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13	(See attachment pages)) COMPLAINT FOR:
14	Plaintiffs,) 1. DECLARATORY JUDGMENT;
15	vs.	AND
16	REPUBLICAN NATIONAL	2. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF;Request for Preliminary Injunction
17 18	COMMITTEE; REINCE PRIEBUS, Chairman of the Republican National Committee;	Request for Permanent Injunction (Rule 65 FRCP)
	(See attachment pages)	
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1	DELEGATES TO THE REPUBLICAN
2	NATIONAL CONVENTION AS FOLLOWS:
; ; 3	Alabama Delegate, Loretta Roughton
4	Alabama Resident, Michael Ramzy
5	Alaska Delegate, Daryl Lanzon
6	Alaska Delegate, Barbara Andersen Arizona Delegate, Virginia Guest
7	Arizona Delegate, Pepper Draper
8	Arizona Delegate, Annette Hardman
9	Arizona Delegate, Stacey Salvaggio
10	Arizona Delegate, Gary Benkendorfer
11	Arizona Delegate, Matt Papke
12	Arizona Delegate, Devin Tate
13	Arizona Delegate, Gabrielle Tate
14	Arizona Delegate, Seraphim Larsen
15	Arizona Delegate, Anna Larsen
16 17	Arizona Delegate, Cary Lockwood
	Arizona Delegate, David Petersen
18 19	Arizona Delegate, Dara Vanesian
20	Arizona Delegate, Karen Johnson
21	Arizona Delegate, Jake Reed
22	Arizona Delegate, Blythe Guvenen
23	Arizona Delegate, Dr. Gary Miller
24	Arizona Delegate, Lee Draper
-	Arizona Delegate, Tom Platt

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1	Arizona Delegate, Mary Platt)
2	Arizona Delegate, Lorrie Mills-Morse)
3	Arizona Delegate, Marko Trickovic)
4	Arizona Delegate, Ashley W. Pritchard)
5	Arizona Delegate, Pat Petrini)
6	Arizona Delegate, Emily Sabo)
7	Arizona Delegate, Joey Hardman)
8	Arizona Delegate, Renea Rolwes)
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10	Arizona Delegate, Alex Judd)
11	Arizona Delegate, Erica Gardner)
12	Arizona Delegate, Jason C. Tillmann)
13	Arizona Delegate, Clair Van Steenwyk)
14	Arizona Delegate, Jeff Bales,)
15	Arizona Delegate, Richard Mooneyham)
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Illinois Delegate, Brien Poutry
Illinois Delegate, James Benzik
Florida Delegate, Gerri Weits
Georgia Delegate, Sahar Hekmati
Georgia Delegate, Claudio Avendano
Georgia Delegate, Amanda Parsons
Georgia Delegate, Barbara Dunne
Georgia Delegate, Donald Woodward
Georgia Delegate, Shirley Woodward
Georgia Delegate, Nancy Holtzclaw
Georgia Delegate, Bob Holzclaw

1	Georgia Delegate, Cheryl Dalton
12	Georgia Delegate, Jimmy Dalton
3	Georgia Delegate, Geralyn Daniel
4	Georgia Delegate, Sonja Casey
5	Georgia Delegate, David James
6	Georgia Delegate, Gerel Barlett
7	Georgia Delegate, Aaron Guyton
8	Georgia Delegate, Pasty Cuson
9	Georgia Delegate, Lynn Warburton
10	Georgia Delegate, Randy Beacham
11	Georgia Delegate, Charles Flanegan
12	Georgia Delegate, Nancy Fabbri
13	Georgia Delegate, Louie Fabbir
14	Georgia Delegate, Larry S. O' Bryant
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16	Georgia Delegate, Kalynn Alarcon
17	Georgia Delegate, Ted Metz
18	Georgia Delegate, Benjamin Mihalski
19	Georgia Delegate, Christopher Lamey
20	Georgia Delegate, Valorie McLain
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23	Georgia Delegate, Teresa B. Swensson
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4	Massachusetts Delegate, John Aaron MeKeon
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6	Michigan Delegate, Tammy Cech
7	Michigan Delegate, William Bevan
8	Missouri Delegate, Lynn Kempen
9	Missouri Delegate, Matthew Hay
10	South Carolina Delegate, John Perna
11	New Jersey Delegate, Nathan Mooney
12	Nevada Delegate, Jacqlyn Smith
13	Nevada Delegate, F. Marie Hardenbrook
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15	Texas Delegate, Matt Sistruck
16	Alabama Resident, Jason Williams
17	Maine Delegate, Michael Ferreira
18	Maine Delegate, Michael McDonald
19	Georgia Delegate, Ying Li
20	Arizona Delegate, Cody Whitaker
21	Arizona Delegate, Laura Hatton
22	California Delegate, David Duffina
23	California Delegate, Chris Saraceni
24	California Delegate, John Joseph Vargo
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1	Plaintiffs,)
2	vs.)
3	Republican National Committee)
4	Reince Priebus, as Chairman of the Republican)
5	National Committee,)
6	Alabama Republican Party)
7	Bill Armistead, as Chairman of the Alabama)
8	Republican Party Chairman	/)
9	Alaska Republican Party) \
10	Randy Ruedrich, as Chairman of the Alaska))
11	Republican Party Chairman) \ \
12	Republican Party of American Samoa)
13	Mr. Victor Tofaeono, as Chairman of the))
14	Republican Party of American Samoa)
15	Arizona Republican Party)
16	Tom Morrissey, as Chairman of the Arizona)
17	Republican Party)
18	Arkansas Republican Party))
19	Doyle Webb, as Chairman of the Arkansas)
20	Republican Party)
21	California Republican Party)
22	Tom Del Beccaro, as Chairman of the)
23	California Republican Party)
24	Colorado Republican Committee)
25	Ryan Call, as Chairman of the Colorado)

