

Iowa GOP Excluding Ron Paul From Next Debate

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The Iowa GOP is at it again. In a previous article we exposed the "Iowa GOP Extorting the Ron Paul Campaign

." Now Iowa is going to bar Dr. Paul from participating in the Iowa presidential debate on December 4th. In their press release located here - <http://www.iowagop.net/shownews.asp?artid=33>

They state:

The debate will be limited to those candidates who have satisfied the following criteria:

1. Announced a formal campaign for President; and
2. Filed the necessary paperwork with the Federal Election Commission; and
3. Met all U.S. constitutional requirements; and
4. Garnered at least 5% of the national electorate as determined by an average of the most recent national telephone polls of registered voters conducted by non-partisan public opinion polling organizations leading up to the registration deadline as determined by Fox News Channel and the Republican Party of Iowa or garnered an average of at least 5% in the most recent polls of Iowa voters conducted by the American Research Group and the Des Moines Register.

This is obviously a blatant attempt to drop Ron Paul from participating in the Iowa debate. Dr. Paul achieved a 9.1% vote in the Iowa Straw Poll in August. The Iowa GOP's supporters have already surpassed the 5% criteria yet the Iowa GOP will be basing their decision to cut candidates on national statistics.

Dr. Paul's meteoric rise in popularity is a threat to the establishment candidates and these sneaky tactics will only backfire to draw more attention to his revolutionary campaign.

Update: RonPaulRadio is now reporting that Ron Paul is back in the debate. The revolution has won another battle!

Iowa GOP and Ron Paul Campaign Headquarters: Ron Paul is not out of the debate

By Kat | November 8, 2007

LB interviewed the Iowa GOP and Iowa Ron Paul 2008 campaign headquarters. In a live interview on the Soapbox Spectacle, John Zambanini made clear there is no attempt to prevent Dr. Paul from participating in the December 4th debates. Polling of Iowa voters by American Research Group and the Des Moines Register indicated the 5% threshold has been reached.

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