  
**VOTES AGAINST (6)**  
Gerrit Cain  
James Dayton  
Pietro Geraci  
Brandon Lyon  
Leonard Morlock  
Stacey Prussman  
**ABSTENTIONS (5)**  
Steven Becker  
Maura Botsford  
Paul Grindle

Alycya Miller  
Duane Whitmer  
**DID NOT VOTE (10)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Erin Becker  
Patricia Berthod  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Milva Dordal  
Lisa Gansky  
Gary Popkin  
Zachary Remian  
Arthur Sintef  
William VanHelmnd



Motion by Angela Einwachter to **amend the motion to set the time of the meeting to 7:00 p.m.** was seconded by Anthony D’Orazio and passed 30-8-5:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (31)**

Steven Becker  
Richard Bell  
Maura Botsford  
Mark Braiman  
Craig Colwell  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Anthony D’Orazio  
James Dayton  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Daniel Donnelly  
Gary Donoyan  
Angela Einwachter  
Robert Glomboski  
Shawn Hannon

John Janes  
Andrew Kolstee  
Matthew Morgan  
Leonard Morlock  
Timothy O’Connor  
Christopher Olenski  
George Ostrowski  
Sean Phelan  
Richard Purtell  
Thomas Quiter  
James Russell  
William Schmidt  
Marc Smith  
Jame VanDewalker  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt

Brian Wells  
Duane Whitmer  
**VOTES AGAINST (8)**

Robert Arrigo  
Gerrit Cain  
Pietro Geraci  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Greibesland  
Brandon Lyon  
Lora Newell  
Angelo Veltri  
**ABSTENTIONS (5)**  
Rachel Becker  
Jay Carr  
Paul Grindle

Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Alycya Miller  
**DID NOT VOTE (11)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Erin Becker  
Patricia Berthod  
Jay Carr  
Milva Dordal  
Lisa Gansky  
Gary Popkin  
Stacey Prussman  
Zachary Remian  
Arthur Sintef  
William VanHelmond

The original motion to **schedule a meeting of the full State Committee for Sunday, September 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via the Zoom Meeting App and the Porcupine App to discuss the platform and any other business deemed necessary by the Executive Committee** was passed 38-3-0:

**VOTES IN FAVOR (38)**

Robert Arrigo  
Rachel Becker  
Steven Becker  
Richard Bell  
Maura Botsford  
Mark Braiman  
Gerrit Cain  
Jay Carr  
Craig Colwell  
Gabrielle Cordova  
Anthony D’Orazio  
James Dayton  
Jeffrey Denecke  
Gary Donoyan

Angela Einwachter  
Pietro Geraci  
Mark Glogowski  
Robert Glomboski  
Shawn Hannon  
John Janes  
Karyn Keniry-Thompson  
Andrew Kolstee  
Brandon Lyon  
Matthew Morgan  
Leonard Morlock  
Timothy O’Connor  
Christopher Olenski  
George Ostrowski  
Sean Phelan

Richard Purtell  
Thomas Quiter  
James Russell  
William Schmidt  
Marc Smith  
Jame VanDewalker  
Angelo Veltri  
Irwin Mark Weinblatt  
Duane Whitmer  
**VOTES AGAINST (3)**  
Daniel Donnelly  
Robert Greibesland  
Lora Newell

**ABSTENTIONS (0)**  
**DID NOT VOTE (13)**  
William Cody Anderson  
Erin Becker  
Patricia Berthod  
Milva Dordal  
Lisa Gansky  
Paul Grindle  
Alycya Miller  
Gary Popkin  
Stacey Prussman  
Zachary Remian  
Arthur Sintef  
William VanHelmond  
Brian Wells

Motion by Mark Weinblatt to **reimburse Michael Arcati to \$300 for legal fees to appeal a negative decision regarding objections to the petitions of Ruben Cruz, the Libertarian Party candidate for New York City Council District 25 in Queens** was seconded by Duane Whitmer, debated, and failed 15-18-13:

<b>VOTES IN FAVOR (15)</b>	Duane Whitmer	Christopher Olenski	Sean Phelan
Richard Bell	<b>VOTES AGAINST (18)</b>	Thomas Quiter	Jame VanDewalker
Gerrit Cain	Rachel Becker	James Russell	Angelo Veltri
Gabrielle Cordova	Mark Braiman	William Schmidt	Brian Wells
Anthony D'Orazio	Maura Botsford	Marc Smith	<b>DID NOT VOTE (8)</b>
Daniel Donnelly	Jay Carr	<b>ABSTENTIONS (13)</b>	William Cody Anderson
Robert Greibesland	James Dayton	Robert Arrigo	Patricia Berthod
Mark Glogowski	Gary Donoyan	Erin Becker	Milva Dordal
Paul Grindle	Angela Einwachter	Steven Becker	Gary Popkin
Shawn Hannon	Pietro Geraci	Craig Colwell	Zachary Remian
Matthew Morgan	John Janes	Jeffrey Denecke	Arthur Sintef
George Ostrowski	Brandon Lyon	Robert Glomboski	William VanHelmond
Stacey Prussman	Leonard Morlock	Karyn Keniry-Thompson	Brian Wells
Richard Purtell	Lora Newell	Andrew Kolstee	
Irwin Mark Weinblatt	Timothy O'Connor	Alycyia Miller	

Motion by Mark Glogowski **that the State Committee to endorse and support the *Petition to the New York State Senate and Assembly Plea to Change the Statute Controlling Political Party Official Recognition (Exhibit 12)*** was seconded by Steven Becker, debated, and passed:

<b>VOTES IN FAVOR (40)</b>	Daniel Donnelly	Timothy O'Connor	<b>DID NOT VOTE (12)</b>
Robert Arrigo	Angela Einwachter	George Ostrowski	William Cody Anderson
Erin Becker	Pietro Geraci	Richard Purtell	Patricia Berthod
Rachel Becker	Mark Glogowski	Thomas Quiter	Milva Dordal
Steven Becker	Robert Glomboski	James Russell	Lisa Gansky
Richard Bell	Robert Greibesland	William Schmidt	Shawn Hannon
Maura Botsford	Paul Grindle	Marc Smith	Christopher Olenski
Mark Braiman	John Janes	Jame VanDewalker	Gary Popkin
Gerrit Cain	Karyn Keniry-Thompson	Angelo Veltri	Stacey Prussman
Jay Carr	Andrew Kolstee	Brian Wells	Zachary Remian
Craig Colwell	Brandon Lyon	Duane Whitmer	Arthur Sintef
Gabrielle Cordova	Alycyia Miller	<b>VOTES AGAINST (1)</b>	William VanHelmond
Anthony D'Orazio	Matthew Morgan	Gary Donoyan	Irwin Mark Weinblatt
James Dayton	Leonard Morlock	<b>ABSTENTIONS (1)</b>	
Jeffrey Denecke	Lora Newell	Sean Phelan	

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair Duane Whitmer addressed the State Committee.

William Cody Anderson **called a meeting of the Executive Committee to be held Monday July 19, 2021 at 8:30 p.m. and a roll call vote of all 10 members of the Executive Committee unanimously waived notice to hold the meeting.**

Motion by Lora Newell to **adjourn** was seconded by Anthony D’Orazio and passed by voice vote.

**The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.**

Andrew Martin Kolstee,  
Secretary

## Exhibit 1 (page 1 of 5)

### Credentials and Nominations Report of the Libertarian Party of New York for the State Committee Meeting of July 18, 2021

The State Committee of the Libertarian Party of New York consists of 69 according to their Judicial District. The following 57 individuals were duly elected, appointed to fill a vacancy, or are an ex-officio member of the State Committee of the Libertarian Party of New York:

#### Judicial District 1

- Mark N. Axinn
- Alycya K. Miller
- *VACANT*
- *VACANT*

#### Judicial District 2

- Gilbert L. Midonnet
- Matthew I. Morgan
- Gary S. Popkin
- Stacey H. Prussman

#### Judicial District 3

- William Cody Anderson
- Jay A. Carr
- Todd G. Haggerty
- Lora L. Newell

#### Judicial District 4

- Robert M. Arrigo
- John A. Janes
- Brandon G. Lyon
- Karyn A. Keniry-Thompson
- Zachary D. Remian
- Brian L. Wells

#### Judicial District 5

- Rachel E. Becker
- Milva E. Dordal
- David E. Fite
- Shawn Hannon
- Craig A. Miles
- *VACANT*

#### Judicial District 6

- Mark S. Braiman
- Timothy M. O'Connor
- Christopher M. Olenski
- Richard F. Purtell
- Thomas D. Quiter
- *VACANT*

#### Judicial District 7

- Steven G. Becker
- Eric A. Cooper
- Anthony D'Orazio
- James M. Dayton
- Angela B. Einwachter
- Mark E. Glogowski
- Sean C. Phelan
- James P. Russell
- *VACANT*
- *VACANT*

#### Judicial District 8

- Erin M. Becker
- Gerrit R. Cain
- Francis Law
- Andrew M. Kolstee
- F. Patrick Mahoney, Jr.
- Leonard E. Morlock
- Duane J. Whitmer
- *VACANT*
- *VACANT*

#### Judicial District 9

- Daniel P. Donnelly
- Pietro S. Geraci
- Robert J. Greibesland
- Anthony W. Pellegrino
- William K. Schmidt

#### Judicial District 10

- Gary L. Donoyan
- Arthur F. Sintef
- William C. VanHelmond
- Kevin A. Warmhold
- *VACANT*
- *VACANT*
- *VACANT*

#### Judicial District 11

- Michael A. Arcati
- Gabrielle S. Cordova
- Irwin Mark Weinblatt

#### Judicial District 12

- Enmanuel H. Torres
- *VACANT*

#### Judicial District 13

- Richard Bell
- Susan B. Overeem Cummings

#### Ex-Officio

- Paul M. Grindle

There are currently twelve (12) vacancies on the State Committee: two (2) vacancies in Judicial District 1, one (1) vacancy in Judicial District 5, one (1) vacancy in Judicial District 6, two (2) vacancies in Judicial District 7, two (2) vacancies in Judicial District 8, three (3) vacancies in Judicial District 10, and one (1) vacancy in Judicial District 12.

## Exhibit 1 (page 2 of 5)

### **NOMINATIONS FOR JUDICIAL DISTRICT VACANCIES (12 VACANCIES)**

The following names were submitted to the Secretary as candidates to fill the vacancies on the State Committee:

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

- Lisa D. Gansky, nominated by Lora L. Newell (accepted nomination)

#### **Judicial District 5 (1 vacancy)**

- Patricia M. Berthod, nominated by Anthony D’Orazio (accepted nomination)
- Craig L. Shute, nominated by Shawn Hannon (accepted nomination)

#### **Judicial District 6 (1 vacancy)**

- Craig L. Colwell, nominated by Timothy M. O’Connor (accepted nomination)
- Nicholas J. Grasso, nominated by Anthony D’Orazio (declined nomination)
- Matthew K. McIntyre, nominated by Mark S. Braiman (accepted nomination)

#### **Judicial District 7 (2 vacancies)**

- Robert J. Glomboski, nominated by Daniel P. Donnelly (accepted nomination)
- Marc A. Smith, nominated by Steven G. Becker (accepted nomination)

#### **Judicial District 8 (2 vacancies)**

- Joseph P. Allen, nominated by Duane J. Whitmer (declined nomination)
- Maura E. Botsford, nominated by Duane J. Whitmer (accepted nomination)
- Jason Scheffler, nominated by Anthony D’Orazio (declined nomination)
- Jame J. Vandewalker, nominated by Anthony D’Orazio (accepted nomination)

#### **Judicial District 10 (3 vacancies)**

- Jeffrey J. Denecke, Jr., nominated by Christopher M. Olenski (accepted nomination)
- Jonathan H. Gunther, nominated by Gary L. Donoyan (accepted nomination)
- George T. Ostrowski, Jr., nominated by Arthur F. Sintef III (accepted nomination)
- Howard Rabin, nominated by Gary L. Donoyan (declined nomination)
- Scott W. Thompson, nominated by Gary L. Donoyan (declined nomination)
- Angelo E. Veltri, nominated by Arthur F. Sintef III (accepted nomination)

#### **Judicial District 12 (1 vacancy)**

- No nominations yet.

