



# **Libertarian Party Presidential Nominating Convention Atlanta 2004**

## **MINUTES**

Geoff Neale gaveled the Libertarian Party Presidential Nominating Convention to order at 10:12 on Friday, May 28, 2004 in Atlanta at the Marriott Marquis hotel following the keynote address by Dr. Mary Ruwart.

Geoff introduced Gary Johnson, chair of the credentials committee.

### **Credentials Committee**

Gary Johnson introduced the members of the committee, which included:

Gary Johnson, chair  
Emily Salvette, secretary  
BetteRose Ryan  
Dena Brudigam  
Jack Tanner  
Rock Howard  
Chris Ferris  
James Hudler  
Ray Acosta  
Rich Maroney

He then reviewed the criteria for validating delegates as outlined in the Party bylaws.

On hand for this session were 465 delegates.

Gerhard Langguth of Arkansas moved to postpone convention order of business item #4, retention of planks from the previous platform, until after order of business item #7, the platform committee report. Gerhard offered this as a means of allowing additional time for delegates to complete (and tabulate) their platform plank ballots.

The motion failed.

Aaron Starr of California moved to suspend the rules eliminating order of business item #4 and accept all platform planks ratified in Indianapolis in 2002.

The motion failed.

A next motion proposed to accept all platform planks en masse by a voice vote.

The motion failed.

Ken Bisson of Virginia moved to accept the agenda as printed in the convention binder.

This motion passed.

## **Treasurer's report**

Bill Redpath discussed the improving financial position of the Libertarian Party. Regrettably, at the end of 2003 liabilities exceeded assets by \$200k. However, this represents a \$300 improvement over the prior year.

Bill pointed to Raiser's Edge as another positive factor in the maturation of LP's infrastructure. This software will enable a solid basis from which to track organizational performance, and implementation is scheduled for this summer.

The software will be able to address shortcomings noted in a recent audit. The auditor's report is included in the convention booklet. Complete financial information including a detailed balance sheet and income statement are available in the convention booklet.

Bill reported a major item in the auditor's report involved the accounting for deferred revenues. In an effort to match revenues with expenses, the auditors recommend we defer the recognition of certain revenues, primarily life memberships, on an incremental basis, recognizing only a portion of the revenue over some number of years yet to be determined.

This determination, which will affect the balance sheet, will be made after the implementation of Raiser's Edge.


## **Platform Committee Friday AM**

Mike Dixon, chair of the Platform Committee, introduced the platform revision contained in the convention packets.

The work of the Platform Committee grew out of the strategic planning initiative undertaken by the Libertarian National Committee. The Platform Committee's work was formally approved at the Indianapolis Convention in 2002.

The effort aims to recast platform planks ensuring each plank identifies the issue it addresses, the principle involved, the solution we are proposing and the action/transition plan.

Lorenzo Gaztañaga from Maryland addressed the delegates and ask for their support in the platform recast.

George Squyres of Arizona reviewed the history of the effort and explained the methodology. He stated that somewhere among the 62 planks is one that states we wish to "get rid of OSHA". Opponents can use that to label us as uncaring about the treatment of workers. The idea behind identifying the solution is to show that we do care about workers. We seek to improve the lot of workers by a different means. We want to reinforce the notion that we do care about workers and the poor, and have solutions that will accomplish  better than any bureaucrat could ever dream of.

After a session of fielding questions and comments from the convention, Mike Dixon thanked the committee members and delegates for their work.

The convention stood in recess until 3pm, Friday, May 28, 2004.

## **Platform Committee Friday PM**

Credentials report: Additions to Delegate and Alternate lists were approved without objection. The number of credentialed delegates stood at 629.

Secretary reported the Platform Retention Vote:

The secretary reported having tabulated 402 ballots. The quorum needed for this session was 252. The final count, listed below, compiles 416 ballots. Fourteen ballots arrived too close to 3pm to be included in the convention results. Three ballots were rejected for lack of any sort of identification by state or name. Another nine arrived the following day.

84.4%	I.1 - Freedom and Responsibility
82.1%	I.2 - Crime
82.6%	I.3 - Victimless Crime
82.8%	I.4 - The War on Drugs
82.8%	I.5 - Safeguards for the Criminally Accused
82.8%	I.6 - Justice for the Individual
80.4%	I.7 - Juries

82.5%	I.8 - Individual Sovereignty
78.6%	I.9 - Government and Mental Health
83.0%	I.10 - Freedom of Communication
82.0%	I.11 - Freedom of Religion
83.0%	I.12 - The Right to Property
83.5%	I.13 - Protection of Privacy
80.4%	I.14 - Government Secrecy
80.6%	I.15 - Internal Security and Civil Liberties
83.0%	I.16 - The Right to Keep and Bear Arms
81.0%	I.17 - Conscription and the Military
71.7%	I.18 - Immigration
82.8%	I.19 - Freedom of Association & Government Discrimination
75.1%	I.20 - Women's Rights and Abortion
81.4%	I.21 - Family Life
81.4%	I.22 - Sexual Rights
78.6%	I.23 - American Indian Rights
82.7%	II.1 - The Economy
80.6%	II.2 - Taxation
79.9%	II.3 - Inflation & Depression
80.6%	II.4 - Finance and Capital Investment
81.2%	II.5 - Government Debt
82.7%	II.6 - Monopolies
83.0%	II.7 - Subsidies
81.3%	II.8 - Trade Barriers
82.1%	II.9 - Public Utilities
81.9%	II.10 - Unions and Collective Bargaining
82.6%	III.1 - Energy
81.9%	III.2 - Pollution
81.4%	III.3 - Consumer Protection
81.9%	III.4 - Education
79.8%	III.5 - Population
82.1%	III.6 - Transportation
82.4%	III.7 - Poverty and Unemployment
82.8%	III.8 - Health Care
80.8%	III.9 - Resource Use
81.9%	III.10 - Agriculture
81.7%	III.11 - Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA)
82.7%	III.12 - Social Security
80.6%	III.13 - Postal Service
80.4%	III.14 - Civil Service
82.2%	III.15 - Election Laws
80.9%	IV.A1 - Negotiations
80.4%	IV.A2 - International Travel and Foreign Investments
82.6%	IV.A3 - Human Rights

81.6%	IV.A4 - World Government
79.2%	IV.A5 - Secession
79.7%	IV.B1 - Military Policy
82.0%	IV.B2 - Presidential War Powers
81.6%	IV.C1 - Foreign Aid
82.0%	IV.C2 - International Money
80.2%	IV.C3 - Unowned Resources
80.8%	IV.D1 - Colonialism
78.3%	IV.D2 - Foreign Intervention
80.6%	IV.D3 - Space Exploration
82.6%	V - Omissions

Mike Dixon returned to chair the Platform discussion. After a computer reboot, Mike Dixon introduced a series of motions aimed at adopting the recast platform:

Moved: Suspend the Rules for the purpose of proposing *en banque* motions regarding the platform.

The motion carried.

Moved: Recast the existing Platform Planks into the new format (Issue, Principle, Solution, Transition). This will replace the text in column 1 with the text in column 2 but retain the existing structure, headers, preamble text, Statement of Principles, and Executive Summary.

The motion carried.

Substitute the existing Platform Planks with the language in Column 3, including the text from column 2 by reference. Creating a Platform including the existing structure, headers, preamble text, Statement of Principles, and Executive Summary, along with the reformatted individual planks, with all categories filled.

After some debate and a counted vote, the motion carried 253-42.

Moved: Create a Special Committee of this convention, composed of the members of the 2004 Platform Committee, and any member of previous committees who desires to be involved, to continue the Platform Reformat project until the 2006 Platform Committee is named.

