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LNC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2022  
VIA ZOOM



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**LEGEND:** text to be inserted, ~~text to be deleted~~, unchanged existing text, *substantive final main motions*.

All main substantive motions will be set off by *bold and italics in green font* (with related subsidiary and incidental motions *set off by highlighted italics*) and will be assigned a motion number comprising the date and a sequential number to be recorded in the Secretary's Main Motion/Ballot Tally record located at <https://tinyurl.com/lncvotes2022>

Points of Order and substantive objections will be indicated in **BOLD RED TEXT**.

All vote results, challenges, and rulings will be set off by **BOLD ITALICS**.

The Secretary produces an electronic One Note notebook for each meeting that contains all reports submitted as well as supplementary information. The notebook for this meeting can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/09182022-EC-Meeting>

The LPedia article for this meeting can be found at:  
[https://lpedia.org/wiki/LNC Executive Committee Meeting 18 September 2022](https://lpedia.org/wiki/LNC_Executive_Committee_Meeting_18_September_2022)

Recordings for this meeting can be found at the LPedia link.

The QR codes lead to the video portion of the meeting being discussed.

## OPENING CEREMONY

### CALL TO ORDER AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Angela McArdle called the meeting to order at 8:02 p.m. (all times Eastern).

## HOUSEKEEPING

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE

The following were in attendance:<sup>1</sup>

**Executive Committee:** Angela McArdle (Chair), Joshua Smith (Vice-Chair), Caryn Ann Harlos (Secretary), Todd Hagopian (Treasurer), Rich Bowen (At-Large Representative), Bryan Elliott (At-Large Representative), Steven Nekhaila (At-Large Representative)

### LNC ATTENDANCE

**At-Large Representatives:** Mike Rufo

**Regional Representatives:** Miguel Duque (Region 1), Carrie Eiler (Region 4), Andrew Watkins (Region 5), Joseph Ecklund (Region 6), Linnea Gabbard (Region 7), Pat Ford (Region 8)

**Regional Alternates:** Martin Cowen (Region 2), Connor Nepomuceno (Region 3), Robley Hall (Region 8)

**Absent:** Dave Benner (Region 2 Representative), Dustin Blankenship (At-Large Representative), Joshua Clark (Region 4 Alternate), Otto Dassing (Region 5 Alternate), Dustin Nanna (Region 3 Representative), Donavan Pantke (Region 7 Alternate), Mark Tuniewicz (Region 6 Alternate), Kathy Yeniscavich (Region 1 Alternate)

**Staff:** None

**Additional Attendees:** Richard Brown (Parliamentarian)

The gallery contained many attendees as noted in the Registration Roster attached hereto as **Appendix 1** comprising person who registered in advance, though not all of the registrants attended.

### OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The following persons spoke during public comment:

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<sup>1</sup> Joshua Smith arrived after the initial roll call.

- Samuel Bohler (AL)
- Natalie Bruno (OK)
- Tyler Cappel (NE)
- Gavin Goodman (AL Chair)
- Caryn Ann Harlos (LNC)
- Austin Lynch (WV)

**PURPOSE OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

To consider recommendations of the Candidate Support Committee as referred to it at the September 11, 2022, LNC meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS WITH PREVIOUS NOTICE**

**CANDIDATE SUPPORT RECOMMENDATIONS**



*Secretary Harlos moved to allocate \$4,000 towards Natalie Bruno's race in OK. [20220918-01]*

**WITHOUT OBJECTION**, Mr. Nekhaila moved to amend to change the support amount from \$4,000 to \$2,000.

A roll call vote was conducted with the following results:

Member / Alternate	Yes	No	Abstain
Bowen		X	
Elliott	X		
Hagopian		X	
Harlos	X		
Nekhaila	X		
Smith	X		
McArdle			X
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>

*This motion PASSED with a roll call vote of 4-2-1. [20220918-01]*

*Secretary Harlos moved to allocate \$3,000 towards Darby Burn's race in NV. [20220918-02]*

