

DEMOCRATIC PARTY STATE CONVENTION

2024 MISSISSIPPI STATE CONVENTION Program

May 25, 2024
Jackson Convention Complex
Jackson, MS



Dear Delegates,

It is with great pleasure that I extend a warm welcome to you as we come together for the Mississippi Democratic Party State Convention. Your presence here today is a testament to your dedication and commitment to shaping the future of our state and our party. We are honored to have you as part of this important and historic event.

As a delegate representing your county, you play a crucial role in ensuring that the voices and interests of your community are heard and represented. Your participation reflects your unwavering dedication to civic engagement and the democratic principles that guide our great state.

At this convention, we will have the opportunity to engage with fellow delegates, discuss key issues, and make decisions that will impact the direction of our party and our state. Your input and active involvement are vital to the success of this convention and to the future of our party.

To ensure a smooth and productive convention, please familiarize yourself with the agenda and the guidelines provided. Should you have any questions or require further assistance, do not hesitate to reach out. Our team is here to support you every step of the way.

Thank you for your commitment to the democratic process and for being an essential part of this convention. Together, we can make a positive impact on our community and strengthen the democratic values that define our state.

Best regards,

Rep. Cheikh A. Taylor

Chair,

Democratic Party of the State of Mississippi

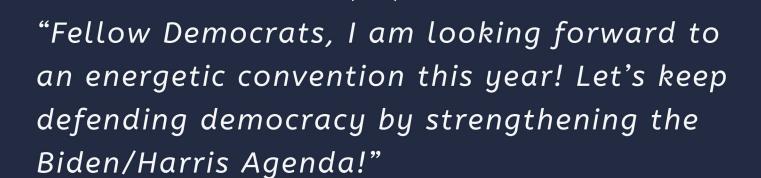
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About Mississippi Democratic Party:

The Mississippi Democratic Party is dedicated to advancing progressive values, fostering inclusive policies, and promoting equal representation for all Mississippians. As the state's leading Democratic organization, we work tirelessly to build a strong and diverse coalition, advocate for meaningful change, and support Democratic candidates who champion social justice, economic fairness, and access to quality healthcare and education. Together, we strive to create a brighter future for Mississippi by ensuring that every voice is heard and every vote counts.



CONGRESSMAN BENNIE G. THOMPSON (MS02)







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May 25, 2024

On behalf of the City of Jackson, I would like to welcome each of you to the Mississippi Democratic Party State Convention at the Jackson Convention Center.

The state convention is a powerful symbol of our collective resolve and shared vision for a brighter tomorrow, a vision that is more crucial now than ever before. Now, our state and nation are at a crossroads. Our challenges are formidable, but so is our determination to overcome them. We are not just fighting for the soul of our democracy but defending it with every fiber of our being.

There is an invaluable impact that individuals and groups can have on society when they commit themselves to effectuating change and not just sit in mediocrity. I wish you all the best at the convention and I am sure you will provide a solid platform to inspire people to engage in this year's extraordinarily important presidential election.

Thank you for your continued support!

One City, One Aim, One Destiny!

Sincerely,

Chokwe A. Lumumba, Mayor

City of Jackson

ROBERT GRAHAM
District 1
President

TONY SMITH
District 2

DEBORAH BUTLER-DIXON
District 3



WANDA EVERS
District 4
Vice President

BOBBY "BOBCAT" McGOWAN
District 5

LURE D. BERRY County Administrator

Dear Democrats,

Welcome to Hinds County. We are pleased to have you here and want to ensure that your stay is enjoyable and memorable. Please explore, shop, dine and take in the beauty of our county.

As the home of Mississippi's capital city, Hinds County has long been the center of the state's government as well as a hub of educational, economic, and cultural life. Jackson is Mississippi's largest city, and Hinds County, a largely urban county in a primarily rural and agricultural state, has been the most populous county in the state since 1860. Chosen in part for its central location, Jackson has great importance to Mississippians as the site of state government, as the headquarters of numerous businesses and other organizations, and as a location for meetings, conferences, entertainment, and even the state fair. The Pearl River runs through Hinds County and Jackson. The county seat is Jackson, and other notable towns include Raymond, Bolton, Cayuga, Clinton, Edwards, Learned, Oakley, Pocahontas, Terry, and Utica.

Your presence this weekend marks the importance of the upcoming Presidential Elections. Here in Hinds County, we have active outreach efforts and work constantly and consistently to ensure all elections are held with the utmost of integrity and participation.

We look forward to working with this convention and those to come. We hope you find the best hospitality here and invite back real soon.

Enjoy your stay!