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### **Statements from Nominated Candidates**

#### **Maura E. Botsford – Candidate for State Committee, Judicial District 8**

To the State Committee of the Libertarian Party of New York:

Thank you for this nomination.

I have been involved in the Libertarian Party since I was 16 years old, starting with my advocacy for Gary Johnson's presidential campaign as a senior in high school in 2016. I was an active volunteer on Larry Sharpe's gubernatorial campaign in 2018, where I put hundreds of hours into petitioning, door knocking, and canvassing county fairs and the New York State Fair. Myself, one of my best friends and former Vice Chair of the LPNY, Steve Minogue, and several others went out most weeknights and every single weekend, which is why the Central New York region boasts over 65% of the Sharpe campaign's door knocking activity. Immediately following the election I began working with the LPNY Communications Committee and was appointed director of social media shortly after. As director of social media for the LPNY I created and grew our Instagram account as well as fixed branding issues across all platforms of social media. As a college student in Oswego County I ran several informational voter registration drives increasing Libertarian enrollment among younger adults in a rural, predominantly Republican county. In 2019 I was asked to work on social media for Duane Whitmer's congressional campaign, and in 2020 I began working full time as a campaign director. As campaign director I personally visited over 8,000 constituents in the district distributing campaign literature while organizing events and acting as a personal assistant to the candidate. During this time I was also elected secretary of the Erie County Libertarian Party, as well as chair of the ECLP Outreach Committee. Since then I have worked to organize and improve our meeting minute structure for transparency, as well as written biweekly press releases based on current events and ECLP updates, which has turned our county organization into a press distribution network. On top of this, I created and run all of our social media pages, and worked to design merchandise which we are able to sell for profit.

As evidenced by my resume and dedication to the Libertarian Party, I think I am an outstanding candidate for this position. The LPNY needs representatives and committee members who are motivated and successful activists. If elected, I aim to assist in county organization development and help in expanding the Libertarian presence in Western New York. I have worked hard on the local and county level to spread the message of our party and improve party enrollment, and this ambition, work ethic, and determination is what the state committee needs to help the party continue to gain momentum. Thank you for your consideration.

In Liberty,  
Maura Eve Botsford

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### **Jame J. Vandewalker – Candidate for State Committee, Judicial District 8**

Hello fellow lovers of freedom. My name is Jame J. VanDewalker and I am honored to be nominated to fill one of the vacancies in the 8th Judicial District.

I started to follow the Libertarian Party around 2008 thanks to Dr Ron Paul. It was shortly thereafter that I had switched my party to Independent and then later changed my registration to the LP because this truly is what I believe in. My home is one that holds and teaches freedom first. For if we do not have freedom, we have nothing.

I have been serving my community for the past seven years in the elected position of Town Clerk. Two years ago, I ran for reelection and became the first elected Libertarian in Allegany County. I am very proud of this achievement. Holding the position of Town Clerk is unique. Your Town Clerk is the hub of your local government, almost everything comes through our offices. You get to know your citizens on a more personal level and if you do your job correctly you grow some very trusting relationships. Many conversations are had in my office in regards to freedoms and my citizens have come to value my views and opinions. In my township we pass very little laws, and I like to think this is in part to my Libertarianism seeping in there.

I am currently serving as a County Contact for Allegany County and working to build our county affiliate. My greatest hope is that by the end of the year we will be able to hold our convention.

If you should vote for me to fill one of the vacancies I will full fill my duties proudly and to the best of my abilities.

I thank you for your consideration.

Jame J. VanDewalker,  
Judicial District 8 Nominee

### **Jeffrey J. Denecke, Jr. – Candidate for State Committee, Judicial District 10**

Hello! My name is Jeffrey Denecke Jr, and I am seeking your support to fill one of the vacancies in JD 10. Since I am fairly new to the party in NY, and many of you do not know me personally, I feel I must rattle off a brief list of my credentials for your consideration. I graduated from NYU Polytechnic Institute in the year 2000 with a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science. During that time, I was the President of the Association for Computing Machinery from 1997 to 2000, and tripled the size of our local chapter. Currently I have a nearly 20 year history with the company that I run in Long Island called Knitting Fever, an international distributor of crafts products, where I currently am the Chief Operating Officer and run a multi million dollar operation with 40 in house employees, and 20 outside sales agents. I grew up in a very orthodox Christian sect, and have since freed myself from that ideology. In doing so, I feel I've had an awakening of sorts - and after having so many things dictated to me in my early life - I have grown to love and appreciate Freedom & Liberty! This led me to come into contact with Larry Sharpe and his campaign for governor. I quickly jumped on board and helped any way I could, and I feel we (all libertarians in NY) achieved great success (that was stolen from us by the dictator Cuomo) in achieving ballot access. During that time I helped moderate and run Larry Sharpe's Freedom Base on Facebook, and have been slowly becoming more and more involved in the LP. Most recently, the insanity of the pandemic and what our government has done to us in NY has inspired me that I can no longer sit on the side lines. I have to get more involved for the sake of my children and the future of our State. I hope to prove to be a valuable member of the State Committee and I appreciate your support. Thank you.

### **Jonathan H. Gunther – Candidate for State Committee, Judicial District 10**

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My name is Jon Gunther. I am the Executive Chairman of the Nassau County Libertarian Party.

I would like you to get to know me so you have a better idea on what you are voting for and what has led me up to this point of wanting to be a committee member.

I have always been a Libertarian in the philosophical sense. A natural instinct imbedded in me before I knew what Libertarianism was about. As a young PunkRock kid and never liked authority, being told what to do. As I got older, I used this instinct towards the Government.

In my early 20s, I always said I wanted to run for office and get involved because I was angry about what Government was doing.

In the 2012 Presidential election, I caught on to Ron Paul who was music to my ears. Everything he was saying made sense. Which put me on to Libertarianism. I branch off to learn about other things who have helped me fortify my ideas. People like Milton Friedman, Thomas Sowell, Ludwig Von Mises etc.

About 4 years ago. I joined the Nassau County LP.

I stepped up to the plate to run for office. I ran in 2019, 2020 and attempting in 2021. I ran for various offices in those years. Fighting against Local officials in debates and getting Media coverage. Going to County and Town meetings. I knocked on over 1000 doors alone the past 3 years to get petitions signed to get on ballots. To get signatures from Libertarians to fight against Republicans trying to steal the line. I made it known to the people of Nassau County and the Local Government that there is a Libertarian Party presence. I even beat a elected Republican in a Libertarian Primary he tried to steal and turned a 2 way race into a 3 way race.

I was then in 2020 elected by the Nassau Party to be the Executive Chairman because the party knew what I am capable of.

What I have done since chair is bring new Ideas, create more activism and grow the party. By meeting people, going to government meetings and attending and speaking at rallies the communities have put together. So people know the LP supports the causes we think are right.

As Chair, I created a coalition between Queens, Nassau and Suffolk county Parties. Reasons to help each other out with elections, share information we need to know and just help each other in anyway we can. This has not been done before.

My story shows the effort I have put into the party and the effort I put in to spread the ideas of the Libertarian party.

This is what I am bringing to the state party. New ideas, more activism, help getting our candidates elected, gaining party status in the State and so many other things.

With that said, I hope the committee takes what I can offer into consideration and vote for me.

Report prepared by Andrew M. Kolstee, Secretary.



## Exhibit 2

4/27/2021

Roundcube Webmail :: Re: Oswego County LP Facebook Page

Subject **Re: Oswego County LP Facebook Page**  
From Sean Stevens <ssssasajs@gmail.com>  
To W. Cody Anderson <canderson@lpny.org>  
Date 2021-04-13 11:14



FYI I was on my way to deleting all the Oswego County Email addresses, Twitter, Instagram and Facebook page but you wanna be a Dick, so I have decided to be a Dick.

It is my page I created, along with the email addresses, Instagram and the Twitter handles. This is the most attention anyone from the LPNY has ever had in the Oswego County LP. I'll be holding a press conference in my empty yard and then be releasing a hard worded press release to voice my displeasure. I can't forget to get on my podcast with 2 people glued to their computers. Then as my final act of disobedience I will dump \$30,000 into a campaign and get 1% of the vote. Then and only then will I be a true Libertarian in NY. So I resign from the Chris O's bitchfest State Committee. It took me 12 years to realize that it's not the party, its the ass clowns in charge running it into the ground. A group of keyboard warriors focused on how cool drugs, guns, legalized sex work is, instead of actually fixing issues. I wish you luck in running the party further downhill.  
Deuces Bitches

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 12, 2021, at 11:08 PM, W. Cody Anderson <[canderson@lpny.org](mailto:canderson@lpny.org)> wrote:

Mr. Stevens:

I have been informed by Andrew Kolstee, LPNY secretary, that he made a request of you to provide David Fite, the county contact for Oswego County, admin access to the Oswego County LP Facebook page.

Mr. Kolstee has also informed me that after disparaging Mr. Fite and the LPNY, you told Mr. Kolstee that you were going to delete the page, then subsequently blocked Mr. Kolstee for doing nothing more than asking you to provide Mr. Fite access to the page.

Although you are free to associate with whomever you wish, the Oswego County LP page is not your property do with as you wish. I would request that you provide the requested access to Mr. Fite immediately, or resign your position as an LPNY state committee member.

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In Liberty,  
W. Cody Anderson  
Chair, Libertarian Party of New York

## Exhibit 3

**From:** Andrew Hollister [contact@andrewhollister.com](mailto:contact@andrewhollister.com)  
**Subject:** Resignation  
**Date:** May 2, 2021 at 6:18 PM  
**To:** [canderson@lpny.org](mailto:canderson@lpny.org)  
**Cc:** Andrew Martin Kolstee [akolstee@lpny.org](mailto:akolstee@lpny.org)

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Dear Mr. Chair,

I am formally submitting my resignation from the state committee. Due to current life circumstances I am not able to make the commitment. I hope that will change in the future.

In Liberty,

Andrew C. Hollister

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From: Ilya S. [ilusha88@gmail.com](mailto:ilusha88@gmail.com)  
Subject: Re: Call to Fill Vacancies on the State Committee  
Date: June 18, 2021 at 10:09 AM  
To: Andrew Martin Kolstee [akolstee@lpny.org](mailto:akolstee@lpny.org)  
Cc: Libertarian Party of New York [info@lpny.org](mailto:info@lpny.org)

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I officially resign.