The motion carried.

This ended the suspension of the rules and the procedure reverted to the platform plank deliberation methodology outlined in the bylaws.

Proposal 1: IV.D.2 Foreign Intervention.

Amendment 1 by Brian Irving (NC).

*Add “or attacked” after “declared war upon” and delete “or solid intelligence proves they are about to launch a military attack on US soil.”*

Amendment passed.

Platform Committee’s motion as amended passed.

IV.D.2 now reads:

**IV.D.2 Foreign Intervention**

**(The Issue):** Intervention in the affairs of other countries has provoked resentment and hatred of the United States among many groups and nations throughout the world. In addition, legal barriers to private and personal aid (both military and economic) have fostered internal discord.

**(The Principle):** The United States should not inject itself into the internal matters of other nations, unless they have declared war upon or attacked the United States, or the U.S. is already in a constitutionally declared war with them.

**(Libertarian Solutions):** End the current U.S. government policy of foreign intervention, including military and economic aid, guarantees, and diplomatic meddling. Individuals should be free to provide any aid they wish that does not directly threaten the United States.

**(Libertarian Action/Transition):** Voluntary cooperation with any economic boycott should not be treated as a crime. End all limitation of private foreign aid, both military and economic. Repeal the Neutrality Act of 1794, and all other U.S. neutrality laws, which restrict the efforts of Americans to aid overseas organizations fighting to overthrow or change governments. End the incorporation of foreign nations into the U.S. defense perimeter. Cease the creation and maintenance of U.S. bases and sites for the pre-positioning of military material in other countries. End the practice of stationing of American military troops overseas. We make no exceptions to the above.

Proposal 2: III.15 Election Laws.

Amendment 2 by Rock Howard (TX).

*In the next to the last sentence in the Libertarian Action section add the words “Or Approval Voting” before the phrase “for single winner elections”.*

Amendment failed.

Amendment 3 by Anthony Trauring (GA).

*Amend III.15 in the Action/Transition section. Delete all beginning with "in order to grant voters".*

Motion to amend was divided.

Deletion 1 failed.

Deletion 2 failed.

Platform Committee's original motion passed. Now reads:

### **III.15 Election Laws**

**(The Issue):** Electoral systems matter. Many state legislatures have established gerrymandered districts and prohibitively restrictive laws that effectively exclude alternative candidates and parties from their rightful places on election ballots. Such laws wrongfully deny ballot access to political candidates and groups, and further deny the voters their right to consider all legitimate alternatives. Various laws enable the federal and state governments to control the elections of their own administrators and beneficiaries, thereby further reducing accountability to citizens.

**(The Principle):** Elections at all levels should be in the control of those who wish to participate in or support them voluntarily. As private voluntary groups, political parties should be allowed to establish their own rules for nomination procedures, primaries and conventions. No state has an interest to protect in this area except for the fair and efficient conduct of elections.

**(Libertarian Solutions):** We propose electoral systems that are more representative of the electorate at the federal, state and local levels. There should be no state or federal restriction of ballot access. Voters may submit their own choices including the option of using "tickets" or cards printed by candidates or political parties.

**(Libertarian Action/Transition):** End government control of political parties, consistent with First Amendment rights to freedom of association and freedom of expression. We urge repeal of the Federal Election Campaign Act and the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act, which suppress voluntary support of candidates and parties. Primary elections should be returned to political party convention rather than being a taxpayer subsidized public event. Add the alternative "none of

the above" to all ballots. In the event that "none of the above" receives a plurality of votes in any election, either the elective office for that term should remain unfilled and unfunded, or there shall be a new election in which none of the losing candidates shall be eligible. In order to grant voters a full range of choice in federal, state and local elections, we propose proportional voting systems with multi-member districts for legislative elections and instant runoff voting (IRV) for single winner elections. To avoid fraud and manipulation, electronic voting systems must use a voter verified paper ballot as the ballot of count, recount, audit and record.

Proposal 3: III.3 Consumer Protection.

Platform Committee's original motion passed. Now reads:

### **III.3 Consumer Protection**

**(The Issue):** Government consumer protection regulation restricts the competition of the free market and replaces the individual's right to make independent choices with government-determined, "one size fits all" standards.

**(The Principle):** Consumer demand rather than legislative mandate should drive consumer safety and protection. We support strong and effective laws against fraud and misrepresentation. However, we oppose paternalistic regulations, which dictate to consumers, impose prices, define standards for products, or otherwise restrict risk-taking and free choice.

**(Libertarian Solutions):** We encourage consumer activism that would boycott and economically sanction those businesses that adversely affect human health and/or damage the environment, passing costs onto the general public. We look to independent entities such as Underwriters Laboratories, Consumer Reports and other testing organizations as models for grassroots consumer-driven certification.

**(Libertarian Action/Transition):** End governmental interference in consumer affairs by eliminating the Consumer Product Safety Commission, the Federal Aviation Administration, the Food and Drug Administration and other ineffective governmental organizations. Repeal laws mandating use of safety equipment such as seat belts or crash helmets, which can be more effectively driven by consumer action in the marketplace.

Proposal 4: I.4 The War on Drugs  
Amendment 4 by Robert Rahm (GA).



*In the “Principle” section, remove the word “should” as in “Individuals should have the right”.*

Amendment failed.

Amendment 5 by Ruth Bennett (WA).

*Change the phrase “drug prohibition causes more harm as drugs themselves” to “drug prohibition causes as much harm as drugs themselves”.*

Amendment failed.

Amendment 6 by Starchild (CA).

*Change “when” to “only if” as in “consequences of their actions when they violate others' rights”.*

Amendment passed.

Platform Committee’s motion as amended passed. Now reads:

#### **I.4 The War on Drugs**

**(The Issue):** The suffering that drug misuse has brought about is deplorable; however, drug prohibition causes more harm than drugs themselves. The so-called "War on Drugs" is in reality a war against the American people, our Constitution and the Bill of Rights. It is a grave threat to individual liberty, to domestic order and to peace in the world.

**(The Principle):** Individuals should have the right to use drugs, whether for medical or recreational purposes, without fear of legal reprisals, but must be held legally responsible for the consequences of their actions only if they violate others' rights.

**(Libertarian Solutions):** Social involvement by individuals is essential to address the problem of substance misuse and abuse. Popular education and assistance groups are a better approach than prohibition, and we support the activities of private organizations as the best way to move forward on the issue.

**(Libertarian Action/Transition):** Repeal all laws establishing criminal or civil penalties for the use of drugs. Repeal laws that infringe upon individual rights to be secure in our persons, homes, and property as protected by the Fourth Amendment. Stop the use of "anti-crime" measures such as profiling or civil

asset forfeiture that reduce the standard of proof historically borne by government in prosecutions. Stop prosecuting accused non-violent drug offenders, and pardon those previously convicted.

Proposal 5: IV.D.3 Space Exploration

Amendment 7 by Seth Illys (NC). Passed.

*Insert word three “historically” in the Issue section in the opening phrase “Government has asserted a monopoly”.*

Amendment passed.

Amendment 8 by David Eagle (ND).

*In the Principle section change the wording to: “No terrestrial government has jurisdiction in outer space. Exploration and development of space should be left to private organizations.”*

Amendment failed.

Amendment 9 by Rodney Austin (CA).

*In the Transition section use the word “urge” instead of “support”.*

Amendment failed.

Platform Committee’s motion as amended passed. Now reads:

**IV.D.3 Space Exploration**

**(The Issue):** Government has historically asserted a monopoly on space exploration.

**(The Principle):** Voluntary, peaceful use of outer space should not be regulated by government. Space-related activity is not a proper function of any government except for the protection of the terrestrial borders of that nation and its people located within that territory.

