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To Whom It May Concern:

By authority of the Democratic National Committee, the National Convention of the Democratic Party is hereby scheduled to convene on TBD, in TBD, at an hour to be announced, to select nominees for the offices of President and Vice President of the United States of America, to adopt and promulgate a platform and to take such other actions with respect to such other matters as the Convention may deem advisable.

I. **Distribution of Delegate Votes**

The distribution of votes, delegates and alternates to the ~~2012~~ **2016** Democratic National Convention shall be in accordance with the following:

- A. The number of Convention votes for delegates to the Convention shall be as set forth in the compilation included in this resolution and determined as provided in paragraphs B, C, D, E, F, G, and H¹.
- B. A base of ~~3,700~~ **3,200** delegate votes is distributed among the 50 states and the District of Columbia according to a formula giving equal weight to the sum of the vote for the Democratic candidates in the three (3) most recent presidential elections and to population by electoral vote. The formula is expressed mathematically as follows:

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{SDV_{2004} + SDV_{2008} + SDV_{2012}}{TDV_{2004} + TDV_{2008} + TDV_{2012}} + \frac{SEV}{538} \right)$$

37 A = Allocation Factor
38 SDV = State Democratic Vote
39 SEV = State Electoral Vote
40 TDV = Total Democratic Vote

To determine the base delegation for each state and the District of Columbia, the allocation factors as determined by the above formula are multiplied by ~~3,700~~ **3,200**.

Fractions of .5 and above are rounded up to the next highest integer.

- C. 1. For purposes of this paragraph C, the period of time in which the first determining stage of the presidential nomination process takes place during ~~2012~~ **2016** shall be divided into Stages as follows:

Stage I: The earliest date specified in Rule 11 of the Delegate Selection Rules through March 31, ~~2012~~ **2016**, inclusive.

Stage II: April 1 through April 30, ~~2012~~ **2016**, inclusive.

Stage III: May 1 through ~~June 12, 2012~~

¹ See **Appendix B** for the allocation of delegates and alternates.

1 the Democratic National Committee.² Such
2 delegates shall be seated with the state
3 delegations from the state in which they
4 have their voting residences.

6 H. Additional unpledged votes shall be added
7 if needed to provide for the Democratic
8 Governor³ (if any) from that state or
9 territory and for the Democratic Members of
10 the United States House of Representatives
11 and Democratic United States Senators from
12 that state or territory (if any).⁴

14 I. Each state, the District of Columbia and
15 Puerto Rico may select a number of
16 alternates equivalent to one (1) alternate for
17 every twelve (12) Convention votes received
18 by it pursuant to paragraphs B, C, D, and E,
19 provided, however, that each such
20 delegation shall have at least two (2)
21 alternates. American Samoa, Democrats
22 Abroad, Guam, **the Northern Mariana**
23 **Islands** and the Virgin Islands shall each
24 have one (1) alternate. Fractions of .5 and
25 above are rounded up to the next highest
26 integer. It is further provided that each
27 large alternates necessary to provide at least
28 one alternate for each presidential candidate
29 who is entitled to delegates from that state,
30 if the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee
31 determines that the number of alternates
32 allocated to the state is not sufficient for
33 each presidential candidate to have at least
34 one alternate.

36 J. Members of the Democratic National
37 Committee and delegates selected pursuant
38 to paragraphs G, and H will be ineligible to
39 serve as delegates under any other category
40 and may hold no more than one (1) vote.
41 Democratic Governors, Democratic
42 Members of the United States House of
43 Representatives and Democratic United
44 States Senators who are members of the

45 Democratic National Committee shall serve
46 as delegates by virtue of their membership
47 on the National Committee.

49 **II. Qualifications of State**
50 **Delegations**

52 A. Notice is hereby given that delegates,
53 alternates and standing committee members
54 to the Democratic National Convention
55 shall be elected in accordance with the
56 Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party
57 of the United States, the Delegate Selection
58 Rules for the ~~2012~~ **2016** Democratic National
59 Convention, the Call for the ~~2012~~ **2016**
60 Democratic National Convention, and the
61 Regulations of the DNC Rules and Bylaws
62 Committee. The DNC Rules and Bylaws
63 Committee shall have the final authority to
64 regulate the delegate selection process,
65 subject to the authority of the Convention
66 Credentials Committee and the Democratic
67 National Convention. It shall be the duty of
68 the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee to
69 administer the delegate selection process
70 and ensure compliance with the rules,
71 including equal division, and report to the
72 Secretary of the Democratic National
73 Committee those states which are in non-
74 compliance. Only delegates and alternates
75 selected under a delegate selection
76 procedure approved by the DNC Rules and
77 Bylaws Committee ~~and in accordance with~~
78 ~~the rules~~ shall be placed on the Temporary
79 Roll of the ~~2012~~ **2016** Democratic National
80 Convention. Only standing committee
81 members and convention pages chosen
82 pursuant to a state delegate selection ~~plan~~
83 ~~found in compliance with the rules~~
84 **procedure approved** by the DNC Rules and
85 Bylaws Committee shall be qualified to
86 serve in their respective capacities.

88 B. It is understood that a State Democratic
89 Party, in electing and certifying delegates
90 and alternates to the Democratic National
91 Convention, thereby undertakes to assure
92 all Democratic voters in the state a full,
93 timely and equal opportunity to participate
94 in the delegate selection process and in all

² Former Chairpersons of the Democratic National Committee shall include National Chairs and General Chairs.

³ The Mayor of the District of Columbia, if a Democrat, shall be treated as a Democratic Governor.

⁴ The District of Columbia's Statehood Senators, if Democrats, shall be treated as Democratic United States Senators.

1 Party affairs and to implement affirmative
2 action plans and inclusion programs toward
3 that end, ~~and;~~ that the delegates and
4 alternates to the Convention shall be
5 selected in accordance with the Delegate
6 Selection Rules for the ~~2012~~ 2016 Democratic
7 National Convention adopted by the
8 Democratic National Committee on ~~August~~
9 ~~20, 2010~~ August 23, 2014; ~~and that the~~
10 ~~delegates it certified will not publically~~
11 ~~support or campaign for any candidate for~~
12 ~~President or Vice President other than the~~
13 ~~nominees of the Democratic National~~
14 ~~Convention.~~ Furthermore, voters in the
15 state will have the opportunity to cast their
16 election ballots for the Presidential and Vice
17 Presidential nominees selected by said
18 Convention, and for electors pledged
19 formally and in good conscience to the
20 election of these Presidential and Vice
21 Presidential nominees, under the label and
22 designation of the Democratic Party of the
23 United States, ~~and that the delegates it~~
24 ~~certified will not publicly support or~~
25 ~~campaign for any candidate for President or~~
26 ~~Vice President other than the nominees of~~
27 ~~the Democratic National Convention.~~

28
29 C. It is presumed that the delegates to the
30 Democratic National Convention, when
31 certified pursuant to the Call, are bona fide
32 Democrats who are faithful to the interests,
33 welfare and success of the Democratic Party
34 of the United States, who subscribe to the
35 substance, intent and principles of the
36 Charter and the Bylaws of the Democratic
37 Party of the United States, and who will
38 participate in the Convention in good faith.
39 Therefore, no additional assurances shall be
40 required of delegates to the Democratic
41 National Convention in the absence of a
42 credentials contest or challenge.
43

44 **III. Delegate Selection**
45 **Deadline**

46
47 All state parties are required to take all steps
48 necessary and appropriate to complete the
49 process of selecting delegates to the ~~2012~~ 2016
50 Democratic National Convention no later than
51 ~~June 23, 2012~~ June 25, 2016.

52 **IV. Certification**
53 **Requirements**

54
55 A. Pledged Delegates and Alternates: Each
56 state’s Democratic Chair shall certify in
57 writing to the Secretary of the Democratic
58 National Committee the election of his or
59 her state’s delegates and alternates to the
60 Democratic National Convention ten (10)
61 days after their election. For the purposes
62 of this Call, the Chair of a committee
63 constituted pursuant to Rule 20.C. of the
64 Delegate Selection Rules, shall be
65 recognized to act in place of the state’s
66 Democratic Chair.
67

68 B. Unpledged Delegates:
69
70 1. Pursuant to Rule 9.A. of the Delegate
71 Selection Rules, official confirmation by
72 the Secretary of the Democratic National
73 Committee to each State Democratic
74 Chair shall constitute verification of the
75 following unpledged delegates:
76 members of the Democratic National
77 Committee; the Democratic President,
78 Vice President and Democratic
79 Governor, if applicable; all Democratic
80 members of the United States House of
81 Representatives and all Democratic
82 members of the United States Senate;
83 and all former Democratic Presidents,
84 Vice Presidents, Democratic Leaders of
85 the United States Senate, Speakers and
86 Democratic Minority Leaders of the
87 United States House of Representatives,
88 and Chairs of the Democratic National
89 Committee.
90

91 C. Presidential Preference:
92
93 Ten (10) days after the completion of the
94 state’s delegate selection process, each
95 state’s Democratic Chair shall certify in
96 writing to the Secretary of the Democratic
97 National Committee the presidential
98 preference (including uncommitted) of the
99 state’s delegates.
100

- 1 D. Replacements: 52 where a state’s DNC membership
2 53 changes following the Secretary’s
3 1. Pledged Delegates and Alternates: 54 official confirmation, but prior to the
4 55 commencement of the ~~2012~~ **2016**
5 Replacement of a delegate (due to 56 Democratic National Convention,
6 resignation or death) by an alternate 57 acknowledgment by the Secretary of
7 and replacement of a vacant alternate 58 the certification of the new DNC
8 position shall be certified in writing by 59 member shall constitute verification
9 the State’s Democratic Chair to the 60 of the corresponding change of
10 Secretary of the Democratic National 61 unpledged delegates.
11 Committee (pursuant to Rule 18 of the 62
12 Delegate Selection Rules) within three 63 c. Delegates allocated pursuant to
13 (3) days after the replacement is 64 Articles I.F., I.G. and I.H. of this Call
14 selected. Certification of replacements 65 shall not be entitled to name a
15 will be accepted by the Secretary up to 66 replacement, nor shall the state be
16 ~~48~~ **72** hours before the first official 67 entitled to a replacement.
17 session of the Convention is scheduled 68
18 to convene. 69 E. Delegation Chair: Each delegation shall
19 70 select one (1) person to serve as Delegation
20 2. Unpledged Delegates: 71 Chair. The State Chair shall certify the
21 72 Delegation Chair. Such certification shall be
22 a. Members of Congress and 73 in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic
23 Democratic Governors shall not be 74 National Committee within three (3) days
24 entitled to name a replacement. In 75 after the position is filled, which shall be no
25 the event of any changes or 76 later than the date by which the state
26 vacancies in a state’s Democratic 77 certifies its standing committee members.
27 congressional delegation following 78
28 the official confirmation and prior to 79 F. Convention Pages:
29 the commencement of the National 80
30 Convention, the Secretary shall 81 1. A base of ~~150~~ **151** Convention Pages
31 recognize only such changes as have 82 shall be allocated among the ~~56~~ **57**
32 been officially recognized by the 83 delegations as follows:⁵
33 Democratic Caucus of the United 84
34 States House of Representatives or 85 a. Each of the 50 States, the District of
35 the Democratic Conference of the 86 Columbia and Puerto Rico shall
36 United States Senate. In the event of 87 have a minimum of two (2) pages.
37 a change or vacancy in a state’s 88
38 office of Governor following the 89 b. One (1) additional page will be
39 official confirmation and prior to the 90 allocated to a state for every fifty
40 commencement of the National 91 (50) additional delegate votes.
41 Convention, the Secretary shall 92 Fractions of .5 and above are
42 recognize only such changes as have 93 rounded up to the next highest
43 been officially recognized by the 94 integer.
44 Democratic Governors’ Association. 95
45 96 c. American Samoa, Democrats
46 b. Members of the Democratic 97 Abroad, Guam, **the Northern**
47 National Committee shall not be 98 **Mariana Islands**, and the Virgin
48 entitled to a replacement, nor shall 99 Islands shall each be allocated one
49 the state be entitled to a 100 (1) page.
50 replacement, except in the case of 101
51 death of such delegates. In cases

⁵ See Appendix C for the allocation of Convention Pages.

