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IMPACT OF LIBERTARIAN VOTERS IN THE 2008 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION DISCUSSED AT THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER

Philadelphia, PA (September 12, 2008) - A month before the presidential election, the National Constitution Center will host a public event about the impact of libertarian and independent voters on the 2008 presidential race. The Cato Institute's Executive Vice President, **David Boaz** and **William Redpath**, National Chair of the Libertarian Party, will explain libertarian perspectives and ideas, and address the crucial role that will be played on Election Day by millions of voters in the U.S. who are either fully libertarian or who view many key issues from a libertarian standpoint. This program will take place on Thursday, October 2, 2008, at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 215.409.6700.

Cato's executive vice president **David Boaz** has played a key role in the development of the Cato Institute and the libertarian movement. He is a commentator on domestic issues such as education choice, drug legalization, the growth of government, and the rise of libertarianism. He is the author of *Libertarianism: A Primer*, the editor of *The Libertarian Reader*, and coeditor of the *Cato Handbook on Policy*. Boaz is also the former editor of *New Guard* magazine and was executive director of the Council for a Competitive Economy prior to joining Cato in 1981. His latest book is *The Politics of Freedom*.

William Redpath is chairman of the Libertarian National Committee. He joined the United States Libertarian Party in 1984. He has run for office as a Libertarian four times in Virginia; specifically, he ran for the House of Delegates, the State Senate, and Governor. In 2008, he is running for the open United States Senate seat in Virginia. Born and raised in Ohio, Redpath

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attended Indiana University and then earned an MBA from University of Chicago. Currently a resident of Leesburg, Virginia, Redpath is the Vice President of a financial consulting firm.

A book sale and signing will follow the program courtesy of Joseph Fox Bookshop.

This program is part of the Center's *Election 08: The Power of We* series, a year-long national initiative to promote active, informed citizenship during the 2008 presidential election.

The National Constitution Center, located at 525 Arch St. on Philadelphia's Independence Mall, is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing public understanding of the U.S. Constitution and the ideas and values it represents. The Center serves as a museum, an education center, and a forum for debate on constitutional issues. The museum dramatically tells the story of the Constitution from Revolutionary times to the present through more than 100 interactive, multimedia exhibits, film, photographs, text, sculpture and artifacts, and features a powerful, award-winning theatrical performance, "Freedom Rising". The Center also houses the Annenberg Center for Education and Outreach, which serves as the hub for national constitutional education. Also, as a nonpartisan forum for constitutional discourse, the Center presents – without endorsement – programs that contain diverse viewpoints on a broad range of issues. For more information, call 215.409.6700 or visit www.constitutioncenter.org.

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