

**BEFORE THE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY**

**Date:** 9/10/2021

**Petitioner:** Caryn Ann Harlos

**Subject:** Appeal of the LNC motion of 9/5/2021 to suspend and remove Petitioner as LNC Secretary, as per Article 6, Section 7 of the Bylaws.

**Interested Parties:** Members of the LNC, Joe Bishop-Henchman, as he is alluded to in the initial complaint against the Petitioner.

**Relief requested:** Voiding of suspension motion and reinstatement as LNC Secretary.

**Committee Jurisdiction:** Article 8, Section 2, subsection b, regarding suspension of officers, and Article 8, Section 2, subsection d, regarding voiding of National Committee decisions.

**Appearing on Behalf of Petitioner:** DL Cummings

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**Petitioner's Second Notice of Filing Supplemental Exhibits**

Petitioner hereby files the following Exhibits:

BB. Resolution of the Libertarian Party of Colorado

CC. Resolution of the Libertarian Party of Minnesota

DD. Letter from the Libertarian Party of New Hampshire

EE. Letter from Justin O'Donnell

# EXHIBIT BB



## Resolution Regarding Ms. Caryn Ann Harlos

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Whereas, Caryn Ann Harlos has served honorably as Secretary of the national Libertarian Party (LP); and

Whereas, Ms. Harlos was re-elected by Delegates in 2020 by running on an open and unambiguous campaign promise to oppose and root out corruption from within the Party ranks; and

Whereas, Ms. Harlos has fulfilled that campaign promise by exposing recent corruption in LPNH that implicated LP National Chair Joe Bishop-Henchman, as confirmed by the recent report of the special investigative committee that revealed that the chair "guided, and likely initiated, this strategy" of usurpation; and

Whereas, the current Libertarian National Committee (LNC) has spent more energy and devoted more resources to removing Ms. Harlos from her elected position than it has

opposing blatant totalitarianism resulting from the ongoing illegal COVID-19 tyranny state; and

Whereas, that illegal COVID-19 tyranny state includes stay-at-home orders, forced injections, campaigns to institute vaccine passports, forcible closure of various sectors of the economy, imposition of mask mandates, fascism, medical Jim Crow, enactment of state restrictions against public assembly and religious worship, and other outrageous government lunacies; and

Whereas, the "bill of particulars" removal motion against Ms. Harlos wrongly characterizes criticism of fellow LNC officials as "harassment," inexplicably purports that monetizing libertarian content is somehow immoral and "detrimental to the Party," and features a list of minor offenses of decorum that could apply to, yet not prosecuted against, many members of the same body; and

Whereas, the written complaints against Ms. Harlos also raise the absurd claim that the Secretary violated the non-aggression principle through public criticism of her peers, effectively redefining and perverting the cornerstone maxim of libertarian philosophy, the Non-Aggression Principle, to include non-aggressive expressions of her own well-founded opinions; and

Whereas, by attempting such redefinition and perversion, the complainants seek to embrace completely anti-libertarian positions of censorship and cancel culture which undermine the fundamental core of the Party and libertarianism, and could lead to destroying the Party;

Therefore,

Resolved, the Libertarian Party of Colorado expressly rejects the suspension and attempted removal of Caryn Ann Harlos as National Secretary by the LNC; and

Resolved, the Libertarian Party of Colorado insists that the LNC shift its attention and resources from removing duly-elected national officers for personality conflicts and bogus "charges" to opposing the evil of the state and its widespread propensity to violate individual rights in every corner of the world, especially in this current insane time.

# EXHIBIT CC

*WHEREAS The Libertarian National Committee expressed nearly zero opposition to tyrannical lockdown measures during 2020, despite the vocal protestation of Secretary Harlos;*

*WHEREAS the Libertarian National Committee neglected speedy investigation of former chair Joe Bishop-Henchman's corruption and malfeasance, leading to the inability to recover key evidence in the New Hampshire investigation, despite the urging of Secretary Harlos;*

*WHEREAS the process used for the removal of Secretary Harlos had minimal notice, lacked basic due process, a very important libertarian principle;*

*FURTHERMORE, during the process of removal at the September 2021 LNC meeting, members aligned with Secretary Harlos were deliberately excluded from the ability to vote;*

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Libertarian Party of Minnesota Executive Committee hereby expresses NO CONFIDENCE in the Libertarian National Committee.*