**(Libertarian Solutions):** We support all peaceful, private, voluntary attempts to explore, industrialize and colonize any extra-terrestrial resources.

**(Libertarian Action/Transition):** We support the privatization of the National

Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Proposal 6: IV.A.5 Secession (moved as III.16)

Amendment 10 by Bill van Allen (FL). Failed.

*Insert the word “now” between “are” and “forced”.*

Amendment failed.

Amendment 11 by Seth Ferris (SC). Failed.

*Rename the plank “Secession and Consent of the Governed”.*

Amendment failed.

Platform Committee’s original motion passed (including move to III.16). Now reads:

#### **IV.A.5 Secession**

##### **Rename as Plank III.16 by a vote of 14-1-2**

**(The Issue):** People are forced to be subject to governments and to participate in their programs, usually as providers of financial support, regardless of their wishes to the contrary.

**(The Principle):** As all political association must be voluntary, we recognize the right to political secession. This includes the right to secession by political entities, private groups or individuals. Exercise of this right, like the exercise of all other rights, does not remove legal and moral obligations not to violate the rights of others.

**(Libertarian Solutions):** We support the right of political entities, private groups and individuals to renounce their affiliation with any government, and to be exempt from the obligations imposed by those governments, while in turn accepting no support from the government from which they seceded.

**(Libertarian Action/Transition):** As a transition step, we support the right of political entities, private groups and individuals to renounce their participation in any government program, and to be exempt from the obligations imposed by that program, while in turn accepting no benefit from the program from which they seceded.

Proposal 7: I.15 Internal Security and Civil Liberties

Amendment 12 by Dan Wiener (CA). Passed.

*Replace last two sentences in “Libertarian Action/Transition” with “Intelligence and law enforcement agencies like the CIA, NSA and FBI must be prevented from abusing individual rights or else be abolished”. Removing “Rogue agencies like the CIA and the NSA were intended to be beyond oversight and transparency; federal police agencies like the FBI have become abusive of individual rights in exercising their authority. Such agencies must be abolished in order to make way for the fundamental rethinking of the methods necessary to protect our internal security and individual rights.*

Amendment passed.

Amendment 13 by Dennis Sullivan (GA).

*Delete the first sentence of the Principle:*

*“The defense of the country requires that we have adequate intelligence to detect and to counter threats to domestic security; however, this requirement must not take priority over maintaining the civil liberties of our citizens”.*

*Replace the second sentence,*

*“The rights of due process, a speedy trial, legal counsel, and a trial by jury must not be denied on the basis of national security, as the Bill of Rights provides no exceptions for a time of war.”*

*with*

*“The rights of due process, a speedy trial, legal counsel, the legal presumption of innocence until proven guilty, and personal privacy; the freedoms of assembly, expression and religion; and other individual liberties and rights must not be denied on the basis of national security. The Bill of Rights provides no exceptions for a time of war.”*

Amendment passed.

Platform Committee’s motion as amended passed. Now reads:

**I.15 Internal Security and Civil Liberties**

**(The Issue):** Lacking appropriate citizen oversight, government bureaucracies have deprived citizens of their privacy, property, and freedom, under the pretense that such action is necessary to protect us from our enemies. Such actions include the suspension of the right of habeas corpus during the Civil War, the internment of Japanese-American citizens during World War II, the Patriot Act and the classification of “enemy combatants” today.

**(The Principle):** The rights of due process, a speedy trial, legal counsel, the legal presumption of innocence until proven guilty, and personal privacy; the freedoms of assembly, expression and religion; and other individual liberties and rights must not be denied on the basis of national security. The Bill of Rights provides no exceptions for a time of war.

**(Libertarian Solutions):** Wherever possible, private security agencies should replace public institutions. Agencies, public or private, duly constituted to preserve the security of the nation must be subject to independent oversight, accountable to the citizenry whom they serve, and subject to the law, including full responsibility for any violations of individual rights. Individual awareness of the requirements of security must be the ultimate supplement to any public protection.

**(Libertarian Action/Transition):** We opposed the establishment of a new cabinet level Department of Homeland Security and now call for its elimination. We support the abolition of subpoena power as used by Congressional committees against individuals or firms. We oppose any efforts to revive the House Internal Security Committee (or its predecessor the House [Committee on Un-American Activities](#)), and call for the destruction of its files on private individuals and groups. We also call for the abolition of the Senate Subcommittee on Internal Security. Intelligence and law enforcement agencies like the CIA, NSA, and FBI must be prevented from abusing individual rights or else be abolished.

Recessed at 6PM.

## **Platform Committee Saturday AM**

The session commenced Saturday at 10:15AM

Gary Johnson reported 679 delegates were on hand for this session and issued his credentials report proposing additions to delegate and alternate lists.

Gerhard Langguth of Arkansas rose to object to the seating of the delegates who had not been registered in advance. A motion to divide the issue on the basis of accepting delegates who registered with the affiliate of their state of residence failed.

The motion to accept the delegates and alternates passed.

Geoff Neale chaired the continuation of the report of the 2004 Platform Committee.

Proposal 8: IV.C.1 Economic Policy and Foreign Aid.

No amendments

The Platform Committee's motion as amended passed. Now reads:

<p><b>IV.C.1 Economic Policy And Foreign Aid</b></p> <p><b>(The Issue):</b> The federal government has used foreign aid as a tool of influencing the policy of other sovereign nations under the guise of aiding needy people in those nations. This forces taxpayers to subsidize governments and policies of which they may not approve.</p> <p><b>(The Principle):</b> Individuals should not be coerced via taxes into funding a foreign nation or group.</p> <p><b>(Libertarian Solutions):</b> All foreign aid should be voluntarily funded by individuals or private organizations.</p> <p><b>(Libertarian Action/Transition):</b> Eliminate all tax-supported military, economic, technical and scientific aid to foreign governments or other organizations. Abolish government underwriting of arms sales. Abolish all federal agencies that make American taxpayers guarantors of export-related loans, such as the Export-Import Bank and the Commodity Credit Corporation. End the participation of the U.S. government in international commodity circles that restrict production, limit technological innovation and raise prices. Repeal all prohibitions on individuals or firms contributing or selling goods and services to any foreign country or organization, unless such provision constitutes a direct threat to the people of the United States.</p>
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Lorenzo Gaztañaga addressed the convention discussing the status of Platform Plank I.18 on Immigration. The Platform Committee made no proposal on this plank and instead tabled work on it.

Proposal (document 14) from the floor from Seth Fehis on plank I.15

*Change “no exceptions” to “but one exception” in the last sentence of the Principle section, making it read:*

*“The Bill of Rights provides but one exception for a time of war.”*

Proposal (document 15) from (who?)

*Add “to quarter soldiers” to the same text, making it read*

*“The Bill of Rights provides but one exception to quarter soldiers for a time of war.”*

Proposal (document 15) failed.

Proposal (document 14) failed.

Proposal (document 16) from Mary O’Conner (MN) to I.12, Internal Security, Principle section.

*Delete the sentence “All rights are inextricably linked with property rights.”*

*Now reads*

*Indeed, property rights are the rights of humans with respect to property, and as such, are entitled to the same respect and protection as all other human rights. ~~(sentence struck)~~ Such rights as the freedom from involuntary servitude as well as the freedom of speech and the freedom of press are based on self-ownership.*

Proposal (document 16) failed.

After having seen I.15 on the convention display again, Jonathan Lee (TN) rose to cite an inadvertent omission in his written submission to the Secretary of the prior day. The words “a trial by jury” were missing in the principle section in the following text:

*The rights of due process, a speedy trial, legal counsel, a trial by jury, the legal presumption of innocence until proven guilty, and personal privacy;*

The chair ruled the motion to reinstate out of order at this time.