1	Republican Committee
2	Republican Party of Connecticut
3	Jerry Labriola, Jr, as Chairman of the
4	Republican Party of Connecticut
5	Delaware State Republican Party
6	John Sigler, as Chairman of the Delaware State
7	Republican Party
8	District of Columbia Republican Party
9	Bob Kabel, as Chairman of the District of
10	Columbia Republican Party
11	Republican Party of Florida
12	Lenny Curry, as Chairman of the Republican
13	Party of Florida
14	Georgia Republican Party
15	Sue P. Everhart, as Chairwoman of the
16	Georgia Republican Party
17	Republican Party of Guam
18	Mike Benito, as Chairman of the Republican
19	Party of Guam
20	Hawaii Republican Party
21 .	David Chang, as Chairman of the Hawaii
22	Republican Party
23	Republican Party of Idaho
24	Norm Semanko, as Chairman of the
25	Republican Party of Idaho

 -is	Illinois Republican Party
2	Pat Brady, as Chairman of the Illinois
3	Republican Party
4	Indiana Republican Party
5	Eric Holcomb, as Chairman of the Indiana
6	Republican Party
7	Republican Party of Iowa
8	Matt Strawm/AJ Spiker, as Chairman of the
9	Republican Party of Iowa
10	Republican Party of Kansas
11	Amanda Adkins, as Chairman of the
12	Republican Party of Kansas
13	Republican Party of Kentucky
14	Steve Robertson, as Chairman of the
15	Republican Party of Kentucky
16	Republican Party of Louisiana
17	Roger Villere, as Chairman of the Republican
18	Party of Louisiana
19	Maine Republican Party
20	Charlie Webster, as Chairman of the Maine
21	Republican Party
22	Republican Party of Maryland
23	Alex X. Mooney, as Chairman of the
24	Republican Party of Maryland
25	Massachusetts Republican Party

1	Robert Maginn, as Chairman of the
2.	Massachusetts Republican Party
3	Michigan Republican Party
4	Robert Schostak, as Chairman of the Michigan
5	Republican Party
6	Republican Party of Minnesota
7	Pat Shortridge, as Chairman of the Republican
8	Party of Minnesota
9	Mississippi Republican Party
10	Joe Nosef, as Chairman of the Mississippi
11	Republican Party
12	Missouri Republican Party
13	David Cole, as Chairman of the Missouri
14	Republican Party
15	Montana Republican Party
16	Wes Deschamps, as Chairman of the Montana
17	Republican Party
18	Nebraska Republican Party
19	Mark Fahleson , as Chairman of the Nebraska
20	Republican Party
21	Republican Party of New Hampshire
22	Nevada Republican Party
23	Michael McDonald, as Chairman of the
24	Nevada Republican Party)
25	Republican Party of New Hampshire