- 1 2. The National Chairperson of the
2 Democratic National Committee may
3 select not more than twenty-five (25)
4 pages to assist him/her and the
5 Democratic National Convention
6 Committee in carrying out the work of
7 the Convention.
8
9 3. The State Chair shall certify the
10 person(s) to serve as the Delegation's
11 Convention Page(s), as allocated to the
12 delegation by this section. Such
13 certification shall be in writing to the
14 Secretary of the Democratic National
15 Committee and shall be made no later
16 than the time the state certifies its
17 standing committee members pursuant
18 to Article VIII.B.3. of this Call. The
19 National Chairperson of the Democratic
20 National Committee shall certify the
21 person(s) to serve as the Chair's
22 Convention Page(s), as allocated to the
23 National Chairperson by this section.
24 Such certification shall be in writing to
25 the Secretary of the Democratic National
26 Committee and shall be made within
27 three (3) days after these positions are
28 filled, but in any event, no later than
29 June 23, 2012 **June 25, 2016.**
30

- 31 G. Certification Requirements: Each
32 certification required herein will include full
33 name, address and other information as
34 required by the Secretary of the Democratic
35 National Committee.
36

37 **V. Management of the 2012**
38 **2016 Democratic National**
39 **Convention Operations**
40 **Committee, Inc.**

- 41
42 A. The Democratic National Committee, ~~acting~~
43 ~~under its~~ **has the** authority to plan, arrange,
44 manage and conduct the Democratic
45 National Convention, ~~hereby ratifies the~~
46 ~~establishment and organization of the 2012~~
47 **2016 Democratic National Convention**
48 **Committee, Inc. (the "DNCC") for the 2012**
49 **2016 Democratic National Convention.**
50

- 51 B. **In its sole discretion, the Democratic**
52 **National Committee may establish and**
53 **organize a 2016 Democratic National**
54 **Convention Committee ("DNCC") to**
55 **exercise the authority** ~~The DNCC shall~~
56 ~~exercise the authority~~ **on behalf** of the
57 Democratic National Committee and the
58 Democratic National Convention, **to enter**
59 ~~in entering~~ into contracts relating to all
60 business and financial matters connected
61 with the conduct of the ~~2012~~ **2016**
62 **Democratic National Convention, in**
63 **compliance with the parameters for**
64 **convention operations set forth herein.**
65
66 C. The DNCC shall make every effort to
67 exercise its authority in accordance with the
68 following guidelines, subject to Rule 20.C. of
69 the Delegate Selection Rules:
70
71 1. Contractors: The DNCC shall as a policy
72 seek to engage the services of unionized
73 firms, including those owned by
74 minorities, women and people with
75 disabilities.
76
77 2. Housing: The DNCC shall design and
78 implement a fair and equitable system
79 by which hotel facilities shall be
80 allocated to eligible state delegations
81 and to presidential candidates.
82
83 3. Delegate and Alternate Seating in
84 Convention Hall: The DNCC shall
85 design and implement a fair and
86 equitable system by which the location
87 of each eligible state delegation's seating
88 in the Convention Hall shall be
89 determined. Alternates shall be
90 afforded preferential seating, as close to
91 delegate seating as arrangements will
92 permit. Members of Democratic
93 National Convention Standing
94 Committees who are not already
95 delegates or alternates shall be afforded
96 guest seating for each session of the
97 Convention proceedings.
98
99 4. Delegates' and Alternates' Credentials:
100 The state's delegate and alternate
101 credentials shall be distributed to the

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- 1 Chair of the state delegation from the 52
2 DNCC’s credentials office. 53
3 54
4 5. Floor Access: Floor access shall be given 55
5 to delegates, alternates replacing 56
6 delegates, the highest ranking 57
7 Democratic official in each state that 58
8 does not have a Democratic Governor, 59
9 each State Democratic Party’s Executive 60
10 Director, such number of 61
11 representatives of the presidential 62
12 candidates as may be deemed necessary 63
13 by the DNCC DNC, and such press 64
14 personnel and other personnel as may 65
15 be determined by the DNCC DNC to be 66
16 necessary for the proper functioning of 67
17 the Convention and which does not 68
18 compromise security and safety 69
19 requirements. 70
20
21 6. Visitor’s Seating: Seats for members- 71
22 elect of the Democratic National 72
23 Committee as certified by the state’s 73
24 Democratic Chair, guests and other 74
25 observers shall be allocated for and shall 75
26 be fairly apportioned to the states 76
27 according to each state’s relative 77
28 delegate strength. The Delegation Chair 78
29 and the State Democratic Chair shall 79
30 each be given one half of the credentials 80
31 for guest seats apportioned to the state 81
32 pursuant to this paragraph. Presidential 82
33 preference shall be taken into account in 83
34 the distribution of guest credentials. 84
35
36 7. Communications: 85
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38 a. Microphones: Each state shall be 86
39 provided one (1) floor microphone 87
40 which shall be located at the 88
41 position of the Chair of the state 89
42 delegation. Each delegate shall have 90
43 access to the microphone. 91
44
45 b. Telephones: Adequate provisions 92
46 shall be made for communication 93
47 between the floor and the Chair of 94
48 the Convention so as to advise the 95
49 Chair of the identity of any delegate 96
50 seeking recognition to speak and the 97
51 purpose for which recognition is 98
99
100
101
102
103
- sought. One (1) such telephone shall be provided for each state delegation.
- e. General: ~~No communication equipment other than that authorized by these guidelines or by the DNCC shall be permitted on the floor of the Convention.~~ The DNC may, in its discretion, promulgate guidelines or restrictions regarding the use of communications equipment on the floor of the Convention.
8. Facilities for Presidential Candidates: The National Chairperson of the Democratic National Committee, ~~in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer of the DNCC and~~ representatives of the presidential candidates, shall design and implement a fair and equitable system whereby facilities in the Convention Hall and its immediate environs shall be fairly apportioned to presidential campaigns so as not to afford an undue advantage to any presidential candidate. The cost of such facilities shall be paid by the presidential campaigns.
9. Facilities for News Media and Press Seating: There shall be made available adequate facilities, as close to the Convention floor as conditions permit, for the ~~pencil~~ print press, radio, ~~internet~~ on-line, and television, including a limited number of camera positions commanding a full view of the proceedings. The cost of such facilities shall not be borne by the DNCC.
10. Security: Coordination for security within the Convention Hall, premises and surrounding area shall be under the authority of the DNCC.
11. Financial Reports: ~~The DNCC shall file with the Federal Election Commission (“FEC”)~~ All financial reports relating to convention financing required by the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971,

as amended, and applicable ~~FEC~~
Federal Elections Commission
regulations shall be filed by the DNC
or its authorized committees.

VI. Presidential Candidates

The term “presidential candidate” herein shall mean any person who, as determined by the National Chairperson of the Democratic National Committee, has accrued delegates in the nominating process and plans to seek the nomination, has established substantial support for his or her nomination as the Democratic candidate for the Office of the President of the United States, is a bona fide Democrat whose record of public service, accomplishment, public writings and/or public statements affirmatively demonstrates that he or she is faithful to the interests, welfare and success of the Democratic Party of the United States, and will participate in the Convention in good faith.

VII. Standing Committees on Platform, Rules and Credentials of the 2012 2016 Democratic National Convention

The Democratic National Committee, acting under its authority to issue the Call and establish the standing committees of the National Convention, hereby creates and organizes the Standing Committees on Platform, Rules, and Credentials of the ~~2012~~ 2016 Democratic National Convention. The jurisdiction and rules of procedure of each standing committee are set forth in this Call to the ~~2012~~ 2016 Democratic National Convention. Each standing committee may, by a majority of the members voting, adopt additional rules of procedure for the conduct of its business not inconsistent with this Call. The Democratic National Committee shall publish and make available all relevant requirements and deadlines for submitting proposals for consideration by the standing committees. Such information shall be distributed to the standing committee members and made available to the public as early as practicable before the

- committees meet.
- A. Membership: Subject to Rule 20.C. of the Delegate Selection Rules, each standing committee shall be composed of:
1. Base: A base of ~~161~~ 162 members, casting ~~158~~ 158.25 votes, allocated to the states and territories in accordance with the same distribution formula used to allocate delegates to the Democratic National Convention.⁶
 2. PLEOs: 25 members, each casting one (1) vote who shall be Party Leaders and Elected Officials.
 3. Delegate Status: Members of the standing committees need not be delegates or alternates to the Democratic National Convention.
 4. Quorum: A majority of the total votes allocated to a standing committee shall constitute a quorum thereof for the purpose of transacting business. Such votes shall be present and represented by the standing committee members. Upon a point of order of no quorum, the Chair shall ascertain the presence or absence of a quorum by visual estimation and shall not proceed until a quorum is present, provided, however, that a roll call shall be had to determine whether a quorum exists if the Chair is in doubt or upon demand of any member of the standing committee supported by:
 - a. twenty percent (20%) of the members of the committee as evidenced by a petition submitted to the Chair indicating support of the demand by not less than twenty percent (20%) of the members present, or
 - b. by the rising in support of the demand by not less than twenty

⁶ See Appendix D for the allocation of standing committee members.

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- 1 percent (20%) of the members 52 of the Executive Committee or by mail
2 present, except that a motion to 53 ballot no later than 30 days prior to the
3 adjourn or to recess may be offered 54 date of the standing committee meeting.
4 and voted upon without a quorum 55
5 present. 56
- 6 57
- 7 5. Proxies: As the standing committees are 58
8 deliberative bodies of the National 59
9 Convention, proxy voting by standing 60
10 committee members shall not be 61
11 permitted. 62
- 12 63
- 13 6. Subcommittees: Any subcommittee of 64
14 the standing committees of the National 65
15 Convention shall be composed only of 66
16 members of standing committees, 67
17 except that these subcommittees may be 68
18 chaired by persons other than members 69
19 of the committee. 70
20 71
- 21 B. Election: 72
- 22 73
- 23 1. The members of the standing 74
24 committees allocated to the states and 75
25 territories shall be elected by each state's 76
26 National Convention delegates present 77
27 at a meeting of which adequate notice of 78
28 time and place shall be given and at 79
29 which a quorum of the state's delegates 80
30 shall be present. Such meeting shall be 81
31 held in accordance with procedures 82
32 approved by the DNC Rules and Bylaws 83
33 Committee and consistent with this Call. 84
34 Such meeting shall take place within 14 85
35 days after the final selection of a state's 86
36 delegation, but no such meeting shall be 87
37 held after ~~June 23, 2012~~ **June 25, 2016**. 88
38 89
- 39 2. The members of the standing 90
40 committees allocated as Party Leaders 91
41 and Elected Officials shall be elected by 92
42 the Executive Committee of the 93
43 Democratic National Committee during 94
44 the calendar year of the National 95
45 Convention upon nomination received 96
46 from the National Chairperson of the 97
47 Democratic National Committee, after 98
48 consultation with the State Chairs from 99
49 those states from which members are
50 contemplated to be nominated. Said
51 members must be elected at a meeting 100
- 101
- 102
3. Each state's Democratic Chair shall
certify in writing to the Secretary of the
Democratic National Committee his or
her state's standing committee members
within three (3) days after their
selection. The National Chairperson of
the Democratic National Committee
shall certify in writing to the Secretary
of the Democratic National Committee
the Party Leader and Elected Official
standing committee members within
three (3) days after their election.
Certification of each person will include
full name, address and other
information as required by the Secretary
of the Democratic National Committee.
4. No substitutions will be permitted in the
case of standing committee members,
except in the case of resignation or
death. Substitutions must be made in
accordance with the election procedures
specified in Article VII.B., C., D. and E.,
and must be certified in writing to the
Secretary of the Democratic National
Committee, in accordance with
procedures specified in Article VII.B.3.
Substitutions of standing committee
members are encouraged to be made up
to forty-eight (48) hours prior to the
time the standing committee meets,
except in the case of death.
5. Any challenge to the credentials of a
standing committee member shall be
considered and resolved by the affected
standing committee in accordance with
Appendix A of this Call. The DNC
Rules and Bylaws Committee shall have
jurisdiction over challenges brought
before the 56th day preceding the date
of commencement of the Democratic
National Convention.
- C. Presidential Preference:
1. The members of the standing

- 1 committees allocated to the states and 52
2 territories shall proportionately 53
3 represent the presidential preference of 54
4 all candidates (including uncommitted 55
5 status) receiving the threshold 56
6 percentage used in that state’s 57
7 delegation to calculate the at-large 58
8 apportionment pursuant to Rule 13.E. of 59
9 the Delegate Selection Rules, provided, 60
10 however, that members of the standing 61
11 committees from primary states shall be 62
12 allocated to presidential candidates 63
13 (including uncommitted status) based 64
14 on the statewide popular vote. 65
15
16 2. The presidential preference percentage 66
17 of each candidate receiving the 67
18 applicable percentage or more within 68
19 the delegation shall be multiplied by the 69
20 total number of standing committee 70
21 positions allocated to that state or 71
22 territorial delegation. If the result of 72
23 such multiplication does not equal 0.455 73
24 or above, the presidential preference in 74
25 question is not entitled to representation 75
26 on the standing committee. If the result 76
27 of such multiplication is 0.455 but less 77
28 than 1.455, the presidential preference in 78
29 question is entitled to one (1) position. 79
30 Those preferences securing more than 80
31 1.455 but less than 2.455 are entitled to 81
32 two (2) positions, etc. 82
33
34 3. Where the application of this formula 83
35 results in the total allocation exceeding 84
36 the total number of committee positions, 85
37 the presidential candidate whose 86
38 original figure of representation is 87
39 farthest from its eventual rounded-off 88
40 total shall be denied that one (1) 89
41 additional position. Where the 90
42 application of this formula results in the 91
43 total allocation falling short of the total 92
44 number of committee positions, the 93
45 presidential candidate whose original 94
46 figure of representation is closest to the 95
47 next rounding level shall be allotted an 96
48 additional committee position. 97
49
50 4. Standing committee positions allocated 98
51 to a presidential candidate shall be 99
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101
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- proportionately allocated, to the extent
practicable, to each of the three standing
committees. When such allocation
results in an unequal distribution of
standing committee positions by
candidate preference, a drawing shall be
conducted to distribute the additional
positions.
- D. Presidential Candidate Right of Approval:
1. Each presidential candidate or that
candidate’s representative authorized
pursuant to Rule 12.D.1. of the ~~2012~~
2016 Delegate Selection Rules shall be
given adequate notice of the meeting of
the state’s delegation authorized to
select standing committee members.
 2. The delegation shall select the standing
committee members from among
names submitted by the presidential
candidates (including uncommitted
status), and presidential candidates
shall not be required to submit the name
of more than one person for each slot
awarded to such candidate for members
of standing committees. Provided
further, that presidential candidates
(including uncommitted status) shall
use their best efforts to ensure that the
name or names of standing committee
members submitted help achieve the
affirmative action goals established by
the state’s Delegate Selection Plan.
- E. Division Between Men and Women:
1. The membership of each of the standing
committees from a state or territory
shall be as equally divided among men
and women as possible under the state
allocation; if the number is even, the
membership shall be equally divided
between men and women; if the number
is odd, the variance between men and
women may not exceed one (1), and the
advantaged gender must not remain
constant for the three standing
committees. The DNC Rules and
Bylaws Committee shall have

