

# [***Red State Gov Signs Bill Allowing Biden To Stay On Ballot***](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6BY3-GSK1-DXXD-73T4-00000-00&context=1516831)

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Alabama Republican Gov. Kay Ivey signed legislation on Thursday allowing President Joe Biden to be on the red state's ballot in 2024.

GOP Secretary of State Wes Allen wrote a [*letter*](https://www.sos.alabama.gov/sites/default/files/press/Letter%20to%20AL%20Democratic%20Party%204.9.24.pdf) on April 9 warning that the Democratic National Convention was scheduled days after Alabama's Aug. 15 deadline to provide presidential and vice presidential nominees for the ballot. The [*legislation*](https://alison.legislature.state.al.us/files/pdfdocs/SearchableInstruments/2024RS/SB324-enr.pdf), which was approved by both Republican-controlled chambers of the state legislature, pushed the due date back from 82 days before the general election to just 74, NBC News [*reported*](https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/2024-election/alabama-governor-signs-legislation-ensure-biden-will-appear-november-b-rcna150518). [***(RELATED: Biden Could Miss Deadline To Make Ballot In Another Red State)***](https://dailycaller.com/2024/04/10/joe-biden-risk-not-being-ballot-alabama-another-red-state-ohio/)

“Joe Biden will be on the ballot in all 50 states,” Charles Lutvak, spokesperson for the Biden campaign, [*told*](https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/2024-election/alabama-governor-signs-legislation-ensure-biden-will-appear-november-b-rcna150518) NBC News in a statement. “Election after election, states across the country have acted in line with the bipartisan consensus and taken the necessary steps to ensure the presidential nominees from both parties will be on the ballot. And this election is no different.”

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Alabama Governor Kay Ivey speaks during a presentation at the opening of a Mercedes-Benz electric vehicle Battery Factory, marking one of only seven locations producing batteries for their fully electric Mercedes-EQ models, in Woodstock, Alabama, U.S., March 15, 2022. (REUTERS/Elijah Nouvelage)

Allen's letter was [*sent*](https://dailycaller.com/2024/04/10/joe-biden-risk-not-being-ballot-alabama-another-red-state-ohio/) to the Alabama Democratic Party Chair Randy Kelley, while a copy was delivered to Democratic National Committee (DNC) Chair Jaime Harrison.

“While this issue with convention dates has occurred many times in the past, notably with the Alabama GOP in 2004, 2012, and 2020, it appears to only be a problem this year now that the Democrats' convention is behind the deadline,” Kelley said in a statement at the time. “Wes Allen was very eager sign on to an amicus brief to the Supreme Court and engage in the television talk show circuit regarding President Trump's removal from the Colorado ballot yet he wishes to engage in partisan gamesmanship when it comes to President Biden's ballot access in Alabama.”

Biden was similarly cautioned by Republican Ohio Secretary of State Frank LaRose, The Washington Post [*reported*](https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2024/04/07/biden-ohio-ballot/) on April 7. The secretary of state's office warned that Democrats must provide a ticket on Aug. 7 - days before the national nominating convention is set to begin on Aug. 19.

Former President Donald Trump easily won both red states in 2016 and 2020. Trump beat Biden by 25.4 points in [*Alabama*](https://www.cnn.com/election/2020/results/state/alabama), as well as 8.1 points in [*Ohio*](https://www.cnn.com/election/2020/results/state/ohio), last cycle.

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