



## Libertarian National Committee

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To whom it may concern:

The bearer of this letter is engaging in petitioning to place political candidates on the ballot. Petitioning is a Constitutionally protected First Amendment right.

The ability to petition in public places, including but not limited to public transportation facilities, government office buildings, public parks, post offices, public colleges and universities, and the sidewalks in front of stores, has been consistently upheld by courts up to and including the U.S. Supreme Court.

***Interference with petitioning can be deemed a violation of the petitioner's civil rights and can result in prosecution of the interfering party at the state or federal level.***

In Meyer v. Grant, 486 U.S. 414, the U.S. Supreme Court concluded that ballot access petition circulation is “core political speech,” for which First Amendment protection is “at its zenith.” (id. At 422, 425)

***This ruling places ballot access petition circulation as exempt from any and all State or Local ordinances, statutes, codes or regulations, as long as petitioners are orderly in their process.***

Additional Supreme Court decisions affirming the right of public access for ballot access petitioning include, but are not limited to:

- Longo v. U.S. Postal Service (1991)
- U.S. v. Kokinda (1990)
- International Society for Krishna Consciousness v. Lee, and the cross appeal, Lee v. International Society for Krishna Consciousness (1992)

***Please cease any and all interference with the orderly activities of this petitioner.***

Should you have any questions, please call me at 202-288-9853. Thank you.

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