The Hinds County Board of Supervisors



Dear Friends, Delegates, and Fellow Mississippians:

Welcome to the Mississippi Democratic Party State Convention! It is an honor to gather with such a passionate and dedicated group of community members who are committed to building a brighter future for our great state. Together, we stand united in our vision for progress, equity, and justice for all Mississippians.

As we come together to discuss and shape the future of our party and our state, let us remember the power of our collective voice and the impact we can make when we work together. Your participation and enthusiasm are the driving forces behind the positive change we strive to achieve.

I look forward to the opportunity to meet each and every one of you. Your stories, insights, and dedication are what make our movement strong, and I am eager to connect and work alongside you.

Thank you for your commitment to our shared values and for your tireless efforts to advance our collective cause. Let's make this convention a celebration of our unity and a powerful step forward in our journey toward a better Mississippi.

With gratitude and solidarity,

Ty Pinkins

Ty Pinkins

Democratic Nominee for U.S. Senate



Greetings Delegates, Alternates & Guests:

Welcome to the Mississippi Democratic Party 2024 State Convention! Your presence here is not just a formality but a testament to your unwavering support of our party. Your dedication to our shared values and commitment to a brighter future for Mississippi and our nation are truly inspiring.

With great enthusiasm, we unite in our support for President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris as they seek to be our Democratic nominees for the upcoming General Election in November. Their leadership and vision continue to guide us toward progress and prosperity.

We have worked tirelessly to ensure this convention will be remembered. Our high-spirited candidates are ready to inspire you with their passion and dedication. The invigorating conversations will spark new ideas and collaborations, highlighting the intersectionality that strengthens our party. We have prioritized and enhanced safety and election security, and we are excited to leverage 21st-century technology to facilitate a seamless and engaging experience for all attendees.

Adding to the excitement, we are thrilled to feature not one but two nationally recognized keynote speakers who will undoubtedly leave a lasting impact on us all.

I want to express my deepest gratitude to Chairman Cheikh Taylor for trusting me to chair this year's committee. As a senior young Democrat (insider) who has traveled and worked extensively as a political operative on all levels of government, and to lead within the ranks of our State Party means a great deal to me. It is a profound honor to contribute to the growth and success of our party alongside such dedicated and passionate individuals.

Let us seize this opportunity to strengthen our bonds, energize our efforts, and pave the way for a victorious November. Thank you for being here and your continued commitment to our shared value and mission..

With heartfelt gratitude and excitement,

LJ Brooks

Mississippi Democratic Party State Convention Registration & Credentials Chair



Convention Rules, Procedures & Guidelines

Section 1: Rules

- 1. All sessions will start on time and end on time. The times will be announced by the presiding officer
- 2. All convention attendees must wear a badge at all times. Your badge is necessary to enter the convention hall and Congressional District (CD) Caucus. No one will be admitted into the meeting without a badge.
- 3. All electronic devices, cell phones, pagers, alarms, etc shall be placed in "vibrate or silent" mode during the convention and CD Caucus sessions.
- 4. A copy of all reports must be given to the Convention Secretary
- 5. No speech from the floor. Candidates/Nominees may campaign before the convention and during the Congressional District Caucuses.
- 6. Candidates/Nominees names will be called from the stage and nominees will be allowed to walk across the stage. (Line up on the right side of stage after nomination)
- 7. If a committee member moves for their report to be accepted, a second is not required.
- 8. Any Delegate who would like to make a motion or ask a question must
 - a. Go to the microphone-ONLY DELEGATES ARE PERMITTED TO SPEAK
 - b. Stand until recognized by the Presiding Officer
 - c. Give full name, congressional district, and county.
 - d. State that he/she wishes to be recognized for a motion or to ask a question.
 - e. If asking a question, he/she shall have a total of three questions and is limited to three minutes.
 - f. A delegate shall be recognized for questions only once on the motion.
- 9. Any Delegate who would like to second a motion need not go to the microphone but must
 - a. Stand
 - b. Give full name, congressional district, and county
- 10. A Delegate may speak for two minutes on unreadiness.
- 11. If there is unreadiness, a Delegate must
 - a. Go to the microphone
 - b. Stand until recognized by the presiding officer
 - c. Give full name, congressional district, and county



- 12. A motion "to receive" or a motion "to accept" shall both mean the resolution shall be received for information only. A motion "to adopt" shall mean the resolution shall be placed in the minutes and will become the policy, procedure and/or instructions of the party.
- 13. Robert's Rules of Order 11th Edition shall govern all proceedings of the convention except where in conflict with the State Party Constitution, Bylaws and Convention rules.
- 14. The Parliamentarian, Time- Keepers, and the Sgt-at-Arms along with assistants shall be appointed to facilitate the order of the meeting.

