Platform

Platform

of the Alaska Libertarian Party
Adopted at the May 12, 2018 Convention in Anchorage, Alaska:
As amended 2022, 2024, 2026

Preamble

As Alaska Libertarians, we believe that individuals have the right to life, liberty, and property.

1.0 Personal Liberty

Individuals should be free to make choices for themselves and to accept responsibility for consequences for the choices they make.

1.1 Freedom from Mandates

We hold that an individual’s right of choice is absolute and no real or imagined “emergency” (whether medical, environmental, military, or other) is used as a pretext for infringing on individual freedoms.

1.2 Communication and Expression

We support full freedom of expression and oppose government censorship, regulation, or control of communications media and technology.

1.3 Personal Privacy

We support the rights recognized by the Fourth Amendment to be secure in our persons, homes, and property.

1.4 Crime and Justice

Government, if it must exist, is to protect the rights of every individual including liberty, life, and property. We advocate the repeal of laws that result in victimless crimes.

1.5 Self-Defense

We support the right of the individual to self–defense, and to keep and bear arms and accessories without regard to function or capacity. The only legitimate use of force is in defense of individual rights– liberty, life, and justly acquired property against aggression.

1.6 Economic Liberty

We advocate the curtailing of economic regulations for all people, groups, occupations and businesses. Government should not be creating incentives, subsidies, penalties, or regulations that selectively advantage, disadvantage or coerce some over others. Taxpayers should not be a safety net for private businesses.

1.7 Property and Contract

Property rights are entitled to the same protection as all other human rights. The owners of property have the full right to control, use, dispose of, or in any manner enjoy their property so long as it is not to the harm of others.

1.8 Environment

The best way to protect the environment is through a vigorous protection of private property rights and a free market economy.

1.9 Energy and Resources

While energy is needed to fuel a modern society, governments should not be subsidizing or obstructing any particular form of energy. A free market unhindered by regulation will provide the opportunity for cheap and abundant energy to all.

1.10 Government Finance and Spending

All persons are entitled to keep the fruits of their labor; therefore, we call for the phase–out of all forms of involuntary contracts (such as income tax and other payroll deductions).

1.11 Alaskan Resource Management

We believe that Alaskans should manage Alaska’s resources, not the federal government.

1.12 Medical Freedom

We believe individuals have the right to procure for themselves (or decline) the health care services they want; and determine for themselves all other aspects of their medical care, including end of life decisions. We oppose any government restrictions on medicine or treatment options. We further believe that individuals have the right to seek medical advice and services from anyone they choose without government interference or licensing.

2.0 Money and Financial Markets

We favor free-market banking, with unrestricted competition among banks and depository institutions of all types.

2.1 Corporations

We defend the rights of individuals to form corporations, cooperatives and other types of companies based on voluntary association.

2.2 Labor Markets

We support repeal of all laws which impede the ability of any person to find employment.

2.3 Education

Education, like any other service, is best provided by the free market, achieving greater quality and efficiency with more diversity of choice.

2.4 Free Market Health Care

We favor restoring and reviving a free market health care system, fostering affordable treatment, care, and insurance plans available from any company in any jurisdiction.

2.5 Taxpayer-Funded Health Care

Taxpayer-funded health care, if it must exist, shall not discriminate against patients who choose less or more expensive procedures if the difference will be paid by insurance or other means. The government shall not be making morality-biased decisions with taxpayer funds, nor shall they interfere with a medical provider’s choice of when and what services to provide and a patient’s right to refusal.

2.6 Retirement and Income Security

Retirement planning is the responsibility of the individual, not the government, therefore we advocate a phase-out of social security and would favor a voluntary-based retirement system.

2.7 Internal Security and Individual Rights

We support the repeal of the Patriot Act and the abolition of the Department of Homeland Security and the Transportation Safety Administration.

2.8 Free Trade and Migration

We support the removal of governmental impediments to free trade.

2.9 Currency

Our goal is a free market-based medium of exchange be it physical or digital commodities, therefore we oppose the monopolization of money production.

2.10 Alaska Permanent Fund & Permanent Fund Dividend (PFD)

It is the position of the Alaska Libertarian Party that the Permanent Fund, along with the Permanent Fund Dividend (PFD), be maintained according to its original constitutional and statutory calculation and purpose, and that all individuals' reductions to pay for state services be voluntary.

2.11 Corporate Taxes/Royalties

It is our position that if there is a corporate tax by the state of Alaska, all corporations, including oil corporations, should be taxed at the same rate. Royalties should be collected from all companies that harvest or extract the natural resources of state lands. The royalties will be apportioned to the Permanent Fund in accordance with the Alaska Constitution.

3.0 International Affairs

American foreign policy should seek peace, commerce, and honest friendship with all nations; entangling alliances with none.

3.1 National Defense

We support a voluntary military force to provide domestic defense. We support the closure of US military bases in foreign countries, and exiting entangling military alliances, including NATO.

3.2 Tariffs and Trade

We support the removal of governmental impediments to free trade. We oppose international tariffs and the Jones Act.

4.0 Rights and Discrimination

Government may not discriminate based on any individual's rights, sexual orientation, preference, gender, or gender identity. Group rights do not supersede individual rights.

4.1 Parental Rights

We support the liberty of parents to direct the upbringing, education and care of their children as a fundamental right, provided that the rights of children are protected. Separation of family members must be adjudicated by due process, not in administrative court, and with the presumption of innocence.

4.2 Representative Government

We support electoral systems that are more representative of the electorate at the federal, state, and local levels.

4.3 Self-Determination

Whenever any form of government becomes destructive of individual liberty, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to agree to such new governance as to them shall seem most likely to protect their individual liberty.

4.4 Sovereign Rights

The AKLP supports the nullification of any laws which violate the Constitutions of the United States or Alaska, or are detrimental to the sovereign individual rights of Alaskan people.

4.5 Alaska Lands

The AKLP supports the end of all federal sovereignty of Alaska Lands.

5.0 Omissions

Any government laws, regulations, controls, regulatory agencies, or machinations not yet enumerated should not be construed to imply our approval or consent.

Revision #14
Created 2024-05-17 14:52:18 UTC by Nicholas Conrad
Updated 2026-02-21 23:39:40 UTC by Nicholas Conrad