INITIATIVE PETITION

To the Secretary of State, of the State of Arkansas:

We, the undersigned legal registered voters of the State of Arkansas, respectfully propose the following amendment to the Constitution of the State, to wit: The Arkansas Hemp and Cannabis Amendment and by this, our petition, order that the same be submitted to the people of said state, to the end that the same may be adopted, enacted, or rejected by the vote of the registered voters of said state, at the regular general election to be held in said state on the 8th day of November, 2016, and each of us for himself or herself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a legal registered voter of the State of Arkansas, and my printed name, date of birth, residence, city or town of residence, and date of signing this petition are correctly written after my signature.

For Secretary of State Official use.

_____ valid of _____

By:_____Date_____

THE ARKANSAS HEMP AND CANNABIS AMENDMENT

Voters registered in _____County

Signature	Printed Name	Date of Birth	Residence	City or Town	Date Signed

(FOR CANVASSER ONLY)

State of Arkansas, County of _____.

I,_____being first duly sworn, state that the foregoing persons signed this sheet of the foregoing petition, and each of them signed his or her name thereunto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his or her name, date of birth, residence or town of residence correctly, and that each signed his or her name thereunto in my presence. I believe that each signer is a legal voter of the State of Arkansas.

Signature: _____Residence: _____

Indicate one:(___)Paid Canvasser (___)Volunteer/Unpaid Canvasser

(FOR NOTARY ONLY)

Subscribed and sworn to before me the: ___day of 20__

Signature: _____

Clerk, Notary, Judge or J.P.

My commission expires: _____

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANVASSERS AND SIGNERS

1. Amendment No. 7 to the Arkansas Constitution gives to the people of the State of Arkansas the power to propose legislation or constitutional amendments by initiative petition, and to order the referendum against any general act or any item of an appropriation bill, or measure passed by the General Assembly. The petition must be signed by eight percent (8%) of the legal voters in the case of proposed legislation, ten percent (10%) in the case of proposed constitutional amendments, and six percent (6%) in the case of a referendum. The proposed legislation or constitutional amendment must be submitted to the registered voters of the State at a regular election; referendum petitions may be referred to the people at special elections when fifteen percent (15%) of the registered voters petition for such special election. Any measure submitted to the people shall take effect and become a law when approved by a majority of the votes cast upon such measure.

2. Only registered voters may sign. Printed names, dates of birth, residences, cities or towns of residences, and date of signing must be given as an aid to verification. The petition should contain only the signatures of voters residing in a single county.

3. All signatures must be in the signers' own handwriting in the presence of the persons circulating the petition. If a petition signer requires assistance due to disability, another person may provide the signer's information and that person shall sign and print their name in the margin of the petition.

4. Do not attach additional sheets to this petition unless such sheets contain the full language of the petition. Place as many names as possible on each petition. No additional signatures may be obtained after a petition has been filed until the Secretary of State determines the sufficiency of the petition.

5. TO KNOWINGLY SIGN ANY NAME OTHER THAN YOUR OWN, TO KNOWINGLY SIGN YOUR NAME MORE THAN ONCE TO ANY PETITION, TO KNOWINGLY SIGN YOUR NAME WHEN YOU ARE NOT LEGALLY ENTITLED TO SIGN IT, TO KNOWINGLY PAY A PERSON ANY FORM OF COMPENSATION IN EXCHANGE FOR SIGNING A PETITION AS A PETITIONER, TO ACCEPT MONEY FOR OBTAINING SIGNATURES KNOWING THAT YOU ARE NOT INCLUDED ON THE SPONSOR'S LIST OF PAID CANVASSERS ON FILE WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE, TO KNOWINGLY AND FALSELY MISREPRESENT THE PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF THIS PETITION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CAUSING ANYONE TO SIGN IT, OR TO KNOWINGLY MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT ON A PETITION VERIFICATION FORM SHALL CONSTITUTE A CLASS "A" MISDEMEANOR AND SUBJECT THE OFFENDER TO A FINE OF UP TO $1,000.00 AND IMPRISONMENT FOR UP TO ONE (1) YEAR.

The Attorney General is by law required to certify the sufficiency of the popular name and ballot title of all initiative or referendum petitions. This certification does not necessarily indicate the approval or disapproval of the contents thereof.

DUSTIN McDANIEL
Attorney General of the State of Arkansas

Popular Name

THE ARKANSAS HEMP AND CANNABIS AMENDMENT

Ballot Title

AN AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY THE PEOPLE TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 20, 2017, THAT THE CULTIVATION, MANUFACTURING, DISTRIBUTION, SALE, POSSESSION AND USE OF THE CANNABIS PLANT (GENUS CANNABIS) AND ALL PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM THE CANNABIS PLANT (GENUS CANNABIS) ARE LAWFUL IN EVERY GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF EACH AND EVERY COUNTY OF THIS STATE; THAT, FOR PURPOSES OF THIS AMENDMENT, "HEMP" IS DEFINED AS ANY PART OF THE CANNABIS PLANT (GENUS CANNABIS), LIVING OR NOT, CONTAINING ONE PERCENT OR LESS, BY DRY WEIGHT, DELTA-9-TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL (DELTA-9-THC); THAT, FOR PURPOSES OF THIS AMENDMENT, "CANNABIS" IS DEFINED AS ANY PART OF THE CANNABIS PLANT (GENUS CANNABIS), LIVING OR NOT, CONTAINING GREATER THAN ONE PERCENT, BY DRY WEIGHT, DELTA-9-TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL (DELTA-9-THC); THAT THE LISTED ACTIVITIES RELATING TO "CANNABIS" DEVOTED TO PERSONAL, INDUSTRIAL OR COMMERCIAL USE MAY BE REGULATED BUT NOT PROHIBITED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND THAT THE LISTED ACTIVITIES RELATING TO "HEMP" DEVOTED TO PERSONAL, INDUSTRIAL OR COMMERCIAL USE MAY BE REGULATED BUT NOT PROHIBITED, SUBJECT TO THE CONDITION THAT THE NUMBER OF PLANTS CULTIVATED OR THE PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM MANUFACTURING SHALL NOT BE LIMITED OR PROHIBITED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. PREEMPTIVE FEDERAL LAW WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNLESS ALTERED BY CONGRESS.

