

CONSOLIDATED ELECTION

First Tuesday in April

April 2, 2019

[10 ILCS 5/2A-1.1(b)]

ESTABLISHED POLITICAL PARTIES, INDEPENDENT AND NEW POLITICAL PARTY OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED

MUNICIPAL -- including Special Charter

Mayor or President
Clerk
Treasurer
Alderman or Trustee

NONPARTISAN OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED (City of Chicago run-off election, if required)

MUNICIPAL -- Council-Manager form (Councilmen at-large and from districts), Commission form

Mayor or President
Clerk
Treasurer (Council-Manager only)
Council Members, Commissioners, Trustees or Alderman

MUNICIPAL -- Aldermanic run-off elections. (65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-51, 20/21-22 and 21-25)

MUNICIPAL -- City of Chicago (run-off election, if required)

(65 ILCS 20/21-26)

PARK DISTRICT -- Commissioners, Trustees

PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT - Trustees

TOWNSHIP AND MUNICIPAL LIBRARY - Trustees

REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES - Trustees

SCHOOL DISTRICT - Board Members (including districts under Article 33), School Directors

SCHOOL DISTRICT - Special Charter - Inspectors, Board Members

TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF SCHOOLS -- Cook County Only

COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT -- Trustees

TOWNSHIP LAND COMMISSIONERS (in counties having a population under 220,000)

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT - Trustees

FOX WATERWAY MANAGEMENT AGENCY - DIRECTORS

1 Director elected from Lake County, 2 Directors elected from McHenry County

FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT - Commissioners

SPRINGFIELD METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION AND AUDITORIUM AUTHORITY -

Commissioners

OTHER SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICTS (see applicable statutes)

FILING PERIODS

(And caucus date information)

November 19 – 26, 2018 [10 ILCS 5/7-12(3), 10-6(4)]

(Filed not more than 99 nor less than 92 days prior to the date of the primary)

Filing period for candidates seeking nomination at the **FEBRUARY 26, 2019 Consolidated Primary Election**. See page "ii." Petitions may NOT be circulated prior to August 28, 2018 (10ILCS 5/10-4)

(No more than 90 days preceding the last day for the filing of the petition)

December 10 – 17, 2018 [10 ILCS 5/10-6(2)]

(Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the consolidated election)

Filing period for candidates seeking election at the **APRIL 2, 2019 Consolidated Election**. See page "iii."

Petitions may NOT be circulated prior to September 18, 2018. (10ILCS 5/10-4)

(No more than 90 days preceding the last day for the filing of the petition)

In **MUNICIPALITIES** under 5,000 population, established political parties hold their caucuses on December 3, 2018, and file their certificates of nomination with the municipal clerk during the filing period, December 10- 17, 2018. [10 ILCS 5/10-1(a)]

Note: Municipalities of 5,000 or less may determine by ordinance (no later than November 15, 2018) that established political parties shall nominate candidates for municipal offices by primary election.
[10 ILCS 5/7-1(b)]

New political parties file nominating petitions which must include a complete list of candidates of such party for all offices sought to be filled in the State, or such district or political subdivision as well as a certificate stating the names and addresses of the party officers authorized to fill vacancies. (See pages 3 - 5)

The following court case has held that the full-slate requirement for new political parties is unconstitutional: *Libertarian Party of Illinois v. ISBE, et al.*, 872 F.3d 518 (7th Cir. 2017). On that basis, a new party's petition is not required to include a candidate for every available office in the state or political subdivision for which office is sought.

Independent and **nonpartisan** candidates **must** file nominating petitions. (See pages 5 - 7.)

