

**MINUTES OF THE STATE COMMITTEE
OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK
HELD ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2021
COLLEGIAN HOTEL & SUITES
1060 EAST GENESEE STREET, SYRACUSE, NY 13210
AND ON THE ZOOM MEETING APP AND PORCUPINE APP**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lisa D. Gansky, Judicial District 1
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
Brian L. Wells, Judicial District 4
Rachel E. Becker, Judicial District 5
Patricia M. Berthod, Judicial District 5
Milva E. Dordal, Judicial District 5
Shawn Hannon, Judicial District 5
Craig A. Miles, Judicial District 5
Mark S. Braiman, Judicial District 6
Craig L. Colwell, 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
Marc A. Smith, Judicial District 7
Erin M. Becker, Judicial District 8
Maura E. Botsford, Judicial District 8
Andrew M. Kolstee, Judicial District 8
Francis Law, Judicial District 8
Leonard E. Morlock, Judicial District 8
Michael R. Rebmman, Judicial District 8*
Jame J. VanDewalker, Judicial District 8
Duane J. Whitmer, Judicial District 8
Pietro S. Geraci, Judicial District 9
William K. Schmidt, Judicial District 9
Jeffrey J. Denecke, Jr., Judicial District 10
Gary L. Donoyan, Judicial District 10
Jonathan H. Gunther, 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
Susan B. Overeem-Cummings, Judicial District 13
Paul M. Grindle, Member-At-Large, Exec. Comm.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mark N. Axinn, Judicial District 1
Alycya K. Miller, Judicial District 1
Gilbert L. Midonnet, Judicial District 2
Matthew I. Morgan, Judicial District 2
Gary S. Popkin, Judicial District 2
Stacey H. Prussman, Judicial District 2
Todd G. Haggerty, Judicial District 3
Zachary D. Remian, Judicial District 4
David E. Fite, Judicial District 5
Jeffrey C. Bradley, Judicial District 7
James P. Russell, Judicial District 7
Gerrit R. Cain, Judicial District 8
Daniel P. Donnelly, Judicial District 9
Robert J. Greibesland, Judicial District 9
Anthony W. Pellegrino, Judicial District 9
George T. Ostrowski, Jr., Judicial District 10
Arthur F. Sintef, Judicial District 10
Michael A. Arcati, Judicial District 11
Fredy Omar Calvache, Judicial District 12
Enmanuel H. Torres, Judicial District 12

OBSERVERS

Timothy "TJ" Ferreira, Porcupine Administrator
Paul C. Sechrist, Porcupine Administrator
Theresa E. Gosart, Tioga County Chair
Juan R. Ayala, Orange County Member
Eric M. Cordova, Queens County Vice-Chair
Thomas A. Pinkhasov, Staten Island Treasurer
Justin N. Carman, Candidate for Credentials Comm.
Ilya Schwartzburg, Former Manhattan Chair
Caryn Ann Harlos, LNC Secretary (2018-2021)
Spike Cohen, 2020 Vice Presidential Candidate
Tasha Cohen
Justin Pelletier, Monroe County
Blake W. Nuckolls

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

The meeting was called to order at 10:17 a.m. by William Cody Anderson, Chair. The meeting stood at ease from 10:20 a.m. to 10:26 p.m.

The Credentials and Nominations Report (**Exhibit 1**) indicated that there were 66 voting members at the time the meeting was called to order due to the resignation of Eric Cooper on September 13, 2021 as a member from Judicial District 7 (**Exhibit 2**). 43 of 66 Members of the State Committee were present (27 in-person and 16 on Zoom) at the time of roll call; Jay Carr, Paul Grindle, Timothy O'Connor, and Angelo Veltri later entered the meeting.

The Chair issued opening remarks.

Motion by Pietro Geraci to adopt the **Special Rules of Order (Exhibit 3)** was seconded by Anthony D'Orazio and passed 30-1-1:

VOTES IN FAVOR (30)	Pietro Geraci	Thomas Quiter	Jay Carr
Erin Becker	Mark Glogowski	Marc Smith	Jeffrey Denecke
Rachel Becker	Jonathan Gunther	Jame VanDewalker	Lisa Gansky
Patricia Berthod	Shawn Hannon	Irwin Mark Weinblatt	Robert Glomboski
Maura Botsford	John Janes	Duane Whitmer	Paul Grindle
Mark Braiman	Karyn Keniry-Thompson	VOTES AGAINST (1)	Timothy O'Connor
Craig Colwell	Andrew Kolstee	Robert Arrigo	Christopher Olenski
Gabrielle Cordova	Francis Law	ABSTENTIONS (1)	Susan Overeem-Cummings
Anthony D'Orazio	Craig Miles	Brandon Lyon	Michael Rebmann
James Dayton	Leonard Morlock	DID NOT VOTE (16)	William Schmidt
Gary Donoyan	Lora Newell	William Cody Anderson	William VanHelmond
Milva Dordal	Sean Phelan	Steven Becker	Angelo Veltri
Angela Einwachter	Richard Purtell	Richard Bell	Brian Wells

The meeting stood at ease from 10:45 a.m. to 10:47 a.m.

Lora Newell issued a Treasurer's Report in writing. The **Treasurer's Report (Exhibit 4)** was accepted without objection.

Motion by Mark Braiman to **adopt the Agenda (Exhibit 5)** was seconded by Thomas Quiter and passed without objection.

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 Thomas Quiter and passed without objection.

Jeffrey C. Bradley, nominated by Anthony D'Orazio to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 7
Michael R. Rebmann, nominated by Duane J. Whitmer to fill a vacancy in Judicial District 8

The Chair opened the floor to nominations to fill the vacancy in Judicial District 1. No candidates were nominated. The Chair opened the floor to additional nominations to fill the vacancy in Judicial District 7. Steven Becker nominated Justin Pelletier and he was ineligible for the nomination. No additional candidates were nominated. Anthony D’Orazio spoke on the candidacy of Jeffrey Bradley.

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

Candidate (vote for 1)	Votes	Percentage
Jeffrey Bradley	31	86.11%
NOTA	5	13.89%
Total Votes	36	100.00%
Total Voters	36	

Jeffrey Bradley was elected to fill the vacancy in Judicial District 7 on the State Committee.

The Chair opened the floor to additional nominations to fill the vacancy in Judicial District 8. Sean Phelan nominated Mark Potwora and he accepted the nomination. Michael Rebmann spoke on his candidacy.

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

Candidate (vote for 1)	Votes	Percentage
Michael Rebmann	28	71.80%
Mark Potwora	10	25.64%
NOTA	1	2.56%
Total Votes	39	100.00%
Total Voters	39	

Michael Rebmann was elected to fill the vacancy in Judicial District 8 on the State Committee.