A roll call vote was conducted with the following results:

Member / Alternate	Yes	No	Abstain
Bowen		X	
Elliott	X		

Member / Alternate	Yes	No	Abstain
Hagopian	X		
Harlos	X		
Nekhaila	X		
Smith	X		
McArdle			X
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

*This motion PASSED with a roll call vote of 5-1-1. [20220918-02]*

*Secretary Harlos moved to allocate \$2,800 towards Austin Lynch's race in WV. [20220918-03]*

A roll call vote was conducted with the following results:

Member / Alternate	Yes	No	Abstain
Bowen		X	
Elliott	X		
Hagopian	X		
Harlos	X		
Nekhaila	X		
Smith	X		
McArdle			X
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

*This motion PASSED with a roll call vote of 5-1-1. [20220918-03]*

#### DISCUSSION ON ALABAMA POLLING



Chair McArdle led this discussion and invited the Libertarian Party of Alabama Chair Gavin Goodman to discuss with the Executive Committee.

Secretary Harlos requested and received a second for the following motion to be voted on by the Executive Committee on the email list:

*Move to allocate \$4,000 from the ballot access budget line towards Alabama polling efforts. [20220918-04]*

Treasurer Hagopian requested and received a second for the following motion to be voted on by the Executive Committee on the email list:

*Move to allocate \$5,000 from the ballot access budget line towards the Alabama Lt. Governor candidate's race with monies not to go towards the polling effort. [20220918-05]*

## OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The following persons spoke during closing public comment:

- Michael Crump (AL)
- Gavin Goodman (AL Chair)
- Pat Ford (LNC)

## ADJOURNMENT

The LNC adjourned for the day **WITHOUT OBJECTION** at 9:08 p.m.

## TABLE OF NUMBERED MOTIONS/BALLOTS

\*Note that the master log of motions in 2022 can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/lncvotes2022>

ID#	Motion/Ballot	Result
20220918-01	Allocate \$2,000 towards Natalie Bruno's race in OK	PASSED
20220918-02	Allocate \$3,000 towards Darby Burn's race in NV	PASSED
20220918-03	Allocate \$2,800 toward Austin Lynch's campaign in WV	PASSED

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Appendix	Title	Author
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C	Information on Andy Burns	Andy Burns
D	Alabama Polling Information	Libertarian Party of Alabama

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX A – LOG OF REGISTRANTS

REGISTRANTS SHEET<sup>2</sup>

<b>NAME</b>
Philip Bertin
Samuel Bohler
Travis Bost
Tyler Braaten
Natalie Bruno
Darby Burns
Victor Calvillo
Tyler Cappel
Kate Crosby
Michael Crump
Pixie Dixie
Gavin Goodman
Tim Hagan
Jared Hall
Jonathan Jacobs
Benjamin Johnson
TJ Kosin
Aron Lam
Mark Lewis
Matthew Lorence
Austin Lynch
Nathan Madden
Jonathan McGee
Andrew Raines
Noah Rhys
H Marty Schelper
Bill Shaner
JB Stringer
Rhett Trappman
Cynthia Welch

<sup>2</sup> Also included are persons observed to be in attendance but did not sign in on the attendance sheet.



**APPENDIX C – SEPTEMBER 13, 2022, CANDIDATE SUPPORT COMMITTEE MINUTES**

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**Libertarian Party Candidate Support Committee Meeting Minutes**

*Tuesday September 13, 2022 at 7:00pm PST*

*To be conducted remotely via Zoom*

Regular bi-monthly meetings of the Libertarian Party National Candidate Support Committee. Held via zoom Presiding officer Brandon Davis, Chair. Minutes recorded by TJ Kosin. Other officers in attendance: Joshua Toms, Vice-Chair. The meeting was gavelled in at 19:05 hours pst.