#. #.	Wayne MacDonald, as Chairman of the
2	Republican Party of New Hampshire
3	New Jersey Republican Party
4	Mayor Samuel Raia, as Chairman of the New
5	Jersey Republican Party
6	Republican Party of New Mexico
7	Monty Newman, as Chairman of the
8	Republican Party of New Mexico
9	Republican Party of New York State
10	Edward F. Cox, as Chairman of the Republican
11	Party of New York State
12	North Carolina Republican Party
13	Robin Hayes, as Chairman of the North
14	Carolina Republican Party
15	North Dakota Republican Party
16	Stan Stein, as Chairman of the North Dakota
17	Republican Party
18	Republican Party of the Northern Marianas
19	Islands)
20	Gov. Benigno Fitial, as Chairman of the
21	Republican Party of the Northern Marianas
22	Islands)
23	Ohio Republican Party
24	Robert T. Bennett, as Chairman of the Ohio
25	Republican Party

1	Oklahoma Republican Party
2	Matt Pinnell, as Chairman of the Oklahoma
3	Republican Party
4	Oregon Republican Party
5	Allen Alley, as Chairman of the Oregon
6	Republican Party
?	Republican Party of Pennsylvania
8	Rob Gleason, as Chairman of the Republican
9	Party of Pennsylvania
10	Republican Party of Puerto Rico
11	Hon. Carlos Mendez, as Chairman of the
12	Republican Party of Puerto Rico
13	Rhode Island Republican Party
14	Mark Zaccaria, as Chairman of the Rhode
15	Island Republican Party
16	South Carolina Republican Party
17	Chad Connelly, as Chairman of the South
18	Carolina Republican Party
19	South Dakota Republican Party
20	Tim Rave, as Chairman of the South Dakota
21	Republican Party
22	Tennessee Republican Party
23	Chris Devaney, as Chairman of the Tennessee
24	Republican Party
25	Texas Republican Party

1	Steve Munsteri, as Chairman of the Texas
. 2	Republican Party
3	Utah Republican Party
4	Thomas Wright, as Chairman of the Utah
5	Republican Party
6	Vermont Republican Party
7	Jack Lindley, as Chairman of the Vermont
8	Republican Party
9	Republican Party of Virginia
10	Hon. Pat Mullins, as Chairman of the
11	Republican Party of Virginia
12	Washington State Republican Party
13	Kirby Wilbur as Chairman of the Washington
14	State Republican Party
15	Republican Party of West Virginia
16	Mike Stuart, as Chairman of the Republican
17	Party of West Virginia
18	Republican Party of Wisconsin
19	Brad Courtney, as Chairman of the Republican
20	Party of Wisconsin
21	Republican Party of Wyoming
22	Tammy Hooper, as Chairman of the
23	Republican Party of Wyoming
24	And Does 1 Through 10 inclusive.
25	Defendants.)

STATEMENT OF JURISDICTION

This Court has jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1343(a)(3), 2201 and 2202, and 42 U.S.C. § 1971(d).

Plaintiffs are Delegates elected to vote in a Federal Election as part of the Republican National Convention commencing during the week of August 27, 2012, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for President of the United States and a candidate for Vice President of the United States.

Names Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs Identified as Does 1 through 1,000 are residents of the United States, including all states within the Jurisdiction of the Ninth Circuit Federal Court who are duly elected Delegates, Alternate Delegates, Delegates elected but being denied certification due to their refusal to surrender their voting rights to vote in accordance with the free exercise of their conscience and not be bound to the nominee of Defendant's choice.

Defendant, Republican National Committee (hereafter RNC) and its Chairman, Reince Priebus, conduct business in all states within the Ninth Circuit of the Federal Court.

Defendants include every State Republican Party and party Chairman within the Jurisdiction of the Ninth Circuit. All other Defendants are agents of Defendants within the Jurisdiction of the Ninth Circuit all participating in the same Federal Election to take place in August 2012 pursuant to 11 CFR 100.2(e).

All other Defendants are State Republican Party Organizations participating in a Federal Election for the purpose of nominating a candidate for President of the United States and a candidate for Vice President of the United States.

A National Convention of a political party that convenes for the purpose of selecting nominees for Federal Office such as President and Vice President of the United States is subject to the Voting Rights Statutes commencing with 42 USC 1971 and US Supreme Court Decisions regarding delegates and their right to be

unbound to vote their conscience free from any intimidation from any person or entity.

Plaintiffs come to Federal Court to seek the guidance of the Court regarding the Federal Question as to whether Plaintiffs are free to vote their conscience on the first and all ballots at the Federal Election known as the Republican National Convention or whether Plaintiffs are bound to vote for a particular candidate as instructed by Defendants' State Party Bylaws, or State Laws, or the preference of political operatives seeking affidavits of loyalty to a particular candidate under penalty of perjury.