Secretary Andrew Kolstee issued a Credentials and Nominations report (**Exhibit 1**). The following individuals were submitted to the Secretary to fill the positions of the Libertarian Party of New York’s Representative and Alternate Representative to the 2022 Libertarian National Convention Platform Committee and the Representative and Alternate Representative to the 2022 Libertarian National Convention Platform Committee and accepted their nominations.

Motion by Andrew Kolstee to **enter the following candidates into nomination** was seconded by Sean Phelan and passed without objection.

Justin N. Carman, nominated by Craig L. Colwell for Credentials Committee Representative
Mark E. Glogowski, nominated by Mark E. Glogowski for Credentials Committee Alt. Rep.
Kathleen D. Glogowski, nominated by Mark E. Glogowski for Credentials Committee Alt. Rep.
Juan R. Ayala, nominated by Pietro S. Geraci for Platform Committee Representative
Mark S. Braiman, nominated by Pietro S. Geraci for Platform Committee Representative
Mark E. Glogowski, nominated by Mark E. Glogowski for Platform Committee Representative
Theresa E. Gosart, nominated by Gary L. Donoyan for Platform Committee Representative
Paul M. Grindle, nominated by Andrew M. Kolstee for Platform Committee Representative
Justin M. Pelletier, nominated by William Cody Anderson for Platform Committee Representative
Pietro S. Geraci, nominated by Mark S. Braiman for Platform Committee Alternate Representative

Justin Pelletier was deemed ineligible and removed from nomination. The Chair opened the floor to additional nominations for Credentials Committee Representative. No additional candidates were nominated. Justin Carman spoke on his candidacy.

In the first round of voting for the position of Representative to 2022 Libertarian National Convention Credentials Committee, the results were as follows:

Candidate (vote for 1)	Votes	Percentage
Justin Carman	34	97.14%
NOTA	1	2.86%
Total Votes	35	100.00%
Total Voters	35	

Justin Carman was elected to the position of Representative to the 2022 Libertarian National Convention Credentials Committee.

The Chair opened the floor to additional nominations for Credentials Committee Alternate Representative. No additional candidates were nominated. Kathleen Glogowski withdrew as a candidate. Mark Glogowski spoke on his candidacy.

In the first round of voting for the position of Alternate Representative to 2022 Libertarian National Convention Credentials Committee, the results were as follows:

Candidate (vote for 1)	Votes	Percentage
Mark Glogowski	40	97.56%
“Columbian” (write-in)	1	2.44%
NOTA	0	0.00%
Total Votes	41	100.00%
Total Voters	41	

Mark Glogowski was elected to the position of Alternate Representative to the 2022 Libertarian National Convention Credentials Committee.

The Chair opened the floor to additional nominations for Platform Committee Representative. No additional candidates were nominated. Mark Braiman spoke on his candidacy. Mark Glogowski spoke on his candidacy. Theresa Gosart spoke on her candidacy. Paul Grindle spoke on his candidacy. Juan Ayala spoke on his candidacy.

In the first round of voting for the position of Representative to 2022 Libertarian National Convention Platform Committee, the results were as follows:

Candidate (vote for 1)	Votes	Percentage
Paul Grindle	13	32.50%
Mark Braiman	11	27.50%
Theresa Gosart	7	17.50%
Mark Glogowski	6	15.00%
Juan Ayala	3	7.50%
NOTA	0	0.00%
Total Votes	40	100.00%
Total Voters	40	

No candidate was elected to the position of Representative to 2022 Libertarian National Convention Platform Committee. Juan Ayala was dropped from the ballot.

In the second round of voting for the position of Representative to 2022 Libertarian National Convention Platform Committee, the results were as follows:

Candidate (vote for 1)	Votes	Percentage
Paul Grindle	16	44.44%
Mark Braiman	11	30.56%
Theresa Gosart	7	19.44%
Mark Glogowski	2	5.56%
NOTA	0	0.00%
Total Votes	36	100.00%
Total Voters	36	

No candidate was elected to the position of Representative to 2022 Libertarian National Convention Platform Committee. Mark Glogowski was dropped from the ballot.

In the third round of voting for the position of Representative to 2022 Libertarian National Convention Platform Committee, the results were as follows:

Candidate (vote for 1)	Votes	Percentage
Mark Braiman	17	42.50%
Paul Grindle	16	40.00%
Theresa Gosart	7	17.50%
NOTA	0	0.00%
Total Votes	40	100.00%
Total Voters	40	

No candidate was elected to the position of Representative to 2022 Libertarian National Convention Platform Committee. Theresa Gosart was dropped from the ballot.

In the fourth round of voting for the position of Representative to 2022 Libertarian National Convention Platform Committee, the results were as follows:

Candidate (vote for 1)	Votes	Percentage
Mark Braiman	22	51.16%
Paul Grindle	18	41.86%
NOTA	2	4.65%
“Anyone but Mark Potwora” (write-in)	1	2.33%
Total Votes	43	100.00%
Total Voters	43	

Mark Braiman was elected to the position of Representative to the 2022 Libertarian National Convention Platform Committee.

Juan Ayala, Mark Glogowski, Paul Grindle, and Theresa Gosart, having lost the election for Representative to the 2022 Libertarian National Platform Committee, were entered into nomination for Alternate Representative to the 2022 Libertarian National Platform Committee. Pietro Geraci spoke on his candidacy.

In the first round of voting for the position of Representative to 2022 Libertarian National Convention Platform Committee, the results were as follows:

Candidate (vote for 1)	Votes	Percentage
Paul Grindle	22	56.41%
Theresa Gosart	8	20.51%
Pietro Geraci	4	10.26%
Mark Glogowski	4	10.26%
“Dulap Nelson” (write-in)	1	2.56%
Juan Ayala	0	0.00%
NOTA	0	0.00%
Total Votes	39	100.00%
Total Voters	39	

Paul Grindle was elected to the position of Alternate Representative to the 2022 Libertarian National Convention Platform Committee.

The meeting stood at ease from 11:42 a.m. to 11:56 a.m.

Local Affiliate Development Committee Chair Robert Arrigo issued a report. The committee has continued to focus on developing unorganized counties and training counties to build up their local affiliates. One of the next trainings will be focused on petitioning. The report was adopted without objection.

IT Committee Chair Andrew Kolstee issued a report. The website continues to be updated and LPNY emails are available. A new guide for setting up the LPNY emails is up on the party resources. There are over 11,000 contacts on the email list. The report was adopted without objection.