The chair’s ruling was challenged, and in a counted vote the ruling was upheld 98-96.

There was then a motion to suspend the rules to correct the omission in I.15.

Proposal (document 17) from the floor by Jonathan Lee, TN:

*Insert “trial by jury” into the Principle section as noted above.*

Motion passed.

The corrected I.15 now reads:

### **I.15 Internal Security and Civil Liberties**

**(The Issue):** Lacking appropriate citizen oversight, government bureaucracies have deprived citizens of their privacy, property, and freedom, under the pretense that such action is necessary to protect us from our enemies. Such actions include the suspension of the right of habeas corpus during the Civil War, the internment of Japanese-American citizens during World War II, the Patriot Act and the classification of “enemy combatants” today.

**(The Principle):** The rights of due process, a speedy trial, legal counsel, [a trial by jury](#), the legal presumption of innocence until proven guilty, and personal privacy; the freedoms of assembly, expression and religion; and other individual liberties and rights must not be denied on the basis of national security. The Bill of Rights provides no exceptions for a time of war.

**(Libertarian Solutions):** Wherever possible, private security agencies should replace public institutions. Agencies, public or private, duly constituted to preserve the security of the nation must be subject to independent oversight, accountable to the citizenry whom they serve, and subject to the law, including full responsibility for any violations of individual rights. Individual awareness of the requirements of security must be the ultimate supplement to any public protection.

**(Libertarian Action/Transition):** We opposed the establishment of a new cabinet level Department of Homeland Security and now call for its elimination. We support the abolition of subpoena power as used by Congressional committees against individuals or firms. We oppose any efforts to revive the House Internal Security Committee (or its predecessor the House [Committee on Un-American Activities](#)), and call for the destruction of its files on private individuals and groups. We also call for the abolition of the Senate Subcommittee on Internal Security. Intelligence and law enforcement agencies like the CIA, NSA, and FBI must be prevented from abusing individual rights or else be abolished.



Proposal (document 18) from the floor by Mary O’Conner (MN) to I.1 in the Transitions section:

*Replace*

*“Restore the concept of strict liability to the civil and criminal code. Teach school children responsibility for action in consumer and product affairs. Enforce statutes against fraud and theft in the affairs of economics.”*

*With*

*“Enforce and defend personal freedom if the freedom of others is not taken away. Enforce statutes against fraud and theft in the affairs of economics.”*

At this point a quorum count was called. The chair called a 5-minute recess. After the recess, a quorum was reached after the count.

Proposal (document 19) from the floor by Ted Brown (CA) moved to amend the previous amendment text in document 18 by substitution:

*Repeal all laws that presume government knows better than the individual how to run that person’s life. Encourage private sector dissemination of information to help consumers make informed decisions on products and services. Enforce laws against fraud and misrepresentation.*

Proposal (document 19) substituting text for Proposal (document 18) passed.

Proposal 19 passed.

Plank I.1 now reads:

**I.1 Freedom and Responsibility**

**(The Issue):** Personal responsibility is discouraged by government denying individuals the opportunity to exercise it. In fact, the denial of freedom fosters irresponsibility.

**(The Principle):** We believe that individuals should be free to make choices for themselves and to accept responsibility for the consequences of the choices they make. We must accept the right of others to choose for themselves if we are to have the same right. Our support of an individual's right to make choices in life does not mean that we necessarily approve or disapprove of those choices. We believe people must accept personal responsibility for the consequences of their

actions.

**(Libertarian Solutions):** Libertarian policies will promote a society where people are free to make and learn from their own decisions.

**(Libertarian Action/Transition):** Repeal all laws that presume government knows better than the individual how to run that person's life. Encourage private sector dissemination of information to help consumers make informed decisions on products and services. Enforce laws against fraud and misrepresentation.

George Squyers (AZ) moved to suspend the rules to end all platform debate. The motion failed.

Proposal (document 20) from the floor by Leslee Kulba to III.8, Health Care, in the Transitions section:

*Delete the words "including cloning" as follows:*

*"We oppose any government restriction or funding of medical or scientific research, ~~including cloning.~~"*

Motion passed with a 2/3rds majority by a count of 237-75.

The plank III.8, Health Care, now reads:

**(The Issue):** Recent decades have witnessed growing government involvement in the health care system. That involvement has led to bureaucratic top-down management, rapidly escalating prices, costly regulations, the criminalization of the practice of medicine, and a host of other problems. None of these problems was prevalent prior to the time when government began to increase its involvement. We believe that government involvement is the principal cause of many of the problems we face in the health care system today. The high cost of health insurance is largely due to government's excessive regulation of the industry.

**(The Principle):** We recognize the right of individuals to determine free from government interference and its harmful side effects the level of insurance they want, the level of care they want, the care providers they want, the medicines and treatments they will use, and all other aspects of their medical care. Government's role in any kind of insurance should only be to enforce contracts when necessary, not to dictate to insurance companies and consumers which kinds of insurance contracts they may voluntarily agree upon.

**(Libertarian Solutions):** We favor restoring and reviving a free market health care system. We advocate a complete separation of medicine from the state. We support an end to government-provided health insurance and health care. Both of these functions can be more effectively provided in the private sector.

**(Libertarian Action/Transition):** We oppose any government restriction or funding of medical or scientific research.

Recessed at 12:30PM.

## Platform Committee Saturday PM

The session started at 3:10PM on Saturday.

Gary Johnson issued the credentials report with eight additions to the delegate and alternate lists were proposed. The motion to accept the delegates passed.

Geoff Neale moved to suspend the rules to recess at 4:30 instead of 5:00 to give the TV crew time to set up for the Presidential debate. The motion passed.

The Secretary presented the updated delegate counts: (686, 275 quorum, 458 is 2/3, 344 majority).

We continued with Platform proposals from the floor.

Proposal (document 21) from the floor by Jon Roland to I.7, Juries, in the Transitions section:

*Add a sentence as below.*

*“Require all issues at law in cases where the government is a party to be argued in the presence of a jury.”*

This was changed without objection as a friendly amendment to specify “jury trials” instead of “cases” and change “a” to “the” as follows:

*“Require all issues at law in jury trials where the government is a party to be argued in the presence of the jury.”*

This motion (document 21) was referred to the Platform Committee.

A motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of striking the phrase “Individuals should have the right to use drugs, whether for medical or recreational purposes” with the phrase “Individuals have the right to make their own choices regarding medicinal or recreational drug use” from the Drug War plank, an amendment misclassified as one to be returned to the Platform Committee with its sequence reclassified as well, failed.

Proposal (document 22) from the floor by Leslee Kulba to I.3, Vicimless Crimes, in the Transitions section:

*Delete the following:*

*“In particular, we advocate: a. the repeal of all laws prohibiting the production, sale, possession, or use of drugs, and of all medicinal prescription requirements for the purchase of vitamins, drugs, and similar substances; the repeal of all laws restricting or prohibiting the use or sale of alcohol, requiring health warning labels and signs, making bartenders or hosts responsible for the behavior of customers and guests, making liquor companies liable for birth defects, and making gambling houses liable for the losses of intoxicated gamblers; the repeal of all laws or policies authorizing stopping drivers without probable cause to test for alcohol or drug use; the repeal of all laws regarding consensual sexual relations, including prostitution and solicitation, and the cessation of state oppression and harassment of homosexual men and women, that they, at last, be accorded their full rights as individuals; the repeal of all laws regulating or prohibiting the possession, use, sale, production, or distribution of sexually explicit material, independent of "socially redeeming value" or compliance with "community standards"; b. the repeal of all laws regulating or prohibiting gambling; c. the repeal of anti-racketeering statutes such as the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO), which punish peaceful behavior -- including insider trading in securities, sale of sexually explicit material, and nonviolent anti-abortion protests -- by freezing and/or seizing assets of the accused or convicted; and d. the repeal of all laws interfering with the right to commit suicide as infringements of the ultimate right of an individual to his or her own life.”*

Proposal (document 22) failed.

