



# LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF ILLINOIS

## LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF ILLINOIS TO DELIVER PETITIONS FOR 2010 ELECTION

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The Libertarian Party of Illinois (“LP Illinois”) will complete the petition drive to get its state-wide and district candidates on the ballot for the 2010 General Election on June 21<sup>st</sup> in Springfield.

Election law in Illinois requires candidates for “new” political parties, such as Libertarians, to file many times the number of signatures as “established” parties, such as Democrats and Republicans. For example, the petition filing headed by Libertarian gubernatorial candidate Lex Green is required to contain 25,000 registered voter signatures, while Democrats and Republicans are required to file only 5,000. Similarly, Libertarian candidate for the 18<sup>th</sup> Representative District, Steve Funk, is required to file 2,561 signatures, while a Democratic or Republican opponent needs only 500.

On Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, members of LP Illinois, including some of our candidates, will be spending the day at the Hilton Garden Inn hotel in Springfield assembling our petition signatures. On Monday morning, June 21<sup>st</sup>, LP Illinois will overcome this blatant disparity in signature requirements and file its petitions with the State Board of Elections. At 1:30 p.m. that afternoon, a press conference will be held in the State Capitol press room, providing the details of the petitions delivered and introducing LP Illinois candidates. All media are invited to attend.

LP Illinois’ petition drive began March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Over 100 individuals have circulated petitions in every area of the state to provide an alternative to the continued corruption and fiscal mismanagement that plague our government. Voters are seeking candidates to stand for limited government, lower taxes, individual freedom, and personal responsibility. LP Illinois is ready to deliver and we look forward to the fall campaign.

*The Libertarian Party of Illinois is a political home for those who value honesty, fairness, respect, responsibility and compassion.*