Plaintiffs do <u>not</u> seek any reimbursement for Court Fees and Plaintiffs do <u>not</u> seek any award of Attorney Fees. Plaintiffs seek only the guidance of the court and Injunction Relief as set forth herein.

THE FEDERAL LAW

The Federal Laws are as follows:

11 CFR 100.2(e): Defining a national convention as a "Federal Election" for the purpose of electing a candidate for federal office. Which states:

"(e) Caucus or Convention. A caucus or convention of a political party is an election if the caucus or convention has the authority to select a nominee for federal office on behalf of that party."

and

42 USC 1971 - Sec. 1971. Voting rights. Which states:

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"No person, whether acting under color of law or otherwise, shall intimidate, threaten, coerce, or attempt to intimidate, threaten, or coerce any other person for the purpose of interfering with the right of such person to vote or to vote as he may choose, or of causing such other person to vote for, or not to vote for, any candidate for the office of President."

Notwithstanding the clarity of the above Federal Laws the Republican

National Committee and its Chairman, Reince Priebus, have been violating Rule 11 of the Rules of the Republican Party which in effect states that the RNC may not aid any Candidate until the Candidate is the nominee of the Party. Notwithstanding, the RNC and its Chairman, Defendant Reince Priebus, have, for at least the past six months, combined with a particular Candidate with all of the aid the RNC can possibly, but improperly give in violation of Rule 11 to obstruct, intimidate, and harass Delegates from voting their conscience. These Defendants have intentionally violated Federal Laws and Supreme Court Decisions by seeking to bind Delegates to the Candidate of Defendants' choice and these Defendants have refused to follow Federal Law. [Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a true and correct copy of the Republican Party Rules.]

RNC Rule 38, the Unit Rule, provides that Delegates may not be bound to a particular Candidate separate and distinct from the US Statutes and Supreme Court Decisions.

The Republican National Committee (hereafter RNC) and its Chairman have been aiding the Governor Romney Campaign for at least six months up to and including the present time notwithstanding that no candidate has won the nomination. Governor Romney does not have 1144 Delegates, the minimum number of Delegates required to win the nomination and, no candidate can be

assured that they are the nominee until the Delegates vote because the Delegates have a statutory and Constitutional Right to vote their conscience.

Plaintiffs allege that in almost every state in the United States Defendants engaged in a scheme to intimidate and harass Delegates who were supporting a Candidate that Defendants did not approve of. This harassment included the use of violence, intimidating demands that Delegates sign affidavits under penalty of perjury with the threat of criminal prosecution for perjury as well as financial penalties and fines if the Delegate fails to vote as instructed by Defendants rather than vote the Delegate's conscience as mandated by the US Statutes and US Supreme Court Decisions cited.

Defendants have further harassed and intimidated Plaintiffs with untimely Rule changes designed to deny a quorum or to manipulate Delegates supporting a particular Candidate to be deprived of a fair election as a Delegate.

Defendants have used threats of violence including dressing security type people in dark clothing searching out supporters of a Candidate Defendants do not approve of to harass and intimidate said Delegates from voting their conscience.

Defendants have unlawfully used State Bylaws and in some cases State Laws to harass and intimidate Delegates from voting their conscience.

Defendants have refused to Certify Delegates who were properly elected to support a certain Candidate that Defendants did not approve of.

Defendants have certified unlawful slates of Delegates that were not elected in accordance with the US Statues and US Supreme Court Decisions cited, nor in accordance with the proper Bylaws of Defendants'.

Defendants have altered the voting ballot results to fraudulently reflect an outcome that is inconsistent with the actual voting ballot results for the purpose of certifying a fraudulently selected slate of Delegates to support the Candidate of Defendants choice rather than the Delegates properly elected.

For the reasons stated herein Plaintiffs will suffer irreparable harm if the evidence of the wrongful conduct of the Defendants related to the above voting and Delegate selection issues are not preserved by the Court. Therefore, Plaintiffs request a Preliminary Injunction ordering Defendants to preserve all ballots cast at their State Conventions / Caucuses including all voting machines, the computer programs for all voting machines, any and all records related to the counting of the ballots, and any and all records related to any Rules, Rule changes made within 30 days of the Convention / Caucuses, including the day of the Convention / Caucus.

The fact that the Republican Party is a private organization becomes legal irrelevant when the party convenes a National Convention for the purpose of selecting a candidate for Federal Office, in this case, President and Vice President of the United States. For all purposes the convention is an "election" subject to Supreme Court case decisions and Federal Statutory Law.

