

Libertarian Presidential Candidate Gary Johnson Leads Hillary Clinton In Important Presidential Poll

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We'll say this for Weld and Johnson: in a year where the presumed Democratic and Republican nominees rank as the two least-liked candidates in the history of polling, the Libertarian ticket offers a pair of likable and offbeat characters who may well gain some traction.

He added he believes the Libertarian Party can reach the 15 percent threshold in polls, demanded by the Commission on Presidential Debates, to make him eligible to participate in debates with Clinton and Trump.

“Weld got the A from Cato Institute”, said Johnson, referring to the libertarian think tank. He said he was picked to be vice president in a single day after he and his wife, Leslie Marshall, flew to Las Vegas and met Johnson at Harrah’s hotel and casino. But on the serious side, it is one reason we and we suspect *many* voters would have a hard time embracing his candidacy. Even if they don’t win, they may significantly affect the outcome in ways that, like everything else in this year’s election season, prove totally unpredictable. But Johnson also freely admits he is a recreational user of marijuana. However, I caution against just watching, as one must dig into the polls in order to understand what they actually reflect, versus the top line.

A national survey by Morning Consult shows that when the former governor of New Mexico is identified as an independent, Clinton edges Trump, 37 percent to 35 percent.

Do you know what the difference is between a Libertarian and a Republican? Libertarians advocate minimal government interference.

Johnson, the Libertarian candidate, has his website at garyjohnson2016.com. Does the poll show that Johnson may be a viable presidential candidate if he is given the opportunity to highlight the Libertarian Party at the presidential debate? “Are you still?” panelist Charles Krauthammer asked Johnson during an interview Monday on Fox News Channel’s “Special Report”. Weld was one of the *most* colorful and quotable chief executives ever to walk the halls of the Massachusetts Statehouse.

“He doesn’t look like a dream”, I responded rudely. He’d keep Social Security for current retirees and wouldn’t abolish the EPA. “But not really. You don’t have deep pockets to go up against Chevron”.

Other notable third-party runs include former Alabama Gov. George Wallace, who got 13% of the popular vote in 1968, winning 45 electoral votes; and billionaire businessman Ross Perot, who got 19% of the popular vote in 1992 but no electoral votes.

“Microphones get put in politicians’ mouths”, said Johnson, “and the reporters frame questions like: “These atrocities are happening in Libya”.