PARK DISTRICT

- OFFICE:** Park Commissioner, Trustee
- QUALIFICATIONS:** Qualified elector/registered voter. A person is not eligible to serve as park commissioner if that person is in arrears in the payment of a tax or other indebtedness due to the park district or has been convicted in any court located in the United States of any infamous crime, bribery, perjury, or other felony. (70 ILCS 1205/2-11)
- RESIDENCY:** Commissioner must be resident of the Park District at least one year prior to the election. (70 ILCS 1205/2-11)
Pleasure Driveway and Park District trustees shall be legal voters of and reside within the park district. (70 ILCS 1205/2-15)
- SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:** Signature requirements for general park district commissioners and pleasure driveway and park district trustees: Petition must be signed by not less than 2% of the number of ballots cast at the last election for trustee or commissioner in the district, but in no case by less than 25. (70 ILCS 1205/2-11, 2-17)
- PETITION:** Nonpartisan SBE Form P-4.
- STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:** Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE Form P-1A.
- LOYALTY OATH:** (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE Form P-1C.
- STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:** Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 19 regarding the filing of the receipt. (5 ILCS 420/4A-106)
- FILING DATES:** December 10 – 17, 2018 (not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
- WHERE TO FILE:** Park District Secretary.
- CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:** Reports must be filed either on paper or electronically with the State Board of Elections, 2329 S. MacArthur Blvd., Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601.
- FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:** Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 20)

TERM BEGINS: Commissioners and Pleasure Driveway and Park District Trustees shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified.
(70 ILCS 1205/2-12, 2-15)

TERM OF OFFICE:

5 Commissioners: 6-year term. (70 ILCS 1205/2-12)

7 Commissioners: 6-year term, by resolution or referendum. [70 ILCS 1205/2-10(a)]

5-7 Commissioners: 4-year term, by resolution or referendum. [70 ILCS 1205/2-12(a)]

Pleasure Driveway and Park District

President and 6 trustees: 4-year term. (70 ILCS 1205/2-15)

Township Park District

3 Commissioners: 6-year term. (70 ILCS 1205/2-19)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

SIGNING PETITIONS

- 1. Are abbreviations allowed on petitions?**
Standard abbreviations may be used in writing the resident's address, including the street number.
- 2. What name should the voter use when signing a petition?**
The voter should sign the petition as he is registered to vote. Example - The signature for James Smith ideally should not appear on the petition as Jim Smith; however, signing with a nickname will not invalidate the signature, provided the voter can be reasonably identified.
- 3. May a petition once filed be changed?**
No. A petition once filed may not be added to or altered. However, the receipt for filing the Statement of Economic Interests may be filed at any time during the filing period.
(10 ILCS 5/7-10, 7-12, 10-4, 10-5)
- 4. Are pencil signatures allowed?**
Yes. However, black ink is preferable.
- 5. Who can remove a name from a nomination petition?**
Only the circulator or the candidate on whose behalf the petition was circulated may strike the signature. (10 ILCS 5/7-10 and 10-3) However, an individual can submit a written request with the election authority or the local election official to have his/her name removed before the petition is filed.
- 6. May a voter sign a petition for someone else?**
No. A registered voter must sign the petition in his own person. He may not sign for someone else, such as another member of his or her own family.
(10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4)

CIRCULATOR

- 1. May a candidate circulate his own petitions?**
Yes.
- 2. May a circulator circulate petitions for an independent candidate and a partisan candidate, or for more than one political party?**
No person shall circulate or certify petitions for candidates of more than one political party, or for an independent candidate or candidates in addition to one political party, to be voted upon at the next primary or general election, or for such candidates and parties with respect to the same political subdivision at the next consolidated election.
(10 ILCS 5/10-4)
- 3. Does the circulator have to be a registered voter?**
A petition circulator must be a U.S. citizen and at least 18 years of age or 17 years of age on the date of the immediately following general or consolidated election, and otherwise qualified to vote. (See page 14, item 2a.)
(10 ILCS 5/7-10)

4. **May a circulator sign as a voter on the petition he is circulating?**
Yes, if he/she is a registered voter of the political subdivision in which the candidate is seeking office
5. **When can the circulator start collecting signatures?**
No more than 90 days prior to the last day for filing petitions (see page iv)
(10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4)

NOTARIZATION

1. **Is it proper for the notary of the petition to have signed the same petition as a voter?**
It has not been definitely determined whether a notary may also be a signatory to a petition. Some electoral boards and Circuit Courts have upheld petitions where the notary was also a signer of the petition, but the issue has not yet been decided by the Supreme Court or any Appellate Court in Illinois. A cautious candidate might wish to avoid using a petition signer as the notary so as to avoid the risk of having to defend against an objection on this issue.
2. **Must the notary put the date of his commission expiration on the document?**
Yes, the notary stamp indicates the date the commission expires.
3. **Must the notary public live in the same county as the candidate?**
No, but the notary must be authorized to administer oaths in the place where the notary act is performed.