The Convention of a national political party is a "Federal Election" subject to the laws established by the United States Supreme Court and the Legislative Branch of the Federal Government when signed into law by the President of the United States.

U.S. Supreme Court Decisions and Federal Statutory Law preempt any contradictory Party Rule or State Law that attempts to deny a Delegate the right to vote in accordance with their own conscience free from any attempt to bind the Delegate to vote for a particular candidate.

42 USC 1971(e) the word "vote" means all action necessary to make a vote effective.

1	(1) Manner of qualifying as a candidate or
2	political party organization;
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4	(2) Dates and places of elections;
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6	(3) Voter registration;
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8	(4) Prohibition of false registration, voting fraud,
9	theft of ballots, and similar offenses;
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11	(5) Candidate's personal financial disclosure; or
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13	(6) Application of State law to the funds used for
14	the purchase or construction of a State or local
15	party office building to the extent described in
16	11 CFR 300.35.
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18	[45 FR 15117, Mar. 7, 1980, as amended at 67 FR 49119, July 29,
19	2002]
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21	Section 100.2 Election (2 U.S.C. 431(1)).
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23	(a) Election means the process by which individuals, whether
24	opposed or unopposed, seek nomination for election, or
25	election, to Federal office. The specific types of elections, as
26	set forth at 11 CFR 100.2 (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) are included
27	in this definition.
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- (b) General election. A general election is an election which meets either of the following conditions:
 - (1) An election held in even numbered years on the Tuesday following the first Monday in November is a general election.
 - (2) An election which is held to fill a vacancy in a Federal office (i.e., a special election) and which is intended to result in the final selection of a single individual to the office at stake is a general election. See 11 CFR 100.2(f).
- (c) Primary election. A primary election is an election which meets one of the following conditions:
 - (1) An election which is held prior to a general election, as a direct result of which candidates are nominated, in accordance with applicable State law, for election to Federal office in a subsequent election is a primary election.
 - (2) An election which is held for the expression of a preference for the nomination of persons for election to the office of President of the United States is a primary election.

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(3) An election which is held to elect delegates to a national nominating convention is a primary election.

(4) With respect to individuals seeking federal office as independent candidates, or without nomination by a major party (as defined in 26 U.S.C. 9002(6)), the primary election is considered to occur on one of the following dates, at the choice of the candidate:

(i) The day prescribed by applicable State law as the last day to qualify for a position on the general election ballot may be designated as the primary election for such candidate.

- (ii) The date of the last major party primary election, caucus, or convention in that State may be designated as the primary election for such candidate.
- (iii) In the case of non-major parties, the date of the nomination by that party may be designated as the primary election for such candidate.

(5) With respect to any major party candidate (as defined at 26 U.S.C. 9002(6)) who is unopposed for nomination within his or her own party, and who is certified to appear as that party's nominee in the general election for the office sought, the primary election is considered to have occurred on the date on which the primary election was held by the candidate's party in that State.

Code of Federal Regulations 38:

- (d) Runoff election. Runoff election means the election which meets either of the following conditions:
 - (1) The election held after a primary election, and prescribed by applicable State law as the means for deciding which candidate(s) should be certified as a nominee for the Federal office sought, is a runoff election.
 - (2) The election held after a general election and prescribed by applicable State law as the means for deciding which candidate should be certified as an officeholder elect, is a runoff election.
- (e) Caucus or Convention. A caucus or convention of a political party is an election if the caucus or convention has the

authority to select a nominee for federal office on behalf of that party.

(f) Special election. Special election means an election which is held to fill a vacancy in a Federal office. A special election may be a primary, general, or runoff election, as defined at 11 CFR 100.2 (b), (c) and (d).

In a Memorandum prepared by legal counsel for the RNC, legal counsel agrees with the legal arguments that Delegates are free to vote their conscience on all ballots. [A true and correct copy is attached hereto as Exhibit A.]

This Federal Lawsuit is made necessary because the RNC and its Chairman are violating these laws and are promoting and tolerating efforts to bind Delegates to a particular candidate instead of protecting Delegates from the intimidation Delegates are being subjected to in States throughout the Nation. Indeed, the RNC and its Chairman rely upon the violation of these laws to intimidate Delegates in support of the RNC's position that Governor Romney is the nominee of the Party when Governor Romney does not have the minimum number of delegates and no vote has yet taken place and the Convention has not begun.