Legislative Affairs Committee Chair Richard Purtell issued a report. He recognized the members of the committee: Eric Cooper, Thomas Quiter, James Dayton, Lyza Feint, Paul Grindle, Christopher Olenski, William VanHelmond, and Timothy O’Connor. The committee is preparing

for next year. One concern is right to farm laws may be an issue next year. The report was adopted without objection.

Candidate Support Committee Chair Duane Whitmer issued a report. The committee is working on researching areas where there were races unopposed. In Genesee County, 80% of the races were unopposed. The committee is focused on more winnable races. Robert Arrigo added the importance of school board races. Mark Braiman added a point about having multi-candidate petitions to help the petitioning effort. The report was adopted without objection.

Public Engagement Committee Chair Anthony D'Orazio issued a report. The Libertarian Party of New York's booth at the New York State Fair was fully staffed throughout the two-event. The committee has also issued several press releases, many of them focused on mandates. Some members were added to the committee, including Jeffrey Denecke, who has been working on writing press releases. A volunteer is needed to chair the Youth Outreach Subcommittee. Lisa Gansky was recognized for her work managing the Twitter account. He also talked about numerous Libertarians attending community events, meetings, and protests, and encourage more people to get involved with such engagement. Angela Einwachter suggested creating a master calendar. The report was adopted without objection.

Fundraising Committee Co-Chair Gabrielle Cordova issued a report. Attendees, donors, and organizers were recognized. Nearly \$21,000 was raised with an expected profit of \$8,000. The report was adopted without objection.

Rules Committee Chair Paul Grindle issued a report in writing (**Exhibit 6**). The report was adopted without objection.

Platform Committee Chair Karyn Thompson issued a report. The committee has held one meeting so far since Mark Braiman's resignation as Chair. The report was adopted without objection.

Special Committee on the Judicial Committee Chair Milva Dordal issued a report. A proposal was sent to the Rules Committee for review.

The meeting stood in recess from 12:30 p.m. to 1:34 p.m.

Spike Cohen addressed the assembly.

Lunch speaker Caryn Ann Harlos addressed the assembly.

The meeting resumed at 1:34 p.m. 37 of 66 Members of the State Committee were present at the time of roll call; Steven Becker, Maura Botsford, Jeffrey Denecke, Gary Donoyan, Craig Miles, Leonard Morlock, William VanHelmond, and Duane Whitmer later entered the meeting. Erin Becker, Rachel Becker, and Susan Overeem-Cummings did not enter the meeting for the remainder of business.

Special Committee on Non-Primary State Committee Elections Chair Andrew Kolstee issued a report. The committee's work, conclusions, and proposed rules amendments were presented.

2022 National Convention Delegate Selection Committee Co-Chairs Anthony D'Orazio and Lora Newell issued a report in writing (**Exhibit 7**).

Tasha Cohen addressed the assembly.

Motion by Andrew Kolstee to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party by adopting the recommendations of the Special Committee on Non-Primary Elections of the State Committee (Exhibit 8)** was seconded by Lora Newell. Milva Dordal **objected to the consideration of the question**. Milva Dordal's objection to the question was not sustained 10-26-2:

VOTES IN FAVOR (10)

Maura Botsford
Gary Donoyan
Angela Einwachter
Robert Glomboski
Jonathan Gunther
Francis Law
Sean Phelan
William Schmidt
Irwin Mark Weinblatt
Duane Whitmer

VOTES AGAINST (26)

Robert Arrigo

Patricia Berthod
Mark Braiman
Jay Carr
Craig Colwell
Gabrielle Cordova
Anthony D'Orazio
Jeffrey Denecke
Milva Dordal
Lisa Gansky
Pietro Geraci
Mark Glogowski
Paul Grindle
John Janes

Karyn Keniry-Thompson
Andrew Kolstee
Craig Miles
Leonard Morlock
Lora Newell
Richard Purtell
Michael Rebmann
Marc Smith
Jame VanDewalker
William VanHelmond
Angelo Veltri
Brian Wells
ABSTENTIONS (2)

James Dayton
Timothy O'Connor
DID NOT VOTE (10)
William Cody Anderson
Erin Becker
Rachel Becker
Steven Becker
Richard Bell
Shawn Hannon
Brandon Lyon
Christopher Olenski
Susan Overeem-Cummings
Thomas Quiter

Motion by Pietro Geraci to **postpone consideration of the amendment until after all other proposed amendments to the Rules of the Libertarian party have been considered** was seconded by Milva Dordal, debated, and failed 13-22-3:

VOTES IN FAVOR (13)	Duane Whitmer	Karyn Keniry-Thompson	Sean Phelan
Richard Bell	VOTES AGAINST (22)	Andrew Kolstee	William VanHelmond
Maura Botsford	Robert Arrigo	Francis Law	DID NOT VOTE (10)
Milva Dordal	Mark Braiman	Lora Newell	William Cody Anderson
Pietro Geraci	Jay Carr	Richard Purtell	Erin Becker
Mark Glogowski	Craig Colwell	Michael Rebmann	Rachel Becker
John Janes	Gabrielle Cordova	William Schmidt	Steven Becker
Craig Miles	Anthony D'Orazio	Marc Smith	Patricia Berthod
Leonard Morlock	Angela Einwachter	Jame VanDewalker	Jeffrey Denecke
Timothy O'Connor	Lisa Gansky	Angelo Veltri	Gary Donoyan
Christopher Olenski	Robert Glomboski	Brian Wells	Shawn Hannon
Thomas Quiter	Paul Grindle	ABSTENTIONS (3)	Brandon Lyon
Irwin Mark Weinblatt	Jonathan Gunther	James Dayton	

The original motion to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party by adopting the recommendations of the Special Committee on Non-Primary Elections of the State Committee (Exhibit 8)** was debated and passed 28-5-2:

VOTES IN FAVOR (28)	Andrew Kolstee	Duane Whitmer	DID NOT VOTE (13)
Robert Arrigo	Francis Law	VOTES AGAINST (5)	William Cody Anderson
Richard Bell	Craig Miles	Anthony D'Orazio	Erin Becker
Maura Botsford	Leonard Morlock	Milva Dordal	Rachel Becker
Mark Braiman	Lora Newell	Angela Einwachter	Steven Becker
Jay Carr	Sean Phelan	Pietro Geraci	Patricia Berthod
Gabrielle Cordova	Michael Rebmann	Christopher Olenski	Jeffrey Denecke
Gary Donoyan	William Schmidt	ABSTENTIONS (2)	Lisa Gansky
Mark Glogowski	Marc Smith	Craig Colwell	Shawn Hannon
Robert Glomboski	Jame VanDewalker	James Dayton	Brandon Lyon
Paul Grindle	William VanHelmond		Timothy O'Connor
Jonathan Gunther	Angelo Veltri		Susan Overeem-Cummings
John Janes	Irwin Mark Weinblatt		Richard Purtell
Karyn Keniry-Thompson	Brian Wells		Thomas Quiter

