



VOTE LIBERTARIAN ILLINOIS

Contractor Information

Background

The Libertarian Party of Illinois (LP Illinois) will provide Illinois citizens the opportunity to vote Libertarian in the November election. To accomplish this, we will collect and deliver 50,000 signatures of registered Illinois voters to the state election board by the June 21, 2010 deadline.

The time period for signature collection is Tuesday, March 23 through Friday, June 18, 2010.

LP Illinois members and friends will collect signatures for our candidates on a volunteer basis. Their efforts will be supplemented with independent contractors.

Statement of Work

Selected contractors will:

1. Familiarize themselves with the petition form, sample completed form, petition "how to" instructions, and petitioner FAQs available on the LPillinois.org website.
2. Agree to a target number of signatures between 500 and 5000, notary plan, petition delivery schedule and methods for attainment. An example delivery schedule for 3000 signatures would be 1000 by April 23, the next 1000 by May 21, and the final 1000 by June 18.
3. Complete a [Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification form](#) (a.k.a. IRS W9 form).
4. Attend a training session on how to collect petition signatures for the LP Illinois, either in person, by phone, or online.
5. Download the official petition form from the LP Illinois website and make as many copies as needed. Copies must be of high quality and show all text on every sheet. Petition forms with any text missing will not be paid for.
6. Collect petition signatures only from those who say they are registered Illinois voters, while maintaining a polite and friendly attitude and respecting property owners' rights and all legal authorities.
Note: you cannot collect signatures from people who have just completed a voter registration form. Any such signatures are not valid.
7. Have their petitions notarized, either through an LP Illinois Campaign Coordinator or their own resource.
8. Deliver notarized petitions to a Petition Coordinator or mail their notarized petitions to the LP Illinois Petition Drive Manager per the agreed schedule.

Notarized petition forms must be accepted by a Petition Coordinator or received by the Petition Drive Manager by **June 18** to be eligible for payment. Exceptions must be accompanied by the written permission of the LP Illinois Campaign Director.



Legal Requirements

Petitioners must be:

- 18 years or older
- A U.S. citizen

Preferences

- Membership in the national, state, and/or a local Libertarian Party organization
- References from Libertarian Party members
- Willingness to donate at least 100 signatures to the petition drive
- Prior successful petitioning experience

Restrictions

- Petitioners **cannot** have circulated petitions for any other political parties or independent candidates in this election cycle, which includes the February 2010 primary and November 2010 general elections.
- Contractors are not permitted to subcontract signature collection to others.

Compensation

The standard rate per signature is \$1.00. No compensation will be provided for contractor expenses, including but not limited to, travel, petition copying, postage, or meals. Contractors are advised to contact their tax advisor as to the deductibility of business expenses.

Petition Drive Coordinators and the Petition Drive Manager will count signatures on completed forms and email the totals to initiate the payment process. You will receive a copy of the email for your records. Payment by check will be within 30 days from the email date.

Agreement Restructuring and Termination

Petition signatures will be checked against voter registration records for a reasonable rate of signature validity. Signature shortfalls, late delivery, or a validity rate under 60% may result in agreement restructuring or termination.

Signing anyone else's name on a petition is forgery, a serious, convictable offense. Evidence of forgery will result in agreement termination and potential legal action. Fraudulent signatures will not be paid for.

Next Steps

Visit our website, LPillinois.org, for more information about our Party and the 2010 Petition Drive.

If you are interested in working as a petition circulator for the LP Illinois as an independent contractor, complete the Contractor Bid form on the Petition Drive page of the LP Illinois website.