Call to Order:

1. Roll Call: Tyler Bargenquast, Dustin Blankenship, Joshua Toms, Brandon Davis, TJ Kosin
2. Approval of Minutes -  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1w4u65oA0XdsYNYXHTtJskitl5LEfJve4Xsnre0uSF8/edit?usp=sharing> Motion to approve the minutes made by Dustin Blakenship seconded by Tyler. Passed with no objection
3. Reports:
  - a. Officer Reports:
    - i. Chair's Report – Brandon Davis  
Talked with Cara Schultz over the past few weeks for old business and not much else to report.
    - ii. Vice-Chair's Report: Joshua Toms  
Nothing to report
    - iii. Secretary's Report – TJ Kosin  
Nothing to report
  - b. Member Announcements  
Brandon Davis is polling at 6% in Nevada.
4. Old Business:
  - a. Answers to all our questions from previous meetings were answered by Cara. (Brandon Davis)
    - i. We do not have access to existing drives but the help desk will be the hub for all items in the future. The hub will be where examples and other items will be there.



- ii. In the current process when someone fills out the form Cara gets an email and provides the candidate workbook and the state affiliate is notified.
  - iii. An in-person training schedule should be implemented in Jan 2023, training will be regional-national-online. Cara is on top of and we will be assisting her with this.
  - iv. A candidate in a box is illegal, lawyers can not figure out how to get it done.
  - v. Items that we can work on are our Template Stuff, Rack cards, Lit Pieces, etc...
  - vi. Work with IT to create a form for candidates to submit photos and information to get templates made for them.
  - vii. Database for campaign managers and treasurers in each state. And they can be shared.
  - viii. Needs help with election night to have results on a spreadsheet
  - ix. Needs help with Post-election aftercare.
  - x. Screeners for candidates if there is an incumbent? is it partisan or non-partisan? and how much money they need to raise to be competitive?
- b. Google Drive was created for all LPCSC dealings. Everyone can access ok?
- i. No issues were reported, Joshua Toms will try later.
- c. Thank you, Tyler for adding CSC financial docs to the Drive as well as the Candidate Support materials. Thank you Joshua Clark for sending the CSC reports in Signal. Please upload to Drive if you haven't already.
- i. The main item is key the one that is 64 pages long. This is what should be sent out.
  - ii. The financial docs are from the old treasurer Todd.
- d. Campaign training research updates (TJ and Joshua Toms) and other items requested by Angela
- i. TJ found that sites were doing online training at \$25-\$35 a webinar training and have over 200 sign-ups per class.
  - ii. Joshua Toms is still waiting on answers. He did find its easy to get in touch with the local paper and they will hear you and its free exposure.



5. New Business

- a. Define the flowthrough process of candidate support requests. Seems as though there are items not flowing correctly to CSC. (Brandon Davis)
  - i. Angela gave a mandate to this committee that we create a form for candidates to fill out based on criteria for what matters to us.
  - ii. We have to have the form done by Friday.
  - iii. Motion made to create a form by Friday by Joshua Toms seconded by TJ Kosin
  - iv. Motion to allow signal voting for the form by Friday at 12 pm made by Brandon Davis seconded by Joshua Toms
- b. A formal request from the LNC to evaluate candidates for candidate support (Dustin Blankenship)
  - i. Motion made to assist Natalie Bruno with non-financial-based support examples would be social media, Promoting fundraising posts/email, and volunteers for phone/text banking as resources allow. Motion made by Dustin Blankenship seconded by TJ Kosin Passed with unanimous consent
  - ii. Motion made to recommend to excom to assist Austin Lynch with up to \$2800 to help with mailers and Campaign Support. Motion made by TJ Kosin seconded by Dustin Blankenship Passed with unanimous consent
  - iii. Motion made to recommend to excom to assist Darby Burns with up to \$3000 to help with mailers and Campaign Support. Motion made by TJ Kosin seconded by Joshua Toms Passed with unanimous consent

6. Open Discussion On Anything Not Covered (*Time Permitting*)

7. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Joshua Toms , seconded by TJ Kosin ,  
passed without objection at 20:39 hrs PST

Next Meeting 9/27/22 at 19:00 Hours

APPENDIX C – INFORMATION ON DARBY BURNS' CAMPAIGN

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— ELECT —

# *Darby* Burns


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## DECENTRALIZE NEVADA NOW!

