Independent Petitions

Party Names & Emblems - Law 2-124.2

The name of a party shall be in the English language and shall not include the words “American”, “United States”, “National”, New York State”, Empire State”, or any abbreviation thereof, nor the name or part of the name, or an abbreviation of the name, of an existing party.

The emblem chosen may be a star, an animal an anchor, or any other proper symbol, but may not be the same as or similar to any emblem, insignia, symbol or flag used by any political or governmental body, agency or entity nor any religious emblem, insignia, symbol or flag, nor the portrait of any person, nor the representation of a coin or of the currency of the United States.

The name and emblem chosen shall not be similar to or likely to create confusion with the name or emblem of any other exiting party or independent body.

If the name of any party shall contain more than fifteen letters, the state committee shall similarly select and certify an abbreviated form, thereof, containing not more than fifteen letters, to be used upon the ballot whenever the necessities of space so require.

NOTE:
Emblems are available at the Board of Elections. The Election staff can place the emblem on a blank petition. This should be done before you circulate your independent petition.