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- 1 continuing jurisdiction to ensure 53
2 compliance with this equal division 54 briefing materials as are required to
3 requirement. No standing committee 55 accomplish the committee’s work.
4 members from a state shall be officially 56 G. Platform Committee:
5 recognized unless the Rules and Bylaws 57
6 Committee has certified to the Secretary 58
7 of the Democratic National Committee 59
8 that such state’s standing committee 60
9 delegation complies with this equal 61
10 division rule. It is the duty of the DNC 62
11 Rules and Bylaws Committee to 63
12 determine such compliance as soon as 64
13 practicable following the certification of 65
14 the state’s standing committee 66
15 members. 67
16
17 2. The Party Leader and Elected Official 68
18 membership of the standing committees 69
19 elected by the Executive Committee of 70
20 the Democratic National Committee 71
21 shall be divided among men and 72
22 women so that the variance between 73
23 men and women does not exceed one 74
24 (1), and the advantaged gender must 75
25 not remain constant for the three 76
26 standing committees. 77
27
28 F. Chairs of Standing Committees: 80
29
30 1. The Chair(s) of each Standing 81
31 Committee shall be elected by the 82
32 Executive Committee of the Democratic 83
33 National Committee upon nomination 84
34 of the National Chairperson of the 85
35 Democratic National Committee. Co- 86
36 Chairs and Vice Chairs may also be 87
37 elected in this manner. 88
38
39 2. Individuals who are not otherwise 91
40 members of the standing committees 92
41 who are elected Chair(s), Co-Chair(s) or 93
42 Vice Chair(s) thereof shall not have any 94
43 voting privileges on the standing 95
44 committees, except that the Chair(s), 96
45 may vote in the case of a tie. 97
46
47 3. The Chair(s) of each standing committee 98
48 shall call and preside over each 99
49 committee meeting, prepare an agenda 100
50 to provide for orderly conduct of the 101
51 committee’s business, and supervise 102
52 preparation of such research studies and 103
104
53 1. The Platform Committee shall be 105
54 responsible for drafting and 106
55 recommending the Platform of the 107
56 Democratic Party to the Democratic 108
57 National Convention. 109
58
59 2. The Chair(s) of the Platform Committee, 110
60 in consultation with the National 111
61 Chairperson of the Democratic National 112
62 Committee, shall determine the number, 113
63 place and time for conducting hearing(s) 114
64 and/or forum(s) and name the 115
65 presiding panel, who need not be 116
66 members of the Platform Committee, for 117
67 each hearing and/or forum. Any 118
68 person may submit a written statement 119
69 concerning the Platform to the Platform 120
70 Committee at any time prior to the 121
71 Platform Committee meeting, and may 122
72 request permission to testify at a public 123
73 hearing and/or forum. 124
74
75 3. No later than thirty (30) days before the 125
76 first meeting of the Platform Committee, 126
77 written notice of the date, time, place, 127
78 and the tentative agenda of such 128
79 meeting shall be sent to all members of 129
80 the Platform Committee. A special or 130
81 emergency meeting of the Platform 131
82 Committee may be held upon call of the 132
83 Chair(s) of the Platform Committee with 133
84 reasonable notice to the members. 134
85
86 4. Prior to the first meeting of the Platform 135
87 Committee, the National Chairperson of 136
88 the Democratic National Committee 137
89 shall distribute to the members of the 138
90 Platform Committee a document 139
91 outlining the issues to be considered by 140
92 the committee. 141
93
94 5. The National Chairperson of the 142
95 Democratic National Committee, in 143
96 consultation with the Chair(s) of the 144
97 Platform Committee, shall appoint 145
98 fifteen (15) persons to serve on a 146
99 Platform Drafting Subcommittee and 147
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1 the National Chairperson of the 52
2 Democratic National Committee shall 53
3 appoint the Chair(s) thereof. In 54
4 addition, one (1) non-voting member 55
5 may be appointed by each presidential 56
6 candidate to serve on the Drafting 57
7 Subcommittee. The Platform Drafting 58
8 Subcommittee is considered a 59
9 subcommittee of the Platform 60
10 Committee as defined in Article I.A.6 61
11 provided, however, that members of the 62
12 Platform Drafting Subcommittee need 63
13 not be members of the Platform 64
14 Committee. The Drafting Subcommittee 65
15 shall be responsible for the drafting of 66
16 the report of the Platform Committee 67
17 under the direction and with the 68
18 approval of the full Platform 69
19 Committee. 70
20
21 6. Upon the request of members 71
22 representing twenty-five percent (25%) 72
23 of the total votes of the Platform 73
24 Committee, a minority report shall be 74
25 prepared for distribution to the 75
26 Convention delegates and alternates as 76
27 part of the committee's report. The 77
28 committee staff shall assist in the 78
29 preparation of such report. 79
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31 7. The report of the Platform Committee 80
32 and any minority reports shall be 81
33 distributed to all delegates and 82
34 alternates, and to the public as soon as 83
35 practicable after their adoption. 84
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37 H. Rules Committee: 85
38
39 1. The Rules Committee shall issue a 86
40 report to the Democratic National 87
41 Convention recommending the 88
42 Permanent Rules of the Convention, the 89
43 Convention agenda, the permanent 90
44 officers of the Democratic National 91
45 Convention, amendments to the Charter 92
46 of the Democratic Party of the United 93
47 States, and resolutions providing for the 94
48 consideration of any other matter not 95
49 provided for in the Permanent Rules of 96
50 the Convention and not contained in the 97
51 reports of other standing committees. 98
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The foregoing notwithstanding, no amendment to the Charter of the Democratic Party shall be effective unless and until it is subsequently ratified by a vote of the majority of the entire membership of the Democratic National Committee.

- 2. No later than thirty (30) days before the first meeting of the Rules Committee, written notice of the date, time, place, and the tentative agenda of such meeting shall be sent to all members of the Rules Committee. A special or emergency meeting of the Rules Committee may be held upon call of the Chair(s) of the Rules Committee with reasonable notice to the members.
- 3. Upon the request of members representing twenty-five percent (25%) of the total votes of the Rules Committee, a minority report shall be prepared for distribution to the Convention delegates and alternates as part of the committee's report. The committee staff shall assist in the preparation of such report.
- 4. The report of the Rules Committee and any minority reports shall be distributed to all delegates, alternates, and to the public as soon as practicable after their adoption.
- I. Credentials Committee and Procedures for Challenging Delegates or State Delegations:
 - 1. The Credentials Committee shall determine and resolve questions concerning the seating of delegates and alternates to the Convention pursuant to the resolution entitled the "Relationship Between the ~~2012~~ 2016 Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee and the ~~2012~~ 2016 Delegate Selection Rules," which includes the "Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee of the ~~2012~~ 2016 Democratic National Convention" hereby approved and adopted by the Democratic National

1 Committee, and set forth in full in the
2 Appendix to this Call. The committee
3 shall report to the Convention for final
4 determination and resolution of all such
5 questions. This committee does not
6 have authority over the allocation and
7 distribution of convention credentials,
8 including passes for delegates,
9 alternates, guests or press.

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11 2. Challenges to the seating of any
12 delegate or alternate shall be in
13 accordance with the Rules of Procedure
14 of the Credentials Committee. Any
15 challenge to the seating of a delegate or
16 alternate that is not made in conformity
17 with these rules shall be deemed
18 waived.

19
20 3. Upon the request of members
21 representing twenty-five percent (25%)
22 of the total votes of the Credentials
23 Committee, a minority report shall be
24 prepared for distribution to the
25 Convention delegates and alternates as
26 part of the committee's report;
27 provided, however, that no member
28 elected to the committee by a state
29 delegation may join in such request as to
30 a proposed minority report relating to a
31 credentials challenge to any delegate or
32 alternate from his or her state. The
33 committee staff shall assist in the
34 preparation of such report.

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36 4. The report of the Credentials Committee
37 and any minority reports shall be
38 distributed to all delegates, alternates,
39 and the public as soon as practicable
40 after their adoption.

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42 **VIII. Procedural Rules of the**
43 **2012 ~~2016~~ Democratic**
44 **National Convention**

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46 The following Procedural Rules shall serve as
47 the Temporary Rules of Procedure for the ~~2012~~
48 2016 Democratic National Convention and are
49 recommended to the Rules Committee and to
50 the Convention as the Permanent Rules of
51 Procedure for the conduct of the ~~2012~~ 2016

52 Democratic National Convention.

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54 A. Temporary Chair:

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56 1. The National Chairperson of the
57 Democratic National Committee shall
58 call the Convention to order and shall
59 preside until the Permanent Chair of the
60 Convention shall be chosen in
61 accordance with these rules.
62 2. The National Chairperson of the
63 Democratic National Committee shall
64 appoint a Temporary Secretary and
65 such other temporary officers as may be
66 required to assist in the conduct of the
67 business of the Convention. These
68 officers shall be composed equally of
69 men and women.

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71 B. Temporary Roll:

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73 1. The Secretary of the Democratic
74 National Committee shall determine a
75 Temporary Roll of delegates to the
76 Convention which shall consist only of
77 those persons selected and certified as
78 delegates in accordance with the Rules
79 and pursuant to this Call, unless a
80 credentials contest shall have arisen
81 with respect to any such person(s), in
82 which case the Secretary shall include
83 on the Temporary Roll the name of the
84 credentials contestant recommended for
85 inclusion by the Credentials Committee
86 in its report.
87
88 2. Persons whose names are included on
89 the Temporary Roll of delegates shall be
90 permitted to vote on all matters before
91 the Convention until after the adoption
92 of the report of the Credentials
93 Committee; provided that no person
94 shall be permitted to vote on his or her
95 credentials contest.

96
97 C. Order of Business: The order of business for
98 the Democratic National Convention shall
99 be as provided in these rules and in any
100 special order of business adopted under
101 Section D. of these rules. The Chair of the
102 Convention may, at appropriate times,

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- 1 interrupt the order of business provided for 52
2 in these rules for introductions, 53
3 announcements, addresses, presentations, 54
4 resolutions of tribute and appreciation, or 55
5 remarks appropriate to the business of the 56
6 Convention. 57
7
8 1. Report of the Committee on Credentials: 58
9 The Report of the Credentials 59
10 Committee shall be acted upon before 60
11 the consideration of other business. 61
12
13 a. The Temporary Chair shall 62
14 recognize the Chair(s) of the 63
15 Credentials Committee for up to 64
16 thirty (30) minutes to present the 65
17 committee’s report unless a longer 66
18 period of time shall be provided in a 67
19 special order of business agreed 68
20 upon by the Convention. The 69
21 Chair(s) of the committee may 70
22 present committee amendments, 71
23 yield part of his or her time to others 72
24 and may yield for the presentation 73
25 and disposition of minority reports 74
26 without losing the right to the floor. 75
27
28 b. The Temporary Chair shall arrange 76
29 for the orderly presentation of 77
30 amendments and of minority 78
31 reports offered at the direction of 79
32 the committee. Twenty (20) minutes 80
33 shall be allowed for the presentation 81
34 of each committee amendment or 82
35 minority report unless a longer 83
36 period for any committee 84
37 amendment or minority report is 85
38 provided in special orders of 86
39 business agreed to by the 87
40 Convention. Time shall be allotted 88
41 equally to proponents and 89
42 opponents of each committee 90
43 amendment or minority report. The 91
44 questions shall be put on each 92
45 committee amendment or minority 93
46 report immediately following its 94
47 presentation without intervening 95
48 motion. 96
49
50 c. Upon conclusion of the 97
51 consideration and disposition of 98
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- committee amendments and
minority reports, the Temporary
Chair shall put the question on the
adoption of the report of the
Credentials Committee with
amendments previously adopted, if
any, without intervening motion. A
favorable majority vote of the
Convention delegates eligible to
vote shall constitute adoption of the
report.
- d. In the event that the committee’s
report shall not be adopted when
the question is put, the committee
shall immediately reconvene to
reconsider its report and shall
present a new report to the
Convention as soon as possible.
2. Report of Rules Committee: The
Temporary Chair(s) may then recognize
the Chair(s) of the Rules Committee to
present the committee’s report for the
Rules of the Convention and minority
reports, if any, in the same manner as
that provided for the presentation of the
Report of the Credentials Committee.
However, the Temporary Chair may, in
the interest of conducting an orderly
proceeding, opt to place before the
Convention the election of the
Permanent Chair, the Co-Chairs and the
Secretary, prior to the presentation of
the Rules Committee report.
3. Convention Chair: The Convention shall
proceed to elect the Permanent
Convention Chair in the following
manner:
- a. In accordance with the requirements
of the 1984 Democratic National
Convention Resolution which calls
for alternating the Convention Chair
by gender, the Permanent Chair of
the ~~2012~~ **2016** Democratic National
Convention shall be a ~~male~~ **female**.
- b. The Chair(s) of the Rules Committee
shall be recognized to offer a