*Bringing power back to the people  
and away from special interests.*

Richard McArthur	Darby Burns
Establishment-Republican [2]	Populist-Libertarian
Born in Illinois, raised in California	Born in Las Vegas, Raised in Las Vegas
79 years old	23 years old
FBI agent (25 years)[2]	Entrepreneur/Music Industry (5 years)
Supports government interference into the lives of peaceful Nevadans [1][2]	Opposes government interference into the lives of peaceful Nevadans
Supports the use of violence to enforce personal views onto others. [1][2][3]	Opposes the use of state-sanctioned violence to enforce personal views onto others.
Career-long enforcer of federal policy to undermine the sovereignty of the states. [2]	Community activist standing in vocal opposition of federal undermining of state sovereignty.
Supports state-legislative overreach undermining the autonomy of our counties and cities. [1] [3]	Opposes state-legislative overreach undermining the autonomy of our counties and cities.
Opposes sanctuary cities, drug decriminalization, and local control generally. [1][2][3]	Supports the autonomy of our counties, cities and towns.

DARBY4NV.COM – STATE ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 4



[1] "McArthur opposes legalizing recreational marijuana.." - Las Vegas Review Journal, May 27, 2016

- McArthur's vocal opposition to recreational cannabis legalization is not only a blatant endorsement of state overreach into our counties, but a tacit support of state-sanctioned violence against nonviolent Nevadans.

[2]

- Having served 25 years in the FBI, McArthur chose to spend his life aligning himself with the enforcers of violent federal overreach that spits in the face of the sovereignty of our states: The butchers of Waco (FBI, ATF), murderers of 76 Americans including 25 children and two pregnant women in a 51 day siege which implemented psychological torture and the deployment of tanks as a means of enforcing gun control legislation. McArthur views himself as "pro 2A," but what does this really mean?

[3] "McArthur... has backed legislation to make English the official language of state business..." - The Las Vegas Sun, Oct. 8, 2008

- The state should have no say in what languages are spoken within private establishments. Any opinion to the contrary directly undermines the property rights and socioeconomic mobility of the business owner. Furthermore, Carson city overlords should mind their own business about what language(s) counties and towns decide to use. Nevadans have had enough with micro-managing busybodies.

[4] "McArthur pointed out that the American Conservative Union... ranked him the Assembly's most conservative voter in 2011." - The Las Vegas Review-Journal, May 27, 2016

- In the year 2022, it seems evident that AD4 will not find adequate representation from an 80 year old retired FBI agent whose policy positions haven't changed since he stepped into office in 2008. McArthur, coming into the late years of his life, is incapable of adapting to the times — and as such, he is incapable of representing the opinions held by any meaningful portion of Republicans today, let alone our community as a whole.





A campaign poster for Darby Burns, featuring a portrait of him in a blue suit and patterned shirt. The text is arranged vertically on a black background with a yellow border. At the top, it says 'ELECT' above 'Darby BURNS' with three stars. Below that is the slogan 'DECENTRALIZE NV!' and the tagline 'Bringing power back to the people and away from special interests.' At the bottom, it lists the website 'DARBY4NV.COM', the office 'STATE ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 4', and the 'LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEVADA' logo.