On Fri, Jun 18, 2021 at 10:07 AM Andrew Martin Kolstee <[akolstee@lpny.org](mailto:akolstee@lpny.org)> wrote:  
Are you officially resigning? We would need that sent to [info@lpny.org](mailto:info@lpny.org)

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Andrew Martin Kolstee  
Secretary, Libertarian Party of New York  
(716) 640-2089 | [akolstee@lpny.org](mailto:akolstee@lpny.org) | [lpny.org](http://lpny.org)

On Jun 18, 2021, at 10:06 AM, Ilya S. <[ilusha88@gmail.com](mailto:ilusha88@gmail.com)> wrote:

you can add me to the vacancies

On Fri, Jun 18, 2021 at 10:05 AM Libertarian Party of New York <[info@lpny.org](mailto:info@lpny.org)> wrote:



LIBERTARIAN  
PARTY OF NEW YORK

### Call to Fill Vacancies on the LPNY State Committee

Fellow Libertarians,

There are a total of 10 vacancies on the Libertarian Party of New York State Committee, and a meeting will be held **in-person on Sunday, July 18, 2021** to fill those vacancies. The breakdown of the vacancies is:

- Judicial District 1 (1 vacancy)
- Judicial District 5 (1 vacancy)
- Judicial District 6 (1 vacancy)
- Judicial District 7 (1 vacancy)
- Judicial District 8 (2 vacancies)
- Judicial District 10 (3 vacancies)
- Judicial District 12 (1 vacancy)

Potential new members of the State Committee must be nominated by a member of the State Committee and once nominated, will have an opportunity to speak on their candidacy, if the election to fill the vacancy is contested. After nominations, a vote will be conducted to fill those vacancies.

If you are interested in filling a vacancy on the State Committee and are an enrolled Libertarian residing in New York State, please contact a member of the State Committee to seek a nomination. A list of members of the State

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the State Committee to seek a nomination. A list of members of the State Committee and their contact information can be found [here](#).

In Liberty,

Andrew M. Kolstee  
Secretary, Libertarian Party of New York



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## Exhibit 5

**From:** Kari Bittner kbittner50@gmail.com   
**Subject:** Resignation from LPNY State Committee, but not from advancing liberty in New York  
**Date:** July 5, 2021 at 8:59 AM  
**To:** Zachary Remian remianzachary@gmail.com, W. Cody Anderson canderson@lpny.org, Todd HAGGERTY gilhags@hotmail.com, Mark Glogowski mglogowski08@gmail.com, William Van Helmond chair@lpnc.li, colenski@lpny.org, cmiles@lpny.org, Daniel Donnelly ddonnelly@lpny.org, ecooper@lpny.org, Artie Sintef asintef@lpny.org, apellegrino@lpny.org, Andrew Martin Kolstee andrewkolstee@gmail.com, Andrew Martin Kolstee akolstee@lpny.org, Andrew Hollister contact@andrewhollister.com, Steve Becker drsbecker@aol.com, Emmanuel Torres etorres2217@gmail.com, Fite4 Liberty fite4liberty@gmail.com, Francis Law francislaw@roadrunner.com, Francis Law francislaw@gmail.com, Gary Donoyan gdonoyan@verizon.net, Tom Quiter tquiter@lpny.org, Anthony D'Orazio tdorazio@lpny.org, kthompson@lpny.org, Brandon Lyon lyonbra@gmail.com, Mark Braiman markbraiman@gmail.com, Matthew Morgan matthewisaiahmorgan@gmail.com, shannon@lpny.org, sphelan@lpny.org, sstevens@lpny.org, Ilya Schwartzburg ischwartzburg@lpny.org, Jim Dayton jdayton@lpny.org, Mark Axinn markaxinn@hotmail.com, Jay Carr jcarr@ulsterlp.org, Lora Newell lnewell@lpny.org, Rob Arrigo rarrigo@lpny.org, Millie Dordal mdforliberty@gmail.com, Rich Purtell rpurtell@lpny.org, Paul Sechrist psechrist@lpny.org, Duane Whitmer dwhitmer@lpny.org, Pietro Geraci pgeraci@lpny.org, William Schmidt wschmidt@lpny.org, Michael Arcati ma2465@stern.nyu.edu, Gabrielle Cordova gcordova@lpny.org, Richard Bell rbell@lpny.org, Susan Overeem-Cummings susanovereem@aim.com, Stacey Prussman prussmanformayor@gmail.com, John Janes jajanes@gmail.com, Timothy O'Connor timlovesdistrict51nyssenate@gmail.com, timoconstructionllc@gmail.com, Gilbert glin@glindesigns.com, Erin Becker beckerem01@mail.buffalostate.edu, Len Morlock lenmorlock@hotmail.com, Mark Weinblatt mark.weinblattsa@gmail.com, Robert Greibesland robertgreibesland@gmail.com, Rachel Becker (RIT Student) reb4128@rit.edu, Brian Wells bwells@lpny.org, Angela Einwachter aeinwachter@lpny.org, Gerrit Cain caingerrit@hotmail.com, Patrick Mahoney nyrctdd@aol.com, Kevin Warmhold warmholdk@yahoo.com

It has been a true honor serving with each of you to help build the Libertarian Party of New York, our county organizations, our candidates, and most importantly, the number of people in NY who understand and value liberty. I greatly respect and admire every person who works so hard to bring liberty to a state that currently remains the least free state in the US. Educating and building liberty in an environment where **anti-liberty** has had over a century to build strong roots and controls all the rules of engagement is a challenge, to say the least, but all of you incredible people who push for the important goal of making NY a truly liberty-behaving state continue nevertheless. That determination and perseverance is exactly what it will take to continue to grow our movement. I am unable to continue my formal commitment to the state committee, but will continue at my local county level, as well as continue to pursue my personal goal of growing our party numbers at the local, state and national level every single day.

Please invite every New Yorker you know who is on Instagram to follow and help build 100k\_Libertarians\_in\_NY. This Instagram profile for ALL New Yorkers, plus my in-person engagements, and my local county growth is my current focus. Please continue to ask everyone you talk with to change their party to Libertarian. Numbers matter very much not only for the rules we have to operate under, but for voter psychology. Millions of voters KNOW we need a strong competitor to the two controlling parties....but many of them still need someone else to build it for them first...and that's where those numbers can help significantly.

No one who first enters this party will be the perfect Libertarian. In fact, good luck to us all if our goal is trying to find the "real" Libertarians among us. What we CAN do every single day is move ourselves and as many other people as we can engage in the direction of liberty at whatever pace each of us takes to absorb the concepts and then live our lives in liberty. When people "get it", it is energizing and contagious. We have an excellent growing base of communicators who continue to help newcomers learn more about cutting through the media grip to interpret events through a liberty lens. We have a growing organization that can locate and help promote Libertarian candidates. We have all of you, your friends, your families, and your spirit!

#100kLibertariansNY #ChangeYourParty #ChangeYourVote #VoteGold #TurnYourCountyGold #Libertarian #LiveFree #LPNY  
#BuildTheCompetitor #LeadTheWay

Thank you for being your AWESOME liberty-loving selves!

With Liberty in our Lifetime as our common goal, even as we pursue our individual happiness and live our individual lives,

Kari Bittner

P.S. If I've missed anyone who should have been on this message, please feel free to forward on.

## **Exhibit 6**

**AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE STATE COMMITTEE  
OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK  
HELD ON SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2021  
AT THE DESMOND HOTEL IN ALBANY, NEW YORK  
AND ON THE ZOOM MEETING APP**

9:00 A.M. Registration

10:00 A.M. Call to Order / Roll Call (credentialing)

10:10 A.M. Opening Remarks by Chair (Cody Anderson)

10:20 A.M. Adoption of Special Rules of Order

10:30 A.M. Filling of vacancies on the State Committee

- Judicial District 1 (2 vacancies)
- Judicial District 5 (1 vacancy)
- Judicial District 6 (1 vacancy)
- Judicial District 7 (2 vacancies)
- Judicial District 8 (2 vacancies)
- Judicial District 10 (3 vacancies)
- Judicial District 12 (1 vacancy)

11:30 A.M. Treasurer's Report (Lora Newell)

11:40 A.M. Standing Committee reports

- Fundraising Committee (Gabrielle Cordova and Lora Newell)
- Local Affiliate Development Committee (Rob Arrigo)
- IT Committee (Andrew Kolstee)
- Legislative Affairs Committee (Rich Purtell)
- Public Engagement Committee (Tony D'Orazio)
- Special Committee on the Judicial Committee (Millie Dordal)
- Rules Committee (Paul Grindle)
- Platform Committee (Mark Braiman)

12:00 P.M. Lunch (speaker TBD)

1:00 P.M. Standing Committee reports (continued)

4:00 P.M. Old business

4:30 P.M. New business

5:00 P.M. Adjournment

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### **Special Rules of Order of the Libertarian Party of New York for the State Committee Meeting of July 18, 2021**

*As adopted by the State Committee on July 18, 2021.*

Rule 1. **CREDENTIALS.** The Secretary, directly after the opening ceremonies of the business meeting, shall call the roll of the elected members of the State Committee.

Rule 2. **IDENTIFICATION OF VOTING MEMBERS.** To facilitate identification, seating, and voting, members and others shall be required to retain and display upon request the wristbands, voting cards, or other indicia issued by the organizers of the meeting upon registration. Division votes, whether simple or counted, shall be taken by members' standing and display of such voting member indicia. For meetings held by teleconference, voting members shall be identified within the platform or platforms used to conduct the meeting.

Rule 3. **DEBATE.**

Rule 3.1. No member shall speak in debate on the same question a second time until every other member who wishes to speak had the opportunity to do so.

Rule 3.2. No member shall speak in debate on the same question more than twice or longer than three (3) minutes in total without permission of the State Committee granted by a two-thirds vote without debate.

Rule 4. **FILLING OF VACANCIES.** Vacancies on the State Committee shall be done in a manner as described in this Rule and in accordance with the Rules of the Libertarian Party.

Rule 4.1. Nominations for vacancies on the State Committee may be submitted by any member of the State Committee. If such nominations are received by the Secretary at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting, the Secretary shall distribute the names of the nominees and any statement regarding their candidacy to all members of the State Committee at least five (5) days in advance of the meeting in which vacancies are to be voted upon. Once the filling of vacancies begins, the Secretary shall present the nominations they received and all such qualified candidates that accepted the nomination shall be entered into nomination. Subsequent nominations may be made on the floor prior to the election to fill such vacancies. The Chair shall request that each nominee confirm that they are qualified to fill the vacancy and accept the nomination in order to be entered into nomination to fill the vacancy they seek.

Rule 4.2. For each district, the ballot shall contain all the names of the eligible nominees and identify the number of vacancies in the district. Each ballot shall contain NOTA as a candidate.

Rule 4.3. The election shall be held with approval voting and candidates with the most votes shall be elected to fill the vacancy or vacancies as long as they have received a majority of the vote of the voting members. If there is a tie in which two or more candidates have received a majority of the vote of the voting members and at least one vacancy still exists, an instant run-off vote shall occur. If NOTA receives a majority of the votes, there will be a new round of nominations and a new election, in which all of the nominated candidates who were outpolled by NOTA are ineligible.

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Rule 4.4. Members of the Libertarian Party chosen to fill vacancies on the State Committee shall not be allowed to participate in the meeting until acceptance of the quorum report of the Secretary by the State Committee, scheduled to occur after the filling of vacancies; and in particular may not nominate, speak, or vote in any contested election for filling additional vacancies.

Rule 4.5. If there is no candidate to fill a vacancy for a particular district, the Chair may move to the next district or item on the agenda.

### Rule 5. **ADOPTION AND AMENDMENT OF PARTY RULES.**

Rule 5.1. All proposed amendments of the Party Rules must be submitted in accordance with the Rules of the Libertarian Party.