Section 1. This is an Amendment to the Arkansas Constitution that shall be called "The Arkansas Hemp and Cannabis Amendment."

Section 2. Effective February 20,2017, the cultivation, manufacturing, distribution, selling, possessing and use of the cannabis plant (genus cannabis)and all products derived from the cannabis plant (genus cannabis) is lawful within the entire geographic area of each and every county of this State.

Section 3. "Hemp" is defined for purposes of this amendment as any part of the cannabis plant (genus cannabis), living or not, containing one percent or less, by dry weight, Delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol(Delta-9-THC).

Section 4. "Cannabis" is defined for purposes of this amendment as any part of the cannabis plant (genus cannabis), living or not, containing greater than one percent, by dry weight, Delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol(Delta-9-THC).

Section 5. The the cultivation, manufacturing, distribution, sale, possession and use of "Hemp" for personal, industrial, or commercial use may be regulated, but the number of plants cultivated or the products derived from manufacturing, shall not be limited or prohibited, by the General Assembly.

Section 6. The the cultivation, manufacturing, distribution, sale, possession and use of "Cannabis" for personal, industrial, or commercial use may be regulated, but not prohibited, by the General Assembly.

Section 7. All laws which conflict with this amendment are hereby repealed to the extent that they conflict with this amendment.

END

PETITION INSTRUCTION SHEET

How to print the "petition sheets". This is to ensure that all sheets are identical!

1. The sheets must be printed on "legal size" paper 8.5×14 inch.

2. Set the printer to print to "landscape", and "actual size.

Note: If that fails to print correctly follow instruction # 3 and #4.

3. Set the margins for page 1 (signature sheet), to the following; left .74 in., right . 50 in., top .50 in., bottom .40 in.

4. Set the margins for page 2 (instruction and ballot title page) to the following; left, top, bottom .20 inch, right .3 in.

TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS IS A "SUCCESS", PLEASE PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE FOLLOWING.

IMPORTANT!!! A "PETITION" is made-up by two (2) parts, the signature sheet and the instruction/ballot title sheet. It can be one sheet of paper with the signature sheet on one side and the instruction sheet one the other or the two pages can be stapled together. To count it must be one or the other for each petition. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

1. **At the top of the petition is a "county" space. Make sure that it is filled in correctly, and that all signers are registered in THAT county. If you have started a sheet and someone from another county wants to sign, you must start a new petition sheet!**
2. **If some one is unsure about there status on being registered PLEASE do not get there signature. Explain that we have to be sure that they are actually registered.**
3. **Make sure that anyone who signs is a "registered" voter. You will be responsible.**
4. **The address MUST be the address that the Secretary of State has on file for that voter. P.O. boxes are not acceptable!**
5. **The two (2) pieces of the petition MUST be attached to each-other, IE stapled. NOTE: Do not attach this page!**
6. **NEVER !!!!! leave the petition unattended!!!!**
7. **Petitions can be submitted with only one (1) signature. Naturally we want more but it can be done.**
8. **Please read "Instructions to canvassers and signers" on the second page.**
9. **DO NOT IN ANY WAY ALTER THIS "PETITION" IT WILL BE INVALID!!!!!!**
10. **When you have the signature sheet filled, or ready to mail, it must be "notarized".**
11. **NOTE: What is being sworn to is that you witnessed the voter filling out the petition. Do not sign the petition as the "canvasser" until you are in front of the notary!!!**
12. **FAILURE HERE will make your work VOID!**

Here is our game plan.

In Support of Arkansas C.A.L.M.

When you print out the "Petition" (both pages) make as many copies as you feel you can fill and extras to give to others. Please make sure that anyone getting signatures also has a copy of this page.

When and as soon as you can after you have a completed sheet, mail them to "Amendment Petition" c/o Cannabis Information Radio, P.O. Box 111, Dennard Arkansas 72629-0111, they will be reviewed for accuracy and forwarded to Arkansas C.A.L.M. The sheets will then added to the other efforts to "Go Green for 16"!

NOTE: The following is a Request not a Requirement!
To aid in making sure that all the sheets meet the state requirements and that all signatures are counted please provide your contact information and return postage or a self addressed stamped envelope so that if there is an issue the sheets can be returned and not discarded as was the case during the previous attempts.

I WILL keep everyone up to date on the numbers as I get them.

This is going to be a challenge, but remember, "If YOU do NOTHING, NOTHING will be done!"

I PERSONALLY THANK you in advance for making this happen!

Sincerely; Robert L Reed