Proposal (document 23) from the floor by Brenda Bell, NJ, in IV.D.3, Space Exploration, in the Transitions section:

*Delete the following:*

*“We support the privatization of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.”*

*Replace it with:*

*We support the privatization of government-held and –controlled extraterrestrial resources, whether suborbital, orbital, or extra-orbital in nature.*

An amendment to change the replacement section to:

*We support the privatization of government-held and –controlled extraterrestrial and terrestrial assets, whether suborbital, orbital, or extra-orbital in nature.*

was withdrawn.

Proposal (document 23) failed.

Finally, a motion by to suspend the rules to consider Proposal (document 24) by Nick Sarwark (MD) for plank I.21, Families and Children, to delete the infamous “sex with children” language, failed.

All documents not examined by the convention during the platform debates, along with all those that were examined, will be directed to the Platform Committee to work from 2004 to 2006 established at the beginning of the platform plank debate.

Recessed at 4:15

## **Presidential Nominating Petitions**

The deadline for turning in turning in petitions was 5pm Saturday.

The Secretary received the following petitions for president to fulfill the bylaws requirement for gaining 16 minutes of convention time for the purpose of placing the candidates in nomination:

Aaron Russo	63 signatures
Gary Nolan	107
Jeffrey Diket	72
David Hollist	39
Michael Badnarik	89
Jim Burns	72

The Secretary inspected the documents for overall completeness and confirmed to his satisfaction each of these petitions would contain sufficiently many valid, unique signatures to satisfy the bylaws requirement of 30 signatures for 16 minutes of convention time for nominating and seconding speeches. The possible exception might have been David Hollist’s list of 39

signatures. The signatures on Jeffrey Diket's forms, which were undecipherable in some cases and written in every orientation and place on his pages, compounded the problem of verification.

In order to perform a proper verification, the process would have entailed:

- keying in each of the 442 signatures
- performing a lookup in the credentials list
- resolving names that do not match (eg, is it Chuck Taylor or Charles Taylor?)
- making the comparisons
- removing duplicates
- counting the remaining signatures

Resources and time did not allow for such a proper verification.

*A better methodology is clearly called for in 2008. One solution might be to give credentialed delegates a card, certificate or sticker that they sign and that we term their "official signature" for the purpose of candidate petitions. The candidate would submit these certificates, not hand-written signed petitions, to the Secretary who could then be assured there are no duplicates.*

*Additionally, this is a particular concern since, just as the Convention Committee's decision to limit the presidential debate to active candidates, our bylaws allow anyone to walk in off the street, collect 30 signatures and have 16 minutes of our convention time to say whatever he or she wanted.*

*Two approaches appear to be:*

- 1. Add resources to process the petitions*
- 2. Simplify the process*

*Of the two, the latter is cheaper.*

Vice Presidential petitions included:

Tamara Millay	40 signatures
Garrett Hayes	40
Scott Jameson	39
Richard Campagna	40

Jim Burns withdrew from the presidential race at 6:25am Sunday by notifying the Secretary verbally.

## **Presidential Nominations, Sunday**

Gary Johnson of the Credentials Committee noted the additions to the delegate and alternate lists. The body accepted the new delegates.

The Secretary presented the updated delegate count of 783. That made the quorum 314 with 522 being a 2/3 majority and 392 majority.

Nominations for President began. The Chair explained how this would proceed, including the provisions and specifications in the Bylaws and Convention Rules.

Earlier that morning, Bob Sullentrup, Geoff Neale and Dan Karlan used a randomized process to determine the order of candidate nominations. Geoff Neale selected the seed (and he gives equal consideration to non-integers), Dan selected the digit beyond the decimal point and Bob applied the randomizing function (square root).

The resulting order was:

Nolan, Russo, Diket, Hollist, Badnarik.

Drew Carey was also nominated and appeared on the ballots. Since Mr. Carey was neither on hand nor turned in nominating petition signatures, he was not included in the list above.

- Speer Lancaster nominated Gary Nolan
- Jeremy Keil seconded as did Jim Gray, Teresa De Bellis, Mark Rutherford, Mike Ferguson, and David Nolan.

Mr. Russo's nomination began with a video. Unfortunately, technical problems distorted the presentation. Mark(?) Glazer (NH) moved to suspend the rules to correct the problems and restart the clock. The motion passed.

Willie Harmon (PA) moved to suspend the rules to continue on to the next candidate. That motion failed.

- Rob Kampia nominated Aaron Russo.
- John Clifton, Robert Prechter, Richard Mack, Ed Thompson, and Barry Hess.

Next came Jeffrey Diket.

- David Nacko nominated Jeffrey Diket. Greg Cahn seconded.

Next came David Hollist

- David Hollist nominated himself.

Finally

- Pat Dixon nominated Michael Badnarik
- Alan Weiss, Fred Collins, and Elaine Badnarik seconded.

First round voting commenced at 10:45, and concluded at 11:45.

During this process, the number of credentialed delegates was adjusted to 808.

The results were announced on a state-by-state roll call basis starting with South Dakota, beginning at 12:00 PM and ending at 12:30.

The first round ballot results included:

Russo	258	33.16%
Badnarik	256	32.90%
Nolan	246	31.62%
Diket	4	0.51%
Carey	3	0.39%
Hollist	1	0.13%
NOTA	10	1.29%

No candidate having attained a majority, there was no first-round winner.

Ted Brown moved to suspend the rules to adopt the following:

*If no candidate has a majority of the vote in the first round, only the top three candidates shall advance to the next round. If no candidate has attained a majority in the second round, the candidate with the fewest votes on the latest ballot shall be struck from subsequent ballots. This procedure shall be repeated after every subsequent ballot in which no candidate has received a majority vote, until one candidate attains a majority.*

The rules were suspended. The motion passed.

Dana Johansen moved to suspend the rules to drop the announced roll-call vote on subsequent ballots, with state totals read by the Secretary. The rules were not suspended.

Dave Nolan moved to stipulate that the delegation chairs should read only the totals. The motion passed.

Second round voting commenced at 1:00 PM. A recess was called until 1:45.



The session was reconvened at 1:45. Balloting was concluded at 1:50.

In the second round, the results were:

Russo	285	36.40%
Badnarik	249	31.80%
Nolan	244	31.16%
NOTA	5	0.64%

The body allowed Gary Nolan to address the convention. He recommended his supporters vote for Michael Badnarik.

Third round voting commenced at 2:15 PM and concluded at 2:50.

Badnarik	423	54.37%
Russo	344	44.22%
NOTA	11	1.41%

Aaron Russo addressed the convention and commended the Party's nominee, Michael Badnarik.

Michael Badnarik accepted the nomination and thanked his supporters, opening with a pronounced exhale, and then noting, "Never in my wildest dreams."

Jim Gray (CA) moved to suspend the rules to change "30" to "100" in the Bylaws' stipulation of signatures required for nomination. The motion failed.

Nominations for Vice-President began at 3:25.

The randomly selected order of nominations was:

Tamara Millay, Richard Campagna, Scott Jameson, and Garrett Hayes.

