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Alan Cunningham		<p>My name is Alan Cunningham and I am 19 years old. I want to represent the young people and the next generation of this state at the DNC as a delegate for Joe Biden. I am a fourth-generation resident of Middletown CT. I have campaigned for Democrats across the country and in CT. I am the Political Director for DC College Democrats where I mobilize students across the United States. I am also the Field Director for Catholic U for Biden where I organize and advocate for Joe Biden on my campus, as well as in the DMV area. As a student with debt, a member of the LGBTQ+ community, and a young person inheriting an at-risk environment I believe my voice is valuable in the CT delegation.</p>	<hr/>
Andrew Giering		<p>Andrew Giering was born and raised in the Third Congressional District; his family has lived in New Haven for more than a century. He co-represents Ward 6 on the New Haven Democratic Town Committee, and serves on the Board of Directors of the New Haven Free Public Library, Canal Dock Boathouse, and Artspace. Andrew currently serves as Secretary of the Knights of St. Patrick and is a member of the Pequonnock Yacht Club and West Haven Elks. He is active in the Greater New Haven Reentry Roundtable and the Hill South Community Management Team.</p> <p>Andrew works as a research and writing attorney in the service of people charged with federal crimes who are unable to afford counsel. He is passionate about social justice and committed to alleviating the pervasive effects of structural racism and socioeconomic inequality.</p> <p>Andrew's first campaign was for Richard Borer for Mayor of West Haven in 1999. He interned in the New Haven office of U.S. Rep. Rosa DeLauro in 2004 and worked as a Third Congressional District field organizer for Senator Joseph Lieberman's last campaign in 2006.</p> <p>Andrew lives in the City Point neighborhood of New Haven.</p>	<hr/>
Anthony Ditrio			<hr/>
Audrey Tyson		<p>I serve as Co-Chair of the New Haven Town Committee and a member of the Democratic State Central Committee. I am excited, energized and very motivated for the 2020 election of Joe Biden. I would be honored to be chosen to be a delegate at the convention.</p> <p>I have been politically involved for over twenty years and have endorsed many candidates. I was a Super Delegate for Hillary Clinton in 2016 and attended the convention for President Obama 2008</p> <p>I have met Joe Biden. What a heartfelt person. I want to thank him for his courage, passion and love for people and our country. We need a leader with values, experience and strategic thinking who can bring our country together and build a fair world for all people. He has all of those qualities.</p> <p>I will work hard to help elect him President. I ask others to please help make this happen by encouraging voting and asking your friends to vote. Blessings.</p>	<hr/>
Carol Rizzolo		<p>My personal and professional life has long focused on giving voice to the voiceless. My life's work has been working to right the wrongs in the world that are within my reach.</p> <p>The election of 2016 focused my attention. In 2017, I helped to found CT Shoreline Indivisible (CTSI) and became an active member of the statewide CT Indivisible leadership. CTSI is now a group of over 1000 members and statewide, there are approx. 15k members of Indivisible groups. In my role as the Communications Coordinator and co-lead of the Get Out The Vote Team at CTSI, I have worked tirelessly in the political arena fighting for social justice and for the soul of our nation. CTSI has run countless canvass, phonebanks, textbanks, postcarding meetings. I am particularly proud that we've written 30k postcards to purged voters of color in Southern States to get them back on the voter roles and sent out 13k postcards to Unaffiliated voters in CT giving voting information.</p> <p>I have thought a lot about my epitaph. I want it to say " She worked like hell to leave the world a better place.</p>	<hr/>
		<p>I'm a nationally syndicated columnist and a member of the National Writers' Union. I write a weekly column about criminal justice for Gannett/Gatehouse Media that is distributed to newspapers all over the country. I live in Orange.</p>	

[Chandra Bozelko](#)



I want to be a delegate to prove to the formerly incarcerated community that the Democratic Party is open to people with all sorts of life experience. Right now, that population is left out of many political conversations.

Having worked for Democratic candidates in the past, I know that they value this population, but allowing someone like me to serve as a delegate would make a very emphatic statement that people who've dealt with the criminal justice system are valued within Connecticut's Democratic Party.

If delegates should reflect the composition of the state, then people like me must be included. Twenty-five percent of people in Connecticut have some form of criminal record. They should know that Joe Biden and his party care for people who've lived through hard times and need another chance.

[Connor Wood](#)



Connor is a 23-year-old schoolteacher and a proud New Havener by adoption. His dedication to the Democratic Party and its platform comes from personal experience: he grew up without health insurance until Obamacare made it possible, attended public schools, and navigated the difficulties of coming out as gay within the more conservative context of his home state of Virginia. Part of the second generation in his family to go to college, he majored in Ancient Greek and Latin at Yale before starting work as a Latin teacher to middle and high schoolers. He has supported Joe Biden from the beginning of the campaign, admiring the former vice president's long experience, upstanding character, and care for Americans most in need of help and support.

[Darryl Brackeen](#)



Darryl J. Brackeen Jr is a proud New Haven native. He is a 2010 graduate of Fairfield University, majoring in Political Science and History, with a minor in Religious Studies. He is also a graduate of Fordham University, where he received his Masters in Religious Education. Darryl is serving his fourth term as the first African American Alderman from his district. Darryl serves as the District Executive Director of the New Haven YMCA Youth Center, Hamden/North Haven YMCA, and Camp Mt. Laurel. Darryl has taught in New Haven Public schools as a social studies teacher and a Dean of Students.