Plaintiffs are Delegates elected to nominate The Republican Nominee for President of The United States at a Convention to be held commencing the week of August 27, 2012, in Tampa, Florida.

Although U. S. Supreme Court Cases hold that a Convention for this purpose is subject to Federal Law, The Republican National Committee and State Republican Parties have intimidated all Delegates to become bound to one candidate thereby denying all Delegates their Constitutional and Statutory Right to vote their conscience.

Many Delegates are required to sign Affidavits under Penalty of Perjury declaring the Delegate agrees to be bound to one candidate. Fines and criminal prosecutions are threatened against Delegates if they fail to vote as told rather than vote their conscience.

Delegates who refuse to sign the Affidavit are told they may not serve as Delegates, although they were duly elected.

Certain Delegates have already been denied their credentials because they will not sign such an affidavit.

Plaintiffs seek a remedy for a Court Order compelling The RNC and Each State Party Defendant To Inform In Writing by serving a copy of the Order the Court makes Notifying every Delegate that in accordance with United States Supreme Court Decisions and Federal Statutes all Delegates at all times are free to vote their conscience for any candidate they choose by their own conscience on all ballots.

Plaintiffs further seek an Order that any Delegate who has been denied their seat on their State Delegation for refusing to submit to surrender their free will to vote their conscience be restored to their Delegation and certified.

Plaintiffs further seek an Order Prohibiting the RNC and Each State Party Defendant from attempting to intimidate with threats of fines or criminal prosecution of any delegate who chooses to vote their conscience on the First or any subsequent ballot pursuant to Federal Civil Procedures Rule 65.

Plaintiffs allege there has been a systematic campaign of election fraud at State Conventions including programing a voting machine in Arizona to count Ron Paul votes as Governor Romney votes; ballot stuffing, meaning the same person casting several ballots in several states; altering and falsifying ballot totals for each candidate; the use of violence at several State Conventions; altering procedural rules to prevent votes being cast for Ron Paul.

For the reasons stated in the previous paragraph, Plaintiffs seek an order of the Court that each named Defendant maintain all ballots cast, all documents

reflecting the counting of votes and vote totals, all voting machines and their computer programs until further order of the Court to protect the sanctity of the evidence of election fraud that has taken place in several of the States.

Plaintiffs do <u>not</u> seek any award of attorney fees or court costs or monetary relief of any kind. Given that Plaintiffs only ask that the Rule of Law set forth in United States Supreme Court Cases and Federal Statutes be ordered to be complied with and that all of the ballots and voting machines as set forth in the previous paragraphs be preserved until further order of the Court. Hence, Defendants have no financial issues to defend and no meritorious legal issues that Defendants could submit to this Court that are contra to the legal Points and Authorities presented.

Plaintiffs are suffering irreparable harm because their right to vote in accordance with their conscience on the first and all ballots of the Convention is being impeded by threats of monetary fines, criminal sanctions, and / or removal from their status as a Certified Delegate to participate in the Convention unless they submit to State Party Rules, State Laws, or the demands of political operatives requiring signatures on affidavits promising to be bound to a particular candidate under penalty of perjury, all in violation of U.S. Federal Statutes and Supreme Court Rulings.

Without the Orders requested from this Court, Plaintiffs will be denied their right to vote in accordance with their conscience on the first and all ballots of the Federal Election that is the Convention of the Republican Party set to commence during the week of August 27, 2012, in Tampa, Florida.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray, and respectfully request that the Court enter judgment:

- 1. For Declaratory Judgment that pursuant to the US Statutes cited and US Supreme Court Decisions a Court Order issue declaring that all Delegates to the Federal Election also known as the Republican National Convention in August 2012 be unbound from any Candidate and free to vote their conscience on the first and all ballots.
- 2. For an Order that all Defendants serve on every Delegate within their jurisdiction a hard copy of the Federal Court Order not later than a date set by the Court with proof of compliance to be filed with the Court.
- 3. For a Preliminary Injunction enjoining all Defendants to preserve all ballots cast at their State Conventions / Caucuses including all voting machines, the computer programs for all voting machines, any and all records related to the counting of the ballots, and any and all records related to any Rules, Rule changes made within 30 days of the Convention / Caucuses, including the day of the Convention / Caucus.
- 4. For a Permanent Injunction enjoining all Defendants to preserve all ballots cast at their State Conventions / Caucuses including all voting machines, the computer programs for all voting machines, any and all records related to the counting of the ballots, and any and all records related to any Rules, Rule changes made within 30 days of the Convention / Caucuses, including the day of the Convention / Caucus.
- 5. For any Order the Court deems just to carry out the intent of the Court including, but not limited to, ordering a hand recount of ballots, or where the sanctity of the ballots are untrustworthy, ordering a new Convention for the Delegates to re-vote with knowledge that all