Section 2: Procedures

- 1. Registration & Credentials: LJ Brooks, Chair | Email: ljbrooks07@gmail.com
 - a. Early Check-In: Friday, May 24, 2024 | 3:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. | Jackson Convention Center
 - b. Convention Day Check-In: Saturday, May 25, 2024 | Opens at 7:30 A.M. | Closes 10:30 A.M
 - c. No further check-ins or alternate substitutions will be permitted after 10:30 A.M.. This will be strictly enforced.
 - d. Delegates & Alternates will check in at their respective Congressional District booths (See Signage)
 - e. Each Congressional District/County are assigned specific seats (See Signage)
- 2. Platform Committee: Rickey Cole, Chair | Email: rcole1966@yahoo.com
 - a. Convenes at 8:30 A.M. on May 25, 2024 (See Signage)
 - b. No amendments from the floor
- 3. Constitution Committee: James Hull, Chair | Email: jameshull3@aol.com
 - a. Convenes at 8:30 A.M. on May 25, 2024 (See Signage)
 - b. No amendments from the floor
- 4. Rules Committee: Andre DeBerry, Chair | Email: andre.deberry@yahoo.com
 - a. All challenges and inquiries should be directed to the Rules Committee Chair in writing promptly.
 - b. All challenges & inquiries will be granted a hearing before the Rules Committee.



5. Nomination Process

- **a.** The only nominations made from the convention floor are as follows:
 - i. National Committeeman
 - ii. National Committeewoman
 - iii. Presidential Electors
- b. All nominees named will be called as they walk across the stage to be recognized
- c. Upon nomination please proceed to the right side of the stage for line up.
- d. A microphone will be placed within each Congressional District Section. *You will not have to come to the stage*.

6. Voting Procedures

- a. E-Ballot Process
 - i. Scan the QR Code on your badge or type the link below in web browser: https://eballot.io/MSDP/login.cfm
 - ii. Click on Ballot Login
 - iii. Enter Username: Your Badge ID Number is **YOUR** username
 - iv. Enter Password: Your Badge ID Number is **YOUR** password
 - v. Follow directions and vote
 - vi. Hit submit to finalize your selection
- b. Badge ID Number required for all voting ballots processing
- c. Voting Blocks are limited to twenty (20) minutes except for CD caucus
- d. Voting will be done electronically (Smart Device or Computer Access Needed) If you need assistance you may return to the registration and check-in booth to seek assistance from a credential committee member.



Section 3: Behavior of Delegates

1. Ethical Conduct:

Delegates should conduct themselves with the utmost ethical standards and adhere to the highest standards of integrity. Delegates should avoid engaging in any behavior that may bring the Party into disrepute or reflect negatively on its reputation.

2. Communication:

Delegates should communicate in a respectful and professional manner. Delegates should refrain from engaging in any form of abusive, threatening, or harassing behavior, whether in person, over the phone, or online.

3. Misgendering and Discrimination:

Delegates are expected to treat each other with respect and avoid discriminatory or derogatory language. Blatant misgendering, deliberate misuse of pronouns, deadnaming, or discriminatory comments based on race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, ability, or any other personal characteristics will not be tolerated.

4. Violence and Threats:

Any physical violence, threats of violence, or behavior that could reasonably be interpreted as intending to cause harm or intimidation will not be tolerated.

5. Sexual Harassment:

The Party will not tolerate any form of sexual harassment, including unwanted sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, physical contact without consent (including hugs) or after a request to stop, or any other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature.

6. Time Limitations:

Delegates are expected to abide by time limitations set by the convention rules committee.

7. Meeting Disruptions and Heckling:

Delegates are expected to engage in constructive dialogue during the convention and CD Caucuses. Disruptive behavior or heckling will not be tolerated and may result in removal from the meeting or event.



Disruptive behavior" includes but is not limited to:

- Chanting a candidate's name from the audience while another candidate is speaking;
- Inappropriately interrupting a speaker without being recognized by the Chair;
- Shouting over a speaker;
- Deliberately disparaging, harassing, disconcerting and/or taunting a candidate, speaker, and/or meeting attendee(s);
- Sharing negative comments, posts, and/or any information with the purpose of devaluing another person; or
- Failing to comply with the decisions of the Convention Chair.