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| 1 | nomination for Convention Chair as | 52 | Convention Secretary at a location |
| 2 | recommended by the Committee on | 53 | as specified by the Secretary no later |
| 3 | Rules. Nominations from the floor | 54 | than 6:00 p.m. of the day preceding |
| 4 | shall then be received. | 55 | the day designated for the |
| 5 | | 56 | commencement of presidential |
| 6 | c. When there are no further | 57 | nominations. |
| 7 | nominations or upon adoption of a | 58 | |
| 8 | motion to close nominations, the | 59 | b. Each such request must be |
| 9 | Temporary Chair of the Convention | 60 | accompanied by a petition |
| 10 | shall conduct a vote for Permanent | 61 | indicating support for the proposed |
| 11 | Convention Chair. | 62 | nominee signed by delegates |
| 12 | | 63 | representing not less than 300 or |
| 13 | d. A majority vote of the delegates | 64 | more than 600 delegate votes, not |
| 14 | present and voting shall be required | 65 | more than 50 of which may come |
| 15 | to elect the Convention Chair. | 66 | from one (1) delegation. A delegate |
| 16 | Balloting shall continue until a Chair | 67 | may not sign more than one (1) |
| 17 | is elected. The Permanent Chair | 68 | nominating petition for president |
| 18 | shall then take the gavel. | 69 | and for vice president. |
| 19 | | 70 | |
| 20 | 4. Convention Co-Chairs: The Convention | 71 | c. The order for nominating |
| 21 | shall proceed to elect Co-Chairs and a | 72 | presidential candidates shall be |
| 22 | Secretary in the same manner in which | 73 | determined by the National |
| 23 | it elected the Chair. The Co-Chairs shall | 74 | Chairperson of the Democratic |
| 24 | be divided equally between men and | 75 | National Committee, the Permanent |
| 25 | women. | 76 | Chair of the Convention and each |
| 26 | | 77 | presidential candidate, or his or her |
| 27 | 5. Committee on Platform: The Permanent | 78 | authorized representative, who |
| 28 | Chair shall recognize the Chair(s) of the | 79 | qualifies to be nominated pursuant |
| 29 | Platform Committee to present the | 80 | to this section. |
| 30 | committee's report and minority | 81 | |
| 31 | reports, if any, in the same manner as | 82 | d. Each presidential candidate shall be |
| 32 | that provided for the presentations of | 83 | allowed a total of twenty (20) |
| 33 | the reports of the Credentials and Rules | 84 | minutes for the presentation of his |
| 34 | Committees. | 85 | or her name in nomination by |
| 35 | | 86 | nominating and seconding speeches, |
| 36 | 6. Nomination of the Democratic | 87 | the time to run without interruption |
| 37 | Candidate for President: The Permanent | 88 | from the recognition of the |
| 38 | Chair shall receive nominations from | 89 | nominator. |
| 39 | the floor for the Democratic candidate | 90 | |
| 40 | for the Office of President of the United | 91 | e. Delegates and alternates shall |
| 41 | States in the following manner: | 92 | maintain order during and |
| 42 | | 93 | following nominations for the Office |
| 43 | a. Requests to nominate a presidential | 94 | of President and demonstrations |
| 44 | candidate shall be in writing and | 95 | shall not be permitted. |
| 45 | shall have affixed thereto the written | 96 | |
| 46 | approval of the proposed nominee | 97 | 7. Roll Call for Presidential Candidate: |
| 47 | and the name of the individuals | 98 | |
| 48 | who shall be recognized to make the | 99 | a. After nominations for presidential |
| 49 | nominating and seconding speeches | 100 | candidates have closed, the |
| 50 | on behalf of a presidential candidate | 101 | Convention shall proceed to a roll |
| 51 | and shall be delivered to the | 102 | call vote by states on the selection of |

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1 the presidential candidate. The roll 52
2 call voting shall follow the 53
3 alphabetical order of the states with 54
4 the District of Columbia and Puerto 55
5 Rico and the territories treated as 56
6 states for the purpose of the 57
7 alphabetical roll call. 58
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9 b. A majority vote of the Convention’s 59
10 delegates shall be required to 60
11 nominate the presidential candidate. 61
12
13 c. Delegates may vote for the 62
14 candidate of their choice whether or 63
15 not the name of such candidate was 64
16 placed in nomination. Any vote cast 65
17 other than a vote for a presidential 66
18 candidate meeting the requirements 67
19 of Article VI of this Call and Rule 68
20 12.K. of the ~~2012~~ **2016** Delegate 69
21 Selection Rules shall be considered a 70
22 vote for “Present.” 71
23
24 d. Balloting will continue until a 72
25 nominee is selected. Upon selection, 73
26 balloting may be temporarily 74
27 suspended, provided that the 75
28 balloting shall continue at a time 76
29 certain determined by the 77
30 Convention Chair, until all states, 78
31 the District of Columbia, Puerto 79
32 Rico and the territories shall 80
33 publically deliver their vote prior to 81
34 the nominee’s acceptance speech. 82
35 The nominee shall become the 83
36 candidate of the Democratic Party of 84
37 the United States for the Office of 85
38 President upon the conclusion of his 86
39 or her acceptance speech. 87
40
41 8. Acceptance Speech by Presidential 88
42 Candidate: Immediately after the 89
43 selection of the Democratic nominee for 90
44 President, the Permanent Chair shall 91
45 invite the nominee to deliver an 92
46 acceptance speech to the Convention. 93
47
48 9. Nomination for the Democratic 94
49 Candidate for Vice President: The 95
50 selection of a nominee for the Office of 96
51 Vice President of the United States shall 97
52 be conducted in the same manner as 98
53 that heretofore provided for the 99
54 selection of the nominee for President of 100
55 the United States except that a request 101
56 to nominate must be delivered to the 102
57 Convention Secretary at a location as 103
58 specified by the Secretary not later than 104
59 9:00 a.m. of the day designated for the 105
60 commencement of Vice Presidential 106
61 nominations. 107
62
63 10. Roll Call Ballot for Vice Presidential 108
64 Candidate: 109
65
66 a. After nominations for Vice 110
67 Presidential candidates have closed, 111
68 the Convention shall proceed to a 112
69 roll call vote by states on the 113
70 selection of the Vice Presidential 114
71 candidate. The roll call voting 115
72 procedure shall be conducted in the 116
73 same manner as that heretofore 117
74 provided for the selection of the 118
75 nominee for President of the United 119
76 States. 120
77
78 b. A majority vote of the Convention’s 121
79 delegates shall be required to select 122
80 the Vice Presidential candidate. 123
81 Delegates may vote for the 124
82 candidate of their choice whether or 125
83 not the name of such candidate was 126
84 placed in nomination. Balloting will 127
85 continue until ~~after~~ a nominee is 128
86 selected. 129
87
88 11. Acceptance Speech by Vice Presidential 130
89 Candidate: Immediately after the 131
90 selection of the Democratic nominee for 132
91 Vice President, the Permanent Chair 133
92 shall invite the nominee to deliver an 134
93 acceptance speech to the Convention. 135
94 The nominee shall become the candidate 136
95 of the Democratic Party of the United 137
96 States for the office of Vice President 138
97 upon completion of his or her 139
98 acceptance speech to the Convention. 140
99
100 D. Special Orders of Business: It shall be in 141
101 order at any time for the Rules Committee 142
102 at the request of the Chair of the 143

1 Convention, or pursuant to its rules, to 52
 2 report a resolution providing a special order 53
 3 of business for debate of any resolution, 54
 4 motion, committee report or minority report 55
 5 or for the consideration of any matter. 56
 6 57
 7 E. Powers and Duties of the Chair: 58
 8 59
 9 1. It shall be the responsibility of the Chair 60
 10 to conduct and expedite the business of 61
 11 the Convention and to preserve order 62
 12 and decorum in its proceedings. 63
 13 64
 14 2. The Chair is authorized to appoint such 65
 15 Convention officers as may be required 66
 16 to assist in the conduct of the business 67
 17 of the Convention, such officers to be 68
 18 composed equally of men and women; 69
 19 to appoint any delegate temporarily to 70
 20 perform the duties of the Chair; and to 71
 21 take such lawful action as may be 72
 22 necessary and appropriate to preserve 73
 23 order throughout the Convention Hall; 74
 24 and to take any other actions consistent 75
 25 with the Charter and the Bylaws of the 76
 26 Democratic Party of the United States 77
 27 and this Call. 78
 28 79
 29 F. Voting: 80
 30 81
 31 1. Secret Ballot: No secret ballots shall be 82
 32 permitted at any stage of the 83
 33 Convention or its committee 84
 34 proceedings. 85
 35 86
 36 2. Proxy Voting: Neither delegate nor 87
 37 alternate delegate votes may be cast by 88
 38 proxy. 89
 39 90
 40 3. Roll Call Votes: 91
 41 92
 42 a. Voting shall be by voice vote or, 93
 43 when prescribed by these rules, by 94
 44 roll call vote. The roll call voting 95
 45 shall follow the order as specified in 96
 46 Article VIII.C.7.a. A roll call vote 97
 47 shall also be had if the Chair is in 98
 48 doubt or upon demand of any 99
 49 delegate supported by twenty-five 100
 50 percent (~~20~~ 25%) of the Convention's 101
 51 delegates as evidenced by one of the 102

following methods:

- (1) A petition submitted to the Chair indicating support of the demand by ~~delegations which comprise~~ not less than twenty-five percent (~~20~~ 25%) of the Convention's delegates. ~~In the case of the petition in support of a demand for a roll call vote, a delegation shall be taken to support the demand if a majority of its delegates have signed a petition to do so.~~
- (2) By the rising in support of the demand by not less than twenty-five percent (~~20~~ 25%) of the delegates present.

b. When a roll call vote is ordered, the roll call shall be called by states, and the Chair of each delegation or his or her designee shall report the vote of his or her delegation and shall send to the Convention Secretary a tally showing the vote of each member of his or her delegation indicating whether such vote was cast in person or by an alternate. Such roll call votes may be conducted by having the Chair for each delegation report by telephone, or electronic voting mechanism, the vote of his or her delegation to the rostrum, provided that the telephone poll shall not be used in the balloting for the Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees. Business shall be permitted to proceed during the telephone roll call and votes may be conducted by electronic mechanism. After each official vote, the Delegation Chair shall record and tally votes of the delegation on official roll call tally sheets provided by the Convention Secretary. All official roll call tally sheets shall be turned in to the Convention Secretary at a specified location not more than thirty (30)

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- 1 minutes after the close of each 52
2 voting period. 53
3 54
4 c. All delegates to the National 55
5 Convention pledged to a 56
6 presidential candidate shall in all 57
7 good conscience reflect the 58
8 sentiments of those who elected 59
9 them. 60
10 61
11 d. In the case where a pledged delegate 62
12 is not on the floor of the Convention 63
13 Hall at the time a vote is taken, an 64
14 alternate may be designated 65
15 according to the rules to cast the 66
16 vote. In no case may an alternate 67
17 cast a vote for a delegate allocated 68
18 under I.F., I.G., I.H. or I.I. of this 69
19 Call. 70
20 71
21 e. On a roll call vote by states, the vote 72
22 cast on behalf of a delegation may 73
23 be challenged by communication to 74
24 the Convention Secretary by 75
25 telephone or other means by any 76
26 voting member of that state’s 77
27 delegation within ten (10) minutes 78
28 after the Convention Secretary’s 79
29 announcement of the state’s vote. 80
30 The votes of that delegation shall 81
31 then be recorded as polled without 82
32 regard to any state law, party rule, 83
33 resolution or instruction binding the 84
34 delegation or any member thereof to 85
35 vote for or against any candidate or 86
36 proposition. The Convention Chair 87
37 may send a parliamentarian to the 88
38 delegation to conduct the poll. At 89
39 the discretion of the Convention 90
40 Chair, the roll call may continue 91
41 instead of waiting for the result of 92
42 the polling. 93
43 94
44 f. On a roll call vote conducted by 95
45 telephone or other electronic voting 96
46 mechanism, the vote of a delegation 97
47 as shown on the video projection 98
48 system may be challenged by 99
49 communication to the Convention 100
50 Secretary by telephone or other 101
51 means by any voting member of the 102
- delegation within ten (10) minutes
after the delegation’s vote is shown
on the screen.
- g. A demand to poll a delegation may
be withdrawn at any time before the
actual polling has begun.
4. Interruption of Vote: When the question
has been put, the vote thereon may not
be interrupted for any purpose other
than a demand for a roll call vote or a
point of order directed to the conduct of
the vote.
5. Determination of Question: Except as
otherwise provided in these rules, all
questions, including the question of
nominations of candidates for President
and Vice President of the United States,
shall be determined by a majority vote
of the delegates to the Convention.
- G. Filling a Vacancy on the National Ticket: In
the event of death, resignation or disability
of a nominee of the Party for President or
Vice President after the adjournment of the
National Convention, the National
Chairperson of the Democratic National
Committee shall confer with the Democratic
leadership of the United States Congress
and the Democratic Governors Association
and shall report to the Democratic National
Committee, which is authorized to fill the
vacancy or vacancies.
- H. Interpretation of the Rules: In interpreting
the rules, the Chair may have recourse to
the ruling of Chairs of previous Democratic
Conventions, to the precedents of the
United States House of Representatives and
to general parliamentary law.
- I. Appeals:
1. The Chair shall decide all questions of
order subject to an appeal by any
delegate which may be debated for not
more than ten (10) minutes, the time to
be equally divided between the delegate
appealing the ruling and a delegate in

