

Mountain Affiliated Candidate Pledge

The Mountain Party of West Virginia requests its affiliated candidates to affirm the following principles when seeking public office.

I, _____, seeking to be elected to the office of _____, do hereby swear or affirm that:

1. I will run a serious campaign by:
 - a. Acting in good faith- always.
 - b. Fundraising to fulfill campaign obligations, without taking corporate money.
 - c. Maintaining a website, with a method for online donations, and social media.
 - d. Participating in or holding a minimum of one public meeting per month
 - e. Seeking inclusion and attending debates, public forums, town halls, and "meet the candidate" events in my area.
 - f. Understanding and adhering to campaign finance law, domicile, and all other election law in West Virginia.
2. I support a living wage for all workers and their freedom to form unions and engage in collective bargaining.
3. I support a comprehensive Green New Deal.
4. I support election law reforms such as:
 - a. Campaign Finance Reform
 - b. Ranked Choice Voting
 - c. Same Day Voter Registration
 - d. Transparent Verifiable Paper Ballots

5. *I support a ban on mountaintop removal coal mining, horizontal hydraulic fracturing, and the development of commercial shale gas pipelines.*
6. *I support agricultural development that is ecologically sound, to protect our air, water and land.*
7. *I support cannabis legalization and ending the failed war on drugs. I recognize the opioid crisis as a health issue, not a criminal one.*
8. *I support fully funding public and vocational education, pre-k through college.*
9. *I support healthcare, including dental, mental, and vision, as a human right.*
10. *I support policies to eliminate poverty statewide.*
11. *I support a progressive tax code and oppose corporate personhood.*
12. *I support the peace movement and demilitarization, while recognizing the need for self-defense.*
13. *I support progressive criminal justice reform.*
14. *Finally, I will strive to consciously confront barriers such as discrimination based on race, class, gender, sexual orientation, age, disability and all other forms of discrimination, all of which act to deny fair treatment and justice.*

Signed: _____

Date: _____