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An Individuality Based Stance on Abortions

A party based on independence. A party based on individuality. A party based on freedom. A party based on privacy. A party called the Liberation party. The Liberation party's platform demonstrates these core values, and the Liberation stance on abortions verify how true this party is to its ethics. Merriam -Webster defines liberty as “ the state or condition of people who are able to act and speak freely” and as “the power to do or choose what you want to”(“Liberty”). This idea of liberty is exactly what the libertarian party stands on. The idea of freedom and independence are manifested in the libertarian platform, for these values are exhibited in the preamble and the Libertarian stance on Abortions. In terms of the Libertarian stance on Abortion, this party is neither pro-life nor pro-choice. The Libertarian party is pro-life when an individual is pro-life, and the Libertarian party is pro-choice when an individual is pro-choice. The Libertarian party stands behind the personal choices of individuals, for they believe the government should have no say so at all about abortions. In simple terms, the thesis of the Liberation stance on abortions is that “the government should be kept out of the matter” (“Platform | Libertarian Party" 3).

The Liberation party uses evidence to support their thesis of the government being excluded from all human matters, including abortions, for the betterment of the country. According to the Liberation party, a country without so much influence by a government is a country headed in the direction of success. The preamble of the Liberation party platform states

that “individual rights is the essential precondition for a free and prosperous world” (“Platform | Libertarian Party” 1). As claimed by the Liberation party, a country that has laws based on individuality will lead to success, which is evidence as to why the government should be kept out of certain situations. The Liberation preamble goes on to say that “force and fraud must be banished from human relations, and that only through freedom can peace and prosperity even be realized” (“Platform | Libertarian Party” 1). The Liberation party believes that the government is the “force and fraud” that should be kept out of citizens’ everyday lives, and that lack of independence from the government is what is keeping citizens from a harmonious and strong society. The Liberation party uses evidence to support their thesis in a form that describes the potential America has if the government would take a step back and be kept out of individual matters.

It is not hard to take note of the fact that the Liberation party wrote their platform while keeping their strong values at heart. The Liberation party’s underlying values, or warrants, include independence, freedom, individualism, and privacy. Though some of these values are not directly stated, they are easy to find particularly in the Liberation party’s stance on Abortion. The Liberation party believes that the matter of abortion should be left to the individual decision and left to “their conscientious consideration” (“Platform | Libertarian Party” 3). Fundamentally, the Liberation party understands that each individual person will make the best decision for them, for this demonstrates how some of the warrants of the Liberation Party are independence and freedom. Abortion is a sensitive topic, for individuals will meditate on the idea of abortion to make the appropriate decisions based on individual situations. The fact that the Liberation party gives the power to individuals on a controversial topic like abortion shows how much independence the party values individualism and privacy. The Liberation party is neither pro-life

nor pro-choice. As stated before, the Libertarian party is pro-life when an individual is pro-life, and the Libertarian party is pro-choice when an individual is pro-choice. The Libertarian party stands behind the personal choices of individuals, for they value individualism. According to the Libertarians, Abortions should be addressed on the individual level because there are very strong opinions on both sides, for each individual has the right to make the best decision for their life free of government restraint("Platform | Libertarian Party" 3). This shows how much Libertarians respect freedom and privacy from government.

There seems to be a lack of backing, or support, of the seemingly genuine values of the Liberation party. There are plenty of claims as to how their core values being present in society could possibly advance America, but there is solid backing of their values. The Liberation Party platform states that “within the United States all political parties, other than [the Liberation party], grant the government the right to regulate the lives of individuals and seize the fruits of their labor without their consent” ("Platform | Libertarian Party" 1). This explains how negatively having a government can be and simply implies that an independent society can be better, but this does not back up any warrants in the Liberation party Platform. If the Liberation Party stated exactly how an independent society is better using solid evidence, that would be solid backing of the warrant. There is not hardcore proof or backing that explains how independence, freedom, privacy, or individualism can truly benefit society, for there are just simply claims along with warrants.

Though it may take some reading in between the lines, there is a subtle but valid rebuttal to the Liberation stance on abortions. The Liberation Party platform states that “ recognizing that abortion is a sensitive issue and that people can hold good faith views on all sides...” ("Platform | Libertarian Party" 3). This subtle introduction to the Liberation stance on abortions essentially is

responding to the controversy of abortions in an understanding manner. By the party acknowledging that abortion is a huge issue that people feel passionately about on both sides of the fence, it is responding to the possibility of someone arguing with the thesis saying that the government needs to be involved in such a huge issue. The Liberation Party is arguing that abortions are so controversial that the government should be left out of it since an opposing force may argue that the more controversial an issue is the more the government should be involved.

The thesis is laid out pretty clear about abortions, which is that “government should be kept out of the matter” (“Platform | Libertarian Party” 3). This is definitely an absolute thesis, for there are no qualifiers in this thesis. The thesis uses no type of limiting language such as: might, maybe, some, perhaps, probably, when, or words similar. Though there is no language of absolutes, like always or never, the thesis is still unqualified because it a direct statement without any type of condition. The thesis is an absolute statement despite the fact that it lacks absolute language, for the absoluteness of the thesis is simply implied. Although the thesis does not contain any qualifying language, the rebuttal contains the subtle qualifier “can” (“Platform | Libertarian Party” 3). The rebuttal essentially says that both sides of the abortion debate “can” have valid points (“Platform | Libertarian Party” 3). The rebuttal could've just stated that both sides of the abortion debate have valid points, but the use of the word “can” makes the rebuttal qualified (“Platform | Libertarian Party” 3).

The Liberation Party's stance on abortions is that “the government should be kept out of the matter” (“Platform | Libertarian Party” 3). The Liberation Party's platform raises plenty of thought provoking questions. When should the government intervene? What will be the role of the government in a more independently structured society? Where should the line be drawn between human relations and government intervention? The Liberation Party has a thesis on

abortion that is absolute and direct. There is a great rebuttal of the stance on abortions, but the rebuttal is qualified. The qualification of the rebuttal makes the thesis of the platform even stronger in a sense. Though the values of this political party are not stated, the warrants of the Liberation Party are not hard to notice. There is not much directly stated backing of the values of the Liberation party, but it is somewhat implied as to why having values in independence, freedom, individuality and privacy are important. The evidence used to support the thesis is used so strongly that it helps to imply the importance of core values. All together the Liberation Party is completely against the idea of government interference with human relations, so what exactly would America be like with a government based on the core values of the Liberation Party?

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