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## LPCO Constitution 2011

# Constitution of the Libertarian Party of Colorado

[Adopted in Convention March 20th, 2010; no amendments in 2011]

### Article I – NAME

Section 1: The name of the political party shall be the Libertarian Party of Colorado, hereinafter referred to as "the Party."

### Article II - PURPOSES

Section 1: The purpose of the Party is to implement and give voice to libertarian principles, such as those in the Statement of Principles of the national Libertarian Party, throughout the state of Colorado by:

- (a) providing leadership and direction for the Libertarian movement in Colorado;
- (b) communicating the message and positions of the Party;
- $\hbox{(c) entering into political information and educational activities};\\$
- $\hbox{(d) promoting, chartering, coordinating, and supporting Party affiliates; } \\$
- (e) growing the Party through attracting and retaining members;
- (f) attracting, nominating, and promoting professional, serious Libertarian candidates for political office; (g) promoting Libertarian legislation throughout Colorado.

### Article III - PRINCIPLES

Section 1: The Party shall take no positions inconsistent with the Statement of Principles of the national Libertarian Party.

# Article IV - MEMBERS

Section 1: Membership in the Party is exclusively limited to all registered electors ("Voters") in the State of Colorado whose Party Affiliation is "Libertarian". Membership in the Party begins on the date an eligible Voter signs an approved voter application form or personal letter conforming to statute (collectively, "Application"), where Libertarian, or a reasonable abbreviation thereof, has been indicated as the party affiliation, and the Application is subsequently accepted by the Voter's County Clerk and Recorder. Membership in the Party ends on the date the Voter signs an Application where another party, Unaffiliated, or a reasonable abbreviation of either, has been indicated as the party affiliation, and the Application is subsequently accepted by the Voter's County Clerk and Recorder, or the Voter registers in another state.

Section 2: In the absence of the receipt section from the voter application form which has been properly initialed and dated by a VRD circulator or a copy of the Application notarized no later than the first business day following the date of signing, proof of membership by voter registration shall be determined by the Records Director or the Credentials Committee through confirmation with the Secretary of State or the Clerk & Recorder of the county in which the applicant has registered.

<u>Section 3:</u> A prospective member may challenge an error of the Secretary of State or a Clerk and Recorder by virtue of an affidavit signed by two other Party members who are in good standing.

<u>Section 4:</u> Any current member of the Party, in good standing, may challenge the validity of the proof of membership. The burden of proof of invalidation shall be upon the challenging member.

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