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RNC Associate Counsel's Opinion on Rule 38 of the RNC Rules barring the "unit rule"

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: RULE NO 38 - UNIT RULE

FROM: RNC COUNSEL TO: NANCY LORD DATE: AUG 20, 2008

This Memorandum is based on your request to examine the Republican Party Rules history relating to the so-called "Unit Rule" provision currently found at Rule 38 which states, "No delegate or alternate delegate shall be bound by any attempt of any state or congressional district to impose the unit rule".

This language was initially adopted at the 1964 Republican National Convention, paraphrasing the words of the proponent of the amendment, in order to codify in party rules the actual practice followed in past conventions, namely to allow delegates to vote as they chose even if state law bound them to vote for a specific candidate.

This amendment which modified then Rule 18(a) was initiated by the RNC Rules Committee and adopted by the full RNC at its pre-convention meeting. That '64 language stated, "No Delegate or Alternate shall be bound by any attempt of any State or Congressional District, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands to impose the unit rule." Based upon a review of the transcripts of the RNC debate on the "Unit Rule", proponents of the '64 amendment argued that their amendment to Rule 18 merely reflected current practice and adopting this Rules change would simply memorialize what was the historical Convention practice, not create a new policy.

During the debate on the "Unit Rule" amendment, there was some concern raised that the new language would be interpreted by some to prohibit the individual states from adopting rules that would bind or allocate delegates to specific candidates. The proponents, however, gave assurances that it was not their intention to effect any "legal or "moral" obligation of the delegates.

Based upon the concern raised that this provision would be erroneously read to prohibit states to bind or allocate delegates a concerted effort was made to defeat the amendment. That effort to reject the addition of the new "Unit Rule" language based on that concern, failed, 59 to 41.

In 1976 the no "Unit Rule" language was modified by the RNC Rules Committee, effectively requiring the 1976 Convention to record delegate votes based on the results of "any binding Presidential Primary or direct election of delegates bound or pledged pursuant to state law." The Convention Rules Committee and the Convention itself accepted this RNC modification without any debate. The additional Rule 18(a) language applicable to the 1976 Republican Convention read as follows, "...however, that in any event, the vote of each state for the nomination for President shall be announced and recorded (or in the absence of an announcement shall be

recorded) in accordance with the results of any binding Presidential Primary or direct election of delegates bound or pledged pursuant to state law. No delegate or alternate shall be bound by any attempt of any state or Congressional district to impose the unit rule."

The '76 language was deleted in 1980 effectively reverting back to the 1964 language and the current language regarding the "Unit Rule" now found in Rule 38 is consistent with the 1980 language.

Dear Blake and Sean,

Thank you so much for the memorandum [above] regarding the history of the Rule 38.

After studying it, I still have unanswered questions.

From the memo, I am clear that:

1. Rule 38 was not intended "to prohibit the individual states from adopting rules that would bind or allocate delegates to specific candidates".

What I need clarified is the following:

- 1. Do the RNC Rules require a state's delegation to follow its state laws or state party rules in the matter of binding of their national delegates to vote for a particular candidate? (I believe the answer is no; the RNC Rules are silent on this issue. My understanding is that any "legal" or "moral" obligation of the delegates, under either state law or state party rules, is simply that -- a state party matter. The RNC will not get involved in any such issue unless it deems that there is a violation of Rule 38 an attempt to invoke the "Unit Rule" during the time of the national convention.)
- 2. Do the RNC Rules prohibit a state party from changing its rules regarding the binding of their national delegates after the 2nd Tuesday in the September the year before the convention but before the national convention begins? (I believe the answer is no the RNC Rules are again silent on this issue.)
- 3. Do the RNC Rules allow a national delegate to cast their vote for anyone they choose at the national convention, regardless of any vote-binding rules in their state or regardless of whether or not that "candidate" has been officially nominated under the RNC "majority of delegates from five states" rule? (I believe the answer is yes. I cite the actual rolling roll call of the states vote in 2000 as an example. In several states, even though George W. Bush had for many months been the presumptive nominee, several states, including Arkansas (19 for Bush, 5 for Alan Keyes) in the 2nd session on Monday evening, Massachusetts (35 for Bush, 1 for McCain, and 1 abstention) in the 3rd session on Tuesday evening,
- 4. Is the process of the "rolling roll call of the states" the process by which it is determined which candidates have met the RNC "majority of delegates from five states" rule in order to have their name officially placed in nomination? In other words, or as a corollary, do only those candidates who receive a "majority of delegates from five states" votes during the "rolling roll call of the states" become an official nominee, while any candidates receiving votes who did not receive the required majority of five states' votes simply fall to the floor, having not met the threshold?

