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Back the SEP election campaign! Donate today—we need your support now!

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The Socialist Equality Party calls on all US readers of the *World Socialist Web Site* to send generous donations to our election fund to help finance our legal challenge against efforts by the Ohio election authorities to keep Bill Van Auken and Jim Lawrence, our presidential and vice-presidential candidates, off the ballot. [See “Federal judge upholds decision to bar SEP candidates from Ohio ballot”]

The SEP campaign has already had to outlay substantial sums of money to fight the attempt by the American state and the Republican and Democratic parties to keep socialist and third-party candidates off the November ballot.

In August, at considerable cost, the SEP filed a lawsuit in Ohio against the discriminatory filing deadline in the state for third party candidates for Congress. On August 27 the US Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit upheld a lower court decision denying ballot status to David Lawrence, the SEP’s candidate for Ohio’s 1st Congressional District. [See “Appeals court upholds discriminatory filing deadline: Ohio SEP candidate to conduct write-in campaign”]

The previous month, the SEP successfully defeated the spurious challenge made by the Democratic Party to the 2,009 petitions filed by Tom Mackaman, SEP candidate for the Illinois state legislature from the 103rd District. [See “Champaign, Illinois Electoral Board places SEP candidate on ballot”]

We are combating organizations that receive tens of millions of dollars from big business. We rely on the working class to provide us with the resources we need.

Alongside carrying out our challenge in Ohio, the SEP is preparing for the widespread distribution of our election statement and other programmatic material, as well as energetic campaigning by our presidential, vice-

presidential and congressional candidates.

We need your financial support to do so. We call on all WSWS readers to send as much as you can.

Click here to make a secure donation online via credit card.

Please note: under US electoral law, only American citizens or permanent residents can donate, to a maximum amount during the election of \$2,000.

If you wish to donate via mail, please post your check or money order, made payable to the SEP 2004 Committee to:

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