

How to Collect Valid Signatures and Put Green Candidates on the Ballot

Position yourself in pedestrian traffic.

Find a place where you can talk to a lot of folks without chasing them down, intimidating people or interfering with the intention of people to avoid you. Understand your Constitutional Rights and don't be intimidated by merchants or police.

Ask:

"Would you sign a petition to help put the Green Party on the Ballot?"

Answer any questions they may have.

If they indicate a willingness to sign the petition, Ask:

"In which County are you registered to vote?"

Turn the petition page to the appropriate page, starting a new page if you need to, hand them the clipboard and say:

"They ask that you sign the first line and print your name on the second line. The large block is for your address. Then your county and today's date is the _____."

Collecting valid signatures can be tricky.

Each signer must be a registered voter.

They must sign their county's petition page. - - ***One page per county*** - -

They must include on the petition their signature

(which matches the one on file with their county election superintendent), their printed name, the home address where they are registered to vote, their county and the date of their signature.

Still, in order for the signatures to be validated, each petition sheet must be completed by the petition circulator, who must:

complete the blanks on the circulator's affidavit.

sign the affidavit before a disinterested notary.

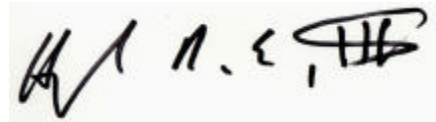
have their signature notarized.

A notary is considered disinterested if they neither signed nor circulated the petition.

Whether you want to collect signatures from just your co-workers, church members or neighbors -- or to work full time at this effort -- we need your help. Our petition crews will travel to the best festivals and outdoor concerts in Georgia. The work music can't be beat. You'll meet lots of interesting people. You'll have lots of opportunities to talk politics. You'll hear no's, but you will also meet new Greens who are ready to get involved and help us build this Party. And every one of those conversations is a gem and pleasure. Those few enthusiastic yes's make all the no's worthwhile.

It's a numbers game. The rules are rigged to keep us off the ballot. But if that bothers you (without incapacitating you with anger), you just may make a great petition circulator.

Let us know how its going. At hesco@greens.org or 877/ GREEN-09 or in Atlanta 770/ 635-3496.



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