

# DISTRICT TWO

## National Convention Delegates

DELEGATES PLEDGED TO VICE PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN



### JOHN BALLA

i'd like your support because I believe in America, and I will fight tooth & nail to protect us all from the threats posed by today's Republican party. As a life-long Democrat, I believe in science, civil rights for everyone, women's right to choose, the rule of law, protecting our environment and our responsibility to protect our most vulnerable citizens. I also think Democrats must reaffirm our commitment to racial and social justice. I am also your neighbor and friend. I am the Boy Scout leader, PTA president, and I'm often the guy that shows up and rolls up his sleeves to pitch in. I've been married 27 years and our two kids are in college now. I speak four languages because my parents were immigrants (dad from Hungary, mom from Brazil). I work full-time at SAS in marketing, and I've proudly chaired Precinct 08-09 since 2017. Thank you!



### NICHOLAS BATTLE

As a soon-to-be graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel majoring in Political Science and Public Policy, I am eager to get involved in the political process during this momentous election cycle. The very fabric of our country is at stake, and I believe that Vice President Biden is the leader we need to get American back on track. I have been a dedicated supporter of Vice President Biden's campaign for some time, and had the chance to support him earlier this year at his rally when he visited Raleigh. I would love the opportunity to continue to show that support as a delegate at the Democratic National Convention. As a young, lifelong Democrat, I would represent Vice President Biden with honesty, integrity, and true enthusiasm.



### JOHN BUCK

I have worked to elect local Democrats because they are the leaders closest to our communities and with the most impact on our homes, schools, environment and healthcare. We have been successful in Apex, Wake County School Board, and Wake County Commission. Last cycle we helped to support Governor Cooper in the legislature. Democrats have a compassion, mission, and demonstrated ability to govern. At the national level I have worked to elect Barack Obama as perhaps the greatest President of my lifetime. I am a Vietnam Veteran who retired in Fayetteville, and sent my oldest son to NCSU while I completed a second Masters in Special Education and spent the next 20 years teaching Special needs children. In 2004 I was fortunate to accompany my son to the National Convention in Boston. He was among the youngest delegates to that convention at the time we as a family lived in Colorado. We returned to North Carolina in 2007. During WWII my dad was assigned to Camp Davis on the coast and NC has been my adopted home.



## CJ CAVAZOS

This is the most consequential election we have had, or might have, for a long time. I'm proud to represent the Democratic party and have been doing my best to stay involved and get as many people that I know to vote blue this fall. I support Vice President Biden's plans to move this country forward, especially in criminal justice and immigration reform, healthcare, and for education beyond high school. As a public service professional, student loan forgiveness and reducing the burden for future generations, including my daughter, are really important to me. I don't want her to take on mountains of debt just to get a quality education and pursue her passion. I would love to represent Vice President Biden at the National Convention and help make his vision become a reality. Thank you!



## ALOK CHAKRABARTI

I am a retired professor of Management. I was founding dean of the Tuchman School of Management at NJIT. I served on the school board of Union County in NJ. I also taught in Germany and Finland. We want to get a Democratic Administration and the Congress.



## PHILLIP COOPER

Of all the presidential elections, this election needs people who will get the Democratic Party's platform and messages to the masses. And, I am the type person who can help Joe Biden do just that. I recognize that the stakes of this election is high and crystal clear. I am willing to do what it capture the White House. I would like to represent Biden at the Convention because I have a history of engaging the attendees at the convention and in their home turf. My 48 years of being a diehard Democrat with an impeccable voting record has taught me the ins and outs of campaigning with energy. I know what it will take to get the crowd energized at the Convention. And, I know what it will take to get North Carolinian excited about going to the polls on November 3rd. For I am fired up and ready to get that done.



## SHARHONDA COOPER

I have seen global pain and suffering on a level never witnessed in my lifetime. There is so much uncertainty, fear and need impacting the way we respond to a crisis. As I reflect on the upcoming presidential election I am more motivated that ever to support Joe Biden. I am struck by his candor, insight and willingness to fight for ALL communities by influencing policy and having a heart for people. The climate of our nation pre COVID-19 has been concerning, which highlights the necessity of action in the political arena now. Due to COVID-19, I am not sure how election procedures will be impacted, but I implore all who are eligible, to exercise their right to vote and educate themselves about candidate positions on issues. In the end I am confident that Joe Biden is best suited to take us to the next level and bring back respect, morality and dignity to the Presidential office.