Rule 5.2. The Rules Committee may, prior to the consideration of any other amendment, present a report that includes any recommended amendments to the Party Rules, including those submitted to the Secretary. This report may include any motion to adopt amendments recommended by the Rules Committee as a whole, as long as such amendments were distributed to the State Committee in accordance with the Rules of the Libertarian Party. Any motion to divide such motion shall be in order.

Rule 5.3. Subsequent amendments not recommended by the Rules Committee shall be presented by the Secretary as long as such amendments were received by the Secretary and distributed to the State Committee in accordance with the Rules of the Libertarian Party. The Secretary shall present such amendments in the order they were received, alternating between different authors, if such authors are proposing multiple amendments, in the order that the Secretary received them.

Rule 5.4. If discussion on an amendment has begun, any recognized speaker may also discuss alternative proposed amendments that deal with the same issues and may use that text to propose a substitution to the current amendment.

Rule 5.5. If a member of the State Committee proposes more than one amendment, their subsequent proposals shall be taken up only after every other member's first proposed amendment has been considered.

Rule 5.6. Debate on each amendment shall be limited to ten (10) minutes. Each speaker is limited to one (1) minute at a time. The Chair shall alternately recognize those speakers in favor of and opposed to the amendment.

### Rule 6. **ELECTIONS.**

Rule 6.1. **GENERAL.** Elections of party offices shall be conducted by election in accordance with this rule. Such offices shall include the officers (Chair, 1st Vice-Chair, 2nd Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer), Members-At-Large of the Executive Committee, and the filling of vacancies of any of those offices, including members of the State Committee.



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Rule 6.2. **NOMINATIONS TO FILL VACANCIES.** Nominations to fill any vacancy in any party office may be submitted by any member of the State Committee to the Secretary in advance of the meeting or on the floor at the meeting.

Rule 6.2.1. **SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS IN ADVANCE.** If such nominations are submitted to the Secretary at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting, the Secretary shall distribute the names of the nominees and any statement regarding their candidacy to all members of the State Committee at least five (5) days in advance of the meeting in which vacancies are to be voted upon. Once the filling of vacancies begins, the Secretary shall present the nominations they received and all such qualified candidates that accepted the nomination shall be entered into nomination.

Rule 6.2.2. **SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR.** Subsequent nominations may be made from the floor prior to the election to fill any vacancy. The Chair shall request that each nominee confirm that they are qualified to fill the vacancy and accept the nomination in order to be entered into nomination to fill the vacancy they seek.

Rule 6.3. **ELECTION PROCEDURES.**

Rule 6.3.1. **ELECTIONS BY ELECTRONIC MEANS.** All elections of the Executive Committee shall be conducted as a secret ballot using an electronic system that batches the ballots of in-person and teleconferencing participants together.

Rule 6.3.2. **BALLOTS.** For each office, the ballot shall contain all the names of the eligible nominees and identify the number of positions to be filled in that office.

Rule 6.3.3. **NONE OF THE ABOVE (“NOTA”) AS A CANDIDATE.** All ballots in all elections shall have “None of the Above” (“NOTA”) as an option. This option is to be explicitly mentioned as valid when listing the candidates for the election. If NOTA receives a majority of the votes in any given election, there will be a new round of nominations and a new election, in which all of the nominated candidates who were outpolled by NOTA are ineligible.

Rule 6.3.4. **ORDER OF ELECTIONS.** Elections of each party office shall be held individually in the following order, if such election is required by the agenda: Members of the State Committee, Chair, 1st Vice-Chair, 2nd Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, and Members-At-Large of the Executive Committee.

Rule 6.3.5. **MANNER OF ELECTION.** All elections shall be held with approval voting and the candidate or candidates with the most votes shall be elected to fill the party office or offices as long as they have received a majority of the vote of the voting members. If an insufficient number of candidates receive a number of votes equal to or greater than a majority of the number of ballots cast, another round of voting shall immediately occur.

Rule 6.3.5.1. **SUBSEQUENT ROUNDS OF VOTING.** In the subsequent round of voting, the candidate that received the lowest number of votes in the previous round shall be removed from the ballot. If there

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was a tie for the smallest number of votes, no candidate shall be removed from the ballot. Subsequent rounds of voting shall be conducted until the party office is filled.

**Rule 6.3.5.2. ELECTION OF MEMBERS-AT-LARGE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.** In any election for Members-At-Large of the Executive Committee, only the candidate with the highest number of votes from a Judicial District shall be elected. There shall be no more than one Member-At-Large elected from a Judicial District. Once a candidate is elected as a Member-At-Large of the Executive Committee, any other candidate residing in that Judicial District shall be disqualified and removed from any subsequent ballot.

**Rule 6.3.6. TIES.** If there is a tie in which two or more candidates have received the same number of votes of the voting members in which there is a majority and at least one party office remains to be filled, an instant run-off election shall occur, in which the candidates who tied shall be the only candidates on the ballot. If votes gained by candidates remain unchanged in two successive rounds of voting, then all those candidates shall be dropped from the ballot.

**Rule 6.4. SEATING OF NEW MEMBERS ON THE STATE COMMITTEE.** Members of the Libertarian Party chosen to fill vacancies on the State Committee shall not be allowed to participate in the meeting until acceptance of the quorum report of the Secretary by the State Committee and in particular may not nominate, speak, or vote in any contested election for filling additional vacancies.

### **Rule 7. CANDIDATE SPEECHES.**

**Rule 7.1.** Candidates for Chair shall each be allowed five minutes to speak; candidates for all other Party offices shall each be allowed three (3) minutes to speak. Candidates to fill vacancies on the State Committee shall be allowed one minute to speak. Candidates may cede their time only to other members of the State Committee to speak on their behalf during their allotted time. Speeches will not be allowed for uncontested positions, in which candidates are only running against NOTA.

**Rule 7.2.** Candidates seeking endorsement for the highest public office shall each be allowed five minutes to speak; candidates seeking endorsement for all other public offices shall each be allowed three minutes to speak; candidates seeking endorsement for any public office shall also each be allowed one nominating speech and one seconding speech of one minute each.

**Rule 8. ENDORSEMENTS OF CANDIDATES.** Endorsements of candidates for public office shall be made in the same manner as elections for Party office, except that endorsements shall require a two-thirds (2/3) majority. Each office shall be filled with one election, even if that office has more than a single position to be filled. Each election shall consist of a series of ballots. In each ballot, voters may vote for as many candidates as there are positions for the office still open or "None of the Above". If None of the Above achieves a majority, a new election shall be held for the open positions still remaining and the candidates who were outpolled by None of the Above shall be ineligible; otherwise, those who achieve the requisite majority shall be recognized as elected, in order of their vote totals and in order of the length of term. The candidate receiving the fewest votes shall be eliminated from succeeding ballots. Ties shall be resolved by a separate ballot.

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Rule 9. **PLATFORM.** When discussing the Platform, the previously adopted Platform shall be the base on which amendments, additions, or deletions shall be offered. Such changes to the Platform shall require a vote in accordance with the Rules of the Libertarian Party.

Rule 10. **RESOLUTIONS.**

Rule 10.1. A resolution offered by an individual member shall be submitted by the maker and the seconder – each of whom shall be a member of the State Committee – and shall be sent by email directly to the Secretary.

Rule 10.2. The Resolutions Subcommittee may convene during the main meeting to consider resolutions. Each member who offers a resolution shall be given an opportunity to explain it to the Resolutions Subcommittee if he so requests.

Rule 10.3. The Resolutions Subcommittee shall review all resolutions in the order they were submitted, and shall amend the text of each resolution to the satisfaction of the member that submitted the resolution, while satisfying formatting requirements, grammar, clarity, etc. The Resolutions Subcommittee shall present a report to the State Committee of all resolutions in the order they deem appropriate.

Rule 11. **PERMANENT RECORD.** All reports and other material for the permanent record or printed proceedings shall be typewritten and, immediately on presentation, shall be sent to the Recording Secretary in electronic form.

Rule 12. **ANNOUNCEMENTS.** Notices for announcement to the convention shall be in writing, signed by the person (or a proper representative of the persons) under whose authority the announcement is issued, and shall be sent to the desk of the Recording Secretary.

Rule 13. **SUSPENSION OF SPECIAL RULES OF ORDER.** These Special Rules of Order may only be suspended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.

## Exhibit 8

### LPNY Treasurer's Report July 17, 2021

#### LPNY KEY BANK

Housekeeping Committee account balance as of 7.14.21: \$3,874.90

CC General account balance as of 7.14.21: \$32,358.64

Total cash on hand as of 7.14.21: \$36,233.54

#### Regular Expenses for June:

Constant Contact: \$200.07

Grasshopper: \$33.51

Pre-approved expenses for June: \$252.20 Filing Fees for appeal

Total Expenses for June: \$505.58

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Fundraising results for June: \$2881.07

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Respectfully submitted,

Lora Newell

Treasurer

## Exhibit 9 (page 1 of 15)

### REPORT OF THE RULES COMMITTEE OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK FOR THE STATE COMMITTEE MEETING OF SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2021

The following proposals have been recommended by the Rules Committee for adoption by the full State Committee for the meeting of Sunday, July 18, 2021. This report includes all or part of each rule and the proposed amendments, either striking (indicating strikeout in **red**) or inserting (indicated in **green**). [...] indicates omitted text within the articles in which no amendments are proposed.

#### PROPOSAL 1 (BO). Simplify article to only include objective, with reference to support of Party Platform.

##### **Article 4. ~~Principles and Objectives~~**

~~4.1. The Libertarian Party is a political party which has as its~~ **whose** primary objective is the ~~extension of individual liberty to its furthest limits. To that end the party affirms the following principles as embodied in the party platform.~~ election to public office of enrolled members of the Libertarian Party who support its principles and objectives as expressed in the Party Platform.

~~4.1.1. Each individual possesses the inalienable right to life, liberty and justly acquired property.~~

~~4.1.2. No person or institution, public or private has the right to initiate the use of force or fraud against another.~~

~~4.1.3. Individuals are entitled to choose their own lifestyles so long as they do not forcibly interfere with the lives of others.~~

~~4.1.4. The only moral purpose of government is the preservation of individual rights.~~

~~4.1.5. The voluntary exchange of goods and services is essential for a free and prosperous society of diverse beliefs.~~

~~4.2. In recognition of the fact that the initiation of force by government has been the chief instrument for the expropriation of individual rights and freedom, the Libertarian Party enters the political arena for the avowed purpose of eliminating the intervention of government in moral, social and economic affairs by functioning as a libertarian political entity separate and distinct from all other political parties or movements and moving public policy in a libertarian direction as a political party that elects Libertarians to office.~~

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PROPOSAL 2 (A, BL, B1, C) Clearly define what a “Member” of the State Committee is, as well as addition of titles, reordering, renumbering, and cleaning up of language.

6.2. **MEMBERS.** Members of the State Committee shall be enrolled members in the Libertarian Party and elected in accordance with Article 6.3 of these Rules. If at any time the Libertarian Party is unable to hold a primary election for the purpose of electing a new State Committee, the members of the State Committee shall be elected in accordance with Article 6.4. Members of the State Committee shall also be any enrolled member of the Libertarian Party who fills a vacancy in the State Committee in accordance with these Rules or is elected to the Executive Committee.

~~6.4.~~ 6.3. **ELECTIONS BY PRIMARY.** [...].

~~6.2.~~ 6.3.1. **UNIT OF REPRESENTATION.** [...]

~~6.3.~~ 6.3.2. **REPRESENTATION.** [...]

