



CONSTITUTION
Of The
NASSAU COUNTY REPUBLICAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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ARTICLE I NAME OF ORGANIZATION

The name of this organization shall be the Nassau County Republican Executive Committee (hereinafter called the "REC"). It shall be constituted as the Republican Executive Committee of the Republican Party within Nassau County, Florida, in accordance with the applicable statutes in Florida and the Party Rules of the Florida Republican State Executive Committee.

ARTICLE II OBJECTIVES

General purposes of this organization as a "political party" are to achieve the following objectives and aims:

- a) Election to office of qualified Republican persons;
- b) Determination of public issues under the accepted democratic processes of the nation;
- c) Foster loyalty to the Republican Party;
- d) Promote an informed electorate through political education;
- e) Increase Republican voter registration;
- f) Seek qualified Republican candidates for local, county, state and federal offices;
- g) Promote the election of all Republican candidates in the General Election;
- h) To uphold the principles of freedom, equality and justice on which the Republican Party and the government of this nation is founded, as set forth in the Constitution of the United States and the State of Florida.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1 Presiding Officer - The presiding officer at all meetings of the REC shall be the Chairman of the REC. In the absence of the Chairman, the Bylaws shall prescribe the presiding officer.

Section 2 Membership - The REC shall consist of one man and one woman, each being a registered Republican residing within each precinct. However, any precinct with more than 1000 registered voters shall have additional members in accordance with the provision of the Rules of Procedure of the Republican Party of Florida.

Pursuant to the State Party Constitution, the State Committeeman and State Committeewoman shall be voting members at-large of the REC for all purposes including the election of officers at the organizational meeting. In addition, pursuant to F.S. 103.091(6) (a) 1, the Nassau County Executive Committee shall include all members of the Legislature who are residents of Nassau County and members of the Republican Party and who shall be known as At-Large Committeemen and Committeewomen. A person may hold only one position as a county chair, a state committeeman or state committeewoman. Each member of the committee shall be entitled to only one (1) vote.

Section 3 Conflict of Interest - To avoid a conflict of interest or the appearance of impropriety, a member of the REC shall not participate in nor be present for any matter in which they, their spouse or immediate family has a private interest that may directly or indirectly affect or influence the performance of their duties. Further, a member shall not disclose or use confidential or privileged

information acquired in the performance of their duties for personal benefit or for financial gain. The REC may vote to remove from office any person who violates these provisions by a 2/3 vote of the membership present.

Section 4 Ex-Officio Members - The REC shall have as Ex-Officio members, without vote, the President of the Young Republicans, President of the Federated Republican Women of Nassau and all presidents of chartered clubs recognized by the RPOF and in good standing. The REC shall encourage Ex-Officio members to participate in all activities.

Section 5 Loyalty Oaths - In accordance with Section 103.091, Florida Statutes, Precinct Committeemen and Precinct Committeewomen shall be elected for four-year terms which shall commence on the first day of the month following each national general election (December 1). Within thirty days of the primary election, Precinct Committeemen and Precinct Committeewomen shall sign and file a loyalty oath as prescribed in Rule 9 of the RPOF Rules and Procedures. Failure to file a completed loyalty oath is cause for immediate removal from office.

Section 6 Vacancies - In the event no precinct committeeman or committeewoman is elected, or a vacancy occurs for any other cause in the REC, the vacancy shall be filled in the manner prescribed by the REC Bylaws.

Section 7 Committee Member Move within County - If a precinct committeeman or committeewoman moves from one precinct to another within the same county, and the new precinct has a vacancy, then the committeeman or committeewoman may be administratively moved to the new precinct without the requirement of a nomination and election as set forth above. If there is no vacancy in the precinct, the member becomes an alternate for the new precinct.

Section 8 Executive Board - The REC shall establish an Executive Board, whose membership shall include the elected officers of the REC, the State Committeeman and the State Committeewoman. Meetings of the Executive Board shall be called by the Chairman. The Bylaws shall prescribe the duties of the Executive Board. Additionally, no president of any Republican Club can hold the office of Chairman, State Committeeman or State Committeewoman.

Section 9 Alternates - There may be as many alternate precinct committee members as there are duly elected male and female members in each precinct. Alternate members shall have no vote, except in the absence of the male or female member they duly represent within their precinct. Each alternate member shall possess the qualifications required of the members represented and shall be elected by the REC. Alternate members shall meet the same attendance requirements prescribed for precinct committee members. In the case where there are multiple male or female alternates in a precinct, an alternate moving up to take the place of a voting member shall be based on the length of time (tenure) as an alternate in that precinct. Alternate precinct committee members are not eligible to serve as elected officers on the REC Board unless this rule is waived by the RPOF Executive Board.

ARTICLE IV ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The outgoing Chairman of the REC shall, within thirty (30) days after the committee members take office, call an Organizational Meeting for the purpose of electing officers. All officers elected shall be members of the REC and shall be elected for a two-year term.

It shall be the responsibility of the outgoing Chairman to open the meeting, and the first order of business shall be the election of the Chairman. Thereafter, the new Chairman shall preside, and the agenda shall include the election of other officers as prescribed in the Bylaws, and any other business which may appropriately come before the committee.