Motion by Mark Braiman to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party by adopting Braiman Amendment 1 (Exhibit 9)** was seconded by Mark Glogowski, debated, and failed 11-19-5:

VOTES IN FAVOR (11)	Duane Whitmer	Karyn Keniry-Thompson	James Dayton
Richard Bell	VOTES AGAINST (19)	Andrew Kolstee	Milva Dordal
Maura Botsford	Robert Arrigo	Francis Law	Jonathan Gunther
Mark Braiman	Jay Carr	Leonard Morlock	Marc Smith
Pietro Geraci	Craig Colwell	Lora Newell	Angelo Veltri
Mark Glogowski	Gabrielle Cordova	Christopher Olenski	DID NOT VOTE (13)
Paul Grindle	Anthony D'Orazio	Michael Rebmann	William Cody Anderson
Craig Miles	Gary Donoyan	Jame VanDewalker	Erin Becker
Richard Purtell	Angela Einwachter	William VanHelmond	Rachel Becker
William Schmidt	Robert Glomboski	Irwin Mark Weinblatt	
Brian Wells	John Janes	ABSTENTIONS (5)	

Motion by Andrew Kolstee to **amend the Rules of the Libertarian Party by adopting Kolstee Amendment 1 (Exhibit 9)** was seconded by Robert Arrigo and passed 28-4-0:

VOTES IN FAVOR (28)	John Janes	Irwin Mark Weinblatt	Steven Becker
Robert Arrigo	Karyn Keniry-Thompson	Brian Wells	Patricia Berthod
Richard Bell	Francis Law	Duane Whitmer	Craig Colwell
Maura Botsford	Craig Miles	VOTES AGAINST (4)	Jeffrey Denecke
Mark Braiman	Leonard Morlock	Anthony D’Orazio	Lisa Gansky
Jay Carr	Lora Newell	Gary Donoyan	Shawn Hannon
Gabrielle Cordova	Richard Purtell	Mark Glogowski	Andrew Kolstee
James Dayton	Thomas Quiter	Jonathan Gunther	Brandon Lyon
Milva Dordal	Michael Rebmann	ABSTENTIONS (0)	Timothy O’Connor
Angela Einwachter	William Schmidt	DID NOT VOTE (16)	Christopher Olenski
Pietro Geraci	Marc Smith	William Cody Anderson	Susan Overeem-Cummings
Robert Glomboski	Jame VanDewalker	Erin Becker	Sean Phelan
Paul Grindle	William VanHelmond	Rachel Becker	Angel Veltri

Motion by Mark Glogowski to **direct the Executive Committee to immediately file a lawsuit in New York State Supreme Court challenging the New York State constitutionality of Part ZZZ in the 2020-2021 budget** was seconded by Mark Braiman and debated. Ilya Schwartzburg spoke about the lawsuit without objection. The motion failed 6-27-4:

VOTES IN FAVOR (6)	Jeffrey Denecke	Richard Purtell	Christopher Olenski
Richard Bell	Gary Donoyan	Thomas Quiter	DID NOT VOTE (11)
Mark Braiman	Angela Einwachter	Michael Rebmann	William Cody Anderson
Craig Colwell	Pietro Geraci	Marc Smith	Erin Becker
Mark Glogowski	Jonathan Gunther	Jame VanDewalker	Rachel Becker
Robert Glomboski	John Janes	Angelo Veltri	Steven Becker
William Schmidt	Karyn Keniry-Thompson	Irwin Mark Weinblatt	Patricia Berthod
VOTES AGAINST (27)	Andrew Kolstee	Brian Wells	Maura Botsford
Robert Arrigo	Francis Law	Duane Whitmer	Lisa Gansky
Jay Carr	Brandon Lyon	ABSTENTIONS (4)	Shawn Hannon
Gabrielle Cordova	Craig Miles	Milva Dordal	Susan Overeem-Cummings
Anthony D’Orazio	Leonard Morlock	Paul Grindle	Sean Phelan
James Dayton	Lora Newell	Timothy O’Connor	William VanHelmond

Motion by Mark Glogowski to **rename the “Judicial Committee” to the “New York State Libertarian Party Grand Jury,” in the rules of which have been proposed by the committee chaired by Milva Dordal** failed due to lack of a second.

Motion by Andrew Kolstee to **adjourn** was seconded by Angela Einwachter and passed without objection.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

Andrew Martin Kolstee,
Secretary

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Credentials and Nominations Report of the Libertarian Party of New York for the State Committee Meeting of November 7, 2021

The State Committee of the Libertarian Party of New York consists of 69 according to their Judicial District. The following 66 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
- Lisa D. Gansky
- Alycya K. Miller
- *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
- Patricia M. Berthod
- Milva E. Dordal
- David E. Fite
- Shawn Hannon
- Craig A. Miles

Judicial District 6

- Mark S. Braiman
- Craig L. Colwell
- Timothy M. O'Connor
- Christopher M. Olenski
- Richard F. Purtell
- Thomas D. Quiter

Judicial District 7

- Steven G. Becker
- Anthony D'Orazio
- James M. Dayton
- Angela B. Einwachter
- Mark E. Glogowski
- Robert J. Glomboski
- Sean C. Phelan
- James P. Russell
- Marc A. Smith
- *VACANT*

Judicial District 8

- Erin M. Becker
- Maura E. Botsford
- Gerrit R. Cain
- Francis Law
- Andrew M. Kolstee
- Leonard E. Morlock
- Jame J. VanDewalker
- Duane J. Whitmer
- *VACANT*

Judicial District 9

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

Judicial District 10

- Jeffrey J. Denecke, Jr.
- Gary L. Donoyan
- Jonathan H. Gunther
- George T. Ostrowski, Jr.
- Arthur F. Sintef
- William C. VanHelmond
- Angelo E. Veltri

Judicial District 11

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

Judicial District 12

- Fredy Omar Calvache
- Enmanuel H. Torres

Judicial District 13

- Richard Bell
- Susan B. Overeem Cummings

Ex-Officio

- Paul M. Grindle

There are currently three (3) vacancies on the State Committee: one (1) vacancy in Judicial District 1, one (1) vacancy in Judicial District 7, and one (1) vacancy in Judicial District 8.