~~6.5.~~ 6.4. **ELECTION OF STATE COMMITTEE OTHER THAN PRIMARY**

~~6.5.1.~~ 6.4.1. [...] Article ~~6.5.2.~~ 6.4.2. instead of Article 6.3. ~~and Article 6.4.~~ [...]

~~6.5.2.~~ 6.4.2. **REPRESENTATION.** The State Committee shall consist of two representatives from each County Affiliate elected as provided in Article 6.5.3. This appointment shall be provided in writing to the Executive Committee no later than thirty (30) days prior to the ~~convention~~ organization meeting in order to be credentialed to vote at the ~~convention~~ organization meeting. A County Affiliate may designate an Alternate to take the place of a representative if their county is not fully represented at the meeting.

~~6.5.3.~~ 6.4.3. **SELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES.** Each ~~county~~ County Affiliate shall elect two representatives at a ~~convention~~ meeting open to all enrolled Libertarians in their county. The names and addresses of the chosen representatives from each ~~county~~ County Affiliate must be provided to the Secretary in writing by electronic means, which must also include the minutes of the meeting in which they were elected.

~~6.6.~~ 6.5. **OFFICERS.** The officers of the State and Executive Committee shall be the Chair, 1st Vice-Chair, 2nd Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. All officers shall be considered ex-officio members of the State Committee and shall have the same rights and privileges as any member of the State Committee. Duties of such officers are provided in this section.

~~6.6.1.~~ **TITLES.** The State Committee shall elect a Chair, a 1st Vice Chair, a 2nd Vice Chair, a Secretary, and a Treasurer at their first meeting. All officers shall be considered ex-officio members of the State Committee.

~~6.6.2.~~ **DUTIES.**

~~6.6.2.1.~~ 6.5.1. **CHAIR.** [...]

~~6.6.2.2.~~ 6.5.2. **VICE-CHAIRS.** [...]

~~6.6.2.3.~~ 6.5.3. **SECRETARY.** [...]

~~6.6.2.4.~~ 6.5.4. **TREASURER.** [...]

Renumber the rest of Article 6: 6.7[...] to 6.6[...], 6.8[...] to 6.7[...], 6.9[...] to 6.8[...], etc.

Renumber 7.2. and 13.10.1 to match respective sections in Article 6.

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### PROPOSAL 3 (E) Specify that vacancies are to be filled by election.

6.7.5. **STATE COMMITTEE MEMBER.** Should a vacancy exist on the State Committee, the position shall be vacant until filled by **election** by a majority vote of the State Committee. [...]

### PROPOSAL 4 (F, BE) Remove redundancy and inconsistency. Move language pertaining to removals from Article 6 (State Committee) to Article 11 (Removal of Party Officers).

~~6.9. **SUSPENSION AND TERMINATION.** A member or officer of the State Committee may be removed from the State Committee by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the State Committee for disloyalty to the party or corruption in office, after notice and hearing upon written charges, to be heard by the State Committee.~~

~~6.10.~~ 6.9. **QUALIFICATIONS.** [...]

11.1.2. Any state or county official of the Libertarian Party may be removed from office for **disloyalty to the party or corruption in office** in accordance with this article and Article 2-116 of Election Law. [...]

### PROPOSAL 5 (G, H, I, J, K, BN, BS). Take Article 6.11 (Meetings of the State Committee) and split off into a new article (Article 8), add a general statement, and cleanup language, in order for these rules to apply to both the State Committee and the Executive Committee.

#### ~~6.11. **MEETINGS.**~~

#### **Article 8. Meetings**

8.1. **GENERAL.** Meetings of the State Committee and of the Executive Committee shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions in this article.

~~6.11.1.~~ 8.2. **ORGANIZATION MEETING.** This section outlines the procedures for the organization meeting as required in 2-112 of Election Law or for any meeting to elect an Executive Committee following the election of a State Committee held in accordance with Article [6.4 if Proposal 2 passes] or [6.5 if Proposal 2 fails], which shall be referred to as an Organization Meeting.

**Renumber the rest of Article 6: 6.11.1[...] to 8.2[...], 6.11.2[...] to 8.3[...], 6.11.3[...] to 8.4[...], Renumber reference in Article 9.3.2.2: 6.11. 8**

6.11.4[...] → 8.5[...], 6.11.5[...] → 8.6[...],

~~6.11.1.1.3.~~ 8.2.1.3. If an individual member of the State Committee is unable to attend at the time and location the meeting is called due to a government mandate, remote participation with full parliamentary privileges shall be permitted and **the provisions of Article 7.11.5.2 8.6.2** shall be ignored.

~~6.11.2.~~ 8.3. **OTHER MEETINGS.** [...] In even numbered years, an early convention to nominate statewide candidates, and an in-person organizational meeting in September shall fulfill the in-person meeting requirement. [...]

~~6.11.4.1.~~ 8.5.1. For meetings of the full State Committee, a notice of ~~s~~Seven calendar days ~~notice~~ shall be given. For meetings of the Executive Committee, a notice of five calendar days shall be given. [...]

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**PROPOSAL 6 (AY, BI). Clarify the Rules Subcommittee is “of the Convention Committee” and increase the timeline for submission of rules proposals.**

6.11.1.5. **AMENDMENT OF RULES.** Any member of the newly elected State Committee may submit amendments to the Rules of the Libertarian Party. Such amendments must be received by the Rules Subcommittee of the Convention Committee at least ~~seven (7)~~ thirty (30) days in advance of the ~~Organization~~ Meeting. The Rules Subcommittee must distribute the full text of any proposed amendment to all members of the newly elected State Committee at least ~~five (5)~~ ten (10) days in advance of the organization meeting.

**PROPOSAL 7 (M, AN, BJ, W, Z, BZ) Establish a definition of “Meeting(s) of the full State Committee” which would clarify that in certain situations, only the full State Committee votes on certain issues.**

6.11.2. **OTHER MEETINGS.** ~~The Meetings of the full State Committee shall meet~~ be held in person or by teleconference at least quarterly, with two (2) meetings to be held in person per year, excepting *force majeure*. In even numbered years, an early convention to nominate statewide candidates, and an in-person organizational meeting in September fulfill the in-person meeting requirement. Meetings held in person must be held within the State of New York.

6.13. [if Proposal 5 fails]\* 8.8. [if Proposal 5 passes]\* **FULL STATE COMMITTEE.** Any provision in these Rules referring to “meeting(s) of the full State Committee” shall mean meeting(s) of the members of the State Committee as defined in Article 6.2, provided a quorum is present.

10.2.1. **HEARINGS.** Meetings shall be called by the Chair of the Judicial Committee or one-third (1/3) of the Judicial Committee for the purpose of conducting a hearing as described in Article 11, if such hearing was referred to the Judicial Committee by a majority vote at a meeting of the full State Committee. The hearing shall be held within thirty (30) days and may be held by teleconference, and the Secretary of the Judicial Committee shall issue to the members the call of the meeting at least five (5) days in advance.

11.2.2. **APPROVAL OF HEARING.** A majority vote at a meeting of the full State Committee shall be required to approve a hearing. Such approval requires the hearing was requested as per Article 11.2.1.

11.2.4. **ACTION FOLLOWING A HEARING.** Following a hearing as approved in Article 11.2.2, a two-thirds (2/3) vote at a meeting of the full State Committee is required to revoke affiliation of a County Organization or remove a state or county official of the Libertarian Party as described in Article 11.1.2.

**\*Numbering above determined by the result of Proposal 5.**



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**PROPOSAL 8 (L). Clarify that this section (on limitations regarding for teleconferencing members) only applies to meetings with an in-person component.**

6.11.5. **MEETINGS HELD IN-PERSON.** The provisions in this section shall only apply to meetings called to be held in person and shall not apply to meetings called to be held by teleconference only.

6.11.5.2. At ~~all~~ in-person meetings [...]

**PROPOSAL 9 (AU, BF). Merge sections on quorum, which shall apply to both the State Committee and Executive Committee.**

6.12. ~~[If Proposal 5 fails]\* 6.12:~~ 8.7. ~~[If Proposal 5 passes]\*~~ **QUORUM.** A quorum for all meetings of the State Committee and Executive Committee ~~decisions~~ shall ~~be consist of~~ a majority of ~~State Committee~~ voting members ~~present~~.

~~7.8. **QUORUM.** Quorum at meetings of the Executive Committee shall consist of a majority of the members of the Executive Committee. A quorum for online voting or for special meetings called shall consist of two thirds (2/3) of the Executive Committee members.~~

~~If passed, renumber all subsequent sections accordingly. \*Numbering above determined by result of Proposal 5.~~

**PROPOSAL 10 (N5). Allow certain motions to be made in Executive Session.**

7.6. **EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

~~7.6.1. The Executive Committee shall conduct all votes and actions in open session. The reasons for moving to Executive Session must be stated in the minutes of the Executive Committee.~~

~~7.6.2:~~ 7.6.1. Executive Session may only be used for discussion of personnel matters, contractual negotiations, pending, active, or potential litigation, or political strategy requiring confidentiality, specifically excluding discussions of qualifications of candidates. The reasons for moving to Executive Session must be stated in the minutes of the Executive Committee.

7.6.2. No vote shall be conducted in Executive Session, except votes pertaining to the waiving of reading of minutes of Executive Session, approval of the minutes of Executive Session, and adjournment of Executive Session.

**PROPOSAL 11 (D, O, BH, BP). Place the election procedures (condensed and cleaned up) from the Special Rules of Order as an Article of the Rules of the Libertarian Party.**

~~6.6.3. **NONE OF THE ABOVE.** In all elections of the Libertarian Party, the choice of "None of the Above" (NOTA) is automatically recognized as included and valid. This option is to be explicitly mentioned as valid when listing the candidates for the election. If NOTA receives a majority of the votes, there will be new nominations and a new election, in which all of the candidates who were out-poll by NOTA are ineligible. On ballots with the ability to vote for two or more candidates, where one or more candidates are supported, the designation of NOTA on the ballot will be ignored.~~

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### PROPOSAL 11, continued

#### **Article 9. Elections**

9.1. **GENERAL.** Elections of party offices shall be conducted by election in accordance with this article. Such offices shall include the officers (Chair, 1st Vice-Chair, 2nd Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer), Members-At-Large of the Executive Committee, and the filling of vacancies of any of those offices, including members of the State Committee.

9.2. **NOMINATIONS TO FILL VACANCIES.** Nominations to fill any vacancy in any party office may be submitted by any member of the State Committee to the Secretary in advance of the meeting or on the floor at the meeting.

9.2.1. **SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS IN ADVANCE.** If such nominations are submitted to the Secretary at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting, the Secretary shall distribute the names of the nominees and any statement regarding their candidacy to all members of the State Committee at least five (5) days in advance of the meeting in which vacancies are to be voted upon. Once the filling of vacancies begins, the Secretary shall present the nominations they received and all such qualified candidates that accepted the nomination shall be entered into nomination.

9.2.2. **SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR.** Subsequent nominations may be made from the floor prior to the election to fill any vacancy. The Chair shall request that each nominee confirm that they are qualified to fill the vacancy and accept the nomination in order to be entered into nomination to fill the vacancy they seek.

#### **9.3. ELECTION PROCEDURES.**

9.3.1. **ELECTIONS BY ELECTRONIC MEANS.** All elections of the Executive Committee shall be conducted as a secret ballot using an electronic system that batches the ballots of in-person and teleconferencing participants together.

9.3.2. **BALLOTS.** For each office, the ballot shall contain all the names of the eligible nominees and identify the number of positions to be filled in that office.