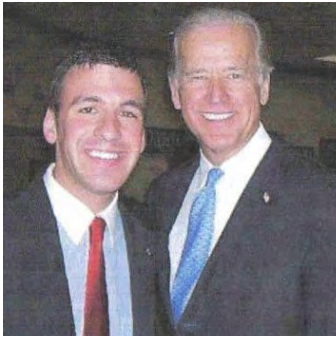


## DAVID ELLIOTT

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## BRENDAN FETERS

As a mid-career educator this photo illustrates my long support for Vice President Biden as it was taken at the conclusion of my first year as an elementary classroom teacher. Now, as a middle school assistant principal, I have a deeper appreciation for not only my profession but the community, state and nation. I am deeply invested and involved in local, state and federal levels within the Democratic Party. I proudly stood by Joe Biden in 2006 as a US Senator and I stand by him 2020 as the next President of the United States.



## STEFANIE FORGEY

Especially in times like these, with what our country (and the world) are facing in 2020, it is vitally important that we possess the conviction and strength to stand up for what we believe in most passionately. For me, that is a leader like Joe Biden, and I want for my voice to be a catalyst for the change we so desperately deserve. Representing Vice President Biden as his delegate at the Democratic National Convention would be an honor and a privilege.



## KELLEY HAMILTON

I have chosen to represent Joe Biden at the Democratic National Convention because I feel as though he is our best hope for defeating Donald Trump in the fall. As a high school senior going to college this fall, I believe that Joe Biden is the best person to fight to make college affordable to me. Another reason that I have chosen to represent Joe Biden at the DNC is his plan to fight climate change in order to protect the planet for current and future generations. The issue of climate change is especially important to me as I am currently planning on studying Earth and Environmental Science and Political Science to hopefully work to develop and implement environmental policy.



## JESSICA HOLMES

I was among the first wave of elected officials in NC to endorse Vice-President Biden in the primary, whom I have admired since my time as an Obama for America Fellow. He got his start in politics as a county commissioner and I currently serve as a Wake County Commissioner, and candidate for NC Commissioner of Labor. I serve on the kitchen cabinet for the Vice-President's African American outreach team among other leaders from across the country. It would be my honor to have your vote to continue my service to the campaign as a delegate.



## RASHIDUL ISLAM

I'm Rash (Rashidul), a long life Democrat and residing at Cary, Wake County, and working as a Software Engineer at one of the largest Computer Conglomerate companies in the world. I had been a Precinct Vice-Chair of 20-04. I am a self-motivated, dedicated and energized Decorate, believing compassionately that all Democrats have to work together and focus on a common goal for overcoming the exiting crisis of the country. I am a member of American Pacific Islanders ( AAPI), and I also hosted a fundraising meeting for Cal Cunningham, US Senate Candidate of 2020. Also, I hosted Francey Youngberg, a special appointee of the Hillary Clinton National Campaign. While I hosted many Candidate Forum Meetings at my residence, I also volunteered and supported the election campaigns of different candidates of Municipality, NC House, and NC Senate races. I always participated effectively to move forward our Party's agenda for revitalizing the identity of the Democratic Party. With our support, if I got elected as a delegate in the forthcoming DNC convention, I will have robust support in the winning pursuit of VP Joe Biden.

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## EUNICE JONES

My reason for wanting to represent Former Vice President Joe Biden, is because he has demonstrate leadership, and he will bring integrity, dignity, character and respect back to the White House and the world. Biden will have a strong vision for the country's future, he has shown that he has effective communication skills, the courage to make unpopular decisions, and he will select wise appointments, and has the ability to work with congress to get the job done for the American people. He will also take responsibility without blaming others for his mistakes. Change is coming!!



## MARINA KELLY

Joe Biden brings empathy, expertise, and grace to this Presidential campaign - three things which we desperately need to be at the forefront of our country. His words are not empty political promises, with over four decades of public service to prove that he can "walk the walk". That is why he is my candidate of choice and why I am running as a Delegate for #TeamBiden to my first Democratic National Convention. I am Marina Lail Kelly and I am the current Wake County Vice Chair for the Wake County Democratic Party, as well as a member of the State Executive Committee, Precinct Chair for 18-07, member of the WCDP Data Management Corps, Treasurer of the Southern Wake Democrats, and a member of the Democratic Women and Men of Wake County. I have worked to help elect amazing Democratic candidates across Wake County and would appreciate your vote. Thank you!



