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Mr. Reince Priebus, Chairman Republican National Committee 310 First Street SE Washington, DC 20003 Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20463

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Dear Chairman Priebus;

Please be advised that I am dropping out of the 2016 Republican Primaries for President of the United States, today.

As much as I have to offer in ideas and solutions to reunite America, improve its world image, reassert its global leadership and convince the American citizens that Republican philosophy is best for America, the cost of candidate access to the respective state primary ballots is insurmountable for the average American. It is the average American that the Republican Party is trying to convince and yet our voice is stifled by high financial barriers and censorship of ideas through contrived polling to support questionable debates of leadership ideas.

Electronic responses to weekly questionnaires to ALL candidates would have provided the American public a better snapshot of each candidate's responses to direction of action, ideas for solutions, etc. Narrative responses to selected questions would have provided some clarity of thought process.

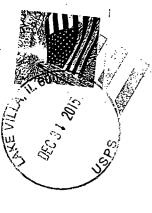
I struggle with the thought since Dwight Eisenhower retired from office that the best and brightest from both political parties have run the American economy into the ground. It has been asserted that labor is the problem in America. The most politically connected with ideas from the respected think tanks, manipulated by lobbying from financial interests and individuals with social and economic peer standing from respected institutions of higher learning provide "spin speak" through the media has divided us as a nation into demographic sub-groups, pitting each against each other. This may be a great tactic for population manipulation but the effect is a devastating repudiation of our founding fathers' struggle which is our Constitutional heritage.

The hourly worker does not vote on any legislation at either the state or federal level, we just pay for it again and again with fewer dollars from shrinking pay checks. We now live in a police state – local, state and federal units of government and agencies routinely deny access to public information including wrong doing, private third party prison systems, human trafficking with the refugee and resettlement programs, welfare manipulation, etc., etc.

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