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NOMINATIONS FOR JUDICIAL DISTRICT VACANCIES (3 VACANCIES)

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

Judicial District 1 (1 vacancy)

- *No nominations yet.*

Judicial District 7 (1 vacancy)

- **Jeffrey C. Bradley**, nominated by **Anthony D’Orazio** (accepted nomination)

Judicial District 8 (1 vacancy)

- **Michael R. Rebmann**, nominated by **Duane J. Whitmer** (accepted nomination)

NOMINATIONS FOR 2022 NATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

The following names were submitted to the Secretary as candidates to for 2022 National Convention Credentials and Platform Committees.

Credentials Committee Representative

- **Justin Carman**, nominated by **Craig L. Colwell** (accepted nomination)
- *Eric M. Cordova*, nominated by *Pietro S. Geraci* (declined nomination)

Credentials Committee Alternate Representative

- **Mark E. Glogowski**, nominated by **Mark E. Glogowski** (accepted nomination)
- **Kathleen D. Glogowski**, nominated by **Mark E. Glogowski** (accepted nomination)

Platform Committee Representative

- **Juan R. Ayala**, nominated by **Pietro S. Geraci** (accepted nomination)
- **Mark S. Braiman**, nominated by **Pietro S. Geraci** (accepted nomination)
- **Mark E. Glogowski**, nominated by **Mark E. Glogowski** (accepted nomination)
- **Theresa E. Gosart**, nominated by **Gary L. Donoyan** (accepted nomination)
- **Paul M. Grindle**, nominated by **Andrew M. Kolstee** (accepted nomination)
- **Justin M. Pelletier**, nominated by **William Cody Anderson** (accepted nomination)

Platform Committee Alternate Representative

- **Pietro S. Geraci**, nominated by **Mark S. Braiman** (accepted nomination)

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Jeffrey C. Bradley – Candidate for State Committee, Judicial District 7

I appreciate the trust and confidence you have shown in me, and I gratefully accept the nomination to the state committee representing Judicial District #7. I'm sorry I can't be there in person today, however, be assured that I am deeply committed to growing the Libertarian Party in New York State.

In the past, I had always been one of those voters who just followed the politician with the (R) after their name. Then I met my partner, Jan, 6 years ago and other Libertarian friends. I was eventually introduced to Larry Sharpe, a man I came to admire and a candidate I wholeheartedly believe in. As many of you know, I've spent time traveling with Larry and served as one of his drivers on the Full Sharpe tours over the past four years. I began to see issues as not just political, but in a much more personal way affecting my life. I am a true classical liberal and small government Libertarian who agrees that "absolute power corrupts absolutely."

I have the privilege of working with an incredible local team, and we successfully organized our own Yates County LP affiliate earlier this month. We are looking forward to teaching and promoting Libertarian thought locally and supporting candidates within our community. The current two-party system is killing freedom, and we all need to find our inner rebel and make a difference. If Libertarians can change the political landscape in New York State, we can open doors throughout the country.

In Liberty,
Jeff Bradley

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Mark S. Braiman – Candidate for Platform Committee Representative

Mark Braiman. Madison County Libertarian Organization (Founding Chair, Feb.-June 2020); Treasurer (July 2020-present); LPNY State Committee (6th JD rep, Sept. 2020-present; Platform Committee May 2020-Sept. 2021, and chair of state Platform Committee Feb-Sep 2021).

My top priority on the LP National Platform Committee will be to help develop planks countering overreaching Federal COVID directives and mandates. In doing this I will contribute some rigorous scientific analysis based on my career (Professor of Chemistry at Syracuse University 1998-2021, now Emeritus; previously Assistant and Associate Professor of Biochemistry at University of Virginia Medical School 1988-98). I will also rely on plank wordings that the LPNY Platform Committee honed over many months, including “Maintain the greatest possible degree of local autonomy during emergencies;” “Maintain due process during extended emergencies;” and “Protect personal freedoms during emergencies.”

We also need specifically to protect young people’s freedom from government mandates, as well as their individual autonomy in decision-making regarding vaccines. Our LPNY Platform Committee developed an important starting point: “Require that the legal age for any government-regulated adult activity not exceed 18.” This specific wording was intended to imply that there should be some degree of legal autonomy of teens for some activities at an even younger age, especially those pertaining personal bodily autonomy and health care. I believe the LP National Platform should specifically include a new plank pertaining to a teen’s right to choose freely to be vaccinated with fully-FDA-approved vaccines (for example, against COVID, HPV, or, within a few years, HIV) at “some” age younger than 18, even without parental permission. I am not doctrinaire about choosing that vaccination autonomy age. On the National Platform Committee, I would start out advocating for some age between 11 and 16. I would also support a statement that such a choice can be made freely only if teens and pre-teens are not subject to vaccination indoctrination or mandates at government-regulated schools.

Finally, current National Platform plank 3.5 includes the following statement: “Economic freedom demands the unrestricted movement of human as well as financial capital across national borders.” This sentence should be deleted ASAP. Unlike some pie-in-the-sky LP aspirations, this one manages to alienate a huge number of voters firmly opposed to opening up our borders, while alienating others by appearing to focus on the right of corporations to import labor (“human...capital”), rather than on the rights of immigrants not to be treated as indentured servants. From my own Libertarian viewpoint, the worst aspect of our current immigration policy is that it enriches such corporate (including educational) immigrant sponsors, as well as immigration lawyers, at the expense of immigrants and American laborers. I support a new/old immigration plank like this: “All immigrants who enter the US legally, whether by visa or grant of refugee status, and who live here for five years continually without committing any criminal acts, should have a right to permanent resident status, untethered to any employer or educational institution; and should be able to gain this status via a simple 1-page application form, not requiring the help of any lawyer.” That’s all that my own grandparents Isaac and Bessie Braiman had to do to gain permanent residency in 1926, barely five years after arriving at Ellis Island.

If you share my views on these specific important National Platform items, please allow me to represent you on the LP National Platform Committee.

Report prepared by Andrew M. Kolstee, Secretary.

Exhibit 2

From: ecooper@lpny.org
Subject: Resignation from State Committee
Date: September 13, 2021 at 8:54 PM
To: canderson@lpny.org
Cc: akolstee@lpny.org



Cody,

I believe it is best for me to resign from the State Committee as I am unable to regularly attend and provide the effort and thoughtfulness it deserves. This resignation will be effective immediately.

I wish you all the best and great success in the future.