***Passed by a vote of 8-2 with the undersigned voting in the affirmative***

*Justin Jelinek - LPMN Secretary*

*Sam Wipplinger - Chair Albert Lea Area Libertarians*

*Dave Johnson - Chair CD6 Libertarians*

*Jake Hemingway - Chair Beltrami County Libertarians*

*James Jenneman - LPMN Executive Committee At-Large*

*Charles Kuchlenz - LPMN Executive Committee At-Large*

*Dr. Justin Merritt - LPMN Executive Committee At-Large*

*Amos Webskowsky - LPMN Executive Committee At-Large*

# EXHIBIT DD



## Libertarian Party of New Hampshire

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Members of Judicial Committee,

We write to you today in regards to Caryn Ann Harlos. The New Hampshire affiliate owes a tremendous amount of gratitude to her and her unwavering set of principles. During our most trying time here in New Hampshire, few people set out to find the truth in what had transpired, and many were quick to write us off in our greatest time of need. This could not be said about Caryn Ann. Even though she had stated that she was friends with one of the parties in the dispute, it was evidently clear that her principles were guiding her, and that upholding those principles was first and foremost. Had it not been for her actions and her devotion to these principles, the outcome of our affiliate may have been very, very different. One could even argue that without her, the underhanded deeds that were uncovered by the National Committees own Investigative Committee never would have come to light. Not only does NH owe her our gratitude, in our opinion the LNC does as well. As "The Party of Principle" we should celebrate her actions which eventually brought out the truth.

Some might say that her principles sometimes supersede her decorum, and maybe sometimes this is the case. We would rather have a truly principled member like Caryn Ann in the fight for freedom than a half-hearted, well-behaved, Libertarian myrmidon. Our current situation in our country actually requires the fortitude that she possesses. Caryn Ann's tireless work ethic, the long hours, and the principles on which she stands, set her apart from almost anyone else in this party. To remove an asset like Caryn Ann from her duly elected position would be a tragedy for liberty and this party. This is why the New Hampshire affiliate of the Libertarian Party stands behind Caryn Ann, and we expect you will as well.

In Liberty,

Nolan Pelletier, Interim Chair, LPNH  
Sean Brennan, Treasurer, LPNH  
Stephen Nass, At-Large, LPNH  
Sean Dempsey, At-Large LPNH, Lifetime Member LP  
Mickey Mullin, Interim Secretary, LPNH



# EXHIBIT EE



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Dr. Ruwart,

I'm sending this email to you in the hopes that you and other members of the Judiciary Committee may find its information valuable in considering the appeal of Secretary Harlos' suspension from the LNC.

I believe this motion has been in the planning stages since long before any of the attempts were made by members of the LNC to remove Ms. Harlos, and I believe their motivations negatively color the righteousness of their actions. Mr. Longstreth and other members of the board have publicly claimed that the motion was a recent development, and based purely on the conduct of Ms. Harlos, however, this is simply untrue.

I had served as the Region 8 representative to the LNC for the previous 2 terms and chose not to seek reelection due to what I perceived as a toxic work environment and petty interpersonal power struggles hindering the ability of the LNC to conduct the business of the Party. In hindsight, I do recognize my own fault for some of these actions, as I had become so frustrated with the disagreement of the board, that I had begun working with Joe Bishop-Henchman and Richard Longstreth on a plan to replace members of the board as early as the fall of 2019. In hindsight, I regret my participation in these plans, but History cannot be changed.

But at every stage of our planning in 2019, Richard Longstreth was insistent that he would replace CAH as secretary, and do a better job than her. He and Mr. Bishop-Henchman were the "ring leaders" of a group that met regularly to discuss options on how to remove ideological opposition from the LNC in the event that convention elections did not go their way. Present in the last of these meetings, held in Orlando following the Fall 2019 LNC meeting, aside from myself, were also then LNC Members Elizabeth Van Horn, Erin Adams, Paige Sexton, and non-LNC members Andy Craig, and Ethan Bishop-Henchman. We had also approached Ms. Bilyeu about running for Vice-chair as part of a slate and informed her of our plans.

While this testimony may not be conclusively damning to any individual, I believe that it should highlight the hypocrisy and dishonesty of some involved in the proceedings, and lend credence to the fact that this was a corrupt backroom proceeding, which was in the planning stages for years before being carried out on whimsical charges.

I've attached a screenshot of a public Facebook post where I called out Mr. Longstreth for his lies and hypocrisy, to show that I'm willing to stand by these claims publicly, and will make them on the record if requested.

I would appreciate it if you would forward this correspondence to the rest of the Judicial Committee for consideration of this testimony as you weigh the evidence in Ms. Harlos' appeal.

In Liberty,  
Justin O'Donnell  
*Former Region 8 LNC Representative*  
*Lifetime Member, Libertarian National Party*  
*Lifetime Member, Libertarian Party of New Hampshire*