

# My Pitch Portal Guide

[My Pitch Portal](#) is a tool designed to give citizens access to their local news media.. It allows people to contribute to the stories being told in their communities

In order to ensure the best possible outcomes, including timeliness, story quality, and accuracy, here are some requirements for submitting a story pitch using My Pitch Portal:

1. All submissions must be “anchored” by a quote. Examples of what quotes can be are an interview that you give, a short sentence or two that you provide in the pitch form, or a line from a press release or blog post.
  - a. Quotes must be attributed to someone or something
  - b. Quotes “anchor” a story pitch in this way:
    - i. A headline would read “Smith: An Article V Convention is the only way to save the Republic”
2. All claims made in a story submission must be cited. Stories published via My Pitch Portal deal only in facts, so all claims must have a source. Even seemingly obvious things, such as the date of an event.
3. Aim to include at least 3 factoids in each submission. Factoids are important pieces of context or information that help tell your story.
  - a. Factoids must be cited as well
  - b. Factoids do not have to be overly complex. A good factoid can be that 19 States have passed the COS resolution to date
  - c. You should assume that whoever handles your submission knows nothing about your topic

Looking at Wisconsin's passage of the COS Resolution, here is an example of what a good story submission would look like:

Suggest a headline for your story

- *Wisconsin makes history as the 16th State to call for a Convention of States*

What is the location of your story?

- *Madison, Wisconsin*

Does your story require an interview?

- *No*

What is your story about?

- *In January 2022, Wisconsin became the 16th State to call for a Convention of States. The measure seeks to reduce the size, scope, power, and jurisdiction of the federal government.*  
<https://conventionofstates.com/news/breaking-wisconsin-becomes-16th-state-to-pass-convention-of-states-resolution>
- *According to a post on conventionofstates.com, 34 States need to pass a resolution before a convention can be called.*  
<https://conventionofstates.com/news/breaking-wisconsin-becomes-16th-state-to-pass-convention-of-states-resolution>
- *An Article V Convention of the States is a method of amending the US Constitution. According to the Convention of States Pocket Guide, 34 States must pass a resolution calling for a Convention. After that requirement is met, all 50 States meet in convention and can propose amendments to the Constitution. These proposed amendments must be ratified by 38 States before they become law.*  
[https://cosaction-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/public/pocket\\_guide\\_digital.pdf](https://cosaction-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/public/pocket_guide_digital.pdf)
- *The final vote in the Wisconsin State Assembly was 58-36, and the State Senate was 17-16.* [https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2021/proposals/reg/asm/joint\\_resolution/ajr9](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2021/proposals/reg/asm/joint_resolution/ajr9)
- *"Wisconsin took a great step forward in the fight for liberty. One more State has joined the call to rein in our out of control Federal government!" -Grassroots Patriot John Smith*