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- 1 favor of sustaining the ruling of the
2 Chair; provided that an appeal shall not
3 be in order while another appeal is
4 pending or from decisions on
5 recognition or from decisions on
6 dilatoriness of motions or during a roll
7 call vote or on a question on which an
8 appeal has just been decided or, when in
9 the opinion of the Chair, such appeal is
10 clearly dilatory.
- 11
- 12 2. Before the question is put on any
13 appeal, the Chair shall be entitled to
14 state briefly the reasons for the ruling
15 being appealed.
- 16
- 17 J. Motion to Suspend the Rules: The Chair
18 shall entertain a motion to suspend the
19 rules, which shall be decided without
20 debate and which shall require a vote of two
21 thirds (2/3) of the delegates voting, a
22 quorum being present.
- 23
- 24 K. Motion:
- 25
- 26 1. No question of privilege or any motion
27 other than those provided under these
28 rules shall be entertained, except the
29 motion to recess (to a time certain or at
30 the call of the Chair), which shall be
31 privileged, and the motion to adjourn,
32 which shall be the highest privilege.
- 33
- 34 2. Motions to adjourn or to recess shall be
35 in order at any time except when the
36 question has been put or a vote is in
37 progress and shall be decided without
38 debate. The Chair shall not entertain a
39 motion to adjourn or recess when such
40 motion closely follows another such
41 motion if in the opinion of the Chair
42 such motion is dilatory.
- 43
- 44 L. Amendments: No amendments to
45 resolutions or motions before the
46 Convention shall be permitted, except
47 amendments to standing committee reports
48 or resolutions offered at the direction of the
49 standing committee or in a minority report
50 of that standing committee; provided that
51 no motion or proposition on a subject
52 different from that under consideration
- 53 shall be admitted in the form of such an
54 amendment.
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- 56 M. Minority Reports: Minority reports of
57 committees shall not be considered unless
58 adopted in writing by members
59 representing at least twenty percent (20%)
60 of the total votes of a committee. A
61 minority report may be withdrawn at any
62 time prior to or during the Convention. A
63 minority report shall be deemed to be
64 withdrawn when support for the report falls
65 below the number of members representing
66 twenty percent (20%) of the total votes of
67 the standing committee as evidenced by the
68 written withdrawal of support by
69 proponents of the report. A committee
70 member may withdraw his or her support
71 for a minority report by written notice to the
72 Secretary of the Democratic National
73 Committee.
- 74
- 75 N. Responsibility: By participating in the
76 Democratic National Convention, each
77 delegate assumes the responsibility for
78 doing all within his or her power to assure
79 that voters of his or her state will have the
80 opportunity to cast their election ballots for
81 the Presidential and Vice Presidential
82 nominees selected by the Convention or,
83 should a vacancy arise, pursuant to Article
84 VIII.G. of these rules, and expressly agrees
85 that he or she will not publicly support or
86 campaign for any candidate for President or
87 Vice President other than the nominees of
88 the Democratic National Convention, or,
89 should a vacancy arise, the nominee(s)
90 selected pursuant to Article VIII.G.
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- 92 O. Debate: Unless otherwise provided in these
93 rules or in a resolution providing for a
94 special order of business, debate on any
95 question shall be limited to a total of twenty
96 (20) minutes and shall be equally divided
97 between proponents and opponents unless
98 they and the Chair agree upon an additional
99 or lesser amount of time.
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- 101 P. Quorum: A majority of the delegates to the
102 Convention shall constitute a quorum
103 thereof for the purpose of transacting
104 business. Upon a point of order of no

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1 quorum being made, the Chair shall
2 ascertain the presence or absence of a
3 quorum by visual estimation and shall not
4 proceed until a quorum is present; provided
5 that a motion to adjourn may be offered and
6 voted upon without a quorum present.
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8 Q. References to the “Chair”: All references to
9 the authority and responsibilities of the
10 “Chair” shall pertain to the Temporary
11 Chair, the Permanent Chair, the Co-Chairs
12 and any other person assuming the duties of
13 the Chair as appropriate during the
14 Convention.
15

16 R. Equal Division: The Charter of the
17 Democratic Party of the United States
18 provides that the National Convention shall
19 be composed of delegates and alternates
20 equally divided between men and women.
21 This Call, in compliance with the Charter,
22 and pursuant to Rule 6.C. of the ~~2012~~ **2016**
23 Delegate Selection Rules, mandates that
24 delegates and alternates from each state and
25 jurisdiction shall be equally divided
26 between men and women with a variance of
27 no more than one (1).
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29 S. Non-Discrimination: Discrimination on the
30 basis of race, sex, age, color, creed, national
31 origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual
32 orientation, **gender identity**, economic
33 status or physical disability in the conduct
34 of Democratic Party affairs is prohibited.
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36 T. Territories: The term “territories” shall refer
37 to American Samoa, Democrats Abroad,
38 Guam, **the Northern Mariana Islands**, and
39 the Virgin Islands in this Call.
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41 U. Journal of Proceedings:
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- 43 1. A record of all actions taken each day by
44 the Convention shall be ~~printed and~~
45 made available to all delegates and
46 alternates the following day by the
47 Convention Secretary.
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- 49 2. The Secretary of the Democratic
50 National Committee will provide a
51 journal of the full proceedings of the
52 Convention, which shall be printed
53 within the year following the
54 Convention.

Appendix A

1 **Relationship Between the 2012**
2 **2016 Rules of Procedure of the**
3 **Credentials Committee and the**
4 **2012 2016 Delegate Selection**
5 **Rules**
6
7 Under Rule 20.B. of the ~~2012~~ **2016** Delegate
8 Selection Rules, the Rules and Bylaws
9 Committee has jurisdiction over challenges
10 pertaining to the submission, non-
11 implementation and violation of state Delegate
12 Selection Plans, Affirmative Action Plans, and
13 Inclusion Programs. The following “Rules of
14 Procedure of the Credentials Committee of the
15 ~~2012~~ **2016** Democratic National Convention”
16 describes the procedure for considering
17 challenges once the Credentials Committee
18 assumes responsibility for the challenge process
19 as otherwise described in Rule 20.B.
20
21 All delegates and alternates to the ~~2012~~ **2016**
22 Democratic National Convention shall be
23 selected in accordance with the ~~2012~~ **2016**
24 Delegate Selection Rules and the 2012 Call. Only
25 delegates and alternates selected under a
26 delegate selection system approved by the DNC
27 Rules and Bylaws Committee pursuant to the
28 ~~2012~~ **2016** Delegate Selection Rules shall be
29 placed on the Temporary Roll of the ~~2012~~ **2016**
30 Democratic National Convention.
31
32 All challenges to the credentials of delegates and
33 alternates to the ~~2012~~ **2016** Democratic National
34 Convention shall be processed in accordance
35 with the “Rules of Procedure of the Credentials
36 Committee of the ~~2012~~ **2016** Democratic National
37 Convention.”

58 **Rules of Procedure of the**
59 **Credentials Committee of the**
60 **2012 2016 Democratic National**
61 **Convention**
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48 1. Jurisdiction of the Credentials Committee
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55 The Credentials Committee shall have
56 jurisdiction to hear and decide:
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78 A. Any challenge brought before the DNC
79 Rules and Bylaws Committee and not
80 resolved before the 56th calendar day
81 preceding the date of commencement of
82 the Democratic National Convention;
83 and,
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60 B. Any challenge alleging:
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72 1. Failure to implement a final order of
73 the DNC Rules and Bylaws
74 Committee; or
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106 2. Failure to implement a plan
107 approved by the DNC Rules and
108 Bylaws Committee, if such challenge
109 is initiated on or after the 56th day
110 preceding the date of commencement
111 of the Democratic National
112 Convention, except with regard to
113 Rule 19.E. of the Delegate Selection
114 Rules.
75
76 2. Parties
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118 A. Challenging Parties: A challenge to the
119 credentials of any delegate or alternate to
120 the ~~2012~~ **2016** Democratic National
121 Convention shall be brought by at least
122 fifteen (15) Democrats who are residents
123 of the state and level at which delegates
124 to the National Convention are elected in
125 which the challenge arises, and who
126 fulfill (1), or if there is no Democratic
87 Party enrollment or registration in the

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| 1 | state, then either (2) or (3) below: | 49 | National Convention are elected in |
| 2 | | 50 | which the challenge arises, the |
| 3 | 1. Registration or enrollment as | 51 | challenged party or parties shall be a |
| 4 | Democrats in those states which | 52 | delegate or alternate or a group of |
| 5 | employ such procedures. Persons | 53 | delegates or alternates or the entire |
| 6 | not registered to vote or persons | 54 | delegation from that level. |
| 7 | registered as unaffiliated voters or | 55 | |
| 8 | enrolled as members of other parties | 56 | 2. Where delegates or alternates to the |
| 9 | or as independents shall not have | 57 | Convention have not yet been |
| 10 | standing to bring a challenge. | 58 | selected from the level at which |
| 11 | | 59 | delegates to the National Convention |
| 12 | 2. Participation in Democratic Party | 60 | are elected in which the challenge |
| 13 | affairs. Persons who have | 61 | arises, the challenged party shall be |
| 14 | participated in the affairs of another | 62 | the Democratic Party organization |
| 15 | political party during the preceding | 63 | responsible for that level; provided |
| 16 | 12-month period shall not have | 64 | that where any state law or state |
| 17 | standing to bring a challenge. | 65 | party rule, regulation, decision or |
| 18 | Participation in a party's affairs shall | 66 | other state party action or omission is |
| 19 | include, but not be limited to, voting | 67 | challenged, the State Democratic |
| 20 | in the immediately preceding | 68 | Party shall also be named as a |
| 21 | primary of that political party. | 69 | challenged party. If during the |
| 22 | | 70 | tendency of the challenge, any |
| 23 | 3. Any person who lacks standing | 71 | delegate(s) or alternate(s) to the |
| 24 | under paragraphs (1) and (2) and | 72 | Convention are selected from the |
| 25 | who demonstrates that he or she | 73 | level involved, such delegate(s) or |
| 26 | attempted to participate in the affairs | 74 | alternate(s) shall be joined as |
| 27 | of the Democratic Party in good faith | 75 | challenged parties if any relief with |
| 28 | shall have standing to challenge. | 76 | respect to their credentials at the |
| 29 | | 77 | Convention is sought. |
| 30 | 4. Each challenge shall include a | 78 | |
| 31 | statement indicating that each | 79 | 3. The State Democratic Party shall be |
| 32 | challenger subscribes to the | 80 | joined as a challenged party if a |
| 33 | substance, intent and principles of | 81 | challenged party so requests. |
| 34 | the Charter and Bylaws of the | 82 | |
| 35 | Democratic Party of the United | 83 | C. Intervening Parties: |
| 36 | States. Each challenger must have | 84 | |
| 37 | been personally injured with respect | 85 | 1. A State Democratic Party may |
| 38 | to his or her participation in the | 86 | intervene as of right in any challenge |
| 39 | delegate selection process by any | 87 | proceeding for the purpose of |
| 40 | violation complained of or shall be so | 88 | protecting any interest it may have |
| 41 | situated that he or she clearly will be | 89 | with respect to that proceeding. |
| 42 | personally injured by such violation. | 90 | |
| 43 | | 91 | 2. A presidential candidate may |
| 44 | B. Challenged Parties: | 92 | intervene as of right in any challenge |
| 45 | | 93 | proceeding for the purpose of |
| 46 | 1. Where delegates or alternates to the | 94 | protecting any interest he or she may |
| 47 | Convention have been selected from | 95 | have with respect to that proceeding. |
| 48 | the level at which delegates to the | 96 | |

