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To whom it may concern:

It has come to the attention of the Democratic National Committee that an individual named Randall Terry has filed paperwork in a number of states in an attempt to appear on the ballot as a Democratic candidate for President. Mr. Terry is not a bona fide Democratic candidate or representative of the Democratic National Committee. Mr. Terry has proclaimed that he is a "lifelong Republican." Indeed, Mr. Terry has publicly conceded that he is not legitimately running as a true Democratic candidate, but only hoping to exploit the rules concerning candidate access to television airtime. *See* Matthew Boyle, "Pro-life activist to primary Obama so he can air graphic pro-life ads during Super Bowl," The Daily Caller (January 18, 2011) available at http://dailycaller.com/2011/01/18/pro-life-activist-to-primary-obama-so-he-can-air-graphic-pro-life-ads-during-super-bowl/.

The Delegate Selection Rules for the 2012 Democratic National Convention require an individual to "have demonstrated a commitment to the goals and objectives of the Democratic Party" in order to be a qualified candidate for the nomination of the Democratic Party for President. Similarly, the Call for the 2012 Democratic National Convention states that to be a "presidential candidate" an individual must be a "bona fide Democrat whose record of public service, accomplishment, public writings and/or public statements affirmatively demonstrates that he or she is faithful to the interests, welfare and success of the Democratic Party of the United States and will participate in the Convention in good faith." Mr. Terry cannot satisfy these requirements.

Mr. Terry's claims to be a Democratic candidate for President are false. Accordingly, he should not be accorded the benefits of someone conducting a legitimate campaign for public office.

Sincerely,

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