

Trump Is Disqualified Organizing Toolkit

About This Campaign:

On January 6, 2021, former President Donald Trump incited a violent insurrection, attacking Congress and our nation's Capitol, in an effort to overturn the results of the 2020 presidential election. Now, Trump has declared his candidacy for president again in 2024. But because of his role in inciting, encouraging, and supporting the January 6th insurrection, Trump is constitutionally ineligible for any future run for office.

Enacted in the wake of the Civil War, Section 3 of the Fourteenth Amendment, The Insurrectionist Disqualification Clause, disqualifies from public office any individual who has taken an oath to uphold the U.S. Constitution and then engages in insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or gives aid or comfort to its enemies. Trump's involvement in the violent attack on Congress in an effort to prevent the certification of democratic election results disqualifies him from holding any future public office.

Secretaries of state and chief election officials across the country have a responsibility to follow the mandate of Section 3 of the Fourteenth Amendment and bar Trump from any future ballot. In late 2023 and early 2024, they will each need to make a decision on which candidates are eligible to appear on their state ballot. People across the country have the opportunity between now and the deadlines for decisions by secretaries of state and chief election officials to urge them to do their job, and ensure that Donald Trump does not appear on the ballot.

How to Take Action:

- [Petition](#): Sign and circulate the petition urging election officials to bar Trump from the ballot.
- Call Your Chief Election Official: Call the office of your Chief Election Official and urge them to bar Trump from the ballot.
 - [Chief Election Official List and Contact Info](#)
 - [Sample call script](#)
- Hold a Demonstration: Hold an in-person demonstration to build awareness and support for enforcing the Insurrectionist Disqualification Clause and barring Trump from the ballot.

Printable signs:

- link to printable [8.5 x 11 sign](#)
- link to printable [11 x 17 sign](#)
- link to banner sign [12'x 3' sign](#)

Further Resources:

- TrumpIsDisqualified.org
- 14Point3.org
- [Declaration for Secretaries of State to Bar Trump From the Ballot](#)
- [Myths and Realities of Section 3 of the 14th Amendment](#)
- [Report on why states can enforce Fourteenth Amendment's Insurrectionist Disqualification Clause without any new federal legislation](#)

Talking Points:

Article 14, Section 3 Background:

- Enacted in the wake of the Civil War, Section 3 of the 14th Amendment disqualifies from public office any individual who has taken an oath to uphold the U.S. Constitution and then engages in insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or gives aid or comfort to those who have.
- When Members of Congress passed Section 3 of the 14th Amendment for ratification by the states, they explicitly and repeatedly endorsed congressional declarations rendering specific people ineligible for office, particularly former leaders of the Confederacy. Then, as now, our leaders in Congress sought to preserve a fragile democracy and meet any potential threats head-on.

Applicability to Trump:

- On January 6, 2021, former President Donald Trump incited hundreds of violent insurrectionists to storm the Capitol in an effort to overturn the results of the 2020 presidential election.
- Bipartisan majorities of the House and Senate voted for articles of impeachment against President Trump, describing the attack as an “insurrection.” In the impeachment trial, President Trump’s own defense lawyer conceded this and stated that “the question before us is not whether there was a violent insurrection of [sic] the Capitol. On that point, everyone agrees.”
- By inciting a violent attack on Congress in an effort to prevent the certification of his own electoral defeat, Donald Trump engaged in insurrection and violated his oath of office, making him ineligible to run for office again under Section 3 of the 14th Amendment.
- States have the power to bar candidates from the ballot if they don’t meet the qualifications set forth by the U.S. Constitution.
- Secretaries of State and election officials have a responsibility to follow the constitutional mandate of Section 3 of the 14th Amendment.