

LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE (“LPNH” or “Appellant”)

V.

LIBERTARIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE (“LNC” or “Appellee”)

In re: Disaffiliation for Cause

AMICUS OF NOLAN SCHMIDT

DATED JULY 6, 2026

IN SUPPORT OF LNC

BEFORE THE NATIONAL LIBERTARIAN PARTY

JUDICIAL COMMITTEE (“JC”)

Statement of Interest

Amicus Nolan Schmidt is a Lifetime member of the National Libertarian Party (“LP”). He submits this brief to assist the Judicial Committee in bringing and keeping professionalism, accountability, and public relations within the LP and its respected affiliates.

The LNC’s decision on May 25, 2026, in a 15-2 vote, via the LP’s Bylaws Article 7.6, to revoke the affiliate status of LPNH over their open endorsement of President Donald Trump, who is a candidate of another party, in 2024 as well as their repeated, crude remarks towards LP candidates and anti-libertarian positions through their social media accounts.

Amicus has no personal or financial stake in the outcome of the JC’s decision, but would like to see that on the grounds of professionalism, accountability, public standing and support, and ability to use the freedom of association against rogue affiliates be held as accounted for by the LP on the National level.

Summary of Argument

As agreed with several of the amicus briefs before mine, the Appellant uses a very anemic attempt to change up their tone on their endorsement of President Trump by using the Libertarian Party of Colorado’s attempt to designate Robert F. Kennedy Jr. as its presidential candidate over Chase Oliver, who was rightfully nominated at the 2024 National Convention, and arguing that they received no disciplinary action whatsoever before admitting that the leadership of LPNH at the time of their vote to endorse Trump was “wrong and invalid” for doing so.

On their [X post](#) on November 4, 2024, LPNH felt that their endorsement of Trump was “the right one for ourselves, for our children, and for the best future of a Free State of New Hampshire” and claim him as “the best candidate for libertarians” despite saying that he is “not a libertarian.” They even list the reason for not endorsing Oliver as the rightful candidate by deceitfully claiming that he “spends his time

supporting tax-funded trans surgery for prisoners, advocating for literal murderers, and trying to kick our members out of the Libertarian Party entirely.”

The statement in the Appellant’s argument that LPNH “distrusted Donald Trump’s foreign policy promises” when they promoted President Trump’s promise at the time to not start new wars as a listed reason of him being “the best candidate for libertarians” on their X post is another deceit tactic in their appeal.

The argument of the LPNH leadership now vs the leadership then is also irrelevant for their argument against disaffiliation as it shouldn’t matter at this point who was in their leadership at the time as they, as an official state affiliate of the LP, knowingly broke the national bylaws because they didn’t agree with the national convention body’s voted nominee and openly promoting a deceit tactic on said nominee.

It is a clear violation of the LP’s Bylaws under Article 5.4.

Within their arguments on the attempt to disaffiliate LPNH at the 2026 National Convention in Grand Rapids, they mentioned the motion on May 24th to eject Jeremy Kaufmann from the convention body. This is true, but it did not list the reason for his ejection from the body due to numerous deceitful interruptions filled with ad-hominum attacks on several members or list the fact that another LPNH delegate, Andrew Allgood, was also removed from the body for assaulting another delegate from another state delegation over flyers being given out for free.

Finally, their argument on “anti-Libertarian position” not being cause for removal is even more anemic as LPNH throughout their social media (X especially) have posted many ad-hominum attacks on LP candidates, members, other affiliates, and leadership. Freedom of Speech may be a major defense for LPNH, but Freedom of Association is a major factor with a majority of the LP. The LNC can take collective action to pursue the interest of its members, which the members of the LP have pushed for the removal of LPNH for their constant ad-hominum attacks and their pro-Republican Party positions made by its leadership, both former and current.

The interest and goal of the LP is to run candidates on any level of government who promote the Party and the Libertarian principles it is founded under. When you have a rogue affiliate who attacks candidates and members and promotes candidates and principles that do not meet the interest of the LP, the LP has the right to no longer associate with that rogue affiliate, especially one which has a chair who runs on a platform to abolish the LP for Republican gain and sends an [email](#) to request the LNC to “suck my dick.”

Conclusion

It is in the best interest for the party’s level of professionalism and accountability for this appeal to be denied by the members of the JC and affirm the decision by the LNC. The Appellant violated the LP’s bylaws, and their disaffiliation by the LNC stands as both following the LP’s bylaws as well as practicing the LP’s right of not associating with a rogue affiliate that promotes principles that doesn’t meet the interest of the LP.

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Note: I honestly decided not to add more to the whole Libertarian Party of Colorado bit since Caryn Ann Harlos had submitted her amicus before me, and my honest belief that she has a better argument on that particular matter.