## CRISTINA LARA



## ANA MACMULLEN



## LISA MALACHOWSKY

We must elect Joe Biden to beat Donald Trump in the 2020 election. As a person who sees us potentially one Supreme Court justice away from turning back the clocks on many of our rights, I am already energized to be a part of the change by working locally in North Carolina. I am the current President of the Wake County LGBTQ+ Democrats, and I actively work with our diverse constituency to get out and vote. I'd love to be one of the group to represent Joe at the convention and ensure that our whole country gets a kickstart to getting back on the path of fairness for all in a country that cares about everyone: no matter how much you make, what the color of your skin is or who you love!

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## JAMES METTREY

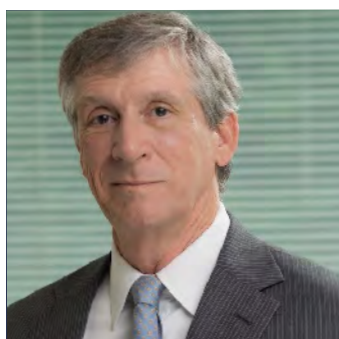
Vice of Precinct #11 and chair, Chair of Precinct 18, Vice Chair of Precinct 07-09, worked as poll worker in every Election since 1984, and served on County Executive Committee and State Executive Committee.



## KANWAL NAIYAR

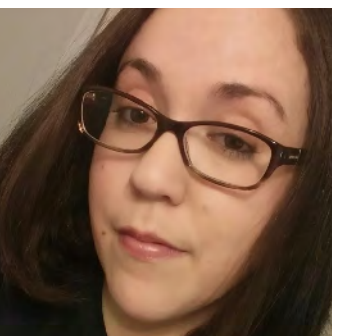


## KENNY PALMER



## ANDY PENRY

I have been active in the Party since 1972, when, at age 17, I was elected McGovern delegate to the State Convention. I was County Party Chair from 1995-97, a delegate to the 1996 convention, an alternate in 2000, and continue to serve as a precinct officer. I served as Treasurer for the Cooper for AG campaign, and on Governor Cooper's finance committee and transition team. As Chair of the NC Board of Elections, I worked with members from both parties to expose election fraud in NC 9. In addition to my private law practice, I am a trustee of the State Party and Wake Tech, a director at WakeMed, and a professor at Wake Forest School of Law. I am active in the Democratic Governors Association, supporting the election of Democratic governors throughout the country. I support Biden because of his positions on fair elections, especially eliminating suppression of the African-American vote; climate change; equity for working people; the rights of women, especially support for passage of the ERA; and for statehood for DC.



## ANA PEREZ

As a first gen immigrant, voting, and voting D, it would be the highest honor possible for me to be able cast a delegate for Joe Biden and help defeat the terror in our White House.

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## NICOLE POWELL

I came of age politically during the Obama-Biden years, when it was possible to trust and believe in the Executive Branch. Joe Biden has a genuine personality, caring nature, and a professional demeanor. He will restore dignity, grace, and professionalism to the office of the president while listening to and respecting the American people. As a young democrat, I trust Biden to make the right decisions. Members of the Democratic party represent the diversity that makes America special, and every color, age, race, and creed must be represented to ensure that our progress benefits each and every one of us. Supporting and representing Joe Biden as a young democrat at the convention will allow me to demonstrate these sentiments, which are shared among my demographic.



## GRAYSON (LARRY) REEVES

Donald Trump is an existential threat to America and its soul and to the world. Defeating Trump in the election in November is thus imperative. Equally important is electing someone with the qualifications--competence, integrity, experience, and simple human decency--to be President of the United States. Vice President Biden possesses those traits as he has demonstrated throughout his 47 years of service to America as a Senator and as Vice President. These traits starkly distinguish the honorable Vice President Biden from the demagogic Trump and make Joe Biden the able and formidable candidate for President our country desperately needs. I have proudly supported Vice President Biden's candidacy for President since its inception on April 25, 2019. Although I will passionately support and work for Vice President Biden's candidacy whether or not I am chosen as a convention delegate, representing Vice President Biden at the Democratic National Convention would be not only an honor, but also an opportunity to learn how to be a better campaigner and advocate for him as all of us Democrats fight for America's future in 2020.