Darryl is a member of the CT for Vice President Joe Biden leadership team, chair of CT chapter of #League46 (CT Young Adults for Biden), and has traveled the nation for Vice President Biden as a campaign surrogate. Brackeen serves on Biden campaign educational policy team.

[Ed O'Brien](#)

[Elliot Dubin](#)



Elliot Dubin lives in Orange, Connecticut in CD #3 and is an active member of the Orange Town Democratic committee. He was part of the 2019 democratic slate of town candidates for the board of finance as a passionate believer in tax reform. Elliot is a licensed attorney in CT as well as a member of the United States Supreme Court bar. He brings a cosmopolitan approach to CT politics having served as faculty at the University of North Texas and being educated in Nevada and Illinois. He is a happily married dog parent, avid traveler and known for his delicious desserts at the Orange Democratic fundraisers.

[Frank Alvarado](#)



Frank Alvarado is a resident of North Haven and a member of the North Haven Democratic Town Committee. He is a graduate of Albertus Magnus College and earned an MBA from the University of New Haven. An active member of the community. Mr. Alvarado has served the State of Connecticut as a member of the Judicial Selection Commission.

Mr. Alvarado is a retired Senior Non-Commissioned Officer, having served in the United States Army for three years, and is retired from the Connecticut Air National Guard after serving for 20 years. He is also a veteran of the Viet Nam War. Mr. Alvarado was recently inducted into the Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame as a member of the class of 2018.

[Joshua Ratner](#)



My name is Josh Ratner. I am a rabbi and former attorney living in Woodbridge. As a rabbi, I have worked in a variety of roles within and around New Haven, from serving a congregation in Cheshire, working with college students at Yale, and engaging in interfaith and communal relations on behalf of the Jewish community. I am trained in community organizing and deeply value the importance of bringing people together in common cause.

I am running to be a delegate for Vice President Biden because this is the most important election of our lifetimes and I want to do everything in my power to unite our Party and elect Joe Biden to be our next President.

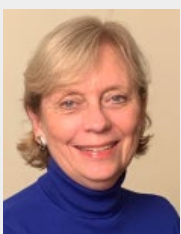
I appreciate your consideration and welcome your vote!

[Kelcy Steele](#)



Kelcy G.L. Steele is presently serving the New Haven Community in the following capacities Pastor Varick Memorial AME ZION Church, CEO of the Varick Center for Empowerment, the Chair of the Board Of Directors for Booker T. Washington Academy, Treasurer of Bridges Of Hope, and the founder of the Social Justice Collaborative which is comprised of the New Haven Board of Alders, the mayor's office, Ice the Beef, three African American-owned funeral homes, Beulah Heights First Pentecostal, Bethel AME and Elms Vineyard churches, Christ and Trinity Episcopal churches, Maranatha Church of God in Christ, Church on the Rock, the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven, Abdul Majid Karim Hasan Islamic Center, the New Haven and Hamden/North Haven YMCAs, the Flaming Knights Motorcycle Club and the People's Center.

[Martha Carlson](#)



Martha Carlson served on the management teams of John Larson for Governor (1994), Wyman for Comptroller (1998, 2002, & 2006), and Lembo for Comptroller (2010, 2014 & 2018). She was the state political director of Malloy/Wyman 2010, convention manager for Chris Murphy 2012 and manager of Women for Murphy 2012. She was Chair of the Guilford Democratic Town Committee (1990-1994; 2010-2012) and has been the 12th District Democratic State Central Committeewoman since 2004. Carlson mentors young Democratic candidates and political workers, as well as new Democratic Town Committee leaders and State Central Committee members. She is a subject matter expert in Connecticut campaign finance law. Carlson has been employed at the Office of State Comptroller since 1995 and is currently Deputy to Comptroller Kevin Lembo.

[Martin Dunleavy](#)



Martin J. Dunleavy is a 64 year old New Havener. Marty grew up in an immigrant Labor Democratic family. Working the polls at age 4 with his mom for Jack Kennedy has led to a lifetime of activism in politics.

- Elected Vice County Chair & State Democratic Committeeman in Maine at age 19.
- Paid staff of Sen Ted Kennedy's presidential campaign in 8 states, including Connecticut.
- New Haven Board of Alder (1981 - 1990)
- Democratic National Committee 1988 - 2000)
- CT AFL-CIO Cope Director
- National President of Democratic Elected Officials
- Political staff for AFSCME, AFGE, AFL-CIO, and NEA

Dunleavy has worked nationally and internationally for Rainbow-Push, the International Special Olympics, the Irish National Voluntary Trust, and the Northern Irish Peace and Reconciliation Project.

Marty has known VP Biden since 1982 and chaired CT Draft Biden 2016. He is a member of the Biden Immigration, Ethnic Heritage & Diaspora & Irish Americans for Biden working groups . Dunleavy was the National Campaigns contact in CT 2007 he led 5 volunteers trips to NH.

[Ratasha Smith](#)



Ratasha Smith, 31, is a lifelong Democrat and resident of New Haven. She currently serves as the National Committeewoman for the Connecticut Young Democrats, Young Democrat Representative to the State Democratic Central Committee and Secretary of the Women's Caucus of the Young Democrats of America. In college, she studied journalism with a focus in political science and now works as a Communications Officer for the region's largest grantmaker. Previously, Ratasha worked as a freelance reporter covering the 2012 Mayoral election in New Haven and then proceeded on to intern in the Communications Department in Mayor Toni Harp's Office. In her spare time, Ratasha volunteers in local elections and freelances as a digital marketing consultant. She is also mom to son Jayden, 8.