ELECT

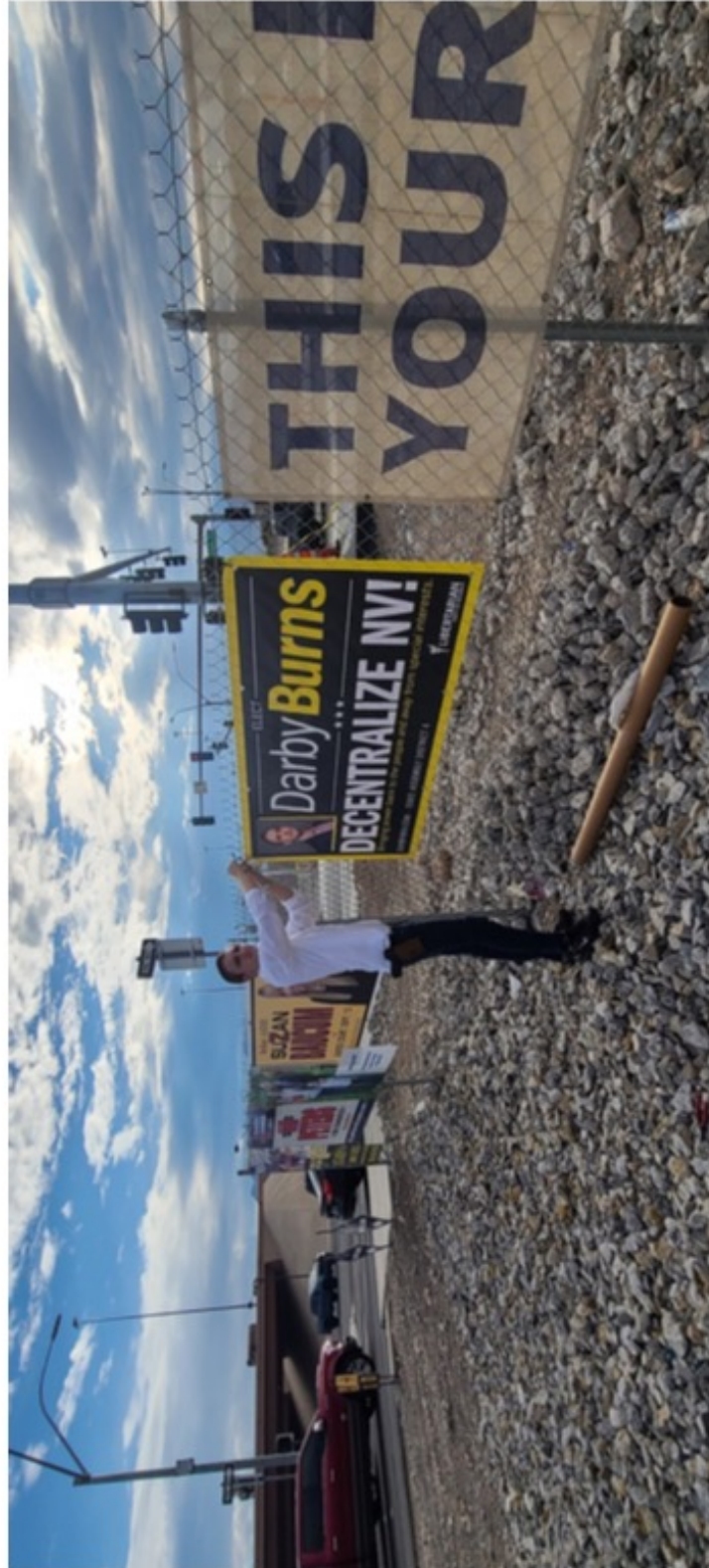
Darby  
**BURNS** \*\*\*

**DECENTRALIZE NV!**

*Bringing power back to the people  
and away from special interests.*

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**APPENDIX C – INFORMATION ON ALABAMA POLLING**

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# Proposed LPA Poll Questions

## Proposed Methodology

### **Proposed Voter Markets**

#### **Primary Voter Markets:**

Birmingham (Jefferson and Shelby Counties)  
Huntsville (Madison and Limestone Counties)

#### **Secondary Voter Markets:**

Auburn/Opelika (Lee County)  
Dothan (Dale, Henry, and Houston Counties)  
Tuscaloosa (Tuscaloosa County)  
Montgomery (Montgomery County)

### **Proposed Sample Size**

500 – 1000 Registered Voters  
Weighted by race and gender to match state demographics  
The order of question responses should be rotated to avoid bias