FILING PETITIONS

1. **May a candidate file more than one set of petitions for the same office?**
Yes. However, upon notice from the filing office the candidate must make a selection in writing to the filing office; otherwise, the set of petitions filed first will be considered the official filing.
2. **When are petitions open to the public?**
Upon their filing with the proper office and at the earliest convenience of that office. Once filed, a petition is available for public inspection.
3. **Does a candidate have to file his or her own petition?**
No. A candidate may choose someone to file the petition on their behalf.
4. **May a candidate file his own petition and petitions for other candidates at the same time?**
Yes.
5. **When may petitions be mailed?**
There are no statutory requirements regarding a time element for mailing petitions; however, all petitions that are received by the office prior to the first day of the filing period will be returned to the sender. Petitions received after the end of the filing period, regardless of postmark, will not be accepted.

6. May a candidate file for more than one office?

Yes, however, he must withdraw from all but one office within five business days following the last day of petition filing, if the offices are incompatible. If he does not withdraw from all but one incompatible office, his name will not be certified for any office.

[10 ILCS 5/7-12(9)]

7. Who has to file a complete slate of candidates?

Persons wishing to form a New Political Party in a given jurisdiction must file a petition containing a complete list of candidates of such party for all offices sought to be filled in the State, or in such district or political subdivision. (10 ILCS 5/10-2)

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8. May a petition contain the names of two or more candidates of the same established party?

Yes. An established political party petition may contain the names of candidates for several offices to be filled at the upcoming election. The nominating papers must contain a separate statement of candidacy signed by each candidate and a receipt for the filing of a statement of economic interests by each candidate. The Loyalty Oath is optional.

9. If you are first in line or your petition is in the first mail pickup or delivery on the first day of filing, will you be first on the ballot?

Not necessarily. If there are two or more candidates in line prior to the opening of the office filing for the same party and the same office, they will be considered as filing simultaneously along with any petition in the first mail pickup or delivery and will be involved in a lottery for ballot position.

(10 ILCS 5/7-12(6), 10-6.2)

NOTE: Candidates who file petitions during the last hour of filing (between 4PM and 5PM) on the last day to file petitions are also eligible for a lottery to determine the final ballot position.

10. May a candidate file as an Independent for a school office?

No. "Independents" run in partisan elections but choose not to associate with a political party, so the word "independent" identifies them on the ballot label. All candidates for school offices run on a "nonpartisan" basis, as provided by statute.

**NONPARTISAN PETITION
(NON-MUNICIPAL AND COMMISSION FORM OF MUNICIPALITY)**

We, the undersigned, qualified voters in the _____ in the
(unit of government)
County of _____ and State of Illinois, do hereby petition that the following named person shall be a Nonpartisan
Candidate for election to the office hereinafter specified, in the aforesaid unit of government, to be voted for at the election to be held
on _____ (date of election).

NAME	OFFICE	ADDRESS

(for unexpired terms, specify "2 year unexpired term" or "4 year unexpired term" along with the office in the "OFFICE" space provided above)
If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

FORMERLY KNOWN AS _____ UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON _____
(List all names during last 3 years) (List date of each name change)

NAME (VOTER'S SIGNATURE)	VOTER'S PRINTED NAME (optional)	STREET ADDRESS OR RR NUMBER	CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE	COUNTY
1.			,IL	
2.			,IL	
3.			,IL	
4.			,IL	
5.			,IL	
6.			,IL	
7.			,IL	
8.			,IL	
9.			,IL	
10.			,IL	

State of _____)
County of _____)

SS.

I, _____ (Circulator's Name) do hereby certify that I reside at _____, in the
City/Village/Unincorporated Area of _____ (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip

Code) _____, County of _____, State of _____ that I am 18 years of age or older (or 17 years of age and qualified to vote in Illinois), that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day of filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

(Circulator's Signature)

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) by _____ before me, on _____
(Name of Circulator) (Insert month, day, year)

(SEAL)

(Notary Public's Signature)

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY

NONPARTISAN

NAME	ADDRESS-ZIP CODE	OFFICE	CITY, VILLAGE OR SPECIAL DISTRICT

(for unexpired terms, specify "2 year unexpired term" or "4 year unexpired term" along with the office in the "OFFICE" space provided above)
If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

FORMERLY KNOWN AS _____ UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON _____
(List all names during last 3 years) (List date of each name change)

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
County of _____) SS.

