

**TED Discussions:** Nov 9 & 11, 2017 - Lawrence Lessig, “*We the People, and the Republic we must reclaim*” (TED2013) *Please note that the League of Women Voters has not endorsed any specific 28<sup>th</sup> amendment group or legislation at this time; the lists below are informational only.*

**Groups working on the problem (partial list):**

1. Constitutional amendment(s) – aimed at limiting the influence of money in politics
  - American Promise – 2016 Jeff Clements [americanpromise.net](http://americanpromise.net)
  - Move to Amend – 2009 coalition [movetoamend.org](http://movetoamend.org)
  - Free speech for people – 2010 John Bonifaz [freespeechforpeople.org](http://freespeechforpeople.org)
  - Wolf-PAC – 2011, proposes Article V Convention [wolf-pac.com](http://wolf-pac.com)
2. Empowering small donors [www.brennancenter.org/issues/money-politics](http://www.brennancenter.org/issues/money-politics)
3. “grassroots PACs” (partisan) – e.g. [endcitizensunited.org](http://endcitizensunited.org)

**Additional Online Resources:**

1. LWV U.S. – Money in Politics Action Kit [forum.lwv.org](http://forum.lwv.org) (search “money in politics”)
2. Candidate Pledge [www.americanpromise.net/pledge](http://www.americanpromise.net/pledge)
3. 2013 letter DE General Assembly to Carper/Coons/Carney  
[www.citizen.org/sites/default/files/delaware-state-legislature-citizens-united-letter-to-congress.pdf](http://www.citizen.org/sites/default/files/delaware-state-legislature-citizens-united-letter-to-congress.pdf)
4. “Citizen Equality Act of 2017” - Lawrence Lessig Draft Legislation (search on Wikipedia).
5. [youtube.com](http://youtube.com) - search “LWVNCC 2015 Dean Smollen talk constitutional conventions”

**Related legislation** - “*Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States providing that... corporations are not people, money is not speech, campaign spending can be regulated, etc.*”

Federal – visit [www.congress.gov](http://www.congress.gov) for bill details

- [united4thepeople.org/amendments](http://united4thepeople.org/amendments) – list of proposed constitutional amendments
- [movetoamend.org/other-amendments](http://movetoamend.org/other-amendments) – a simplified comparison; one group’s opinion
- Move to Amend - [HJR 48](#), “Democracy for All” - [SJR 8](#) & [HJR 31](#), etc.

Delaware – visit [legis.delaware.gov](http://legis.delaware.gov) for details

- [Del. HB 78](#) (campaign finance Reporting - enforcement)
- [Del. SB 30](#) (contributor’s occupation and employer) - LWVDE supports
- [Del. SB 27](#) (independent redistricting commission) - LWVDE supports

**Upcoming League events...**

- Great Decisions “The Enduring Challenge of Nuclear Weapons” Mon Nov 13 at Newark Library
- TED Discussions – Noy Thrupkaew: “*Human Trafficking is all around you. This is how it works*” – Wed Nov 15 in Delaware City or Sat Nov 18 at Kirkwood Library.
- Hot Topic lunch – “*Clean Water: Delaware’s Clear Choice*” Mon Nov 27 at Michaels in Christiana