Best,
Eric

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Special Rules of Order of the Libertarian Party of New York for the State Committee Meeting of November 7, 2021

As adopted by the State Committee on November 7, 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. 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. **ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVES TO LIBERTARIAN NATIONAL CONVENTION CREDENTIALS AND PLATFORM COMMITTEES.**

Rule 5.1. Election of Representatives and Alternate Representatives to the Libertarian National Convention Credentials and Platform Committees shall be conducted in a manner similar to filling vacancies.

Rule 5.2. After the election of Representative to the Credentials or Platform Committees, the losing candidates shall have the option to be automatically entered into nomination as Alternate Representatives for the Credentials and/or Platform Committees.

Rule 6. **ADOPTION AND AMENDMENT OF PARTY RULES.**

Rule 6.1. All proposed amendments of the Party Rules must be submitted in accordance with this Rule and the Rules of the Libertarian Party.

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Rule 6.2. 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 6.3. 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 6.4. 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 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.

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.

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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 4

LPNY Treasurer's Report November 7, 2021

LPNY KEY BANK

Housekeeping Committee account balance as of 11.07.21: \$ 8,688.18

CC General account balance as of 11.07.21: \$38,142.54

Total cash on hand as of 11.07.21: \$ 46,830.72

Regular Expenses for October

Constant Contact: \$200.07

Grasshopper: \$33.05

Pre-approved expenses for October: \$ 3,163.30

Total Expenses for October: \$3,396.42

Fundraising results for October: \$11,159.84

Fundraising results year to date: \$42,450.54

Respectfully submitted,

Lora Newell

Treasurer

Exhibit 5

AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE STATE COMMITTEE OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2021

- 10:00 A.M. Call to Order / Roll Call (credentialling)
- 10:10 A.M. Opening Remarks by Chair
- 10:20 A.M. Adoption of Special Rules of Order
- 10:30 A.M. Treasurer's Report (Lora Newell)
- 10:40 A.M. Filling of Vacancies on the State Committee
- Judicial District 1 (1 vacancy)
 - Judicial District 7 (1 vacancy)
 - Judicial District 8 (1 vacancy)
- 11:10 A.M. Election of 2022 Libertarian National Convention Committee Reps
- National Credentials Committee Representative
 - National Credentials Committee Alternate
 - National Platform Committee Representative
 - National Platform Committee Alternate
- 12:00 P.M. Committee reports
- Local Affiliate Development Committee (Rob Arrigo)
 - IT Committee (Andrew Kolstee)
 - Legislative Affairs Committee (Rich Purtell)
 - Fundraising Committee (Gabrielle Cordova and Lora Newell)
 - Candidate Support Committee (Duane Whitmer)
 - Public Engagement Committee (Tony D'Orazio)
 - Rules Committee (Paul Grindle)
 - Platform Committee (Karyn Thompson)
 - Special Committee on the Judicial Committee (Millie Dordal)
 - Special Committee on Non-Primary State Committee Elections (Andrew Kolstee)
 - Special Committee on the 2022 National Convention Delegate Selection (Tony D'Orazio and Lora Newell)
- 12:30 P.M. Lunch break (speaker Caryn Ann Harlos)
- 1:30 P.M. Committee report (continued)
- 2:00 P.M. Consideration of Rules Amendments
- 4:00 P.M. Old business
- 4:30 P.M. New business
- 5:00 P.M. Adjournment

Exhibit 6

REPORT OF THE RULES COMMITTEE OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK

November 7, 2021

Previous Work

We adopted several rules at the State Committee meeting.

Current Work

Rules proposals for the Judicial Committee and Non-Ballot Access Primary process are coming into our committee shortly, and our primary work will be going through the language for those. There have been requests to join the Rules Committee, which we will be voting on. Dr. Glogowski has also proposed that the Rules Committee consider some specific changes to the currently existing Judicial Committee language.

Anticipated Schedule

I anticipate that our first meeting shall be within this month, and that the schedule we use onward will be determined by how far along we get in this first meeting.

Amendment Suggestions

Please send any and all rules questions, suggestions, ideas, or full proposals to either me or our heroic Secretary Kolstee, or to any of the committee's members. We would love to incorporate your proposals into our report so you don't have to arrange for the mailing and discussion on your own, unless of course you wish to. If you have any hot takes on our party's rules and wish to be added to the Rules Committee, please message me so I can propose your addition to the committee.

Exhibit 7

Selection Weighting for Delegates to the 2022 National Convention

- 1) EC Members
- 2) Elected Libertarians
- 3) Statewide Candidates/"Dignitaries"
- 4) Committee Chairs
- 5) State Committee Members
- 6) County Chairs
- 7) County Vice Chairs
- 8) County Officers

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REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON NON-PRIMARY ELECTIONS OF THE STATE COMMITTEE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE STATE COMMITTEE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 7, 2021

6.3. **ELECTION.** Members of the State Committee shall be elected by enrolled Libertarians at the primary elections in even-numbered years in accordance with Election Law. Members must reside in the Judicial District that they represent and shall be elected At-Large within that Judicial District. **[ADDED HYPHENS]**

6.3.1. **UNIT OF REPRESENTATION.** The unit of representation for the State Committee shall be the New York State Judicial District.

6.3.2. **REPRESENTATION.** Each Judicial District shall be entitled to two (2) voting members on the State Committee plus each of the following, except that the maximum number of State Committee members from a Judicial District shall be twelve (12) voting members. The party calls shall be filed in accordance with Election Law.

(a) ~~One~~ (1) additional voting member for every ~~four-hundred~~ six hundred (600) active enrolled Libertarians in the district, up to a maximum of five (5) members. The number of enrolled Libertarians shall be based on the New York State Board of Elections list as of the December 31 direct preceding the election of a State Committee. The Secretary shall request a list of enrolled Libertarians between January 1 and January 15 directly preceding the election of a State Committee.

(b) ~~and One~~ (1) additional voting member for every four thousand (4,000) votes for the most recent Libertarian Party candidate for Governor ~~Gubernatorial candidate~~ in the district, up to a maximum of five (5) members. ~~The maximum number of State Committee members from a Judicial District shall be twelve (12) voting members. [moved above]~~

6.4. **ELECTION ADMINISTERED BY THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY.** If at any time the Libertarian Party is ~~unable~~ not eligible to elect a new State Committee at a primary election under Election Law 2-106, the State Committee shall be elected in accordance with this section. ~~the current State Committee shall serve until a new State Committee is duly elected in the succeeding even-numbered year. In this case, the representation and manner of election of the State Committee shall be conducted in accordance with Article 6.4.2, instead of Article 6.3. The representatives must be registered voters enrolled in the Libertarian Party residing in the county which they represent.~~

~~6.4.2. **REPRESENTATION.** The State Committee shall consist of two representatives from each County Affiliate elected as provided in Article 6.4.3. This appointment shall be provided in writing to the Executive Committee no later than thirty (30) days prior to the organization meeting in order to be credentialed to vote at the 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.~~

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~~6.4.3. **SELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES.** Each County Affiliate shall elect two representatives at a meeting open to all enrolled Libertarians in their county. The names and addresses of the chosen representatives from each 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.~~

6.4.1. ELECTIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. An Elections Oversight Committee shall be constituted to oversee the election of a State Committee in accordance with this section.

