

Republican Party Platform 2016

Constitution -- More than 90% of federal requirements are now imposed by regulatory agencies -this must stop (page 9)

Criminal Justice-- Those in law enforcement are due our respect. Their job performance should never be politicized or second-guessed by federal officials (pg 39)

Economy -- Government cannot create prosperity, though government can limit or destroy it. (page 1)

Education -- We support school choice. We support the original meaning of Title IX. The federal gov't should not be in the business of originating student loan (pages 34 and 35)

Energy -- We support the development of all forms of energy that are marketable in a free economy without subsidies. (page 20)

Federal Reserve -- bring transparency and accountability with an annual audit (page 7)

Immigration -- Policy must serve the national interest of the US and the interests of the American workers (pg 25)

Judiciary -- Judicial activism that includes reliance on foreign law or unratified treaties undermines American sovereignty (page 10)

Life -- We oppose the use of public funds to perform or promote abortion or to fund organizations like Planned Parenthood. (page 13)

Marriage -- Traditional marriage and family, based on marriage between one man and one woman is the foundation for a free society. (page 11)

Religious Liberty -- Pledge to defend the religious beliefs and rights of conscience of all Americans and safeguard religious institutions (page 11)

Second Amendment -- We oppose federal licensing or registration of law-abiding citizens. (page 13)

Taxes -- Tax rates should not penalize thrift or discourage investment, nor disincentive economic growth. (page 2)

Democrat Party Platform 2016

Constitution -- We believe in protecting civil liberties, women's and workers' rights, LGBT rights. (page 2)

Criminal Justice -- Close private prisons and detention centers; DOJ must investigate all suspicious police-involved shootings. Remove marijuana from federal controlled substance list; regulate it. (pages 15 and 16)

Economy -- We need major federal investments in job-creating; we must make American manufacturing more competitive by making it the greenest in the world. (pages 7 and 8)

Education -- Every student should be able to go to college debt-free; guarantee universal preschool (pages 30 and 32)

Energy -- We will reduce methane emissions from all oil and gas productions and transportation by at least 40 to 45% below 2005 levels; no Keystone Pipeline. (page 28)

Federal Reserve -- We will protect its independence against threats from new legislation. (page 12)

Immigration -- create a path to citizenship for law-abiding families who are here. Implement DACA. (p. 17)

Judiciary -- We will appoint judges who defend the constitutional principles of liberty and equality for all, and will protect a woman's right to safe and legal abortion. (page 25)

Life -- We will oppose federal and state laws and policies that impede a woman's access to abortion, including by repealing the Hyde Amendment. (p. 37)

Marriage -- We applaud last year's decision giving LGBT people the right to marry the person they love. (p19)

Religious Liberty -- We support a progressive vision on religious freedom that respects pluralism and rejects the misuse of religion to discriminate. (page 19)

Second Amendment -- expand background checks; repeal Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act(p 39)

Taxes -- raise minimum wage to \$15 an hour; we will build on Dodd-Frank financial reform law; corporations must pay their fair share . (pages 3, 11, 12)