PETITIONING

STATE	REQUIRED	SIGNATURES COLLECTED					DEADLINE
		NAP	LIBT	SOC	POP	WkL	
Alabama	5,000	finished	already on	0	0	finished	Aug 31
Alaska	2,068	already on	already on	0	0	0	Aug 10
Arizona	17,340	already on	already on	0	0	0	Sep 23
Arkansas	0	no need	no need	no need	no need	no need	Sep 1
California	128,340	nom	already on	nom	can't start	can't start	Aug 12
Colorado	5,000	1,400	600	0	0	0	Aug 2
Connecticut	14,910	10,400	350	0	0	100	Aug 12
Delaware	(reg.) 142	already on	117	0	0	0	Aug 20
Dist of Col.	(est.) 3,000	can't start	can't start	can't start	can't start	can't start	Aug 16
Florida	56,318	5,700	13,600	0	0	0	Jly 15
Georgia	25,759	40,000	22,000	0	0	0	Aug 2
Hawaii	3,493	finished	already on	0	0	0	Sep 9
Idaho	8,224	0	1,650	0	0	0	Aug 30
Illinois	25,000	no need	can't start	can't start	can't start	can't start	Aug 8
Indiana	30,950	0	800	0	0	0	Aug 1
Iowa	1,000	200	finished	200	0	75	Sep 2
Kansas	2,500	already on	300	0	0	0	Aug 2
Kentucky	5,000	already on	800	0	0	100	Aug 30
Louisiana	0	no need	no need	no need	no need	no need	Sep 6
Maine	4,000	1,800	1,000	0	0	0	May 14
Maryland	10,000	finished	already on	500	0	0	Aug 1
Massachusetts	33,682	9,800	3,500	100	0	0	Aug 2
Michigan	16,313	135	already on	500	6,000	already on	Jly 20
Minnesota	2,000	can't start	can't start	can't start	can't start	can't start	Sep 13
Mississippi	1,000	finished	already on	0	0	0	Sep 9
Missouri	21,083	0	4,000	0	0	0	Aug 1
Montana	13,329	already on	already on	0	0	0	Aug 3
Nebraska	5,635	already on	finished	400	0	0	Aug 30
Nevada	7,717	6,000	already on	0	0	0	Sep 1
New Hampshire	3,000	finished	2,000	0	0	0	Aug 10
New Jersey	800	finished	finished	200	600	finished	Aug 1
New Mexico	(reg.) 500	already on	already on	0	50	0	Sep 13
New York	20,000	can't start	can't start	can't start	can't start	can't start	Aug 23
North Carolina	44,535	52,000	700	0	5,000	0	Jul 12
North Dakota	4,000	0	finished	0	0	0	Sep 14
Ohio	5,000	3,125	500	0	0	6,000	Aug 25
Oklahoma	37,671	14,000	2,000	0	0	0	Jul 15
Oregon	51,578	0	27,000	0	0	0	Aug 30
Pennsylvania	25,568	5,000	4,500	0	0	8,000	Aug 1
Rhode Island	1,000	can't start	can't start	can't start	can't start	can't start	Jly18
South Carolina	10,000	already on	already on	0	0	0	Aug 1
South Dakota	2,945	0	0	0	0	0	Aug 2
Tennessee	275	finished	0	0	30	0	Sep 1
Texas	34,424	7,000	already on	0	0	0	May 23
Utah	300	already on	already on	already on	50	0	Sep 1
Vermont	1,000	already on	already on	already on	100	0	Sep 22
Virginia	12,963	0	2,000	0	0	0	Aug 26
Washington	188	can't start	can't start	can't start	can't start	can't start	Jly 23
West Virginia	7,358	0	0	0	0	0	Aug 1
Wisconsin	2,000	can't start	can't start	can't start	can't start	can't start	Sep 6
Wyoming	8,000	already on	already on	0	0	0	Aug 30

NAP is New Alliance Party; LIBT is Libertarian; SOC is Socialist; POP is Populist; WkL is Workers League. "Nom" means that the presidential candidate is seeking the nomination of a one-state party which is already qualified for the ballot in that state. "Already on" means the state acknowledges that the party or the candidate is on the November 1988 ballot. "Finished" means that the signatures have been collected, but that they haven't been certified yet. DEADLINE refers to the *latest* procedure available for qualifying a third party or independent presidential candidate.