First came Tamara Millay

- Tamara Millay nominated herself
- Jim Lark, Lorenzo Gaztañaga, and Heather Scott seconded

Next came candidate Richard Campagna

- Edward Noyes nominated Richard Campagna
- Clyde Cleveland seconded

Next came candidate Scott Jameson

- Scott Jameson nominated himself

Finally

- Glen Tatum nominated Garrett Hayes
- David Chastang and Garrett Michael Hayes seconded

Presidential nominee Michael Badnarik addressed the convention for five minutes per the Convention Rules. He declined to declare a preference for running mate.

With three ballots required for the presidential nominee, in the interest of time the body moved to suspend the rules to drop the requirement of a roll-call vote for the vice presidential nomination. The suspension passed and the motion passed.

First round balloting for vice president began at 4:15 and concluded at 4:40.

During the balloting, a tribute to the late Ron Crickenberger was presented.

The results of balloting for vice-president were as follows:

Campagna	353	56.39%
Millay	220	35.14%
Hayes	36	5.75%
Jameson	7	1.12%
NOTA	10*	1.60%

\* Alabama reported their delegation's vote tally reported at the convention did not reflect a vote for NOTA. The reported total at the convention was 9. The correct NOTA is 10.

Richard Campagna is the party's VP nominee.

In the interest of time the body moved to suspend the rules to combine balloting for LNC Chair and LNC Vice-Chair. The motion to suspend the rules passed. The motion to combine ballots failed.

The randomly selected order of nominations was:

Ernest Hancock, George Phillies, Mike Dixon

- David Euchner nominated Ernest Hancock.
- Jim Lesczynski and Barry Hess followed as seconders

Next came George Phillies

- Amanda Phillips nominated George Phillies
- Alvin See and Verni Kughland seconded.

Finally,

- Mike Dixon nominated himself,
- Jim Lark, Michael Badnarik, and Toietta Dixon seconded

Balloting began at 5:30 and concluded at 5:45.

While the ballots were being cast, the newly anointed Libertarian Party Vice-Presidential nominee Richard Campagna addressed the Convention.

In the interest of time, the body moved to suspend the rules to read the state-by-state totals from the podium. The move to suspend the Rules passed and the motion passed.

The results from the chair's race were as follows:

Dixon	435	76.18%
Phillies	90	15.76%
Hancock	40	7.01%
NOTA	6	1.05%

Mike Dixon is the next Libertarian Party National Chair, whose term commences at the end of the convention.

The body moved to suspend the rules to extend the time to select a Vice-Chair. The suspension of the rules passed. The motion to extend time until the Vice-Chair has been selected passed.

The randomly selected order for nominations for vice-chair was:

Mark Selzer, Lee Wrights

- Mark Selzer nominated himself
- David Nolan, Alvin See and Mark Selzer seconded

The opponent:

- Mary Ruwart nominated Lee Wrights
- Barbara Howe and Lee Wrights seconded

Balloting began at 6:10 and concluded at 6:20.

The results of the balloting were:

Wrights	338	67.06%
Selzer	160	31.75%
NOTA	6	1.19%

R. Lee Wrights was selected as the next Libertarian Party National Vice-Chair.

The meeting was recessed at 6:30.

## **Elections of Party Officers, Monday**

The chair recognized that a quorum (324) is probably not present. The Chair indicated he would try again at 9:30 to achieve a quorum.

At 9:30 the Chair proposed a standing count to determine how close to a quorum we are. The count ended when a quorum was reached. The Chair chastised those who had already left for dereliction of duty. The Chair also asked the delegates to recognize how few delegates beyond those needed for a quorum actually were present, by asking those who had not been counted to stand. The quorum count appeared to have been satisfied with a margin less than 10% of the total needed.

Gary Johnson of the Credentials Committee noted the additions to the delegate and alternate lists. The body accepted the new delegates.

If asked, the Secretary would have presented the updated delegate count of 814.

The convention proceeded to the election of Secretary. Lee Wrights nominated Bob Sullentrup and Mark Rutherford seconded. Since there were no other nominations, the chair's request for a voice vote met with no objections.

While Bob Sullentrup was elected Secretary by a voice vote, friends of the candidate's from his home delegation provided the valuable service to the Party of ensuring the selection was less than unanimous by voting for NOTA. Beyond razzing, the fundamental message is to remain humble and remember that graveyards are full of indispensable men. That message is a useful one and may be repeated by members of the Secretary's home delegation or by other Party members as situations warrant.

The randomly selected order for nominations for treasurer was:

Aaron Starr, Mark Nelson

- Dr. Mary Ruwart nominated Aaron Starr
- Bill McMillan and David Nolan

Next:

- BetteRose Ryan nominated Mark Nelson
- Mark Cenci and Spencer Nelson seconded.

There was a motion to suspend the Convention Rules to allow 10 minutes of questioning of candidates. The suspension failed.

Balloting began at 6:10 and concluded at 6:20.

The results of the balloting were:

Mark Nelson	271	69.85%
Aaron Starr	111	28.61%
NOTA	6	1.55%

Mark Nelson is elected treasurer.

A motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of reducing the delegate count failed.

The chair opened nominations for At-Large National Committee representatives.

Nominees included:

Mark Dierolf (CA)  
 Mark Rutherford (IN)  
 Trevor Sutherland (TN)  
 Sean Haugh (NC)  
 Bill Redpath (VA)  
 Chuck Williams (SC)  
 Rick McGinnis (TX)  
 (Adm) Michael Colley (AL)  
 BetteRose Ryan (SD)  
 Aleq Boyle (GA)  
 Mark Selzer (CA)  
 Ernest Hancock (AZ)  
 George Phillies (MA)

After nominations closed, Mr. Phillies declined.

In addition, since Ernest Hancock was not present, his willingness to serve could not be verified, his nomination was withdrawn.

Another motion to suspend the rules for some purpose of expediency failed.

Candidates for At-Large memberships made speeches from the podium.

Balloting for At-Large began at 11:00, and concluded at 12:00.

With a sneak peak at the results before their release, the chair entertained a methodology for resolving ties by lot, rather than by a time-consuming second ballot. The body accepted this alternative without objection.

Results for At-Large representatives were:

Mark Rutherford	260
Rick McGinnis	210
Bill Redpath	200
BetteRose Ryan	199
Sean Haugh	197
Admiral Michael Colley	197
Trevor Southerland	179
Chuck Williams	178
Mark Selzer	100
Aleq Boyle	91
Mark Dierolf	90
NOTA	1

The balloting selected Mark Rutherford, Rick McGinnis, Bill Redpath and BetteRose Ryan outright.

With a tie for the 5<sup>th</sup> place, the names of Sean Haugh and Michael Colley were placed into a paper bag. Ken Krawchuck (PA) selected the piece of paper with Admiral Colley's name. Colley is the final At-Large LNC representative.

Nominations for the Judicial Committee were opened at 11:40.

Nominees included:

Jonathan Wright (TN)  
Greg Clark (WA)  
William Gelineau (MI)

Frank Longo (FL)  
Rich Moroney (IA)  
Jay Vandersloot (MA)  
Nick Sarwark (MD)  
Fred Collins (MI)  
Phil Miller (IN)  
David Owens (PA)  
David Nolan (CA)  
Richard Kerr (WV)  
Rock Howard (TX)

Nominations were closed at 11:50.

It was accepted without objection that ties for the last place(s) will be resolved by lot.

Mark Hinkle (CA) proposed the following resolution:

*Whereas Aaron Russo and Gary Nolan have contributed time, money and commitment during their race for the nomination as our presidential candidate; and*

*Whereas Gary Nolan and Aaron Russo have brought excitement and enthusiasm to the Libertarian Party throughout their race;*

*Therefore, the delegates of the 2004 Presidential Nominating Convention wish to express our profound gratitude for their support of the Libertarian Party.*

This resolution passed.