6.4.1.1. SELECTION. The Elections Oversight Committee shall be elected at a meeting of the full State Committee and shall consist of the Chair of the State Committee and one (1) representative from each of thirteen (13) Judicial Districts. A quorum for a meeting of the Elections Oversight Committee shall be fifty percent (50%). The election shall be conducted in the same manner for Members-At-Large of the Executive Committee as provided in Article 9.3.5.2.

6.4.1.2. TERM. Members of the Elections Oversight Committee shall serve until the conclusion of the next Organization Meeting.

6.4.1.3. DUTIES. The Elections Oversight Committee shall accept petitions, conduct prima facie reviews, accept general and specific objections, hold hearings, certify the validity of petitions, make appointments of the Collector(s) and Mailer(s) of Ballots, determine the online platform for the primary for contested Judicial Districts, and any other duty as determined by the State Committee and these Rules.

6.4.1.4. APPOINTMENTS. The Elections Oversight Committee shall appoint Collector(s) and Mailer(s) of Ballots as they shall deem necessary.

6.4.1.3.1. COLLECTOR(S). The Collector(s) shall be responsible for receiving, processing, and posting petitions, objections, and substitutions in accordance with these Rules.

6.4.1.3.2. MAILER(S) OF BALLOTS. The Mailer(s) of Ballots shall be responsible for mailing ballots to enrolled Libertarians requesting such in contested Judicial Districts in accordance with these Rules.

6.4.2. SELECTION OF CANDIDATES.

6.4.2.1. PETITIONING. Candidates for State Committee shall be selected by the designating petitioning process in accordance with Election Law, except for the provisions in this section. The petitioning period shall be held during the timeframe established by the political calendar as published by the New York State Board of Elections.

6.4.2.2. SUBMISSION OF PETITIONS. Candidates for State Committee shall submit their petitions to the Collector(s) as determined by the Elections Oversight Committee. The Collector(s) shall receive, stamp, scan, and post the submitted petitions to a public website as determined by the Elections Oversight Committee. The Elections Oversight Committee shall conduct a prima facie review of the petitions and determine whether or not such petitions are valid.

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6.4.2.3. SUBMISSION OF OBJECTIONS TO PETITIONS. General objections and specifications to general objections must be mailed to the Collector(s) and the candidate by the deadline determined by the New York State Board of Elections and Election Law. The Collector(s) shall receive, stamp, scan, and post the submitted objections to a public website as determined by the Elections Oversight Committee. The Collector(s) shall furthermore notify the candidate(s) of the objection(s).

6.4.2.4. REVIEW OF PETITIONS AND OBJECTIONS. The Elections Oversight Committee shall meet at the Special Meeting held in person within the State of New York no later than eight (8) weeks prior to the date of the primary election as determined by the New York State Board of Elections and Election Law. The Elections Oversight Committee shall review the objections. A three-quarters (3/4) vote of the Elections Oversight Committee is required to invalidate a candidate petition.

6.4.2.5. DECLINATIONS AND SUBSTITUTIONS. The Elections Oversight Committee shall also process declinations and substitutions as provided by Election Law.

6.4.2.6. HEARINGS. The Elections Oversight Committee shall conduct a public hearing to be held in-person, in which they shall (a) announce their determination for each petition, (b) allow the objectors and candidates to challenge the committee's ruling, and (c) conduct an additional vote after each hearing for each petition in which their original determination was challenged.

6.4.2.7. ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS. The Elections Oversight Committee, upon adjournment of the Special Meeting, shall announce the results of their determinations by indicating the candidates who failed to obtain the requisite number of signatures, the candidates who won their election by default in the case of Judicial Districts with equal to or greater number of seats than candidates, and those candidates who will be contested by election in the case of Judicial Districts with fewer seats than candidates.

6.4.2.8. ELECTION FOR CONTESTED DISTRICTS. An election shall be held for Judicial Districts with fewer seats than candidates who successfully petitioned in accordance with these Rules.

6.4.2.8.1. METHOD. The election shall be conducted on an online platform as determined by the Elections Oversight Committee. The online platform shall be configured by the Elections Oversight Committee or its designee.

6.4.2.8.2. VOTERS. Only enrolled members of the Libertarian Party residing in the Judicial District are entitled to vote at the election for candidates for State Committee in their Judicial District.

6.4.2.8.3. REQUESTS OF BALLOTS. Voters shall begin requesting ballots the Tuesday immediately succeeding the Special Meeting of the Elections Oversight Committee. Voters must request a ballot in order to participate in the election. The online portal shall require the voter to provide their name, email address, their mailing address as it appears in the New York State Board of Elections records, county, and date of birth. A disclaimer shall be provided to indicate to voters that the purpose of the data is to confirm their identity with the information they provided to the New York State Board of Elections. Any ballot requests made two (2) weeks prior to the date of the primary election shall not be fulfilled.

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6.4.2.8.4. **MAILING OF BALLOTS.** The Elections Oversight Committee shall authenticate the identity of the voter. Once authenticated, the Mailer(s) of Ballots shall send a unique password by postal mail to each voter who requested a ballot with instructions for logging into the online voting portal. Postcards shall be mailed no earlier than six (6) weeks prior to the date of the primary election.

6.4.2.8.5. **SUBMISSION OF BALLOTS.** Ballots shall be submitted on the online portal as determined by the Elections Oversight Committee. The first day for voters to cast their votes shall be seven (7) days prior to the date of the primary election as determined by the New York State Board of Elections. The voting shall close on the date of the primary election at the time determined by the New York State Board of Elections.

6.4.2.8.6. **CERTIFICATION OF RESULTS.** The Elections Oversight Committee shall certify the results of the election.

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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 NOVEMBER 7, 2021**

BRAIMAN AMENDMENT 1

6.4.2.2.1 If, by one month prior to the start of petitioning period, the Election Oversight Committee proposes specific methods and the State Committee endorses and provides sufficient resources, then qualified electronic petition signers shall be permitted to submit signatures electronically for qualified announced electronically-petitioning candidates, or slates of candidates, for State Committee, consistent with the definitions and procedures below; and those electronic petition signatures that are valid under these Rules shall then be combined with hard-copy witnessed petition signatures to determine whether sufficient signatures have been collected.