The election of officers shall be by ballot. In the event there is only one nomination for any officer or office, the ballot may be dispensed with by unanimous vote of the membership eligible to vote and present. All nominations shall be from the floor. No ballot shall be preprinted with the name of any candidate. Candidates to be elected by ballot may choose one person to assist in the counting of votes.

At the conclusion of each two-year term, officers shall be elected in the same manner as is required at the Organizational Meeting. Officer elections held at the Organizational Meetings are final and are not subject to recall.

ARTICLE V REMOVAL FROM OFFICE

Section 1 Removal from Office - Any member or officer of the REC may be removed from office upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership of the committee present at any regular or special meeting after ten (10) days' notice to the membership of the committee that a motion for the purpose of removal of a member or officer will be considered at said meeting, provided that the two-thirds (2/3) vote constitutes at least a majority of the full committee. The removal may be for any cause including, but not limited to, an alleged violation of oath of office. However, any person wrongfully removed for violation of oath of office may qualify for reinstatement and reimbursement, including attorney fees as provided under Florida Statutes 103.141. Removal shall be valid through the end of the respective member's term of office.

Section 2 Notice of Removal - The member and/or officer cited with removal charges shall be notified at least ten (10) days prior to said regular or Special Meeting at which time the removal motion is to be heard with a complaint which shall set forth in particular the reasons for the removal charge.

Section 3 Reasons for Vacancies - Every office of the REC shall be deemed vacant in the manner prescribed by the REC Bylaws.

ARTICLE VI QUORUM AND USE OF PROXIES

Section 1 Quorum - Forty percent (40%) of the members of the REC shall be present to constitute a quorum. At no time shall less than forty percent (40%) of the members constitute a quorum.

Section 2 Use of Proxies

- a) Proxy voting is not permissible at any meeting held under the authority of the Executive Committee of the Republican Party of Nassau County except for purposes of amending the Constitution. A proxy form approved by the Chairman of the Republican Party of Nassau County shall be circulated to all members at the time proposed amendments to the Constitution are circulated.
- b) When the use of proxies is permitted, the holder of a valid proxy shall be in writing and held by a person who shall be a member of the Nassau County Republican Executive Committee. The Republican Executive Committee member who attends by proxy is counted as present for purposes of determining whether or not there is a quorum.

ARTICLE VII POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE REC

Section 1 - Audit - The REC shall annually appoint an Audit Committee from among its members for auditing the financial affairs of the REC and cause the same to be made public. Such audit shall be performed at the end of each calendar year and a copy of such audit filed with the Nassau County Supervisor of Elections and the State Executive Committee prior to April 1st of the ensuing year.

Section 2 Borrowing or Lending Money - The REC is prohibited from borrowing or lending money for any purpose.

Section 3 Authority - The REC has the authority to:

- a) Adopt a constitution by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the full REC including proxies as specified in Article VI, Section 2, and ratify such every 4 years at the organizational meeting;
- b) Adopt such Bylaws as deemed necessary by a 2/3's vote of the members in attendance providing a quorum is present. Such rules may not be in conflict with Florida Statutes, the RPOF Constitution, the RPOF Rules of Procedure, or the Model County Constitution;
- c) Conduct regularly scheduled and special meetings;
- d) Make Party nominations where required by law;
- e) Conduct campaigns for the Party nominees;

- f) Raise and expend Party funds for the maintenance and administration of the Party organization and to do anything that is considered by custom and practice as proper for Party committees, except as expressly prohibited, provided however, that no funds may be spent by a committee except for bona fide services or materials rendered to and received by the committee for the advancement of the Party organization;

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

Any amendments to this Constitution shall be adopted by no less than two-thirds (2/3) vote of the full committee, including proxies, after receiving due notice of said meeting a minimum of ten (10) days in advance.

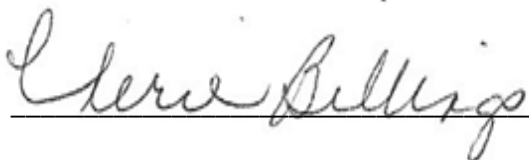
ARTICLE IX PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The most current "Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised" shall be constituted as the authority governing the rules of procedure, except as otherwise limited by the laws of the State of Florida, the Rules of Procedure of the RPOF, the Constitution of the RPOF, and the Constitution duly adopted by this organization.

ARTICLE X SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

If any part of this Constitution is found to be in conflict with the Constitution, Bylaws or any other governing documents of the RPOF; or the Constitution of the United States, or the Constitution and State Statutes of the State of Florida, it shall not affect any other part of the this Constitution and is declared severable.

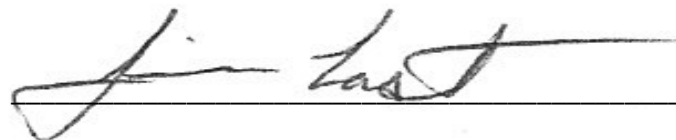
This Constitution of the REC was duly adopted by the membership of said committee this 21 day of May A.D. 2015, at which a quorum of the membership was present. This Constitution supersedes all previous Constitutions.



Chairman, Nassau County Republican Executive Committee

7/27/15

Date



Recording Secretary

7/27/15

Date