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## Letters to the Editor

### Mitchell only candidate 'not beholden' to fundraisers

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The Clean Election Fund became law in 1996 so Mainers could be sure their elected officials were not beholden to people who contributed to their campaigns.

The only Clean Elections candidate for governor is **Libby Mitchell**, who raised her money from Maine people contributing \$5 to \$100 per person in seed money.

All the other gubernatorial candidates solicit contributions through fundraisers, letters and persuasion by asking lobbyists, businesses, organizations and others to contribute to their campaigns.

Mitchell is a Clean Elections candidate because she believes the people want a candidate who is not obligated to anyone in meeting the needs of the people of Maine.

Yet her experience, knowledge and abilities come into question because she has done just that in her service to Maine.

Mitchell has worked hard for the people of Maine. I am proud to cast my vote for Mitchell.

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