



Election Cycle 2008

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Take Action!

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One of the primary activities of your state Libertarian party is to maintain ballot status — that means, the right to place candidates on the ballot. To maintain ballot status, we need more voters registered as Libertarian. To make the best use of ballot status, we need to run Libertarian candidates.

Take Action! Register Libertarians

Get friends, family, neighbors, or acquaintances, to register Libertarian.
Online: www.AzLP.org/reg

Take Action! Become Active

The Arizona Libertarian Party consists of all registered Arizona Libertarians. The officers of the county party and the state committeemen are selected by our precinct committeemen. The state committeemen then in turn select the officers of the state party. Become active in your party! To become a precinct committeeman requires one form and one nominating petition (which requires only 1 signature - yours). Links to forms and more details [online: www.AzLP.org/act](http://www.AzLP.org/act)

Take Action! Become a Candidate

Unfortunately, there are far more offices for which we could run candidates, yet nobody has stepped up to take on the challenge. This year, as an Arizona Libertarian, you have a great opportunity to make a difference

in promoting our message of individual liberty, personal responsibility, and limited government, by getting yourself on the ballot as a candidate for one of more than 200 offices which will be contested this November.

Take Action! Seek an Office

This November, Arizonans will vote on over 200 partisan offices, including:

- 8 Representatives to Congress
- Corporation Commissioners
- 30 state senators
- 60 state representatives

And in each county (we have ballot access in Coconino, Maricopa, Pima, and Yavapai counties), nearly another hundred partisan offices:

- Assessor
- County Attorney
- Recorder
- Sheriff
- School Superintendent
- Treasurer
- Board of Supervisors
- Judges or Justices of the Peace
- Constables

A list of partisan offices elected this year is [online: www.AzLP.org/act](http://www.AzLP.org/act)

Take Action! Get on the Ballot

For each of the Congressional seats and the Corporation Commission seats, any registered Arizona Libertarian may file regardless of where in Arizona you reside — the required paperwork is filed with the Secretary of State. They can notarize any signatures as required when you file.

For the State Senate and State Representative seats, you also file with the Secretary of State, but you must live in the district to be represented.

For each of the other offices, you file with your County Elections department, and you need to live in the district that is to be represented. They can notarize any signatures as required when you file.

The steps, links to the forms, and more, are [online: www.AzLP.org/act](http://www.AzLP.org/act)

Remember, a *Political Committee Statement of Organization* or *\$500 Threshold Exemption Statement* must be filed before accepting contributions, making expenditures, distributing campaign literature or circulating petitions. So, after you have decided on which office to pursue, make sure you file your exemption statement — you can always file additional paperwork if your campaign expenditures or contributions exceed \$500.

Take Action! Forms to File

1. *\$500 Exemption Statement* (file this **before** you begin)

The filing period for everything else begins May 5, 2008 and ends June 4, 2008. File everything below at the same time.

2. *Nomination Paper, Affidavit of Qualification and Campaign Finance Laws Statement*
3. *Financial Disclosure Statement*
4. *Nomination Petitions*

Links to forms, and detailed directions are [online: www.AzLP.org/act](http://www.AzLP.org/act)

Take Action! Get your Signatures

The minimum number of nominating petition signatures for a Libertarian candidate range from 1 to 85, depending on the office, but only a few require more than 12 valid signatures.

For Congress, you will need at least 8 to 14 signatures (depending on the district). For Corporation Commissioner, at least 85. For State Senator or Representative, at least 3 to 12 (depending on the district). For Assessor, County Attorney, Recorder, School Superintendent, Sheriff, Treasurer, in Maricopa you will need at least 46 signatures, in Coconino, Pima, and Yavapai around a minimum of 17.

In every case, this requirement is easily achieved, especially if you remember that you may accept signatures from any registered voter, EXCEPT Republicans and Democrats (or Greens, in Pima County), so you don't have to get only Libertarians to nominate you.

We've documented the offices to be contested, steps to get on the ballot, links to forms, directions for completing the forms and filing them, and more, [online: www.AzLP.org/act](http://www.AzLP.org/act)

For more information, your county elections department is a place to start, or contact the Secretary of State.

Our links [online:](http://www.AzLP.org)

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