

★ 2012 Timeline ★

- March 1** Deadline for statements of candidacy for District-Level Delegates at the district caucuses to be delivered to the State Party Headquarters.
- March 9** Presidential candidate(s) notified of all persons who have filed as delegates pledged to that candidate to run at the District Caucuses.
- March 21** Deadline for statement of candidacy to run for Unpledged/Pledged PLEO Delegate and At-Large Delegate (or alternate candidate).
- March 30** State Party provides list of PLEO and At-Large Delegates and alternate candidates to the respective Presidential candidates.
- March 31** **DISTRICT CAUCUSES**
- April 9** Deadline for State Democratic Chair to certify all delegates and alternates elected at the District Caucuses.
- April 21** **State Committee Meeting to elect At-Large and PLEO Delegates.**



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How to Become a Delegate



**2012 DEMOCRATIC
NATIONAL CONVENTION**

CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

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★ About the Convention ★

The Democratic National Convention is a convention held to determine the Democratic Presidential Candidate. The 2012 Democratic National Convention will take place on the week of September 3, 2012 in Charlotte, North Carolina, and Arizona will send 79 delegates and 6 alternates to attend the convention and nominate a Democratic presidential candidate.

The first step in determining these delegates will be on March 31, 2012 during District-level Caucuses. At this caucus, Democratic voters are able to indicate their preference for a presidential nominee. Afterwards, Precinct Committeepersons will select delegates to the national convention.

★ Delegates ★

- **Delegate:** an official representative of Democrats in his/her state that attends the National Convention to nominate the Democratic candidate for President
- **District-Level Delegates:** delegates who are determined based upon district level votes
- **Pledged/Unpledged:** Pledged individuals have promised to vote on a particular nominee. Unpledged delegates vote for the presidential candidate they feel best represents the ideals of the Democratic Party.
- **PLEO (Party Leaders and Elected Officials):** individuals who are selected by the virtue of their office and/or position (may be pledged or unpledged)



★ Ways to attend ★

To become a District-Level Delegate...

- You must be a registered Democrat
- You must submit a statement of candidacy form by March 1, 2012 with a pledge statement (or remain unpledged).
- The Presidential Nominee review will occur by March 16, 2012.

To become an At-Large Delegate...

- You must file a State of Candidacy form with the State Party by March 21, 2012.
- At-Large Delegates will be selected* by the State Committee on April 21, 2012.

*As part of the Arizona Democratic Party's ongoing efforts to include groups historically under-represented in the Democratic Party's affairs and to assist in the achievement of full participation by these groups, we encourage participation by those of diverse race/ethnicity, age, sexual orientation or disability

Are you a party leader or elected official?

You can be a **Pledged** or **Unpledged Delegate!** (See Keywords for details.)

To become a Pledged PLEO Delegate**...

- You must qualify by March 21, 2012 at the ADP Headquarters.
- Then, you must sign a Statement of Candidacy if you are not already pledged.

To become an Unpledged PLEO Delegate...

- You must legally reside in Arizona and be one of the following:
 - ◇ A member of the Democratic National Committee
 - ◇ A Democratic member of the U.S. House of Representatives or the U.S. Senate, or
 - ◇ A "Distinguished Party Leader" delegate