6.4.2.2.2 The Election Oversight Committee shall post on a website the names of qualified announced electronically petitioning candidates and slates, preferably the same website they use for other announcements. Any announcement of the availability of paid electronic petition signing must also prominently advertise that use of this procedure is optional, and must furthermore succinctly describe the alternative free hard-copy petitioning process provided under these Rules and State Law.

6.4.2.2.3 In addition to the usual qualifications, qualified announced electronically petitioning candidates and slates shall be limited to those who have paid a fee to the Libertarian Party of New York, the amount of such fee to be set by the Election Oversight Committee and not to exceed \$50 for an individual candidate nor \$200 for a slate of up to ten candidates; and this amount having been approved by the State Committee, and announced and advertised at least two weeks prior to the start of petition gathering period.

6.4.2.2.4 The Election Oversight Committee may allow submission of electronic petition signatures from qualified electronic petition signers, using any or all of the following methods that, in the judgement of the Election Oversight Committee, can be implemented reliably and at reasonable cost and effort: (a) submission of email to a Collector; (b) submission of a text message to a Collector; (c) filling out a web-based form created by the Election Oversight Committee.

6.4.2.2.5 The communication of each electronic petition signature must include the following: name(s) of candidate(s), office sought, district in which the candidate(s) are running, and full name and registration address of the electronic petition signer. However,

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if the signature is submitted via a web form that itself clearly and unambiguously allows for the signer to menu-select the name of candidate(s), office sought, and district, then the electronic petition signer does not need to individually re-enter such information as text.

6.4.2.2.6 Regardless of any exceptions made for hard-copy petition signers, qualified electronic petition signers shall be limited exclusively to voters whose most recent NY voter registration record shows them as both "ACTIVE" and enrolled as "LBT", in order to facilitate automated electronic verification of the signer's qualifications.

6.4.2.2.7 Qualified electronic petition signers shall be further limited to those who have paid a fee electronically prior to or coincident with submission of the electronic signature, via any electronic acceptance method that the Election Oversight Committee can conveniently implement, including but not limited to PayPal, Venmo, CashApp or credit/debit card; the amount of such fee being approved by the State Committee and announced at least two weeks prior to the start of the petitioning period, and not to exceed \$2 per electronic signature, even if that single signature counts for multiple candidates on a slate.

6.4.2.2.8 Use of the electronic petition signature submission system described herein, and payment of the electronic petition signer's fee from an account belonging to that particular qualified electronic petition signer, shall serve as the substitute for any person having to directly witness the electronic signature.

6.4.2.2.9 The Election Oversight Committee may reject any electronic petition signature that they have determined, on its face, does not come from a qualified electronic petition signer, as long as they inform the signer within 24 hours of their rejection and at least 48 hours prior to the end of the petitioning period, by using similar electronic communication as was used to provide the signature.

6.4.2.2.10 The Election Oversight Committee shall publicize on their website ongoing lists of non-rejected electronic petition signatures as they are being gathered during the petitioning period and for a period of six months afterward, organized by district and name of candidate; along with instructions on how a Libertarian Party member may contest the validity of any such electronic signature.

6.4.2.2.11 If announced prior to the start of the petitioning period, the Election Oversight Committee may also establish an electronic procedure for objecting to an electronic petition signature, using similar requirements as for collection of electronic petition signatures in 6.4.2.2.4 through 6.4.2.2.8 above; and may establish a processing/investigation fee of up to \$5 per electronic signature objected to via electronically-submitted objection.

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Such electronic objection process may not, however, be used to object to petition signatures that were collected via hard copy and witnessed.

6.4.2.2.12 The Libertarian Party of New York shall not provide a refund for any fee paid by a candidate, slate, petition signer, or objector, regardless of whether or not they were qualified in the first place, unless in the judgement of the Election Oversight Committee the payment was made erroneously because of a blatant misrepresentation or failure by that Committee timely to announce: (a) the reasons for collection of the fee; (b) the availability of alternative free procedures for carrying out these same activities; and (c) the limitations on who is a qualified electronically-petitioning candidate, electronic petition signer, or electronic objector.

6.4.2.2.13 The Libertarian Party of New York may use all amounts collected through its electronic petitioning and objection processes for any legitimate purpose of the Party.

KOLSTEE AMENDMENT 1

~~11.2.3. COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS CREATED BEFORE JANUARY 23, 2021.~~ All County Organizations affiliated with the Libertarian Party of New York prior to January 23, 2021 shall continue to be affiliated. In those counties where an insufficient number of Election District delegates were elected at primary, or where no election district delegates to the County Committee were elected at primary, the County Organization shall adopt or amend Rules and elect officers and meet the requirements set forth in Articles 11.2.3.1 and 11.2.3.2 in these rules for the formation of a County Organization, otherwise they shall 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.

~~11.2.3.1. An election of officers elected through single non-transferable votes and a provision in their rules to hold a convention or special meeting to elect officers no less than once every two years.~~

~~11.2.3.2. A provision in the county rules for meetings of the County Committee and/or the County Affiliate's Executive Committee to be held no less often than once per quarter, open to all county members and announced as provided in Article 8 of these rules.~~

11.2.3. COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS AFFILIATED BEFORE NOVEMBER 7, 2021. All County Organizations affiliated prior to November 7, 2021 shall continue to be affiliated until October 6, 2022, ~~11.2.4. COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS CERTIFIED BEFORE MARCH 31, 2021.~~ All County Organizations affiliated and certified prior to March 31, 2021 in accordance with Article 11.2.3 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 12. All **such** County Organizations shall adopt or amend Rules that meet the requirements set forth in Article 11.3 **if such requirements are insufficient**. 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.~~ **October 6, 2022.**

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~~11.2.5.~~ **11.2.4. CERTIFICATION.** The Executive Committee shall meet to vote on certification of a given County Affiliate in accordance with Article 11.2.3. ~~and Article 11.2.4 within fifteen (15) days of submission of all required documents to the Secretary.~~

~~11.2.5.1.~~ **11.2.4.1.** County Affiliates which submit the necessary documents to the Secretary before the deadline shall remain affiliated pending certification by the Executive Committee.

~~11.2.5.2.~~ **11.2.4.2.** County Affiliates which submit the necessary documents within ten (10) days of the deadline and are denied certification by the Executive Committee shall remain affiliated for sixty (60) days after the deadline, after which they shall no longer be affiliated, unless the deficiencies preventing certification are rectified and documentation exhibiting this rectification is submitted to the Executive Committee to review.