### **Proposed Response Breakdowns (In order of precedence)**

Question Response  
Party ID (Republican, Democrat, Independent)  
Race  
Gender  
Age

1. If the election for U.S. Senator in Alabama were being held today, who would you vote for?
  - Katie Britt (Republican Candidate)
  - Will Boyd (Democratic Candidate)
  - John Sophocleus (Libertarian Candidate)
  - Somebody else
  - Not sure
  
2. If the election for Governor in Alabama were being held today, who would you vote for?
  - Kay Ivey (Republican Candidate)
  - Yolanda Flowers (Democratic Candidate)
  - James “Jimmy” Blake (Libertarian Candidate)
  - Somebody else
  - Not sure
  
3. If the election for Lieutenant Governor in Alabama were being held today, who would you vote for?
  - Will Ainsworth (Republican Candidate)
  - Ruth Page Nelson (Libertarian Candidate)
  - Somebody else
  - Not sure
  
4. The U.S. Congress just passed the Safer Communities Act which gives money to states if they want to introduce "red flag" programs. A “red flag law” is a gun control law that permits police to petition a state court to order the temporary removal of firearms from a person who they believe may be a present danger to others or themselves. Would you support the introduction of a “red flag law” in Alabama?
  - Yes, I would support the introduction of a “red flag law” in Alabama
  - No, I would not support the introduction of a “red flag law” in Alabama
  - Not sure
  
5. Currently the State of Alabama only allows the Alabama State Legislature to put constitutional amendments on the ballot. Would you support a law that also gave voters the ability to put constitutional amendments or other voter initiatives and referenda on the ballot?
  - I would support giving voters the ability to put constitutional amendments or other voter initiatives and referenda on the ballot
  - I would oppose giving voters the ability to put constitutional amendments or other voter initiatives and referenda on the ballot
  - Not sure
  
6. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement... The Alabama state government is doing a good job of providing its citizens with high value, cost efficient services in exchange for their tax dollars?
  - Strongly Agree
  - Agree
  - Disagree
  - Strongly Disagree
  - Not sure

7. Because of higher than expected tax revenues in recent years, Alabama has a budget surplus. [If necessary: The state is collecting more money than it spends.] What do you think would be the best use of those surplus funds?

- Spend on state services
- Reduce state taxes
- Reduce state debt
- Distribute back to citizens

8. In June, Alabama state officials borrowed \$725 million to construct two new supersize prisons in order to partially solve the prison overcrowding problem in Alabama. How should Alabama solve the prison overcrowding problem?

- Expand pre-trial diversion programs and relax sentencing guidelines for non-violent offenders
- Increase spending on correctional facilities and personnel
- Something else

9. About 18 states have school voucher programs which allow parents to spend state funds on private school tuition or home schooling. Should Alabama have a voucher program or some other type of program that gives parents the ability to choose which school gets their children's education dollars?

- Yes, Alabama should have a voucher program
- Yes, Alabama should have some other type of program that gives parents the ability to choose which school gets their children's education dollars
- No, Alabama should have none of the above

10. Currently recreational marijuana is legal in 19 states, and medical marijuana is legal in 39 states, including Alabama. Do you think that recreational marijuana should be decriminalized [If necessary: recreational marijuana should no longer be a criminal offense, but may still be subject to a fine or civil penalty] or legalized?

- Yes, I think recreational marijuana should be legalized
- Yes, I think recreational marijuana should be decriminalized, but not legalized
- No, I think recreational marijuana should not be decriminalized or legalized

11. In June, the United States Supreme Court overturned Roe v Wade, the landmark ruling that established the constitutional right to abortion in the United States during the first two trimesters of pregnancy. Do you agree or disagree with this Supreme Court ruling?

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- Not sure

12. Do you think that Alabama politicians are more or less corrupt than politicians in Mississippi, Tennessee, Georgia, and Florida?

- More corrupt
- About the same
- Less corrupt
- Not sure