



Libertarian Party of New York

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Should politicians who are already in office have the right to limit the candidates for whom New Yorkers vote?

State Senator Carl Marcellino apparently thinks so.

Yesterday, he and three of his Republican supporters sued Gigi Bowman, the Libertarian candidate for New York State Senate District 5, and the State Board of Elections to keep Bowman off the ballot.

Huntington-based Ms. Bowman collected approximately 5000 voter signatures in six weeks this summer. In their lawsuit, the Republicans claim that every one of her signatures was fraudulently obtained.

New York Libertarian Party Chair Mark Axinn commented, “The Republican Party will stop at nothing to prevent choice on the ballot. Neither the Board of Elections, the courts nor the voters should be fooled by their duplicity.”

Speaking for the 42 year-old Libertarian Party which defends constitutionally limited government, individual freedom, and an end to all prohibition, Gubernatorial candidate Michael McDermott stated, “New Yorkers should not be limited to choosing the lesser of two evils. Instead, New Yorkers should cast their votes for a balanced budget, real growth in private sector jobs, an end to the failed welfare state, and an end to needless suffering caused by inhumane drug prohibition.”

The Libertarian Party stands for both personal and economic freedom and minimal government regulation at all levels.