MG de Lemos (FL) proposed a resolution for the body to accept the Strategic Plan developed by the Strategic Planning Team authorized by the LNC. The resolution failed.

Orders of the day closed the convention at 12:25.

## **Post-Convention Tabulation of Judicial Committee Ballots**

Eight states including Nebraska, New Mexico, Idaho, Mississippi, North Dakota, Vermont, Wyoming and Oklahoma failed to submit ballot summaries for Judicial Committee. In the prior ballot for At-Large representatives, the six states including Idaho, Mississippi, Nebraska, North Dakota, Vermont and Wyoming failed to submit summary ballots.

This situation reflects the ongoing drop in attendance as the convention proceeded. While this may also have reflected a mistake, the Secretary declares the balloting for the Judicial Committee closed. Furthermore, the ballots in hand and tabulated represent the complete list. Injured parties may appeal through the appropriate mechanism outlined in the bylaws.

The results of the balloting were (numbers audited and updated on June 3 with rankings and the tie unaffected; AZ's numbers were missing from the results posted on the State Chair's list on June 1)

David Nolan	194
Fred Collins	153
Phil Miller	118
Richard Kerr	116
Rich Maroney	99
Rock Howard	97
Greg Clark	88
Nick Sarwark	88
David Owens	83
Jonathan Wright	75
Frank Longo	66
Jay Vandersloot	64
William Gelineau	54
NOTA	2

Six of the seven members of the Judicial Committee have been selected directly by delegate balloting.

It was agreed without objection during the convention that a lot would resolve any ties should they later emerge.

Considering we had a tie after the convention closed, we will resolve it using a digital lot rather than the classic analog version.

As this is being written, Sergeant First Class Hermes Acevedo, 2<sup>nd</sup>/100<sup>th</sup> Military Police Battalion, will shortly choose a number from 1 to 100. After applying the square root, we will inspect the fourth digit to the right of the decimal. If it is an odd digit, Greg Clark will be selected. Otherwise Nick Sarwark will round out the Committee. For the purpose of verification or challenges, SFC Acevedo can be reached by e-mail at [Hermes.Acevedo@US.Army.Mil](mailto:Hermes.Acevedo@US.Army.Mil).

SFC Acevedo selects the number 32, and in retrospect thanks not a perfect square.



Please wait for a moment while the Secretary switches to Excel and performs the calculation.

Thank you for waiting.

The random digit is 8. Nick Sarwark is the final member of the Judicial Committee.

With this resolution of another tie, thus ends balloting in a memorable convention with the closest races in the history of the Libertarian Party.

## **Improving Convention Operations in 2006**

The Secretary has prepared a separate document detailing a host of improvements the Convention Committee and others should consider for 2006. The document is available upon request.

## **Special Thanks**

A special note of thanks is due Dan Karlan of New Jersey for his assistance in the production of these minutes, for his ideas for improving the convention process contained in the previous section and for his help at the 2004 convention.

Without Dan's capable assistance, these minutes and convention operations would have suffered massively, and the resulting delays and dearth of pertinent and timely answers available from Dan off the top of his head would have been distinct and noticeable.

While I would be pleased to remain as Secretary for the foreseeable future, I hereby affirm, publicly and in writing, that should Dan Karlan desire to become the LNC Secretary at any time in the future, I would defer to his desire to take over the job; I would not run, but I would support his candidacy and serve as *his* convention assistant. He's that good.

Then I would ask if I'd used the semicolon properly in the next to last sentence. I think I did, but he would be the one to know that for sure.

That's what I like most about this organization. The more people I get to know, the more people I find that I hugely admire. See you again, fellow Libertarians, in 2006 if not before, and thank you all so much for all you are doing for Liberty.

**First Ballot, Presidential**

**Second**

**3RD**

	Badnarik	Diket	Hollist	Nolan	Russo	D. Carey	L. N. Smith	H. Stern	NOTA		Badnarik	Nolan	Russo	NOTA		Badnarik	Russo	NOTA
<b>Tot:</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>4</b>	<b>Tot:</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Tot:</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>11</b>
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<b>VT</b>	1	0	0	0	0	0	<b>VT</b>	1	0	0		<b>VT</b>	1	0	
<b>VA</b>	15	0	0	22	12	0	<b>VA</b>	15	23	10		<b>VA</b>	33	11	2
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<b>WV</b>	1	0	0	4	0	0	<b>WV</b>	1	4	0		<b>WV</b>	5	0	
<b>WI</b>	6	0	0	1	8	0	<b>WI</b>	6	1	7		<b>WI</b>	7	7	
<b>WY</b>	1	0	0	0	0	0	<b>WY</b>	1	0	0		<b>WY</b>	1	0	

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KS	5	0	0	0		KS	4	0	1		KS	4	1		KS	
KY	2	0	0	0		KY	2	0	0		KY	1	1		KY	
LA	8	0	0	0		LA	4	0	1		LA	0	5		LA	
ME	2	1	0	0		ME	5	0	0		ME	1	3		ME	
MD	11	0	0	12		MD	12	2	8	1	MD	19	3		MD	
MA	8	0	0	4		MA	5	0	7		MA	7	2	1	MA	
MI	16	1	0	7		MI	18	1	0		MI	14	3		MI	
MN	4	0	1	5		MN	8	1	2		MN	3	11		MN	
MS	0	0	0	3		MS	3	0	0		MS	0	2		MS	
MO	4	0	0	15		MO	12	0	2		MO	8	3		MO	
MT	1	0	0	1		MT	2	0	0		MT	2	0		MT	
NE	2	0	0	0		NE	1	0	1		NE	2	0		NE	
NV	2	0	0	3		NV	5	0	0		NV	3	2		NV	
NH	7	1	0	0		NH	1	0	5		NH	6	1		NH	
NJ	7	0	0	6		NJ	7	0	5		NJ	7	4		NJ	
NM	3	0	0	0		NM	2	0	0		NM	1	1		NM	
NY	6	0	0	9		NY	6	4	2	1	NY	7	4		NY	
NC	20	0	0	6		NC	20	1	1		NC	21	2		NC	
ND	1	0	0	0		ND	3	0	0		ND	0	3		ND	
OH	8	0	0	9		OH	13	0	1		OH	11	2		OH	
OK	2	0	0	2		OK	3	0	1		OK	4	0		OK	
OR	6	2	0	3		OR	9	0	1		OR	8	3		OR	
PA	13	0	0	6		PA	18	1	1		PA	10	0		PA	
RI	0	0	0	0		RI	0	0	0		RI	0	0		RI	
SC	9	0	0	4		SC	9	0	1		SC	9	2		SC	

<b>SD</b>	0	0	0	0	<b>SD</b>	0	0	0	<b>SD</b>	0	0	<b>SD</b>			
<b>TN</b>	6	0	0	11	2	<b>TN</b>	15	2	0	<b>TN</b>	13	3	<b>TN</b>		
<b>TX</b>	13	0	1	8	<b>TX</b>	19	0	2	<b>TX</b>	9	4	<b>TX</b>			
<b>UT</b>	6	0	0	0	<b>UT</b>	3	2	1	<b>UT</b>	3	3	<b>UT</b>			
<b>VT</b>	0	0	1	0	<b>VT</b>	0	0	1	<b>VT</b>	1	0	<b>VT</b>			
<b>VA</b>	17	0	0	16	<b>VA</b>	27	3	0	1	<b>VA</b>	15	10	<b>VA</b>		
<b>WA</b>	3	0	0	3	<b>WA</b>	5	1	0	<b>WA</b>	3	3	<b>WA</b>			
<b>WV</b>	0	1	1	2	<b>WV</b>	5	0	0	<b>WV</b>	2	2	<b>WV</b>			
<b>WI</b>	6	0	0	2	<b>WI</b>	4	0	6	<b>WI</b>	5	0	<b>WI</b>			
<b>WY</b>	0	0	0	0	<b>WY</b>	0	0	0	<b>WY</b>	0	0	<b>WY</b>			

