

# NEW HAMPSHIRE INDEPENDENT VOTERS

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## **New Hampshire Independent Voters (NHIV) and Jackie Salit, President of IndependentVoting.org To Speak at “We the People” Convention at Veteran’s Park in Manchester, NH, Feb. 5 – Feb. 7.**

New Hampshire Independent Voters (NHIV), as allies of Open Democracy / NH Rebellion, will be attending and participating in the “We the People Convention” on primary weekend February 5-7, 2016. Citizens from across New Hampshire and elsewhere will gather at this first ever We the People Convention to fight against big money in politics and promote a more open democracy. This cross-partisan convention will feature multiple presidential candidates, national reform leaders and entertainers, with educational and artistic programming in a 500-capacity heated tent across the street from the NH Convention Center.

New Hampshire Independent Voters (NHIV) will welcome Jackie Salit, author of *Independents Rising*, and President of IndependentVoting.org back to New Hampshire! Jackie will speak on Saturday morning, Feb. 6, immediately after the 11 a.m. panel, Building the National Movement to #FightBigMoney, and immediately before the lunchtime conversation with Arnie Arneson and Hedrick Smith.

Jackie has been in the trenches, working to open our democracy as a key independent thinker and movement builder, for 30+ years. Jackie will speak about some of the exciting developments happening around the country, including coalitions being formed with independent voters and advocates fighting big money.

Tiani Coleman, President of New Hampshire Independent Voters, speaks Friday, Feb. 5, at 3 p.m., about why independents should care about big money corruption. Tiani will recount her journey from Chair of the Salt Lake County Republican Party (prior to moving to NH), to independent, what it means to be an independent voter, how that ties into fighting the big money agenda, and steps we can take to open our democracy in such a way that all candidates and voters will have a meaningful voice and real choice in the electoral process.

“Our partisan electoral system, combined with big money, makes it nearly impossible for office holders to solve problems,” says Coleman. “All citizens, regardless of party identification or money should get a meaningful say in determinative elections. And when they do, candidates and office holders will be accountable to all voters, and not just the most partisan or wealthy among us, leading them to act for the good of ‘We the People.’”

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