## ANN ROBERTSON

I have helped lead the Biden for President North Carolina Leadership Council since September of 2019. The campaign staff personally asked me to apply to be a Biden delegate to the Convention. In seven months on the Southeast Regional Finance committee, I personally raised more than \$27,500 for Biden. On April 17th, I was one of only nine co-hosts selected by the Biden campaign committee for the North Carolina Fireside Chat with Joe Biden. The Southeast Regional Finance Director told me that I was selected because: "You have been a trooper who has been with us and pushing folks to give even during the hard times. And for that we are very grateful." In addition to being a leader in fundraising, I also successfully promoted attendance at the October and February rallies in the Triangle and at a gathering in Cary with Joe's sister, Valerie.



## CINDY SINKEZ

Three words that describe me are determined, compassionate and empathetic. These words also describe why I am a democrat. My compassion and empathy shine through in most everything I do. I am determined to make a difference in my community. I have been heavily involved in the democratic party for many years. I am immediate Past-President of Democratic Women of Wake County, precinct chair, SEC member and CEC member. I have volunteered for numerous campaigns and ran for office. My involvement doesn't stop at party lines. I volunteer with many nonprofit organizations as well. I am determined that we have a democrat as President. That Democrat is Joe Biden. I have never attended a convention as a delegate. I did go to the convention in Charlotte and wandered around. I would love to attend as a delegate to the convention this year. It's time to go Blue - Vote Biden.



## MARY THOMPSON

The true equalizer, everyone over 18 has the right to vote without any obstacles. That is why I volunteer with the Democratic Party so one day this statement will be true. I volunteered for the Barak Obama campaigns and was one of the many people that took time off from work to volunteers at the 2012 Democratic National Convention in Charlotte. The country is off its axis and the stakes are too high to sit on the sidelines. We are better than this. I am using my talent to help move the Democratic Party forward by serving as the Treasurer of the Democratic Women of Wake County and Treasurer for the African American Caucus of Wake County. I was newly appointed as the Treasurer for the League of Women Voters North Carolina. I ask for your vote to serve as a Congressional Delegate representing the 2nd District of North Carolina.

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## KYLE TURNER

I become very interested in the political process for which our nation chooses our president and vice president as such I'm interested in seeing the process from all angles. I believe I will be able to offer support and a sense pride and of spirit this historic national.

## DELEGATES PLEDGED TO SENATOR BERNIE SANDERS



## MARIA ALMODOVAR

I would like to represent Senator Bernie Sanders because we share the same progressive values, such as Medicare for All, free public higher learning, and the Green New Deal. I believe that the best leader for our country is one that can unite everyone and I believe that candidate is Senator Sanders.



## WALTER BOLLES

I grew up in a rural working class family in Eastern North Carolina that was and continues to be impacted by many of the problems that affect millions of people every day: Medical bankruptcy, the opioid crisis, climate change and pollution, student loans, and homelessness. I was extremely fortunate to be able attend college, but I was an outlier; many others did not have the same opportunities that I've had. Bernie Sanders was the first candidate in my lifetime who I've felt convincingly spoke to these issues, and could deliver the change we desperately need. Because of this I was inspired to join his campaign and have spent hundreds of hours in the last year volunteering, phone-banking, canvassing, and mentoring for Bernie. It would be a great privilege to continue the fight for Medicare for All, the Green New Deal, and social and economic equality as a delegate.



## KRISTIN BROWN

Bernie Sanders' straightforward, consistent platform of justice and equal opportunity and access captivated me in 2015. Though I was previously politically "aware," Bernie's message and service have completely and permanently changed me. The inherent privilege that comes with both my skin tone and American birthright is a responsibility I humbly seek to use on behalf of those disenfranchised and systemically abused by the injustices that still exist in our nation today. I've worked in the nonprofit sector my entire career and dedicate my energy and passion to serving others, both here and in other countries. This too, has only been enhanced by Bernie's example. Regardless of Bernie's status in this presidential race, the movement he has ignited and the causes for which he still fights remain, and I intend to represent him and the platform we so desperately need wholeheartedly.

