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Petition #1 — (a) Suspension of an affiliate party

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## BEFORE THE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY

In re: Revocation of Affiliate Status of the Libertarian Party of New Hampshire

### BRIEF OF AMICUS CURIAE BEN WEIR IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONER

#### I. Identity and Interest of Amicus

I served as Chair of the Libertarian Party of New Hampshire from March 8, 2025, until early September, 2025. I also served as the Region 6 Alternate on the Libertarian National Committee from 2024 through 2026.

I am a sustaining member of the Libertarian Party under Article 4, Section 4 of the Bylaws, and I submit this brief in my personal capacity under Rule 7.1 of the Committee's Rules of Appellate Procedure.

#### II. Summary of Argument

A lot has been said about whether LPNH is a continuing entity. I believe that it definitely is... as I chaired that same continuing entity for the year after the November 2024 endorsement.

It's important to note that during my entire year as Chair, the LNC never once contacted LPNH about that endorsement.

The first time LPNH was formally told the endorsement was the basis for revocation was after the LNC had already voted to revoke its charter.

#### III. Argument

A. The membership replaced the leadership responsible for the endorsement.

The endorsement was approved on November 4, 2024, by the officers serving at that time. Nick Hubbard cast the only vote against it.

Four months later, at the March 8, 2025 convention, the membership elected an entirely new slate of voting officers. None of those newly elected officers had voted for the endorsement, all those that supported the endorsement have not held LPNH office since.

Two days later, LPNH incorporated under New Hampshire law with the new officers listed. One year later, in March 2026, the membership elected yet another new leadership team.

This was done through the democratic process and while following our State bylaws.

B. During my entire term, the LNC never mentioned this cause as reason for concern, as most of the complaints that were heard involved a desire to restrict free speech on the LPNH social media accounts.

The LNC certainly knew how to communicate with LPNH, as I was literally on the LNC during that time. I recall two group calls between comms leaders of LPNH and the former LNC Chair and Vice Chair, as well as former comms director for the National LP. These conversations never were about a Trump endorsement, ***which I also strongly and publicly opposed***, they were about finding neutral ground on comms and also not criticizing allies publicly through social media.

When the LNC voted to censure LPNH, it did not say anything about the 2024 endorsement and did not demand corrective action.

Instead, it invited LPNH to voluntarily disaffiliate, which is completely against LNC bylaws anyway... so LPNH rightfully declined.

Beyond that censure, I can personally attest that LPNH never received any communication from the LNC concerning the endorsement during my time as Chair. I was never under the impression that the endorsement specifically threatened our affiliate status.

C. The LNC's own conduct undermines the continuing-entity argument.

If LPNH is the same continuing entity today that existed in November 2024, then it was also the same continuing entity throughout my entire term as Chair.

During that year, the LNC knew about the endorsement and chose not to act on it. It imposed a different sanction for unrelated conduct. It never identified the endorsement as grounds for revocation.

Then, after a new LNC was seated, affiliate status was revoked based on that same endorsement.

Article 5, Section 6 requires that a motion to revoke specify the nature of the cause. At a minimum, an affiliate should know what conduct is allegedly at issue before its charter is revoked.

A continuing entity is still entitled to notice and an opportunity to respond before the ultimate sanction is imposed, especially seeing that almost every single officer on both sides of this issue is newly elected and not associated with the specified cause whatsoever.

#### IV. Conclusion

For these reasons, I respectfully urge the Committee to reverse the May 25, 2026 revocation and order the reinstatement of the Libertarian Party of New Hampshire pursuant to Article 5, Section 6.

Respectfully submitted,

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