Is there any way that you can clarify the answers to these questions in writing before tomorrow morning?

Nancy Lord Utah Republican Republican National Committeewoman

From: Jennifer Sheehan - Legal

To: Nancy Lord

Cc: Sean Cairneross - Legal; Blake G. Hall

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2008 Subject: RE: The Unit Rule

Mrs. Lord:

I am going to attempt to clearly answer your questions as listed below.

- 1. You are correct the answer is no. The national convention allows delegates to vote for the individual of their choice, regardless of whether the person's name is officially placed into nomination or not.
- 2. National Party Rule No. 15(e) does prohibit State Parties from changing their delegate selection and allocation process that the State Party had to submit to the RNC no later than Sept. 4, 2007. However, the time frame for submitting a challenge to the national convention delegation based upon these Rules has expired, as any delegate contests had to be filed by August

2, 2008.

- 3. Yes see #1 above.
- 4. Your question is mixing two separate issues. The first issue involves the nominating process, which requires the majority of delegates from five states to put a candidate's name into the official nominating process. The delegates from these five states must sign a nominating form

that is then submitted to the Secretary of the Republican National Convention. After the Secretary receives these forms, the candidates are announced who have been officially placed into the nominating process and are therefore eligible to accumulate votes from the national convention delegates.

The Rules require that a roll call be taken from each state who announces the number of votes that its delegates cast for any eligible candidates, as well as for any person someone would like to cast a vote for in the roll call. You are correct that a person does not have to be officially nominated in order to receive votes, however, this vote is essentially pointless as it will not count towards the official tally.

Therefore to clarify, a candidate must receive the support of the majority of five state delegations in order to be officially placed into the nomination. Only candidates that have been officially nominated can accumulate votes that will count towards the majority of delegates necessary to officially nominate the Republican nominee for President. The Republican nominee for President must receive at least 1191 votes from the national convention delegation in order to receive the official nomination.

Please let me know if you have additional questions or need further clarifications related to this process.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Sheehan Associate Counsel Republican National Committee

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PREAMBLE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Republican Party is the party of the open door. Ours is the party of liberty, the party of equality, of opportunity for all, and favoritism for none

It is the intent and purpose of these rules to encourage and allow the broadest possible participation of all voters in Republican Party activities at all levels and to assure that the Republican Party is open and accessible to all Americans.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the following be and hereby are adopted as *The Rules of the Republican Party*, composed of the rules for the election and government of the Republican National Committee until the next national convention, the rules under which delegates and alternate delegates shall be allotted to the respective states in the next national convention, and the rules under which such delegates and alternate delegates shall be elected and under which contests shall be considered, and the rules of business of this national convention.

THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE

RULE NO. 1

Organization of the Republican National Committee

- (a) The Republican National Committee shall have the general management of the Republican Party, based upon the rules adopted by the Republican National Convention. The members of the Republican National Committee shall consist of one (1) national committeeman and one (1) national committeewoman from, and the chairman of the state Republican Party of, each state.
- (b) For the purposes of this rule and all other rules. "state" or "states" shall be taken to include American Samoa, the District of Columbia, Guam. Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, except in Rule No. 13 and unless the context in which the word "state" or "states" is used clearly makes such inclusion inappropriate.

RULE NO. 2

Method of Election for National Committeeman and National Committeewoman

- (a) Where the rules adopted by a state Republican Party provide a method of election of the national committeeman and the national committeewoman, they shall be elected pursuant to such method.
- (b) Where the rules adopted by a state Republican Party do not provide a method of election of the national committeeman and the national committeewoman, and where state laws do provide such a method of election, they shall be elected pursuant to such method provided by state laws.
- (c) Where neither the rules adopted by a state Republican Party nor state laws provide a method of election of the national committeeman and the national committeewoman, the national convention delegation from such state shall elect them.
- (d) At each national convention, the roll shall be called and the delegates from each state shall report, through the chairman of the delegation, the names of the elected national committee members whose election