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| 1 | 3. For good cause shown, any other | 50 | served party or, in the case of service by |
| 2 | person having standing under | 51 | certified mail or an overnight delivery |
| 3 | Section 2.A. may be permitted to be | 52 | service, on the first business day on |
| 4 | heard as an amicus curiae or, in | 53 | which delivery is attempted. |
| 5 | appropriate circumstances, to | 54 | |
| 6 | intervene, for all or limited purposes, | 55 | C. Time: |
| 7 | by leave of the Chair of the | 56 | |
| 8 | Credentials Committee or the | 57 | 1. In computing any period of time |
| 9 | Hearing Officer. | 58 | prescribed by these rules, the day of |
| 10 | | 59 | the act or event from which the |
| 11 | 3. Filing, Service of Documents and | 60 | designated period of time begins to |
| 12 | Computation of Time | 61 | run shall not be included. Weekends |
| 13 | | 62 | and holidays shall be included. |
| 14 | A. Filing: Any challenge, answer and | 63 | |
| 15 | accompanying documents to be | 64 | 2. The Chair(s) of the Credentials |
| 16 | considered in the processing of any | 65 | Committee shall have authority for |
| 17 | challenge shall be filed by hand delivery | 66 | good cause, on application or sua |
| 18 | (receipt to be retained), certified mail | 67 | sponte, to enlarge or shorten any |
| 19 | (return receipt requested), or by an | 68 | period of time prescribed by these |
| 20 | overnight delivery service (signature | 69 | rules. An extension of time shall be |
| 21 | required) to: Chair, 2012 Convention | 70 | granted only when compelling need |
| 22 | Credentials Committee, c/o Democratic | 71 | is shown. |
| 23 | National Committee, 430 South Capitol | 72 | |
| 24 | Street, S.E., Washington, DC 20003 with a | 73 | 4. Challenges |
| 25 | copy to the Chair of the Democratic Party | 74 | |
| 26 | of the state in which the challenge arises. | 75 | A. A credentials challenge shall be |
| 27 | The original and a copy of each | 76 | commenced by the filing of a written |
| 28 | document shall be filed. Filing shall be | 77 | challenge not later than: |
| 29 | deemed complete upon receipt, or in the | 78 | |
| 30 | case of hand delivery, upon delivery. | 79 | 1. Fifteen (15) calendar days after the |
| 31 | | 80 | violation occurred, or |
| 32 | B. Service: Any document filed in any | 81 | |
| 33 | proceeding pursuant to these rules shall | 82 | 2. Fifteen (15) calendar days after the |
| 34 | be served at the same time by the filing | 83 | selection of any delegate or alternate |
| 35 | party upon all other parties to the | 84 | whose credentials to the Democratic |
| 36 | proceeding, with a copy to the Chair of | 85 | National Convention are to be put in |
| 37 | the Democratic Party of the state in | 86 | issue, whichever occurs first. The |
| 38 | which the challenge arises. Service shall | 87 | challenging parties shall, within the |
| 39 | be made by hand delivery (receipt to be | 88 | period provided by the State |
| 40 | obtained), certified mail (return receipt | 89 | Democratic Party in its Delegate |
| 41 | requested), or an overnight delivery | 90 | Selection Plan, invoke, and shall |
| 42 | service (signature required) to each party | 91 | thereafter exhaust, the remedies |
| 43 | or his or her attorney, if any. Any | 92 | provided by State Democratic Party |
| 44 | document filed pursuant to these rules | 93 | procedures for the violations alleged. |
| 45 | shall be accompanied by a certificate of | 94 | |
| 46 | service signed by the filing party or by | 95 | B. The challenge shall be verified by the |
| 47 | his or her attorney, if any. Service shall | 96 | notarized signature of each challenging |
| 48 | be deemed complete, in the case of hand- | 97 | party, and shall include the following: |
| 49 | delivery, on the date of receipt by the | 98 | |

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- 1. The name, address and telephone number of each challenging party and allegations of fact fulfilling the requirements of Section 2.A.; and the name, address and telephone number of each challenging party’s attorney or other representative authorized to receive documents on behalf of the challenger. 49-57
 - 2. The name, address and telephone number of each delegate or alternate whose credentials are challenged, or a statement that such information is unavailable to the challenging parties; or, where delegates or alternates have not yet been selected, the name, address and telephone number of each challenged party. 58-67
 - 3. An identification of the state and level at which delegates to the National Convention are elected in which the challenge arises. 68-72
 - 4. A plain, concise and specific statement of each violation of a state delegate selection plan approved by the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee, or of a final order of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee; or a statement that the state does not have an approved delegate selection plan. 73-83
 - 5. A plain, concise and specific statement of how each challenging party has been injured with respect to his or her participation in the delegate selection process by each alleged violation. 84-88
 - 6. A plain, concise and specific statement of the remedies each challenging party has invoked with respect to each alleged violation before filing a credentials challenge with the Credentials Committee, and a statement of the expected length of time for exhaustion of the state party procedures. 89-96
 - 7. A plain, concise and specific statement of the relief requested and the reason therefore. If a challenging party proposes that he or she be seated in the state’s delegation, the challenge shall include a plain, concise and specific statement of the reasons why that party has a right to be seated, superior to that of the delegate or alternate whose seat he or she seeks; and a plain, concise and specific statement of how the challenging party has complied with all applicable laws, rules and regulations and has participated in the delegate selection process. 97-106
- C. The challenge shall be accompanied by the following documents:
- 1. A plain, concise and specific statement that contains, by separately numbered paragraphs, each violation alleged and each form of relief sought.
 - 2. A list of the name, address and telephone number of each witness who is likely to be called to testify in support of the challenge.
 - 3. A list of the documents likely to be offered in support of the challenge, together with copies of those documents.
5. Answer
- A. Within ten (10) calendar days after service of a challenge, each challenged party shall file a written answer, verified by the notarized signature of each challenged party, including the following:

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| 1 | 1. The name, address and telephone | 50 | 2. A list of the name, address and |
| 2 | number of each challenged party and | 51 | telephone number of each witness |
| 3 | the name, address and telephone | 52 | who is likely to be called in |
| 4 | number of his or her attorney or | 53 | opposition to the challenge. |
| 5 | other representative authorized to | 54 | |
| 6 | receive documents on behalf of the | 55 | 3. A list of the documents likely to be |
| 7 | challenged party. | 56 | offered in opposition to the |
| 8 | | 57 | challenge, together with copies of |
| 9 | 2. A statement as to whether the | 58 | those documents. |
| 10 | standing under Section 2.A. of the | 59 | |
| 11 | challenging parties is in dispute. | 60 | C. Challenged parties may consolidate their |
| 12 | | 61 | answers. |
| 13 | 3. A response to the challenge, | 62 | |
| 14 | separately admitting or denying each | 63 | 6. Dismissal and Decision on the Pleadings |
| 15 | statement therein, or stating that the | 64 | |
| 16 | challenged party is without sufficient | 65 | A. Dismissal: |
| 17 | information to admit or deny. A | 66 | |
| 18 | response to a statement shall fairly | 67 | 1. The Chair of the Credentials |
| 19 | meet its substance, admitting those | 68 | Committee shall dismiss any |
| 20 | parts that are true and denying those | 69 | challenge, or part of a challenge, |
| 21 | parts that are false. | 70 | which does not fall within the |
| 22 | | 71 | jurisdiction of the Credentials |
| 23 | 4. A plain, concise and specific | 72 | Committee. |
| 24 | statement of each and every | 73 | |
| 25 | affirmative defense to the alleged | 74 | 2. If a state party has adopted and |
| 26 | violations. | 75 | implemented an approved |
| 27 | | 76 | affirmative action program, the Chair |
| 28 | 5. A plain, concise and specific | 77 | shall dismiss any challenge, or part of |
| 29 | statement of any other reasons why | 78 | a challenge, which is based solely on |
| 30 | the challenged party should prevail. | 79 | composition of the Convention |
| 31 | | 80 | delegation, except in the case of a |
| 32 | B. The answer shall be accompanied by the | 81 | challenge based upon the failure to |
| 33 | following documents: | 82 | achieve equal division. |
| 34 | | 83 | |
| 35 | 1. A plain, concise and specific | 84 | 3. The Chair shall have authority to |
| 36 | statement that contains, by reference | 85 | dismiss any challenge which is |
| 37 | to each numbered paragraph of the | 86 | brought by persons lacking standing |
| 38 | challenging statement required by | 87 | under Section 2.A., or which |
| 39 | Section 4.C.1., a response to each | 88 | otherwise fails to comply |
| 40 | alleged violation or request for relief. | 89 | substantially with these rules, or |
| 41 | A response to a proposition shall | 90 | which is otherwise manifestly |
| 42 | fairly meet its substance, admitting | 91 | insufficient. |
| 43 | those parts that are true and denying | 92 | |
| 44 | those parts that are false. Wherever a | 93 | 4. Any dismissal shall be accompanied |
| 45 | proposition is denied in whole or in | 94 | by a written opinion by the Chair. |
| 46 | part, the proposition supported by | 95 | |
| 47 | the challenged party on that point | 96 | B. Decision on the Pleadings: The Chair of |
| 48 | shall be stated. | 97 | the Credentials Committee shall have |
| 49 | | 98 | authority to make a decision on the |

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| 1 | pleadings where it is plain from the | 49 | Credentials Committee may request the |
| 2 | challenge and the answer, together with | 50 | Committee to process the challenge and |
| 3 | the documents accompanying those | 51 | the Committee shall do so. The party |
| 4 | pleadings, that there is no genuine issue | 52 | making the request shall file any written |
| 5 | of material fact between the parties. Any | 53 | decision or order made with respect to |
| 6 | decision on the pleadings shall be | 54 | the challenge by the state party body. |
| 7 | accompanied by a written opinion by the | 55 | The decision of the state party body shall |
| 8 | Chair. | 56 | be given such weight as the Credentials |
| 9 | | 57 | Committee finds warranted in the |
| 10 | C. Review of Dismissal or Decision on the | 58 | circumstances. |
| 11 | Pleadings: Within five (5) calendar days | 59 | |
| 12 | after service of a notice of the entry of a | 60 | D. Records of proceedings conducted by the |
| 13 | dismissal under Section 6.A. or under | 61 | state party body with respect to the |
| 14 | Section 1.B., an aggrieved party may file | 62 | challenge or other related matter, and |
| 15 | a Petition for Review by the Credentials | 63 | other papers relating to the state party |
| 16 | Committee stating the objections to the | 64 | proceedings, shall be admissible in |
| 17 | Chair’s action, and may file a brief. | 65 | Credentials Committee proceedings on |
| 18 | Within five (5) calendar days after service | 66 | the challenge. |
| 19 | of the petition, any other party may file a | 67 | |
| 20 | brief. Consideration of the challenge by | 68 | 8. Hearing |
| 21 | the Credentials Committee shall proceed | 69 | |
| 22 | as in other cases, except that the | 70 | A. With respect to any challenge or part of a |
| 23 | challenge shall be given precedence on | 71 | challenge not dismissed or decided on |
| 24 | the committee’s docket. | 72 | the pleadings under Section 6., an open |
| 25 | | 73 | and public hearing shall be held on the |
| 26 | 7. Decision of State Party Body | 74 | specific factual and legal matters in |
| 27 | | 75 | dispute. An electronic or stenographic |
| 28 | A. The Chair(s) of the Credentials | 76 | recording or clerical notes shall be made |
| 29 | Committee may defer, for such period as | 77 | of the proceedings at any such hearing. |
| 30 | is appropriate, proceedings on a | 78 | |
| 31 | challenge in order to give time for the | 79 | B. The hearing shall be held in Washington, |
| 32 | consideration of any challenge or other | 80 | D.C. unless the Chair(s) of the |
| 33 | related matter under State Democratic | 81 | Credentials Committee determines that |
| 34 | Party procedures. The deferral period | 82 | in the interest of justice it should be held |
| 35 | shall not be so long as to interfere with | 83 | elsewhere. |
| 36 | the processing and consideration of the | 84 | |
| 37 | challenge by the Credentials Committee | 85 | C. The hearing shall be conducted by a |
| 38 | if that should prove necessary. | 86 | Hearing Officer appointed by the |
| 39 | | 87 | Chair(s) of the Credentials Committee. |
| 40 | B. The State Democratic Party body may | 88 | The Hearing Officer shall be a Democrat, |
| 41 | take such action with respect to the | 89 | neutral in the context of the challenge, |
| 42 | challenge or other related matter as it is | 90 | experienced in the law, known by |
| 43 | authorized to take under state law and | 91 | reputation to be fair and shall not be |
| 44 | state party rules. | 92 | involved in or identified with any |
| 45 | | 93 | presidential campaign or any group |
| 46 | C. After a decision by a state party body on | 94 | promoting or opposing credentials |
| 47 | a challenge or other related matter, any | 95 | challenges. The Chair(s) shall make a |
| 48 | party to the challenge pending before the | 96 | reasonable effort to secure the agreement |

