

**2016 REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION**

**RNC COMMITTEE ON CONTESTS REPORT TO THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE**

IN RE: CONTEST OF CHAIRMAN OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF THE U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

COLE

v.

CANEGATA

JULY 13, 2016

**CONTESTANTS**

Warren B. Cole

**RESPONDENTS**

John Canegata

**As Adopted by the RNC Committee on Contests, July 13, 2016**

Doyle Webb

*Chairman, RNC Committee on Contests*

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*National Committeeman for Rhode Island*

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*National Committeeman for South Carolina*

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*National Committeewoman for Washington*

## AMENDED REPORT

On July 11, 2016, the RNC Committee on Contests (the “Committee”) reaffirmed its June 30 recommendation that the U.S. Virgin Islands’ delegation to the Convention should consist of the five Contestants and a sixth person whose position will be filled under the Rule 12 of the Virgin Islands Parties’ Caucus Rules. Following the Committee’s issuance of its July 11 Report, the parties entered into a negotiated settlement on July 13.

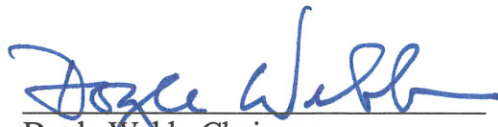
## COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The negotiated settlement provides that the U.S. Virgin Islands’ delegation to the Convention will consist of the five Contestants and a sixth person whose position will be filled under the Rule 12 of the Virgin Islands Parties’ Caucus Rules. Respondents, however, will be furnished ten guest passes to the 2016 National Convention.

Under the settlement, Chairman John Canegata must call a new territory-wide caucus or convention to occur within 90 days of the date of this Amended Report of all individuals who are registered to vote in the U.S. Virgin Islands and are registered as Republicans (the “electors”) to elect a Territorial Committee Chairman, National Committeeman, and National Committeewoman, as well as members of the Territorial Committee. Canegata must give a minimum of 10 days’ notice of the date, time, and place for the caucus or convention, and it is understood that the amendments to the party’s bylaws implemented on or after May 6, 2016, giving the Chairman extraordinary consent rights as to qualified voters, shall not be given effect. The caucus or convention will adopt the rules that will govern the caucus or convention, and the territorial committee that is elected at the caucus or convention will adopt new territorial bylaws. No proxies shall be allowed for any purpose at the caucus or convention. Robert’s Rules of Order, most recent addition, shall govern the caucus or convention.

It is further agreed that the national committeeman and national committeewoman will be certified by the RNC *before* the election of a new RNC Chairman. Chairman Canegata will continue to serve until his successor is elected and qualified and, for purposes of the 2016 Republican National Convention, will be recognized as the chairman of the U.S. Virgin Islands delegation and the present Convention Committee members will continue to serve without a vote. The terms of the existing national committeeman and national committeewoman will expire upon the close of the 2016 Republican National Convention. Chairman Canegata will not present any national committeeman and national committeewoman nominee at the RNC organizational meeting in July 2016 for ratification.

RNC Political will monitor the performance of and compliance with this agreement.



Doyle Webb, Chairman  
RNC Committee on Contests