Treasurer				At Large													
	Nelson	Starr	NOTA		Dierolf	Rutherford	Southerland	Haugh	Redpath	Williams	McGinnis	Colley	Ryan	Boyle	Selzer	NOTA	
Tot:	271	111	6	Tot:	90	260	179	197	200	178	210	197	199	91	100	1	Tot:
AL	3	2		AL	1	5	0	9	7	5	1	9	2	3	2		AL
AK	3	0		AK	0	2	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1		AK
AZ	7	1	1	AZ	0	4	5	6	1	5	7	1	7	2	0		AZ
AR	3	0		AR	0	1	1	2	2	2	2	3	1	1	0		AR
CA	7	26		CA	28	6	9	12	14	15	22	22	10	9	15	1	CA
CO	10	0		CO	0	8	4	0	0	7	6	2	10	0	1		CO
CT	3	0		CT	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	0	0		CT
DE	1	2		DE	0	2	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0		DE
DC	0	0	1	DC	1	0	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	0		DC
FL	12	12		FL	11	13	13	19	15	12	7	24	6	17	8		FL
GA	12	12		GA	2	15	22	11	9	11	11	8	11	11	9		GA
HI	0	0		HI	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		HI
ID	0	0		ID	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		ID
IL	8	2		IL	3	8	3	4	5	2	9	7	2	0	0		IL
IN	29	7		IN	2	40	11	10	4	8	31	5	27	2	2		IN
IA	14	0		IA	2	14	3	9	7	5	6	3	13	0	3		IA
KS	1	0		KS	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1		KS
KY	0	1		KY	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1		KY
LA	0	1		LA	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0		LA
ME	3	0		ME	0	2	0	1	1	2	2	0	2	0	0		ME
MD	8	8		MD	1	3	9	11	13	6	6	9	7	9	4		MD
MA	4	0	2	MA	2	3	5	4	4	0	4	5	2	2	4		MA
MI	13	3		MI	2	18	7	9	12	1	2	9	9	5	5		MI
MN	2	4	1	MN	3	5	4	2	2	2	3	6	4	0	4		MN
MS	0	0		MS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		MS
MO	10	0		MO	3	6	6	7	5	5	3	5	5	2	3		MO
MT	2	0		MT	0	2	0	1	2	2	0	1	2	0	0		MT
NE	1	0		NE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		NE
NV	3	0		NV	0	1	0	1	0	3	3	2	2	2	1		NV
NH	4	0		NH	2	1	3	0	1	1	1	4	4	0	3		NH
NJ	8	0		NJ	2	4	4	5	6	4	5	5	4	1	0		NJ
NM	1	0		NM	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0		NM
NY	7	2	1	NY	1	7	7	8	4	1	3	6	8	1	3		NY
NC	20	0		NC	2	13	6	13	10	7	12	5	12	1	1		NC
ND	0	0		ND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		ND
OH	9	0		OH	0	10	0	6	9	4	5	4	7	0	1		OH
OK	4	0		OK	0	0	3	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0		OK
OR	5	2		OR	0	4	2	0	2	5	2	6	4	1	4		OR
PA	5	3		PA	1	6	7	5	8	12	6	0	4	1	2		PA
RI	0	0		RI	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		RI

<b>SC</b>	8	0	<b>SC</b>	2	5	4	4	2	9	1	5	4	2	1	<b>SC</b>
<b>SD</b>	0	0	<b>SD</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>SD</b>
<b>TN</b>	9	5	<b>TN</b>	0	9	14	4	4	6	6	5	6	2	4	<b>TN</b>
<b>TX</b>	5	6	<b>TX</b>	2	10	4	7	5	6	13	12	3	0	7	<b>TX</b>
<b>UT</b>	0	1	<b>UT</b>	2	0	0	2	2	0	0	1	0	1	2	<b>UT</b>
<b>VT</b>	0	0	<b>VT</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>VT</b>
<b>VA</b>	16	8	<b>VA</b>	7	17	10	6	23	17	16	11	7	4	7	<b>VA</b>
<b>WA</b>	6	0	<b>WA</b>	0	4	0	1	4	3	6	2	5	4	1	<b>WA</b>
<b>WV</b>	2	1	<b>WV</b>	0	3	2	2	3	2	1	1	1	0	0	<b>WV</b>
<b>WI</b>	2	2	<b>WI</b>	6	5	7	4	1	3	4	3	3	4	0	<b>WI</b>
<b>WY</b>	1	0	<b>WY</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>WY</b>

### Judicial Committee

	Jonathan Wright	Greg Clark	William Gelineau	Frank Longo	Rich Maroney	Jay Vandersloot	Nick Sarwark	Fred Collins	Phil Miller	David Owens	David Nolan	Richard Kerr	Rock Howard	NOTA	
Tot:	75	88	54	66	99	64	88	153	118	83	194	116	97	2	Tot:
AL		2	2	1		2		3	1		2	2			AL
AK											1				AK
AZ	1	3	4	0	2	0	3	5	4	5	2	4	1	1	AZ
AR	3	3				3		3	3	3	3				AR
CA	1	12	1	6	3	1	11	14	2	3	21	13	14		CA
CO	1	1			1	1		3		3	5	1	2		CO
CT	2	1			2			2	1	1	3	1	1		CT
DE	1	1	1							1	1	1			DE
DC	1	1				1	2			1	2	1			DC
FL	3	3	2	16	5	1	1	4	3	12	13	5	5		FL
GA	14	6	3	11	7	9	7	11	10	6	18	7	9		GA
HI															HI
ID															ID
IL	3	2	1		1	1	1	4	4	1	5	2	4		IL
IN	1	1	8	2	11	2	1	20	34	7	10	19	7		IN
IA	1	1		1	9	1	5		1	1		3	1		IA
KS		1		1				1	1		1	1	1		KS
KY								1			1	1			KY
LA	1			1	2						2	1	1		LA
ME			1		1	1		1	1	1		1			ME
MD	1	2	1			7	12	3	4	3	4	4	4		MD
MA	2	1	2	1		4	2			2					MA
MI	5	6	6	5	3		1	12	7		10	9	2		MI
MN		1	1	1		1	2	3	2		5	2	1		MN
MS															MS
MO	2	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	2			MO
MT		2			2		2	2	2	2	2				MT
NE															NE
NV					3	3		3			3		3		NV
NH		1	1			2	2	1			3	1			NH
NJ	3	5	1	3	3	4	1	3	2	1	5	2	1		NJ
NM															NM
NY	4	4	3	1	6	1	3	3	1	1	3	1	3		NY
NC	1		1	1	4	3	6	4	6		7	2	2		NC
ND															ND
OH			2		5			7	6		8	6	4		OH
OK															OK
OR	3	4	3		4	2	1	4	4		6	1	2		OR
PA				1			4	3		12	5	2			PA



RI														RI
SC	2	2	2	4	4		5	2	2	5	4	4		SC
SD														SD
TN	12	2		2	4	2	3	6	1	4	7	4	2	1
TX		4			4		3	5	2		7	1	7	
UT				1							1		1	
VT														
VA	5	6	4	4	5	4	5	7	8	6	13	7	6	
WA	1	5			1	2	4	5	1	1	3		5	
WV												3		
WI	1	1	2	1	5	4	4	3	3	2	3	2	4	
WY														