OUR DEMOCRATIC LEADERS

NATIONAL LEADERS



United States President Joe Biden



United States Vice President Kamala Harris



Democratic Party Chair Jaime Harrison



US Representative (MS-D2) Chairman Bennie G. Thompson

STATE LEADERS



Public Service Commissioner De'Keither Stamps



Transportation Commissioner Willie Simmons



House Minority Leader Representative Robert Johnson



Senate Minority Leader Senator Derrick Simmons

DEMOCRATIC PARTY LEADERS



Chair Representative Cheikh Taylor



Executive Vice Chair Jodie Brown



Administrative Vice Chair William Wheeler, Esq.



Secretary David Rushing



Treasurer Representative Zakiya Summers



Parliamentarian Roosevelt Yarborough



National Committee Man Wilbur O. Colom, Esq.



National Committee Woman Jacquie Amos





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AGENDA

May 25, 2024 | Jackson Convention Complex | 10:00 A.M.

I. Call to Order Rep. Cheikh Taylor

Chairman of MSDP

II. Invocation Rep. Otis Anthony

MS House of Representatives District 31

III. Pledge of Allegiance Rep. Zakiya Summers

MS House of Representatives District 68

IV. Welcoming Remarks

Kamala Harris, Vice President of the United State of America (Video)

Ken Martin, Democratic National Committee Vice Chair (Video)

Bennie Thompson, U.S. House of Representatives 2nd Congressional District

Ty Pinkins, Democratic Nominee for U.S Senate

Dianne Black, Democratic Nominee U.S. House of Representatives 1st Congressional District

Bill Wheeler, Mississippi Democratic Party Executive Vice Chair

Jodie Brown, Mississippi Democratic Party Vice Chair

V. Credentials Report

LJ Brooks

Committee Chair

VI. Rules, Procedures & Guidelines Report

Andre DeBerry *Committee Chair*

- VII. Adoption of Rules, Procedures & Guidelines for the Convention
- VIII. Election of Permanent State Convention Officers

Elect Permanent Convention Chair

Elect Permanent Convention Secretary

- IX. Announcement of Convention Parliamentarian, Sgt At Arms, Timekeeper and Assistants
- X. Congressional District Caucus (Elect five committee members to state committee and one presidential elector)

First Congressional District (2 men, 3 women) Theater Hall Room D Second Congressional District (3 men, 2 women) Remain in Exhibit Hall Third Congressional District (2 men, 3 women) Theater Hall Room E Fourth Congressional District (3 men, 2 women) Remain in Exhibit Hall



XXI.

XXII. Adjourn

Reading & Adoption of Convention Minutes

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AGENDA

Convention Agenda Continues

XI.	Introduction of Keynote Speaker	Attorney Jody Owens Hinds County District Attorney
XII.	Keynote Speaker	Attorney General Keith Ellison State of Minnesota
XIII.	Ratification of (5) Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates (PLEOs)	
XIV.	Election of (1) Democratic National Committeeman	
XV.	Election of (1) Democratic National Committeewoman	
XVI.	Election of (2) Presidential Electors At Large (2)	
	E-BALLOT VOTING	
XVII Election of (5 Women 2 Men) At Large Delegates to the Democratic National Convention		
	E-BALLOT VOTING	
XVIII	Platform Committee Report	Rickey Cole & Tracey Prince Committee Co-Chairs
XIX	Constitution Committee Report	James Hull <i>Committee Chair</i>
XX	Announce the Results of the Elections	
	A. Party Leader and Elected Officials Delegates	
	B. National Committeeman & National Committeewoman	
	C. Presidential Electors At Large	
	D. At Large Delegates to the National Convention	

E. Full Slate of 2024-2028 State Democratic Executive Committee Members



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Jen Waller

Candidate for Mississippi Delegate to the Democratic National Convention

Help Jen build on her 25-year relationship with the National Democratic Party by electing her to represent Mississippi at the 2024 Democratic National Convention

Let's Stand with President Joe Biden to Finish the Job!

Jen has attended 3 national conventions including service as delegate for Joe Biden in 2020 – Other conventions include Boston 2004 as a staffer for the Democratic National Committee and Denver 2008 as a staffer for Congressman Rahm Emanuel





Jen Waller's Democratic Party service:

- 1999 MOTORCADE DRIVER FOR PRESIDENT CLINTON
- 2003 RONNIE MUSGROVE FOR GOVERNOR CAMPAIGN
- 2004 DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE (DNC)
 KERRY-EDWARDS 2004 PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN
- 2005 U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
 OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN MARION BERRY
- 2006 UNITED STATES SENATE
 OFFICE OF SENATOR MARY L. LANDRIEU OF LOUISIANA
- 2007 U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
 OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN RAHM EMANUEL
- 2009 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OBAMA ADMINISTRATION
 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY ARNE DUNCAN
- 2020 ELECTED OFFICER, COAHOMA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY Coahoma County, Mississippi Vice-Chair
- 2020 ELECTED DELEGATE to the DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION in MILWAUKEE for BIDEN-HARRIS



