

"Restoring religious liberties to the people of North Dakota"

Religious Liberty Restoration Amendment

Information for Coordinators at Places of Worship

Thank you very much for acting as a coordinator for circulating petitions to **restore and protect our religious liberties**. By ensuring that your fellow-worshippers have an opportunity to sign the petition, you can help us obtain the number of signatures necessary to place a state constitutional amendment on the November ballot.

Because your time and energy are valuable, we are providing these instructions to guide you through the petition process. Even small errors can cause your petition to be legally challenged, so it is very important that you read these instructions in their entirety and follow them explicitly.

The Main Responsibilities of Coordinator:

1. Read and carefully follow the instructions on the document: *Religious Liberty Restoration Amendment: Petition Instructions – Questions and Answers*
2. Find people willing to serve as circulators of the petition. Get each to commit to gathering signatures in the appropriate location and time.
3. Instruct the circulators as to how to gather the signatures.
4. Set up tables with pens and copies of the petition – with a circulator for each.
5. Find a Notary Public to witness and notarize the circulators' signing of the petitions.
6. Thank all who have volunteered.
7. Mail the petitions to our coalition partner:

North Dakota Catholic Conference
103 South Third Street, Suite 10
Bismarck, ND 58501

Other Points:

- Signatures should be gathered during at least two of the following weekends:
 - May 23rd
 - June 6th
 - June 13th
 - June 20th
- Notarized petitions must be mailed to the *North Dakota Catholic Conference* on or before July 23, to ensure enough time for the organizers to count all the signatures before submitting them to the Secretary of State.
- You can make copies of the petition or download them by going to ndcatholic.org or www.ndfa.org.
- Remember *each* petition must have only one circulator.
- If you want, you can collect signatures from other venues. You may also pass on copies of the petition to other groups. However, you cannot pass on a petition that has already been signed. (Unless, that is, you also pass on the circulator!)
- **All four pages** of a petition **must** stay stapled together and with the circulator.
- Call the North Dakota Catholic Conference with *any* questions. The North Dakota Catholic Conference can be reached at 701-223-2519 or 1-888-419-1237 (outside of Bismarck). E-mail: ndcatholic@btinet.net.