

**DRAFT OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2020**  
**REPORT OF THE RULES SUBCOMMITTEE**  
**OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK**  
**FOR THE ORGANIZATION MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 26-27, 2020**

**Part I. Recommendations of the Rules Subcommittee**

This is a report of the Rules Subcommittee. The following amendments to the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York have been proposed as recommended by the members of the Rules Subcommittee, consisting of Andrew Kolstee as Chair, with Cody Anderson, Mark Braiman, Pietro Geraci, and Christopher Olenski as members.

- Strike the entirety of Article 6 “Interim State Committee” and renumber accordingly.
- Strike "LPNY" and insert "Libertarian Party" in Article 6.6.2.3 and Article 6.6.2.4.
- Strike "registered" and insert “voting” in Article 6.6.2.3.
- Strike "Credentials Subcommittee" and insert "Secretary" in Article 6.7.5.
- Strike “they” in Article 6.7.5.
- Insert "Article" after "as described in" in Article 6.11.1.1.1
- Strike “If force majeure, prevents all members of the State Committee from attending at the time and location the meeting is called, remote participation with full parliamentary privileges is acceptable and Article 6.11.5.2. shall be ignored” and insert “If, as a result of force majeure, no member of the State Committee is able to attend at the time and location the meeting is called, remote participation with full parliamentary privileges shall be permitted and Article 6.11.5.2. shall be ignored.” In Article 6.11.1.1.2.
- Insert a new Article 6.11.1.1.3. “If an individual member of the State Committee is unable to attend at the time and location the meeting is called due to a government mandate, remote participation with full parliamentary privileges shall be permitted and Article 7.11.5.2 shall be ignored.”
- Capitalize "Organization Meeting" in Article 6.11.1.3.
- Strike "AMENDMENTS" and insert "AMENDMENT" in Article 6.11.1.5.
- Strike "Organizational" and insert "Organization" in Article 6.11.1.6.
- Strike "Discussion of Platform" and insert "Discussion and consideration of Platform amendments" in Article 6.11.1.6.(i).
- Strike "around one of two structures: A. County Organization, or B. County Committee" and insert as either a County Organization as outlined in Article 9.2. or as a Constituted County Committee as outlined in Article 9.5.” in Article 9.1.
- Strike "14.14. CONVENTIONS. Conventions to select candidates shall be held no earlier than 21 days and no later than four (4) days before petitioning for the statewide office starts.” and insert “This meeting shall be held no earlier than 21 days and no later than four (4) days before petitioning for the statewide office starts.” In Article 13.3.1.
- Strike "Any candidate receiving more than 25% of the vote shall be encouraged to contact the Board of Elections and demand in writing" and insert "The State Committee shall notify any candidate receiving more than 25% of the vote of their right" in Article 13.3.4.
- Strike "Such demand shall be made" and insert "To secure this right, the candidate must contact the Board of Elections" in Article 13.3.4.
- Insert "(7)" and "(14)" after each number is spelled out in Article 13.3.4.
- Strike "for a that" and insert "for that" in Article 13.8
- Insert "Article" after “except as provided for in” in Article 14.4.
- Insert “Article” after “shall be determined as outlined in" in Article 14.4.

## **Part II. Amendments Submitted by Members of the State Committee**

The following additional amendments to the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York have been submitted by Members of the State Committee.

### **Donnelly Amendment A – submitted by Daniel Donnelly**

~~10.2.1.1.~~ **9.2.1.1. COUNTY CONTACTS.** The State Committee may appoint a County Contact for the purpose of establishing a point person to organize a County Organization. The County Contact shall have a term of six (6) months, subject to renewal by the State Committee. **Upon establishment of a County Organization, the duly elected Chair shall replace the County Contact as the State Committee's point person in a given county.**

### **Donnelly Amendment B – submitted by Daniel Donnelly**

Article 9.3.3 requires that County Organizations hold meetings at least quarterly, yet no provision is made to verify that County Organizations are holding these meetings according to protocol. Insert the following in Article 9.2.2:

~~10.2.2.~~ **9.2.2.** Upon a majority vote of the Executive Committee of the State Committee, the group that met the criteria in Article 10.3 shall become an affiliated County Organization. **Every duly chartered County Organization or County Committee every year will transmit to the State Committee documentation of all public meetings held. Such documentation will include record of what notices were dispatched to constituents, when said notices were dispatched and through which mediums, said meetings' Agendas and attendance records. Upon receipt and review of such satisfactory documentation, the State Committee will dispatch to the County Organization or County Committee in question an embossed charter, renewed for the following calendar year.**

### **Donnelly Amendment C – submitted by Daniel Donnelly**

Strike the entirety of Article 10 (Judicial Committee) as superfluous.

### **Donnelly Amendment D – submitted by Daniel Donnelly**

Replace Article 14 with the following:

## **Article ~~15.~~ 14. Nominations of Non-Libertarians for Public Office**

**14.1. The Libertarian Party and all its County ~~Affiliates and County Committees,~~ shall approve no candidate who is not an enrolled member in the Libertarian Party.**

**14.2. A new registrant in the Libertarian Party will become eligible for approval upon the first day new enrollments are disclosed to the public by the New York State Board of Elections, or the Board of Elections of the county wherein said registrant is domiciled.**

Respectfully submitted,  
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Chair, Rules Subcommittee