

DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY TO RUN FOR NATIONAL DELEGATE-AT-LARGE

COMPLETION OF THIS FORM IN ITS ENTIRETY AND SUBMISSION BY THE DUE DATE IS A REQUIREMENT FOR RUNNING TO SERVE AS A NATIONAL DELEGATE

THIS FORM WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE STATE CONVENTION TABLOID

DUE NO LATER THAN 5 p.m. 1 May 2020

Name Ray D. Dearin. Address 1000 Kennedy St., Ames, IA 50010-4248

Congressional District 4th

County Story

*Why are you interested in serving as a National Delegate? (50 words maximum)

National conventions typically boost a candidate's poll standings by 5-8%. This momentum can carry to November. As a member of Iowa's delegation, I would do my best to ensure a successful convention, build support in Iowa for the Trump-Pence ticket, Senator Ernst, and our congressional candidates.

Are you a registered Republican? ☒ Y ☐ N

Please list previous county, district, and state conventions you have attended as a delegate or alternate delegate.

Since 1976, I have attended every precinct caucus, district, and state convention in Iowa.

(In the interest of full disclosure, I will list my national convention experience.)

1976—I went to Kansas City as a volunteer for Ronald Reagan.

1980—I was a delegate to the Republican National Convention in Detroit.

1984—I was a delegate to the Republican National Convention in Dallas.

1988—I went to the Republican National Convention in New Orleans as a political commentator and analyst for WOI-TV (Ames-Des Moines).

1992—I was an alternate delegate to the Republican National Convention in Houston.

1996—I was a delegate to the Republican National Convention in San Diego (and member of the Credentials Committee).

2000—I was a delegate to the Republican National Convention in Philadelphia (and member of the Platform Committee).

2004—I was an alternate delegate to the Republican National Convention in New York.

2008—I was an alternate delegate to the Republican National Convention in St. Paul.

2012—I served as a member of the Floor Whip Team at the Republican National Convention in Tampa (appointed by Tony Feather, the convention organizations director).

*In what ways have you contributed to the election of Republican candidates i. e. making calls, door knocking, donating or volunteering in other ways? Please be specific and use bullet points.

*In 1972 I was the state chair of Educators for the Re-election of the President (appointed by Churchill Williams of Oelwein, the chair of the state re-election committee).

*I served many years as a precinct committee person in Ames and was co-chair of the Story County Republican Central Committee.

*In 1980 I was a debate adviser to then-Congressman Charles Grassley. My role was to help prepare him for the Grassley-Culver debates.

*I served three terms on the RPI State Central Committee (1994-2000).

Have you ever run for political office? If so, which office and party.

No, I have never run for political office.

Please include any additional information that makes you a good candidate.

I have advised many candidates for political office. For more than two decades, I taught a course in campaign communication at Iowa State University. For a complete *Curriculum Vitae* of my teaching, administration, and research publications, you may contact me at my email address: rdearin@iastate.edu

But please don't be distracted by my academic record. I would like to be a convention delegate because that position would afford me greater opportunities to support the re-election of Donald J. Trump as President of the United States.

Signature

Ray D. Dearin

Date

April 25, 2020