PARTIES NOT ON THE CHART

The Internationalist Workers Party has completed petitioning in New Jersey and Vermont, and is making a strong fight for the California Peace & Freedom nomination. The Workers World Party has completed petitioning in New Jersey. The Socialist Workers Party has completed petitioning in New Jersey and Utah. The American Party has been certified in Utah.

LIBERTARIAN PETITIONING

Paul Jacob, who has been heading up the national Libertarian Party office, has been hired to work on ballot access. His first assignment takes him to Maine, which is the next deadline. Fundraising for ballot access has been going well. In the last month, petitions have been submitted in Nebraska, North Dakota and New Jersey, and completed in Iowa. The Utah Libertarian Party is making plans to assist the Idaho Libertarian petition..

LaROUCHE

Lyndon LaRouche showings in Democratic presidential primaries since the last issue of *Ballot Access News* are: Illinois, 6,094 votes, .41%; Maryland, 2,149 votes, .41%; Virginia, 746 votes, .21%.

On March 24, the Federal Election Commission finally awarded LaRouche his first1988 matching funds. He received $100,000. He will probably not receive any more 1988 funds because FEC rules require a cutoff of funds 30 days after a candidate polls a vote in a primary of less than 10%. LaRouche polled less than 10% in the New York primary on April 19. His exact vote isn't known yet.

Claude Jones, a LaRouche supporter, won a two-person race for chair of the Harris County, Texas, Democratic Party, by a vote of 51%-49%. The party quickly changed its bylaws to remove all authority from the hands of its county chair, before he could take office.

LaRouche became the first person to complete the petition requirement for a Democratic candidate in the California primary, since the law was written in 1972. The California Secretary of State puts candidates on the ballot automatically if they have received matching funds, but LaRouche was forced to petition, since he hadn't received matching funds earlier in the year. As he handed in his petitions, he was greeted with an announcement that the Secretary of State was now putting him on automatically, so the signatures were never checked. California Democratic Party rules require 500 signatures from each of California's 45 congressional districts. This petition hurdle was too difficult for another group, which wanted to get Mario Cuomo's name on the California Democratic primary. The group sued, claiming the requirements were unconstitutionally difficult, but lost. *Draft Cuomo Committee v Eu*, no. 358616, Superior Court, Sacramento County.

VOTES NEEDED IN 1988

Below is information about how many votes a third party will need in 1988 to obtain or to keep automatic ballot status:

1%: Connecticut, Kansas, Michigan, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

1 1/2%: Georgia, Pennsylvania

2%: Iowa, Kentucky, Missouri, Utah

3%: Alaska, Arkansas, Maryland, Montana, Nevada, New Hampshire

4%: District of Columbia

5%: Arizona, Louisiana, Maine, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Washington

10%: North Carolina, Oklahoma, Virginia, Wyoming

20%: Alabama

No vote test applies in 1988: California, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota.

The percentages refer to the percentage of the total vote cast, that must be polled by the party. Some of the percentages are approximate. For example, Georgia law requires a vote equal to 1% of the number of registered voters, which is approximately 1 1/2% of the number of votes cast.

PEACE & FREEDOM PRIMARY

There is one more candidate for president in the California Peace & Freedom Party primary on June 7. He is Al Hamburg, Rt. 2, Bx A15, Torrington Wyoming 82240. Hamburg, 56, is also running for Congress in the New Alliance Party primary. He is a longtime peace activist. The other candidates for president in the California Peace & Freedom presidential primary are Lenora Fulani, Larry Holmes, Shirley Isaacson, Willa Kenoyer, and Herb Lewin.

DEBATE SUIT MOSTLY LOSES

On April 13, federal judge Robert W. Sweet, a Carter appointee, upheld the position of the League of Women Voters, in *Fulani v League of Women Voters Education Fund*, no. 88-Civ-1441-RWS. However, he did permit a trial to go forward on one issue of the case, the claim that the League's policy of holding debates only for Democratic and Republican presidential candidates is discriminatory against ethnic minorities and women (all Black, Hispanic, and female candidates for *president* in the *general* election have always been nominees of third parties, never nominees of the Democratic and Republican Parties.