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Georgia Green Party Pushing Write-In for Nader Presidential Bid

Denied access to the Ballot, the Georgia Green Party is promising an aggressive write-in campaign for Presidential Candidate, Ralph Nader. Faced with the prospect of either a write-in campaign or waiting upon litigation to gain ballot access, Green Party activists are pursuing the first choice without ruling out the second, according to Green party spokesperson, Hugh Esco.

"Unless the Federal court enjoins the state, Georgia voters will have no option but to write in the candidate of their choice." says Esco. Esco also considers the ballot petition drive to have a partial success since it raised public awareness of the Georgia Green Party campaign. According to Esco the party is generating unprecedented public interest. The influx people and resources is, in part, fueling the drive for a Nader write in candidacy in Georgia.

More importantly for Georgia Green Party activists is the boost that such new blood will provide for their candidates in the State Legislative and local elections as well as a possible entry in the upcoming US Senate race. As candidate Nader has himself stressed, building a grassroots party to challenge the traditional dominance of the Democratic and Republican parties is a primary goal of his campaign.

November is months away but if the upbeat mood of the Green Party activists is anything to judge by, they will be working round the clock for their candidates right up to election day. Says Hugh Esco "I"m very excited. I'd say that we're optimistic but the fact is we're too busy to think about it."

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