

To whom it may concern,

In August of last year I wrote a letter, addressing my concern with Caryn Ann Harlos's behavior and hostile attitude towards fellow libertarian party members and chairs across the country and the call for her resignation. The inappropriate unprofessional manner in which she handles situations and presents herself is not the image or standard of the Libertarian Party and has continued to escalate since the time that I wrote my letter in August. The reasons that I felt the need to draw attention to the behavior of Mrs. Harlos and my inevitable and unfortunate call for her resignation have been solidified by the continued inappropriate behavior that she has displayed over the last few months.

At this time, I have attached my original letter explaining my concerns in August and I am providing this statement today to reaffirm my concerns of the actions and behavior that I have seen and the unfortunate call for the resignation of Caryn Ann Harlos.

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Chair Libertarian Party of Nebraska  
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**Accountability** - an obligation or willingness to accept responsibility or to account for one's actions.

Accountability is not just a word taking up space in the dictionary. Nor is it just a thought or an attack to throw at someone when they have done you wrong. It holds a certain respect and honor that comes with a moral code and a responsibility for your actions as a human being.

We had a national convention that is still in contention and has valid proof of fraudulent voting due to improper delegate seating. We have broken protocol in states across the country and lost trust in each other, deciding to do so for a national campaign. Every Libertarian, Independent and anarchist, knows we will be sitting with a red or blue war criminal for the next four years and yet here we are ripping each other apart. The progress we have made and the name of the entire party is on the line and we have leadership that is unable to see the disgusting abuse of power and the blatant disregard for the law as a reason to make a stand and say, "we have a problem, and we must solve it."

Hannah Goodman made a choice for the Libertarian Party of Colorado, one fully within the bylaws. NO one has to agree with that choice, but it was made legally and with all the proper procedures followed. Colorado made the best of the situation for the state atmosphere and put the growth of the party before the "obligation" to fold and vote gold. That choice has now led to the Libertarian National Committee's secretary causing a national scene.

Over the last few months there has been non-stop fighting, hate and no accountability for those actions. The Libertarian party, the party of freedom and choice, the party of peace and anti-war, has begun a war inside of itself. Ask any member of the Libertarian Party in ANY state across the country and you will find they are disgusted and sad by what they are seeing happen within the party. The LARGEST third party in the nation is killing itself and part of that is the inability to look ourselves in the mirror and say "what have I done to help or hinder the path to liberty and freedom in our lifetime?"

The Libertarian Party began to give a valid, moral option to fight the evil, dirty corrupt system. One that thrives on "rules for thee but not for me". How are we any better, playing the same game? How can we yell and fight for fair play on the political scale and expect to be taken seriously, when we have such a disgusting display of disrespect, horrible communication, and lack of accountability within our own party. We CANNOT behave this way. We need to agree on an attainable goal and follow through. We are too small to pass up offers and to laugh in the face of a different path or idea.

After all, is it not the goal to end the government on a large scale? Then, why are we fighting over who we are trying to take out? Let's focus on our communities and stop the destructive, middle school drama.

As such, I am calling for the LNC to look at the current climate; to truly look at where we are having major issues and to begin taking actual steps to end this pattern inside the LP so we can do the same on a national scale inside the federal government.

I, Rachael Nelson, Chair of the Libertarian Party of Nebraska, for the betterment of the party, here do call for the resignation, removal or replacement of Caryn Ann Harlos from her position on the Libertarian National Committee, due to the harassment, defamation and illegal actions against the Libertarian Party of Colorado and Chair Goodman directly by her. Ms. Harlos' behavior is volatile and not the message the Libertarian Party stands for or can morally condone or defend.

Respectfully,

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Chair Libertarian Party of Nebraska  
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