



December 8, 2015

Chairman Joshua Howard
North Carolina State Board of Elections
PO Box 27255
Raleigh, NC 27611-7255

Dear Chairman Howard,

Pursuant to N.C. G.S. 163-213.4, as Chairman of the North Carolina State Republican Party, I hereby submit to the State Board of Elections the following list of Republican Party presidential candidates (in alphabetical order) to be placed on the 2016 presidential preference primary ballot:

Jeb Bush
Ben Carson
Chris Christie
Ted Cruz
Carly Fiorina
Jim Gilmore
Lindsey Graham
Mike Huckabee
John R. Kasich
George Pataki
Rand Paul
Marco Rubio
Rick Santorum
Donald J. Trump

As required by law, the list is comprised of candidates whose candidacy is generally advocated and recognized in the news media throughout the United States or in North Carolina. I would respectfully request that, in the event any of the above candidates withdraw from the race or suspend his or her campaign prior to the printing of ballots, that such candidate's name be removed from the list in order to avoid voter confusion.

Sincerely,

Hasan Harnett, Chairman
North Carolina Republican Party

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