9.3.3. **NONE OF THE ABOVE (“NOTA”) AS A CANDIDATE.** All ballots in all elections shall have “None of the Above” (“NOTA”) as an option. This option is to be explicitly mentioned as valid when listing the candidates for the election. If NOTA receives a majority of the votes in any given election, there will be a new round of nominations and a new election, in which all of the nominated candidates who were outpolled by NOTA are ineligible.

9.3.4. **ORDER OF ELECTIONS.** Elections of each party office shall be held individually in the following order, if such election is required by the agenda: Members of the State Committee, Chair, 1st Vice-Chair, 2nd Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, and Members-At-Large of the Executive Committee.

9.3.5. **MANNER OF ELECTION.** All elections shall be held with approval voting and the candidate or candidates with the most votes shall be elected to fill the party office or offices as long as they have received a majority of the vote of the voting members. If an insufficient number of candidates receive a number of votes equal to or greater than a majority of the number of ballots cast, another round of voting shall immediately occur.

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### PROPOSAL 11, continued

9.3.5.1. **SUBSEQUENT ROUNDS OF VOTING.** In the subsequent round of voting, the candidate that received the lowest number of votes in the previous round shall be removed from the ballot. If there was a tie for the smallest number of votes, no candidate shall be removed from the ballot. Subsequent rounds of voting shall be conducted until the party office is filled.

9.3.5.2. **ELECTION OF MEMBERS-AT-LARGE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.** In any election for Members-At-Large of the Executive Committee, only the candidate with the highest number of votes from a Judicial District shall be elected. There shall be no more than one Member-At-Large elected from a Judicial District. Once a candidate is elected as a Member-At-Large of the Executive Committee, any other candidate residing in that Judicial District shall be disqualified and removed from any subsequent ballot.

9.3.6. **TIES.** If there is a tie in which two or more candidates have received the same number of votes of the voting members in which there is a majority and at least one party office remains to be filled, an instant run-off election shall occur, in which the candidates who tied shall be the only candidates on the ballot. If votes gained by candidates remain unchanged in two successive rounds of voting, then all those candidates shall be dropped from the ballot.

9.4. **SEATING OF NEW MEMBERS ON THE STATE COMMITTEE.** Members of the Libertarian Party chosen to fill vacancies on the State Committee shall not be allowed to participate in the meeting until acceptance of the quorum report of the Secretary by the State Committee and in particular may not nominate, speak, or vote in any contested election for filling additional vacancies.

### PROPOSAL 12 (P, P2, CA). Clarify rules for committees.

8.1. **GENERAL.** The State Committee shall have the power to create and dissolve standing or special committees and to appoint or remove their members and chair. The Chair may create special committees and appoint their members and chair.

8.2. **POWERS.** Unless determined otherwise by the State Committee, ~~the committee~~ chair of each standing and special committee shall have the power to appoint members and fill vacancies ~~unless such decisions are deferred to the committee or otherwise determined by the State Committee.~~

### PROPOSAL 13 (O, O2, Q3). Fix numbering, decrease terms, and clarify allowing for removal of County Contacts.

~~9.1.2.~~ 9.1.1. **COUNTY CONTACTS.** [...] The County Contact shall have a term of ~~six (6)~~ three (3) months, subject to renewal or removal by the State Committee. [...]

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### PROPOSAL 14 (R, AD, AE, AH, AJ, BR, BT, BW). Fix numbering, cleanup language, and fix grammar.

6.11.4.4. The time and place for all meetings of the Libertarian Party of New York shall be publicized in such a manner as to assure timely notice to all interested parties. This notice shall be provided by the Chair or the Chair's designee.

9.2.2. **AFFILIATION.** Upon a majority vote of the Executive Committee of the State Committee, the group that met the criteria in Article ~~10.3~~ 9.3 shall become an affiliated County Organization.

13.2. **CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS.** Libertarian Party candidates will be limited to ~~those people who are~~ enrolled members of the Libertarian Party except as provided in Article 14.

13.10.3. **VOTING BODY.** [...] The district alternate with the largest number of votes received and if equal then by lot, or if no alternate exists for the district, substitution with an alternates from another district [...]

14.4.4. ~~Notification Requirements.~~ **NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.** Any interested non-Libertarian Candidates must notify a recognized county organization or constituted county committee chair at least seven (7) days prior to the start of the petitioning period to be considered for authorization. Once notified of the interested candidate, the county chair must notify, within three (3) days, the Secretary of the sState eCommittee ~~seeretary~~ and the other county organization chairs or county committee chairs ~~who's~~ whose county is wholly or in part contained within the geographical boundaries of the office of the interested candidate.

[Article 19. Parliamentary Authority] Robert's Rules of Order (12th edition) shall govern all meetings of the State Committee and Executive Committee in so far as they are applicable and not inconsistent with these ~~r~~Rules.

21.2. These rules supersede and replace any document previously filed by the Party~~s~~ and shall remain in effect until such time that the State Committee of the Libertarian Party adopts new or amended Rules and files such Rules with the New York State Board of Elections. [...]

### PROPOSAL 15 (S, U). Cleanup language to avoid vague use of the terms "exist/existence."

9.2.3. **COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS CREATED BEFORE JANUARY 23, 2021.** [...]

otherwise they shall ~~cease-to-exist~~ have their affiliation automatically revoked on March 31, 2021. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall certify by a majority vote that such requirements have been met.

9.2.5.1. County Affiliates which submit the necessary documents to the Secretary before the deadline shall remain ~~in-existence~~ affiliated pending certification by the Executive Committee.

~~9.2.3.3.~~ 9.2.5.2. County Affiliates which submit the necessary documents within ten (10) days of the deadline and are denied certification by the Executive Committee shall remain ~~in-existence~~ affiliated for sixty (60) days after the deadline, after which they shall ~~cease-to-exist-no longer be~~ affiliated, unless the deficiencies preventing certification are rectified and documentation exhibiting this rectification is submitted to the Executive Committee to review.

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**PROPOSAL 16 (T). Cleanup language and fix to allow for revocation via Article 11.**

9.2.4. **COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS CERTIFIED BEFORE MARCH 31, 2021.** All County Organizations **affiliated and** certified prior to March 31, 2021 in accordance with Article 9.2.3 of these Rules shall continue to be affiliated with the Libertarian Party, **provided that no revocation of such affiliation is authorized by the State Committee in accordance with Article 11** ~~until March 31, 2022, in which they.~~ **All County Organizations** shall adopt or amend Rules that meet the requirements set forth in Article 9.3. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall certify by a majority vote that such requirements have been met, **otherwise they shall have their affiliation automatically revoked on March 31, 2022.**

**PROPOSAL 17 (AK). Readd language that was unintentionally removed.**

9.4.5. **ELECTION DISTRICT DELEGATES.** **The County Organization shall appoint no more than two (2) enrolled members of the Libertarian Party to represent each Election District in their county.** [...]

**PROPOSAL 18 (V). Simplify by merging sections into one paragraph.**

9.5. **CONSTITUTED COUNTY COMMITTEES.** ~~9.5.1.~~ When the number of Election District delegates elected at primary is sufficient to meet Election Law requirements, and an organization<sup>al</sup> meeting is held, the County Affiliate shall be referred to as a Libertarian County Committee. No County Committee shall be recognized unless elected, organized, and constituted in accordance with the Election Law. ~~9.5.2. County Committee Rules.~~ County Committees shall adopt rules that are consistent with these Rules and Election Law.

**PROPOSAL 19 (BE). Clarify the title of the article and require a hearing to held in the case of abandonment of all positions.**

**Article 11. Removal of Party Officers and Revoking County Affiliation**

11.1.1. Affiliation with a County Organization may be revoked in accordance with this article; ~~except in cases in which all officers of a County Organization have vacated their positions, the State Committee shall have the authority to revoke affiliation of a County Organization by majority vote.~~

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### PROPOSAL 20 (Z, AP, BQ). Cleanup language and require notice of hearing to involved parties.

11.2.3. **HEARINGS.** Hearings approved in Article 11.2.1 and Article 11.2.2. shall be ~~held~~ initiated within thirty (30) days upon approval and may be held by teleconference. If a hearing is not ~~held~~ initiated within thirty (30) days, the matter is dismissed without prejudice, and any new hearing requires a new request as provided in Article 11.2.1. The individuals subject to removal or the officers of the County Organization subject to revocation shall be notified of the hearing within ten (10) days after approval of the hearing. In the case of a hearing to revoke the affiliation of a County Affiliate due to the abandonment of all officer positions, the individuals to be notified shall be the most recent to hold each officer position.

### PROPOSAL 21 (AA, BD, CB). Split “Cause for Removal” into relevant removal/revocation sections.

11.3. **CAUSE FOR REMOVAL.** In general, disloyalty to the party and corruption in office are grounds for removal. The following are some specific grounds upon which a hearing should be called, and if substantiated, are grounds for removal of the officer or officers involved. This list is non-exhaustive.

11.4. **CAUSE FOR REVOCATION.** The State Committee shall monitor the qualifications and actions of the affiliated County Organizations. The affiliation of a County Affiliate may be revoked following a hearing in accordance with this article. The following are some specific grounds upon which a hearing should be called, and if substantiated, are grounds for revocation of the affiliation. This list is non-exhaustive.

~~11.3.1.~~ 11.4.1. The failure to adopt County Rules consistent with ~~Article 10~~ these Rules.

~~11.3.3.~~ 11.4.2. The failure to hold timely meetings open to all voters enrolled in the Libertarian Party.

~~11.3.11.~~ 11.4.3. Any failure to convene under Article 14 ~~occurs~~.

11.4.4. The failure to hold a convention or organization meeting for the purpose of electing officers in accordance with their County Rules.

11.4.5. The abandonment of all officer positions.

~~11.4.~~ 11.5. **ABANDONMENT OF POSITION.** [...]

~~11.5. The list provided in Article 11.3 is non-exhaustive.~~

Renumber 11.3.1 through 11.3.10 to 11.3.1 through 11.3.8

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### PROPOSAL 22 (AB, AC, BK). National Convention Delegates. Clean up article, include alternate delegates, manner of selection of delegates, and timing of selection of delegates.

12.1. **AUTHORITY.** The selection of ~~d~~Delegates and Alternate Delegates to ~~the~~ Libertarian Party National Conventions shall be governed by the rules of the National Libertarian Party, these ~~r~~Rules ~~of the Libertarian Party~~, and the New York State Election Law. ~~The State Committee shall have the authority to decide in a timely manner a process to implement the selection of delegates to the Libertarian National Convention.~~

12.2. **ELIGIBILITY.** Each Delegates and each Alternate Delegate to Libertarian National Conventions must be enrolled members ~~in~~ of the Libertarian Party, a Bylaws Sustaining Member (BSM) of the National Libertarian Party, and a resident in the State of New York.

12.3. **SELECTION OF DELEGATES.** All Delegates and Alternate Delegates shall be selected at-large at a meeting of the State Committee in accordance with these Rules, except in cases in which a Presidential primary is held, the State Committee shall only select Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the Delegate and Alternate Delegate seats not reserved for the Congressional District Delegates as prescribed in Article 12.6.

12.4. **MANNER OF SELECTION OF AT-LARGE DELEGATES.** All At-Large Delegates and At-Large Alternate Delegates shall be selected by the State Committee in accordance with a rubric approved at a meeting of the State Committee. The rubric must provide criteria in order to rank At-Large Delegate and At-Large Alternate Delegate candidates in a line of succession. At-Large Delegates shall be selected in the order in accordance with the rubric until all the At-Large Delegate seats are filled. At-Large Alternate Delegates shall be selected in the order in accordance with the rubric until all the At-Large Alternate Delegate seats are filled. Vacancies shall be filled by selecting the next individual in the line of succession. The final list of Delegates and Alternate Delegates shall be ratified at a meeting of the State Committee.