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## TONY CERON



## DAMON CHETSON

Having canvassed and volunteered by hosting staging sites on behalf of Bernie Sanders in the primary, while I am committed to Bernie Sanders on the first ballot, I am committed to defeating Donald Trump in the general election. As an attorney in Raleigh, I have defended people who have marched to fund our schools, our health care system, and our public servants through Rev. William Barber and the NAACP's Poor People's Campaign. I have volunteered pro bono to represent those who have marched and engaged in peaceful civil disobedience.



## STEPHANIE DOBOS



## JULIE FRY



## ALEKH JHA

At the most fundamental level, I would like to represent Bernie Sanders as a delegate because I agree with his most essential claim - namely that over the last few decades the political and economic systems in the US have not represented the interests of a large and significant portion of the American population. This claim is supported quite obviously by the fact that while being the wealthiest country in history, the US has been unable to guarantee healthcare as a human right, unable to provide a reasonable minimum wage to workers, and unable to meaningfully curtail fossil fuel emissions. Bernie is virtually the only politician of his renown who has been willing to honestly and earnestly prescribe, not only the most urgent problems the American populace faces, but also solutions to those problems that are bold enough to address them adequately. For these reason (and more) I would like to represent Bernie as a delegate. I look forward to your support.

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**CATHERINE LARSEN**



**DANIEL LUNA**



**KEN MURILLO**



**ARUNAVA (RON) SANYAL**

Universal Health Care for all. Opportunities for affordable College Education. Equality & raise minimum wage. I believe that " Sun rises equally for all"



**ROBERT SCULL**

The efforts of Bernie Sanders to lead the Democratic Party back to the progressive path pioneered by Roosevelt, Truman, Kennedy, and Johnson inspired me to organize 12 door-to-door canvasses for Bernie. Both parties have shown more concern for corporate interests over the past half century than for ordinary people. The economy of our country was severely wounded by the free trade deals that sent good jobs with pensions overseas and our health care system and financial system continue to be predatory. Bernie's voting record in the Senate shows a deep understanding of domestic and foreign policy issues and a commitment to honesty and equity rather than political expediency. He is the best candidate the Party has offered in my lifetime. I am concerned that unless Biden makes an effort to include progressive leaders within his campaign leadership that Trump will win again.

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**NCDEMOCRATS**

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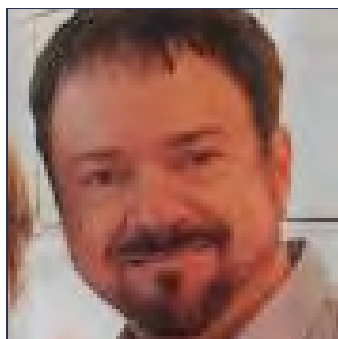
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## Presidential Electors



### LINDA GUNTER

I would be honored to represent the voters of the 2nd District as a member of the NC Electoral College. My research as a government teacher, led me to co-authoring a book in 1988 on the history and workings of the NC Electoral College. This culminated in one of the largest historical meetings in NC and the script I wrote for the meeting is still in use today. As a State Senator, I sponsored legislation establishing formal meetings run by the Secretary of State. It also added two alternate electors. Serving as an Elector for me is not just a position, but a way to officially take part in making history. I would appreciate your vote for Elector so I can proudly cast our vote for Joe Biden for President. I would really appreciate your vote at the district convention. Be sure to look for my "Elector" license plate!



### STEVEN HILL

I am a lifelong Democrat, thanks to the values instilled within me by my parents. One of the greatest lessons I learned from them is that being a Democrat was a way of life, not just a political party. The Democratic Party has always stood up for the rights of individuals who would never have a voice, if it were not for the Democratic Party. I believe that Vice President Joe Biden embodies those same principles. Therefore, I am committed to fighting for and electing Joe Biden as the next President of the United States. We MUST defeat Donald Trump! Our nation cannot withstand another 4 years of a Trump presidency. I am a longtime grassroots activist at the precinct, county, and state levels. I am asking for your support to elect me as a Presidential Elector from the 2nd Congressional District. Together, we can defeat Donald Trump!