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| 1 | of the parties to the Hearing Officer. | 50 | deadline specified in the Delegate |
| 2 | | 51 | Selection Rules. |
| 3 | D. The Hearing Officer shall have all power | 52 | |
| 4 | necessary to conduct the hearing in such | 53 | H. The Hearing Officer shall have authority |
| 5 | manner, consistent with these rules, as to | 54 | to receive all competent evidence |
| 6 | secure the just, speedy and inexpensive | 55 | relevant to the specific matters in issue |
| 7 | determination of the challenge, including | 56 | and to assign to it appropriate weight. |
| 8 | the right to require the parties to | 57 | |
| 9 | participate in a pre-hearing conference. | 58 | I. The Hearing Officer shall have authority |
| 10 | | 59 | to order for good cause, on application or |
| 11 | E. Prior to the commencement of the | 60 | sua sponte, that a party produce at the |
| 12 | hearing, the Hearing Officer shall | 61 | hearing designated evidence in the |
| 13 | announce a ruling identifying, on the | 62 | interest of justice. Where a party fails to |
| 14 | basis of the papers filed in the challenge | 63 | produce such evidence, the Hearing |
| 15 | and any pre-hearing conference, the | 64 | Officer may make findings of fact |
| 16 | specific issues in dispute. The Hearing | 65 | adverse to the party on all issues to |
| 17 | Officer shall have power to rule that on | 66 | which the evidence would have been |
| 18 | certain issues only documentary | 67 | material. |
| 19 | evidence shall be received. Any party | 68 | |
| 20 | objecting to a ruling under this | 69 | J. Subject to any ruling under Section 8.E., |
| 21 | paragraph may make a proffer of the | 70 | each party shall have the right to present |
| 22 | evidence that would have been presented | 71 | competent oral and documentary |
| 23 | but for the ruling. | 72 | evidence relevant to the specific matters |
| 24 | | 73 | in issue and to conduct cross- |
| 25 | F. The Hearing Officer shall hear the | 74 | examination. |
| 26 | evidence, dispose of procedural requests | 75 | |
| 27 | and similar matters and, to the extent | 76 | K. The Hearing Officer may require parties |
| 28 | possible, obtain stipulations of the parties | 77 | to consolidate their challenges or |
| 29 | as to the facts of the challenge. | 78 | defenses for purposes of the hearing. |
| 30 | | 79 | |
| 31 | G. A challenging party shall have the | 80 | L. The Hearing Officer shall make and file a |
| 32 | burden of proof by clear and convincing | 81 | written report to the Credentials |
| 33 | evidence on all factual issues necessary | 82 | Committee, which shall include findings |
| 34 | to the challenge, except that the burden | 83 | of fact, conclusions of law and a |
| 35 | of proof shall rest with the challenged | 84 | recommendation for disposition of the |
| 36 | party in the case of: | 85 | challenge. The reports shall be served on |
| 37 | | 86 | all parties to the challenge. |
| 38 | 1. any unresolved challenges to a state's | 87 | |
| 39 | affirmative action program filed | 88 | M. Any transcript or other papers in the |
| 40 | thirty (30) days or more prior to the | 89 | record from any proceedings before the |
| 41 | initiation of the state's delegate | 90 | DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee shall |
| 42 | selection process other than a | 91 | be part of the record. |
| 43 | challenge made on the basis of non- | 92 | |
| 44 | implementation of a specific | 93 | 9. Consideration by the Credentials |
| 45 | requirement of a state plan; and, | 94 | Committee |
| 46 | | 95 | A. The Credentials Committee shall begin |
| 47 | 2. any challenge for failure to submit | 96 | meeting at the call of the Chair(s) in |
| 48 | and implement an approved | 97 | Washington, D.C., or elsewhere at the |
| 49 | affirmative action program by the | 98 | call of the Chair(s), to hear challenges. |

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| 1 | No later than thirty (30) days before the | 49 | E. Argument: |
| 2 | first meeting of the Credentials | 50 | |
| 3 | Committee, written notice of the date, | 51 | 1. Each side of a challenge shall be |
| 4 | time, place, and the tentative agenda of | 52 | entitled to present oral argument |
| 5 | such meeting shall be sent to all members | 53 | before the Committee for a period |
| 6 | of the Credentials Committee. A special | 54 | determined by the Chair(s) of the |
| 7 | or emergency meeting of the Credentials | 55 | committee, generally not to exceed |
| 8 | Committee may be held upon call of the | 56 | fifteen (15) minutes. |
| 9 | Chair(s) of the Credentials Committee | 57 | |
| 10 | with reasonable notice to the members. | 58 | 2. The Chair(s) of the committee may |
| 11 | | 59 | require parties to consolidate or |
| 12 | B. All meetings of the Credentials | 60 | separate their challenges or defense |
| 13 | Committee shall be open to the public; | 61 | for purposes of oral argument. |
| 14 | provided that the Chair(s) of the | 62 | |
| 15 | Committee shall exclude from the | 63 | 3. The Chair(s) of the committee shall |
| 16 | specific area where the committee is | 64 | notify the parties of the time and |
| 17 | conducting its business all persons | 65 | place of oral argument. |
| 18 | whose presence in that area is not | 66 | |
| 19 | required for the proper conduct of the | 67 | F. Resolutions: |
| 20 | business. | 68 | |
| 21 | | 69 | 1. All proposed resolutions relating to |
| 22 | C. Request for hearing by Full Committee: | 70 | the disposition of a credentials |
| 23 | Within two (2) days after service of the | 71 | challenge shall be in writing and |
| 24 | Hearing Officer's report, an aggrieved | 72 | signed by the proponent and at least |
| 25 | party may file a written Petition for | 73 | one (1) second. Proposed resolutions |
| 26 | Review by the Credentials Committee. | 74 | relating to the seating or unseating of |
| 27 | The petition shall contain a plain, concise | 75 | delegates or alternates shall be |
| 28 | and specific statement of the reasons for | 76 | seconded in writing by at least seven |
| 29 | appeal and the procedural and/or | 77 | (7) members, no more than two (2) of |
| 30 | substantive errors claimed by the | 78 | whom may be members elected by |
| 31 | petitioner. | 79 | the delegation from the same state as |
| 32 | | 80 | the proponent of the resolution. |
| 33 | D. Briefs: | 81 | |
| 34 | | 82 | 2. All proposed resolutions relating to |
| 35 | 3. Within three (3) calendar days after | 83 | the disposition of a credentials |
| 36 | filing the Petition for Review, the | 84 | challenge shall be framed so as to be |
| 37 | petitioner for review may file a brief. | 85 | dispositive of the entire challenge |
| 38 | | 86 | and, to that end, shall be specific in |
| 39 | 4. Within three (3) calendar days after | 87 | stating the action recommended to be |
| 40 | service of the petitioner's brief, a | 88 | taken by the Convention. |
| 41 | respondent may file a brief. | 89 | |
| 42 | | 90 | 3. Following the submission of all |
| 43 | 5. Any party filing a brief shall file as | 91 | proposed resolutions to the Chair(s), |
| 44 | many copies as there are members of | 92 | the resolution having the largest |
| 45 | the committee, plus ten (10) copies | 93 | number of signed seconds shall |
| 46 | for the Chair(s) and staff of the | 94 | become the pending order of |
| 47 | committee. | 95 | business. Twenty (20) minutes of |
| 48 | | 96 | debate shall be allotted to each |

- 1 proposed resolution, equally divided
2 between the proponents and the
3 opponents. At the conclusion of the
4 debate, the resolution shall be put to
5 a vote. In the event the resolution is
6 not adopted, the proposed resolution
7 having the next largest number of
8 signed seconds shall become the
9 pending order of business, and so on
10 until the challenge is disposed.
11
12 4. No amendment to any proposed
13 resolution shall be permitted, except
14 with the consent of the proponent,
15 and no resolution or propositions on
16 a subject different from that under
17 consideration shall be admitted in the
18 form of such an amendment.
19
20 G. Presidential Preference of Delegation:
21 Except where the issue is the expressed
22 presidential preference of the level at
23 which delegates to the National
24 Convention are elected represented by
25 the challenged delegates, any remedy for
26 a violation shall fairly reflect the
27 expressed presidential preference of that
28 level.
29
30 H. Voting: A member of the Credentials
31 Committee elected by a state delegation
32 shall not vote on a challenge arising in
33 that state. All matters shall be
34 determined by a majority vote of those
35 present and voting, a quorum of the full
36 Committee being present. A quorum
37 shall consist of members present in
38 person representing a majority of the
39 total number of committee votes entitled
40 to be counted in the matter.
41
42 I. Proxies: Proxy voting shall be prohibited.
43
44 10. Committee Report
45
46 The Report of the Credentials Committee
47 shall be distributed to all delegates,
48 alternates and the public as soon as
49 practicable after its adoption.
- 50 11. Minority Reports
51
52 Upon the request of members representing at
53 least twenty percent (20%) of the total votes
54 of the Credentials Committee, a minority
55 report shall be prepared for distribution to all
56 Convention delegates, alternates and the
57 public as part of the Committee's report.
58 This minority report shall be distributed at
59 the same time the Credentials Committee
60 Report is distributed. No member elected to
61 the committee by a state delegation may join
62 in such request as to a proposed minority
63 report relating to a credentials challenge to
64 any delegate from his or her state. The
65 committee staff shall assist in the preparation
66 of such report.
67
68 12. Record
69
70 A. The official record of any proceedings
71 under these rules shall be maintained in
72 the office at the Democratic National
73 Committee in Washington, D.C. and
74 shall be open and available for public
75 inspection and duplication at reasonable
76 times.
77
78 B. All meetings of the full Credentials
79 Committee shall be transcribed.
80
81 13. Interpretation and Waiver of Rules and
82 Provision for Special Rules
83
84 A. These rules shall be interpreted and
85 applied in the interests of justice and
86 fairness to all parties, speed and
87 economy. To serve these interests, and
88 for good cause, on application or sua
89 sponte, the Chair(s) of the committee
90 shall have the authority to waive any
91 provision of these rules other than
92 Sections 1.B. and Section 5.
93
94 B. In the case of any challenge filed on or
95 after the 56th calendar day before the
96 convention begins, the Chair(s) may
97 shorten the time periods specified in
98 these rules for processing the challenge,

1 including the time to file documents and
2 conduct hearings, as the interests of
3 justice and the orderly disposition of
4 challenges dictate; provided, however,
5 that in any event:

6
7 3. The challenge and accompanying
8 papers shall be filed not later than
9 three (3) days after the occurrence of
10 the violation alleged.

11
12 4. The answer and accompanying
13 papers shall be filed not later than
14 three (3) days after service of the
15 challenge.

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| | | Allocated Base Delegates | | | Party Ldrs & Elected Officials <i>(15% add on)</i> | | Dem. Nat'l Comm. Members <i>(a)</i> | Dem. Members of Congress <i>(b)</i> | Dem. Governors <i>(c)</i> | Distinguished Party Leaders <i>(d)</i> | | | | | |
| | | Total Base Delegates | District Level (+) <i>(75% of Base)</i> | At-Large (+) <i>(25% of Base)</i> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| AL | 0.01429 | 45 | 34 | 11 | 7 | 52 | 5 | 1 | | 6 | 58 | 58 | 4 | 62 | |
| AK | 0.00371 | 12 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 14 | 4 | 1 | | 5 | 19 | 19 | 2 | 21 | |
| American Samoa | 0.00000 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 1 | | 5 | 11 | 11 | 1 | 12 | |
| AZ | 0.01690 | 55 | 41 | 14 | 8 | 63 | 7 | 5 | | 12 | 75 | 75 | 5 | 80 | |
| AR | 0.00889 | 28 | 21 | 7 | 4 | 32 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 40 | 40 | 3 | 43 | |
| CA | 0.11000 | 352 | 264 | 88 | 53 | 405 | 31 | 38 | 1 | 70 | 475 | 475 | 34 | 509 | |
| CO | 0.01767 | 56 | 42 | 14 | 8 | 64 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 14 | 78 | 78 | 5 | 83 | |
| CT | 0.01361 | 44 | 33 | 11 | 7 | 51 | 5 | 7 | 1 | 14 | 65 | 65 | 4 | 69 | |
| DE | 0.00459 | 15 | 11 | 4 | 2 | 17 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 11 | 28 | 28 | 2 | 30 | |
| Dems. Abroad | 0.00000 | 12 | 0 | 12 | 1 | 13 | 4 | | | 4 ^(a) | 17 | 21 | 1 | 22 | |
| DC | 0.00463 | 15 | 11 | 4 | 2 | 17 | 17 | 1 | | 18 | 35 | 35 | 2 | 37 | |
| FL | 0.05625 | 180 | 135 | 45 | 27 | 207 | 20 | 10 | 1 | 31 | 238 | 238 | 17 | 255 | |
| GA | 0.02677 | 85 | 64 | 21 | 13 | 98 | 9 | 5 | 1 | 15 | 113 | 113 | 8 | 121 | |
| Guam | 0.00000 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 1 | | 5 | 11 | 11 | 1 | 12 | |
| HI | 0.00594 | 19 | 14 | 5 | 3 | 22 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 9 | 31 | 31 | 2 | 33 | |
| ID | 0.00534 | 17 | 13 | 4 | 3 | 20 | 4 | | | 4 | 24 | 24 | 2 | 26 | |
| IL | 0.04354 | 139 | 104 | 35 | 21 | 160 | 16 | 12 | 1 | 30 | 190 | 190 | 13 | 203 | |
| IN | 0.01922 | 61 | 46 | 15 | 9 | 70 | 6 | 3 | | 9 | 79 | 79 | 6 | 85 | |