12.5. **TIMING OF SELECTION OF DELEGATES.** At-Large Delegates and At-Large Alternate Delegates to Presidential Nominating Conventions shall be held one month before petitioning for the Presidential Primary Begins. During Non-Presidential Nominating Conventions, At-Large Delegates and At-Large Alternate Delegates shall be selected no later than three (3) months before the Libertarian National Convention.

#### ~~12.4. PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATING CONVENTIONS.~~

~~12.4.1.~~ 12.6. **CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT DELEGATES.** ~~At least o~~For Presidential Nominating Conventions, one (1) ~~d~~Delegate and one (1) Alternate Delegate from each New York State Congressional District is to be elected at the Presidential Primary in any year when such a primary takes place. ~~All remaining delegates are to be elected At-Large by the State Committee one month before petitions for the Presidential Primary begins. Vacancies shall be filled thereafter in accordance with Election Law.~~ When no such primary takes place or the primary is held within thirty (30) days before the Libertarian National Convention or later, ~~the full State Committee shall elect all delegates At-Large~~ all seats reserved for Congressional District Delegates shall become vacancies of At-Large Delegates and At-Large Alternate Delegates and shall be filled in accordance with these Rules.

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### PROPOSAL 22, continued

~~12.4.2.~~ 12.6.1. **DELEGATE SLATES.** All Presidential candidates filing petitions of nomination must choose and submit a slate of ~~d~~Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the Board of Elections in a timely manner. An enrolled member of the Libertarian Party may appear on the slate of ~~d~~Delegates and Alternate Delegates of more than one Presidential candidate. No person shall be listed on a slate of ~~d~~Delegates and Alternate Delegates without the person's permission.

~~12.4.3.~~ 12.6.2. Should an individual selected by the State Committee to be an At-Large ~~d~~Delegate or Alternate At-Large Delegate to the Libertarian National Convention then become a ~~New York State~~ Congressional District Delegate elected at the Presidential primary, the newly elected ~~New York State~~ Congressional District Delegate shall cease to be an At-Large ~~d~~Delegate or Alternate At-Large Delegate and the State Committee shall elect another individual to be the At-Large ~~d~~Delegate or Alternate At-Large Delegate.~~12.4.4.~~ 12.6.3. If the State Board of Elections has not certified the winner of a Presidential Primary and a corresponding slate of Congressional Delegates at least 30 days prior to the scheduled National Convention, the State Committee shall have the authority to select all delegates in a manner it determines is appropriate.

~~12.3.~~ 12.7. **PROHIBITION OF UNIT VOTING.** All ~~d~~Delegates shall be free to vote their conscience.

~~12.6. NON-PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATING CONVENTIONS. The State Committee shall have the authority to select all delegates in a manner it determines is appropriate no later than three (3) months before the National Convention.~~

### PROPOSAL 23 (AF, BV). Add language regarding Certificates of Authorization.

#### 14.1. NON-LIBERTARIAN CANDIDATES.

14.1.1. **GENERAL.** Anyone seeking to be the Libertarian Party's candidate in any subdivision in New York State who is not an enrolled member of the Libertarian Party must make a request for a Certificate of Authorization and will be subject to approval by the Executive Committee; as provided by these Rules and Election Law.

14.1.2. **CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORIZATION.** Only the Executive Committee, the State Committee, or a constituted county committee shall have the authority to approve certificates of authorization when such are required by Election Law. That authority shall not be transferred.

14.1.3. **OBJECTIONS.** After the approval of a Certificate of Authorization by the Executive Committee, no less than fifty percent (50%) of the members of the State Committee representing the Judicial District containing the office may submit objections by written or electronic means to the Secretary within forty-eight (48) hours after the approval of such Certificate of Authorization. In such a case, a Certificate of Authorization shall not be issued unless approved at a meeting of the full State Committee.

~~14.1.2.~~ 14.1.4. **STATEWIDE CANDIDATES.** Candidates not enrolled in the Libertarian Party shall never be given authorization or nomination to run for a statewide office.



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### PROPOSAL 24 (AG). Cleanup language and allow NYC to request CofAs.

14.4. **NON-LIBERTARIAN CANDIDATES IN MULTI-COUNTY DISTRICTS.** Where the geographic boundary of a public office other than statewide ~~or New York City-wide~~ crosses into counties where there is more than one County Affiliate in existence, then ~~nominations~~ selection of a non-enrolled libertarian to be a candidate for ~~a~~ that office shall be made by a majority weighted vote of the affected County Affiliates.

### PROPOSAL 25 (AL, AO). Cleanup and clarify language regarding the article on platform.

#### **Article 16. Platform**

~~Considerations of any proposed platform amendment shall be as follows:~~

**16.1. Any amendment to the Platform shall be considered in accordance with this article. Each paragraph shall be numbered in the Platform and shall be considered a plank.**

~~16.1.~~ **16.2.** Any amendment, addition, or deletion to the ~~platform~~ Platform shall be considered separately, ~~plank by plank~~. **No more than one plank shall be considered in the same motion.** Any such amendment must be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the State Committee members.

~~16.2.~~ **16.3.** All those planks which have been approved individually and only such planks shall then constitute the ~~platform~~ Platform which shall take effect as the **Platform of the** Libertarian Party ~~platform~~ when approved as a whole, by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the State Committee members.

~~16.3.~~ **16.4.** Amendments to the Platform shall be placed on the agenda of the full State Committee at least twice per year.

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**PROPOSAL 26 (AI, CD). Add language from Special Rules of order regarding amendments to Party Rules.**

~~20.2.~~ **20.1. SUBMISSION OF AMENDMENTS.** Amendments to these Rules must be submitted in writing to the Secretary at least ~~ten (10)~~ fifteen (15) days in advance of the meeting in which the amendments shall be voted upon. Such amendments and notice to the meeting in which the amendments are to be considered must be given in accordance with Election Law 2-114.

**20.2. CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS.** Only amendments that were submitted in accordance with Article 20.1 shall be considered.

**20.2.1. CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS BY THE RULES COMMITTEE.** At the meeting in which the submitted amendments shall be voted upon, the Rules Committee may, prior to the consideration of any other amendment, present the committee's report that includes any recommended amendments to the Party Rules. This report may include any motion to adopt amendments recommended by the Rules Committee, in part or in whole. Any motion to divide such motion or substitute an alternative amendment shall be in order, as long as such alternative was distributed in accordance with Election Law 2-114.

**20.2.2. CONSIDERATION OF OTHER AMENDMENTS.** Amendments not recommended by the Rules Committee shall be presented by the Secretary in the order they were received, alternating between different authors, if such authors are proposing multiple amendments, in the order that the Secretary received them.

~~20.1.~~ **20.3. VOTING ON AMENDMENTS.** ~~These rules may be amended by a majority vote of the full State Committee. An advanced notice of any proposed rules amendment, as specified by Election Law 2-114, is required.~~ Amendments to these Rules shall require a majority vote at a meeting of the full State Committee.

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### PROPOSAL 27 (CF). Strike Judicial Committee language and add note.

#### **Article 10. ~~Judicial Committee~~**

*[Entire text deleted July 18, 2021. This Article Number is reserved for future use, providing for investigation and resolution of internal disputes between Party Members]*

~~10.1. **ORGANIZATION.** The purpose of the Judicial Committee is to adjudicate disputes within the Libertarian Party and hear appeals of disciplinary decisions.~~

~~10.1.1. **COMPOSITION.** The Judicial Committee shall be composed of nine (9) members elected by the State Committee at the first meeting of the full State Committee following the organization meeting for a term of two (2) years. Each member must receive at least two-thirds (2/3) of the vote to be elected.~~

~~10.1.2. **ELIGIBILITY.** Members of the Judicial Committee must be enrolled Libertarians who are not members of the Executive Committee.~~

~~10.1.3. **OFFICERS.** The members of the Judicial Committee present at the first meeting of the State Committee subsequent to its election shall meet to elect a Chair, a Vice-Chair, and a Secretary.~~

#### ~~10.2. **MEETINGS.**~~

~~10.2.1. Meetings may be called by the State Committee for the purpose of conducting a hearing as described in Article 12.~~

~~10.2.2. Meetings may also be called for the purpose of issuing an opinion on a matter in dispute, by the Executive Committee or by a petition declaring the issue in dispute signed by at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the State Committee submitted to the Secretary or Chair of the Judicial Committee; the Chair of the Judicial Committee shall set the hour and location of any such meeting, which shall be held within thirty (30) days and may be held by teleconference, and the Secretary shall issue to the members the call of the meeting at least five (5) days in advance.~~

~~10.3. **QUORUM.** Quorum shall consist of five (5) members.~~

~~10.4. **VOTING.** The votes of the members of the Judicial Committee shall count equally. Opinions, dissents and concurrences issued by the Judicial Committee shall be signed by the members who support them.~~

~~10.5. **VACANCIES.** Vacancies on the Judicial Committee shall be filled by the State Committee. In the event that the Chair is not present or otherwise relinquishes the chair at a meeting, the Vice-Chair of the Judicial Committee shall preside. If neither the Chair nor the Vice-Chair is available, the Secretary shall preside. If neither the Chair nor the Vice-Chair nor the Secretary is available, the members present shall select a chair pro-tem to preside.~~

~~10.6. **REMOVAL OF MEMBERS.** Members of the Judicial Committee may be removed as outlined in the provisions of Article 12 by the full State Committee.~~

Prepared by the Rules Committee between February 18, 2021 and June 29, 2021.

Paul Grindle, Chair; Andrew Kolstee, Secretary; William Cody Anderson, Mark Braiman, James Dayton, Pietro Geraci, Mark Glogowski, Christopher Olenski, Lora Newell, and Gary Popkin, Members.

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**REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK  
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES  
FROM STATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR CONSIDERATION  
AT THE STATE COMMITTEE MEETING OF JULY 18, 2021  
AS OF JULY 9, 2021**

**DONNELLY AMENDMENT 1**

9.2.4. ~~OR 9.3.4.3. OR 9.2.5.3.~~ Any County Organization certified as having fulfilled all affiliation requirements at the time of its organization meeting, shall have the option not to adopt any new or additional affiliation requirements subsequently approved by the State Committee, in current or future session, for the duration of the given County Committee's term, notwithstanding any substantive changes to Election Law which necessitate more immediate compliance.

**O'CONNOR AMENDMENT 1**

11.1.2. Any state or county official of the Libertarian Party may be removed from office in accordance with this article and Article 2-116 of Election Law. Such officials include officers of a County Organization and members or officers of the State Committee, ~~or Executive Committee, or Judicial Committee.~~

**Strike the entirety of "Article 10. Judicial Committee"**

**Renumber accordingly all articles and section after Article 10.**

**DORDAL AMENDMENT 1**

10.1. **ORGANIZATION.** The purpose of the Judicial Committee is to mediate, investigate, and adjudicate disputes within the Libertarian Party of New York, and ~~hear appeals of disciplinary decisions, recommend disciplinary actions to the State Committee.~~

10.1.1. **COMPOSITION.** The Judicial Committee shall be composed of nine (9) members, and three (3) alternates, elected by the State Committee at the first meeting of the full State Committee following the organization meeting for a term of two (2) years. ~~Each member must receive at least two-thirds (2/3) of the vote to be elected.~~ Approval voting shall be used to elect members.