RE-ELECT Oncourse Amos

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE
WOMAN



MAY 25
10:00 AM

Chief Administrative Officer-City of Canton
2020-2024 Democratic National Committee Woman
2020 Biden National Delegate

Affirmative Action Committee Chair State Party
Association of Democratic County Chair-Chair
State Democratic Executive Committee, Member
2nd Congressional District Caucus, Vice Chair
Federation of Democratic Women, Hinds County
National Coalition of 100 Black Women Central Mississippi
Culleywood Capital CDFI, Board Member
NAACP Jackson Chapter, Member

JAN Member, Ward 4

VOTE FOR TRACEY PRINCE AT LARGE 2024-NATIONAL DELEGATE BIDEN -

HARRIS AND MISSISSIPPI STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2024 -2028

2020 Biden - Harris National Delegate

Desoto County Democratic Executive Committee, Platform 2020-present State Democratic Executive Committee, Member, Constitution and Platfo Committee 2020-2024

1 st Congressional District Caucus 2020-2024

Federation of Democratic Women, Desoto /Marshall County Chapter, Men 2020-2024

DLI Alumni ,Class of 2017 Delta Regional Authority USDA RD National Rural Network ,member present NAACP Desoto Chapter, Member 2020-2024





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Rep. Earle S. Banks for Parliamentarian

and delegate to the **Democratic National Convention**



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Rep. Earle S. Banks





David Blount for DNC National Committeeman

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- Vice Chairman, Senate Democratic Caucus (Elected by Democratic Senators)
 - Senator (District 29 Hinds County)
 - Municipal Democratic Executive Committee (five terms)
 - Delegate, State and National Democratic Convention

"I am a proud Biden-Harris Democrat. If elected as National Committeeman for our Party I will attend meetings so Mississippi has a voice. I have worked diligently to elect Democrats to office and will expand that work at the national level. I ask for your vote at our state convention on May 25th."

- Sen. David Blount









THANK YOU



2ND CONGRESSIONAL **DELEGATES, THANK YOU** FOR RE-ELECTING ME TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE **COMMITTEE FOR THE** DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

LET'S MOVE OUR PARTY



FORWARD!

WELCOME

TO THE

MISSISSIPPI DEMOCRATIC PARTY
STATE CONVENTION

FROM

Sandra McCall

MISSISSIPPI BIDEN-HARRIS CAMPAIGN REPRESENTATIVE



GREETINGS, FELLOW DEMOCRATS!

If there has ever been a time when we need a strong, solid, powerful Democratic Party, it's NOW! I think you agree, and I believe I can help. That's why I'm asking for your vote today as I seek the offices of:

- At-Large State Democratic Party committee member
- At-Large Delegate for Joe Biden to the National Democratic Party convention



PAM JOHNSON
Rankin County
Democrat

I have been an active participant in Mississippi Democratic Party activities and Democratic campaigns for over three decades.

In 2020, I founded the *Mississippi Women for Biden/Harris* group -- the first in the nation.

Now, there are tens of thousands of women working across America to re-elect our President and Vice-President.

Now is the time for us to pull together, to keep our eyes on the prize, and to make our voices and strength heard this year and into the coming years. I am ready for the fight.

WE CAN DO IT Y'ALL!







VOTE FOR PAULETTE PALMER



FOR DELEGATE TO THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION

I have served on the State Executive Committee, as chairman of the Leflore County Democratic Executive Committee, Hart Temple of the Elks Lodge, and I am a member of NEA, MAE, OES, Voters League, and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. I am a hard working Democrat, energetic, dedicated, and ready to serve as your delegate.

REMEMBER, I am, **PAULETTE PALMER**, asking for your vote!!

PAULETTE PALMER

PAULETTE PALMER

THANK YOU!

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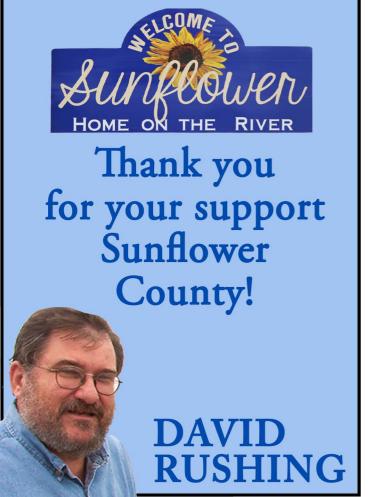


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