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| | | Total Base Delegates | District Level (+) <i>(75% of Base)</i> | At-Large (+) <i>(25% of Base)</i> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| IA | 0.01267 | 40 | 30 | 10 | 6 | 46 | 7 | 3 | | 10 | 56 | 56 | 4 | 60 | |
| KS | 0.00916 | 29 | 22 | 7 | 4 | 33 | 4 | | | 4 | 37 | 37 | 3 | 40 | |
| KY | 0.01295 | 41 | 31 | 10 | 6 | 47 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 53 | 53 | 4 | 57 | |
| LA | 0.01457 | 47 | 35 | 12 | 7 | 54 | 6 | 2 | | 8 | 62 | 62 | 4 | 66 | |
| ME | 0.00686 | 22 | 17 | 5 | 3 | 25 | 4 | 2 | | 6 | 31 | 31 | 2 | 33 | |
| MD | 0.02124 | 68 | 51 | 17 | 10 | 78 | 16 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 27 | 105 | 105 | 7 | 112 |
| MA | 0.02564 | 83 | 62 | 21 | 12 | 95 | 13 | 11 | 1 | 3 | 28 | 123 | 123 | 8 | 131 |
| MI | 0.03618 | 116 | 87 | 29 | 17 | 133 | 13 | 6 | | 19 | 152 | 152 | 11 | 163 | |
| MN | 0.02104 | 68 | 51 | 17 | 10 | 78 | 7 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 94 | 94 | 6 | 100 |
| MS | 0.00963 | 31 | 23 | 8 | 5 | 36 | 4 | 1 | | 5 | 41 | 41 | 3 | 44 | |
| MO | 0.02033 | 65 | 49 | 16 | 10 | 75 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 13 | 88 | 88 | 6 | 94 |
| MT | 0.00435 | 13 | 10 | 3 | 2 | 15 | 4 | 2 | 1 | | 7 | 22 | 22 | 2 | 24 |
| NE | 0.00694 | 23 | 17 | 6 | 3 | 26 | 4 | | | 4 | 30 | 30 | 2 | 32 | |
| NV | 0.00841 | 27 | 20 | 7 | 4 | 31 | 7 | 2 | | 9 | 40 | 40 | 3 | 43 | |
| NH | 0.00654 | 21 | 16 | 5 | 3 | 24 | 6 | 3 | | 9 (a) | 33 | 34 | 2 | 36 | |
| NJ | 0.03003 | 96 | 72 | 24 | 14 | 110 | 9 | 7 | | 16 | 126 | 126 | 9 | 135 | |
| NM | 0.00789 | 25 | 19 | 6 | 4 | 29 | 4 | 4 | | 1 | 9 | 38 | 38 | 2 | 40 |
| NY | 0.06330 | 203 | 152 | 51 | 30 | 233 | 22 | 22 | 1 | 2 | 47 | 280 | 280 | 19 | 299 |

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| | | Total Base Delegates | District Level (+) <i>(75% of Base)</i> | At-Large (+) <i>(25% of Base)</i> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NC | 0.02899 | 93 | 70 | 23 | 14 | 107 | 11 | 4 | | 15 | 122 | 122 | 9 | 131 | |
| ND | 0.00376 | 12 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 14 | 4 | 1 | | 5 | 19 | 19 | 2 | 21 | |
| N. Mariana | 0.00000 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 1 | | 5 | 11 | 11 | 1 | 12 | |
| OH | 0.04047 | 129 | 97 | 32 | 19 | 148 | 11 | 5 | 1 | 17 | 165 | 165 | 12 | 177 | |
| OK | 0.01024 | 33 | 25 | 8 | 5 | 38 | 4 | | | 4 | 42 | 42 | 3 | 45 | |
| OR | 0.01410 | 45 | 34 | 11 | 7 | 52 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 13 | 65 | 65 | 4 | 69 | |
| PA | 0.04321 | 139 | 104 | 35 | 21 | 160 | 13 | 6 | 1 | 20 | 180 | 180 | 13 | 193 | |
| PR | 0.00000 | 44 | 33 | 11 | 7 | 51 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 58 | 58 | 4 | 62 | |
| RI | 0.00587 | 19 | 14 | 5 | 3 | 22 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 9 | 31 | 31 | 2 | 33 | |
| SC | 0.01359 | 44 | 33 | 11 | 7 | 51 | 5 | 1 | | 6 | 57 | 57 | 4 | 61 | |
| SD | 0.00399 | 13 | 10 | 3 | 2 | 15 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 21 | 21 | 2 | 23 | |
| TN | 0.01816 | 59 | 44 | 15 | 9 | 68 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 77 | 77 | 6 | 83 | |
| TX | 0.05649 | 181 | 136 | 45 | 27 | 208 | 19 | 12 | 2 | 33 | 241 | 241 | 17 | 258 | |
| UT | 0.00676 | 21 | 16 | 5 | 3 | 24 | 4 | 1 | | 5 | 29 | 29 | 2 | 31 | |
| VT | 0.00434 | 13 | 10 | 3 | 2 | 15 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 23 | 23 | 2 | 25 | |
| Virgin Islands | 0.00000 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 12 | 12 | 1 | 13 | |
| VA | 0.02595 | 83 | 62 | 21 | 12 | 95 | 11 | 4 | 2 | 17 | 112 | 112 | 8 | 120 | |
| WA | 0.02314 | 75 | 56 | 19 | 11 | 86 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 17 | 103 | 103 | 7 | 110 | |

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| | | Allocated Base Delegates | | | Party Ldrs & Elected Officials (15% add on) | | Dem. Nat'l Comm. Members (a) | Dem. Members of Congress (b) | Dem. Governors (c) | Distinguished Party Leaders (d) | | | | | |
| | | Total Base Delegates | District Level (+) (75% of Base) | At-Large (+) (25% of Base) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| WV | 0.00688 | 23 | 17 | 6 | 3 | 26 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 10 | 36 | 36 | 2 | 38 | |
| WI | 0.02162 | 69 | 52 | 17 | 10 | 79 | 6 | 4 | | 10 | 89 | 89 | 7 | 96 | |
| WY | 0.00336 | 11 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 13 | 4 | | | 4 | 17 | 17 | 2 | 19 | |
| TOTAL | | 3,283 | 2,436 | 847 | 486 | 3,769 | 446 | 249 | 19 | 25 | 739 | 4,508 | 4,513 | 319 | 4,832 |

Footnotes:

- (a) Each member of the Democratic National Committee, as duly certified to the Party Secretary, is a delegate from the state or territory in which he or she legally resides at the time of the 2016 Democratic National Convention. This allocation reflects the current legal residence of all such members, including the officers and those who, pursuant to the Charter of the Democratic Party of the United States, are members by virtue of their status as Party leaders in the U.S. Congress or by virtue of their status as representatives or designees of such Party leaders or of other associations and organizations specified in the Charter. Because such members are subject to change, delegate distribution at the Convention may differ from that set forth above. In addition, the DNC member allocation set forth above reflects the number of votes (not the number of delegates) added to the delegation from each state or territory to take into account such members. Because of fractional votes, the number of such delegates in some states and territories may differ from the number of delegate votes allocated to such states or territories.
- (b) Members of Congress include all Democratic members of the U.S. Senate and the U.S. House of Representatives, except those Democratic members who are reflected as delegates in other categories pursuant to the rules. Democratic Members of Congress are allocated to the states based upon the residence of those members. The exact number of those delegates is subject to change due to possible deaths, resignations, elections or special elections between now and the time of the 2016 Democratic National Convention, and possible changes in the membership of the Democratic National Committee.
- (c) The allocation for Democratic Governors does not include those Democratic Governors who are members of the Democratic National Committee and serve as delegates in that capacity. This allocation for Democratic Governors is subject to change due to possible deaths, resignations, elections or special elections between now and the time of the 2016 Democratic National Convention, and possible changes in the membership of the Democratic National Committee. Except as otherwise provided herein, Democratic Governors are those individuals as recognized by the Democratic Governors Association.
- (d) Pursuant to Article I.G. of the Call for the 2016 Democratic National Convention, this category includes the Democratic U.S. President and Vice President, former Democratic U.S. Presidents and Vice Presidents, former Democratic Leaders of the U.S. Senate, former Democratic Speakers of the U.S. House of Representatives and Democratic Minority Leaders, as applicable, and former Chairs of the Democratic National Committee. This allocation for Distinguished Party Leaders is subject to change due to possible deaths, resignations, elections or special elections between now and the time of the 2016 Democratic National Convention.
- + Bonus delegates are awarded pursuant to Article I.C. of the Call for the 2016 Democratic National Convention and will be indicated next to (and in addition to) a state's allocation for District Level and At-Large delegates and included in the Total Pledged Delegates Votes for the state and the Grand Total. Bonus alternates will be indicated and included in the Delegation Size for the state and Grand Total.

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| State/Territory | Pages | State/Territory | Pages |
|----------------------|-------|--------------------------|------------|
| ALABAMA | 2 | NEW HAMPSHIRE | 2 |
| ALASKA | 2 | NEW JERSEY | 4 |
| AMERICAN SAMOA | 1 | NEW MEXICO | 2 |
| ARIZONA | 3 | NEW YORK | 7 |
| ARKANSAS | 2 | NORTH CAROLINA | 3 |
| CALIFORNIA | 11 | NORTH DAKOTA | 2 |
| COLORADO | 3 | NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS | 1 |
| CONNECTICUT | 2 | OHIO | 4 |
| DELAWARE | 2 | OKLAHOMA | 2 |
| DEMOCRATS ABROAD | 1 | OREGON | 2 |
| DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | 2 | PENNSYLVANIA | 5 |
| FLORIDA | 6 | PUERTO RICO | 2 |
| GEORGIA | 3 | RHODE ISLAND | 2 |
| GUAM | 1 | SOUTH CAROLINA | 2 |
| HAWAII | 2 | SOUTH DAKOTA | 2 |
| IDAHO | 2 | TENNESSEE | 3 |
| ILLINOIS | 5 | TEXAS | 6 |
| INDIANA | 3 | UTAH | 2 |
| IOWA | 2 | VERMONT | 2 |
| KANSAS | 2 | VIRGIN ISLANDS | 1 |
| KENTUCKY | 2 | VIRGINIA | 3 |
| LOUISIANA | 2 | WASHINGTON | 3 |
| MAINE | 2 | WEST VIRGINIA | 2 |
| MARYLAND | 3 | WISCONSIN | 3 |
| MASSACHUSETTS | 3 | WYOMING | 2 |
| MICHIGAN | 4 | TOTAL | 156 |
| MINNESOTA | 3 | | |
| MISSISSIPPI | 2 | | |
| MISSOURI | 3 | | |
| MONTANA | 2 | | |
| NEBRASKA | 2 | | |
| NEVADA | 2 | | |

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2016 DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION ALLOCATION OF STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

(As prepared for the Democratic National Committee meeting on August 23, 2014)

| State/Territory | Members | Votes |
|----------------------|---------|-------|
| ALABAMA | 2 | 2 |
| ALASKA | 1 | 1 |
| AMERICAN SAMOA | 1 | 0.25 |
| ARIZONA | 2 | 2 |
| ARKANSAS | 1 | 1 |
| CALIFORNIA | 17 | 17 |
| COLORADO | 3 | 3 |
| CONNECTICUT | 2 | 2 |
| DELAWARE | 1 | 1 |
| DEMOCRATS ABROAD | 1 | 0.25 |
| DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | 1 | 1 |
| FLORIDA | 9 | 9 |
| GEORGIA | 4 | 4 |
| GUAM | 1 | 0.25 |
| HAWAII | 1 | 1 |
| IDAHO | 1 | 1 |
| ILLINOIS | 7 | 7 |
| INDIANA | 3 | 3 |
| IOWA | 2 | 2 |
| KANSAS | 1 | 1 |
| KENTUCKY | 2 | 2 |
| LOUISIANA | 2 | 2 |
| MAINE | 1 | 1 |
| MARYLAND | 3 | 3 |
| MASSACHUSETTS | 4 | 4 |
| MICHIGAN | 6 | 6 |
| MINNESOTA | 3 | 3 |
| MISSISSIPPI | 1 | 1 |
| MISSOURI | 3 | 3 |
| MONTANA | 1 | 1 |
| NEBRASKA | 1 | 1 |
| NEVADA | 1 | 1 |

| State/Territory | Members | Votes |
|--------------------------|------------|---------------|
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | 1 | 1 |
| NEW JERSEY | 5 | 5 |
| NEW MEXICO | 1 | 1 |
| NEW YORK | 10 | 10 |
| NORTH CAROLINA | 4 | 4 |
| NORTH DAKOTA | 1 | 1 |
| NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS | 1 | 0.25 |
| OHIO | 6 | 6 |
| OKLAHOMA | 2 | 2 |
| OREGON | 2 | 2 |
| PENNSYLVANIA | 7 | 7 |
| PUERTO RICO | 2 | 2 |
| RHODE ISLAND | 1 | 1 |
| SOUTH CAROLINA | 2 | 2 |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | 1 | 1 |
| TENNESSEE | 3 | 3 |
| TEXAS | 9 | 9 |
| UTAH | 1 | 1 |
| VERMONT | 1 | 1 |
| VIRGIN ISLANDS | 1 | 0.25 |
| VIRGINIA | 4 | 4 |
| WASHINGTON | 3 | 3 |
| WEST VIRGINIA | 1 | 1 |
| WISCONSIN | 3 | 3 |
| WYOMING | 1 | 1 |
| TOTAL | 162 | 158.25 |