10.1.4. **TERMS OF OFFICE.** The members of the Judicial Committee shall serve their full two-year term and until the conclusion of the meeting at which their successors are elected.

**10.2. JUDICIAL PROCEDURE FOR RECOMMENDING ADJUDICATION OR DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

10.2.1. **COMPLAINT.** The Judicial Committee shall, upon receipt of a complaint against LPNY Members of County Affiliates, State Committee Members, Executive Committee members, or candidates start the notification and investigation. All complaints must include a claim that the accused violated state law, electoral law, Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York, or Rules of a County Affiliate, and/or that the actions caused harm to the party, its members or its governing structure.

10.2.2. **NOTIFICATION.** All parties involved in complaint shall be notified via certified mail or other reasonable and effective method of communication.

10.2.3. **INVESTIGATION.** The Judicial Committee, or a panel of three members appointed by the Judicial Chair conduct an investigation into the complaint collecting relevant evidence and testimony.

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Investigation should take no longer than 30 days but may be extended by majority vote if it is deemed necessary. Upon completion of the Investigation a report on the findings and recommendation of actions shall be prepared and approved by the majority of quorum of the Judicial committee.

**10.2.4. REPORT TO THE STATE COMMITTEE.** The approved report and any disciplinary recommendations shall be presented by the chair of the Judicial Committee and be voted on by the State Committee at the next State Committee Meeting. A majority of the State Committee quorum is needed for any disciplinary action. Should the State Committee deem further investigation is needed to adequately decide assess, the Judicial Committee can will be asked to continue the investigation with specific directives for up to another 30 days. All Parties will be notified within 10 days of the State Committee decision

**10.3. APPEAL OF STATE COMMITTEE DECISION.** Within 10 days of notification of the State Committee decision, any party may file, in writing via electronic or physical methods, for reconsideration of the decision to the Judicial Committee. Upon a Majority vote of the Judicial committee a new report and investigation may be completed within 20 days following procedure as outlined in 10.2.3 if reconsideration is deemed necessary by the Judicial Committee.

**10.3.1. DISMISSAL OF RECONSIDERATION.** The Judicial committee shall not take up reconsideration unless: Important and relevant information has surfaced which was not readily available during the initial investigation and reporting period prior to the State Committee decision; Clear evidence of undue influence or bias amongst the members of the State Committee; and/or Parties involved in the complaint were not properly and diligently informed of the investigation.

**10.4. MEDIATION AND ADJUDICATION PROCEDURE.**

**10.4.1. MEDIATION REQUEST.** The Judicial Committee, upon receipt of request for mediation or conflict resolution regarding applicable electoral law, county rules, LPNY rules or other internal regulations, by any LPNY Member of a County Affiliate, State Committee Member, Executive Committee member, or Libertarian candidate, shall appoint three of its members to facilitate the mediation process between the two, or more, parties.

**10.4.2. DURATION.** Mediation shall take no longer than 30 days during which time the appointed 3 member panel shall report back on the process to the remainder of the Judicial Committee.

**10.4.3. TRANSFER TO DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE.** Should during the course of mediation, a party is found to have committed actions detrimental to the party or in violation of laws or internal rules, the 3-panel committee shall refer the matter to the chair and follow the procedure as laid out in 10.2.

~~10.2.~~ **10.5. MEETINGS.**

**10.5.1.** An organizational meeting shall be held within 10 days of electing the Judicial Committee's members to elect the Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary of the committee.

**10.5.2.** Quarterly meetings shall be held regardless of whether any actions are required.

**10.5.3.** The filing of a complaint shall enact the requirement of a meeting to address the complaint within 14 days.

~~10.2.1. HEARINGS.~~ Meetings shall be called by the Chair of the Judicial Committee or one-third (1/3) of the Judicial Committee for the purpose of conducting a hearing as described in Article 11, if such hearing was referred to the Judicial Committee by a majority vote of the full State Committee. The hearing shall be held within thirty (30) days and may be held by teleconference, and the Secretary of the Judicial Committee shall issue to the members the call of the meeting at least five (5) days in advance.

~~10.2.2. OTHER MEETINGS.~~ Meetings may also be called for the purpose of issuing an opinion on a matter in dispute, by the Executive Committee or by a petition declaring the issue in dispute signed by at

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least twenty-five percent (25%) of the State Committee submitted to the Secretary of the State Committee or Chair of the Judicial Committee; the Chair of the Judicial Committee shall set the hour and location of any such meeting, which shall be held within thirty (30) days and may be held by teleconference, and the Secretary of the Judicial Committee shall issue to the members the call of the meeting at least five (5) days in advance.

10.3. **QUORUM.** Quorum shall consist of five (5) members.

10.4. **VOTING.** The votes of the members of the Judicial Committee shall count equally. Opinions, dissents and concurrences issued by the Judicial Committee shall be signed by the members who support them.

10.5. **VACANCIES.** Vacancies on the Judicial Committee shall be filled by the State Committee. In the event that the Chair is not present or otherwise relinquishes the chair at a meeting, the Vice Chair of the Judicial Committee shall preside. If neither the Chair nor the Vice Chair is available, the Secretary shall preside. If neither the Chair nor the Vice Chair nor the Secretary is available, the members present shall select a chair pro tem to preside.

10.6. **REMOVAL OF MEMBERS.** Members of the Judicial Committee may be removed by the full State Committee in accordance with Article 11 of these Rules.

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### REPORT OF THE PLATFORM COMMITTEE OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK FOR THE STATE COMMITTEE MEETING OF JULY 18, 2021 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE PLATFORM

#### **PROPOSED PLATFORM AMENDMENTS**

The Platform Committee proposes the following language to append to the Platform of the Libertarian Party of New York.

#### **Proposal #1. New Platform Plank Proposal A**

Motion to adopt the following platform plank:

**The Right to Decide** - Individuals and families have a right to decide for themselves all issues regarding their health, wealth, and safety.

#### **Proposal #2. New Platform Plank Proposal B**

Motion to amend the following platform plank and move to the end of the Platform:

~~While we defer to the national party on issues of national interest, and we defer to our candidates to offer specific policy proposals, we do so only so far as they do not conflict with the following principles:~~

We support the Platform of the National Libertarian Party, in addition to the following planks specific to New York State:

#### **Proposal #3. New Platform Plank Proposal C**

Motion to adopt the following platform plank:

**Eliminate taxation and regulation of cannabis for adults.** We support the full legalization of cannabis and hemp products, including cultivation, processing, distribution, sales, possession, and transportation, without introducing any new taxes or licensing requirements.

#### **Proposal #4. New Platform Plank Proposal D**

Motion to adopt the following platform plank:

**Require that the legal age for any adult activity regulated by the state not exceed 18.** Once individuals are considered to have adequate judgment to vote and to serve on a jury or in the military, they should be considered to have sufficient judgment to decide their own purchase and use of alcohol, tobacco, firearms, and other potentially risky activities.

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### **Proposal #5. New Platform Plank Proposal E**

Motion to adopt the following platform plank:

**Maintain the greatest possible degree of local autonomy during emergencies.** Government responses to extended emergencies, including pandemics, should be as localized as possible. One-size-fits-all solutions have little benefit for sparsely populated regions in much of the state.

### **Proposal #6. New Platform Plank Proposal F**

Motion to adopt the following platform plank:

**Maintain due process during extended emergencies.** Any response to an emergency at the state level must be enacted by the Legislature following extensive committee hearings, not by Executive Orders, and should expire when the emergency declaration expires. The State should be held liable for damages to persons or businesses, that are caused by emergency rules that have not been subject to a deliberative legislative process.

### **Proposal #7. New Platform Plank Proposal G**

Motion to adopt the following platform plank:

**Protect personal freedoms during emergencies.** We oppose the violation of First Amendment rights of free association and human interaction associated with lockdowns and stay-at-home orders during government-declared emergencies. We respect the diversity of values; people who wish to engage in commerce, worship, and social interaction should be free to individually assume the associated risks of such action. We believe government decrees intended to enforce healthy behavior erase personal responsibility. The continued use of emergency powers to make and enforce such decrees habituates society away from personal responsibility, which will gradually erode our liberties.

### **Proposal #8. New Platform Plank Proposal H**

Motion to adopt the following platform plank:

**Increase choices and eliminate barriers in education.** We support parents' rights to send their children to any school of their choosing, whether public, private, or charter. We furthermore support eliminating barriers to alternative educational options, such as vocational training and homeschooling.



## Exhibit 12

### PETITION TO THE NEW YORK STATE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

#### PLEA TO CHANGE THE STATUTE CONTROLLING POLITICAL PARTY OFFICIAL RECOGNITION

The election law statutes deliberately create an unfair disadvantage to fledgling independent political parties. The criteria Independent Parties must meet are not only unconstitutional on the surface, but are also illogical. 150,000 votes or more must be cast for an 'independent' gubernatorial candidate on the independent party's ballot line. There is no requirement for the party to have any enrolled members, nor to have any kind of structure, nor to have ever held a meeting, nor to have the purpose, principles, or object of the party defined by any document. Effectively, the statute has allowed the formation of sham shadow parties, created with no political substance, and no membership. This happened in two cases in the 2014 election where the two large parties formation if two sham parties represents a blatant abuse of power by the two major parties.

**Therefore, whereas** the current statute requires 1) an independent political party to receive 150,000 votes or more for their gubernatorial candidate before it will be recognized as an official political party in New York State, and 2) the independent party's gubernatorial candidate does not have to be affiliated with the independent party, and 3) the independent party is not required to have any members enrolled in the party, and 4) these conditions often result in the cross endorsement of the large political party's candidate, thereby eliminating the need for any third party to have a political organizational structure, and

**Whereas**, the independent party (independent nominating body) must collect not 3 times, but 9 times the number of signatures, or more, on a nominating petition required on the corresponding petition filed by an officially recognized political party, and

**Whereas**, the time period for collecting an independent party's petition signatures commences after the recognized parties have finished collecting their signatures and have started campaigning, and

**Whereas**, the two large parties willingly abused the system in 2014, creating two shadow parties comprising just 11 and 12 members each, and where those parties have no bylaws posted, and their practice is to just 'cross endorse' candidates of the major parties,

**Therefore**, be it resolved that because the current Election Law statutes are no longer acceptable to the undersigned citizens of NYS.

**We, the undersigned**, hereby petition the Legislature of New York State to change the statute concerning how an independent political party is formally recognized by the Board of Elections, and request the following criteria be adopted:

- 1) The present criteria concerning the official recognition of a state level political party be abandoned.
- 2) State and County Board of Elections accurately record the enrollment of voters in the political entity of their choice, no matter how small.
- 3) It be a requirement that any political entity desiring to be recognized as an official state wide Political Party in New York State submit to the Board of Elections a set of Rules approved at an annual or inaugural convention of the members of the political entity, and which such Rules define at a minimum the a) purpose of the party, b) the political principles that the party embraces that make the party different from an existing party, c) the offices of the party, and d) the requirement the members to be members of that political party only.
- 4) The Rules of the party are to be made publicly available.
- 5) After filing said Rules, when the political entity has no less than 15,000 registered voters enrolled in their party and registered at the Board of Elections for a period of more than one year, the entity become automatically an officially recognized political party. (Thus, removing the requirement that a gubernatorial or presidential candidate be run.)

To this end, the following have put their signature and printed their name and address in the hopes the NYS Legislature will address and rectify the problem in the manner proposed.

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