I, _____ being first duly sworn (or affirmed), say that I reside at _____, in the City, Village, Unincorporated Area of _____ (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) Zip Code _____, in the County of _____, State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein, that I am a candidate for Nomination/Election to the office of _____ in the _____ Name of City, Village or Special District to be voted upon at the election to be held on _____ (date of election) and that I am legally qualified to hold such office and that I have filed (or I will file before the close of the petition filing period) a Statement of Economic Interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official ballot for Nomination/Election to such office.

(Signature of Candidate)

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) by _____ before me, on _____
(Name of Candidate) (insert month, day, year)

(SEAL)

(Notary Public's Signature)

ATTACH TO PETITION

10 ILCS 5/7-10.1

Suggested
Revised July, 2004
SBE No. P-1C

LOYALTY OATH
(OPTIONAL)

United States of America)
)
State of Illinois) SS.

I, _____, do swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the United States and the State of Illinois, that I am not affiliated directly or indirectly with any communist organization or any communist front organization, or any foreign political agency, party, organization or government which advocates the overthrow of constitutional government by force or other means not permitted under the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of this State; that I do not directly or indirectly teach or advocate the overthrow of the government of the United States or of this State or any unlawful change in the form of the governments thereof by force or any unlawful means.

(Signature of Candidate)

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) by _____ before me,
(Name of Candidate)

on _____
(insert month, day, year)

(Notary Public's Signature)

(SEAL)

Statement of Economic Interests to be Filed with the County Clerk
 Your Name Was Submitted For Filing by an Entity That You Represent
 (Type or Print)

Name: _____

Each Office or Position of Employment for which this Statement is Filed: _____

Full Post Office Address: _____

GENERAL DIRECTIONS

The interest (if constructively controlled by the person making the statement) of a spouse or any other party shall be considered to be the same as the interest of the person making the statement. Campaign receipts shall not be included in this statement. **If more space is needed, please attach supplemental listing.**

- List the name and instrument of ownership in any entity doing business with a unit of local government in relation to which the person is required to file, in which the ownership interest held by the person at the date of filing is in excess of \$5,000 fair market value, or from which dividends in excess of \$1,200 were received during the preceding calendar year: (In the case of real estate, location thereof shall be listed by the street address, or if none, then by legal description.) No time or demand deposit in a financial institution, nor any debt instrument shall be listed.

Business Entity	Instrument of Ownership	Position of Management
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

- List the name, address and type of practice of any professional organization in which the person making the statement was an officer, director, associate, partner or proprietor, or served in any advisory capacity, from which income in excess of \$1,200 was derived during the preceding calendar year:

Name	Address	Type of Practice
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

- List the nature of professional services rendered (other than to the unit or units of local government in relation to which the person is required to file) to each entity from which income exceeding \$5,000 was received for professional services rendered during the preceding calendar year by the person making the statement:

COMPLETE BUT DO NOT DETACH

This section will be returned to you when the Statement is filed with the County Clerk.

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your Statement of Economic Interests, filed pursuant to the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. The Statement was filed on this date:

Office or Position of Employment for which this statement is filed _____

(Type or Print)

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP Code _____

4. List the identity (including address or legal description of real estate) of any capital asset from which a capital gain of \$5,000 or more was realized during the preceding calendar year:

5. List the name of any entity and the nature of the governmental action requested by any entity that has applied to a unit of local government in relation to which the person must file for any license, franchise or permit for annexation, zoning or rezoning of real estate during the preceding calendar year, if the ownership interest of the person filing is in excess of \$5,000 fair market value at the time of filing, or if income or dividends in excess of \$1,200 were received by the person filing from the entity during the preceding calendar year:

6. List the name of any entity doing business with a unit of local government in relation to which the person is required to file, from which income in excess of \$1,200 was derived during the preceding calendar year other than for professional services and the title or description of any position held in that entity: (No time or demand deposit in a financial institution nor any debt instrument need be listed.)

7. List the name of any unit of government that employed the person making the statement during the preceding calendar year, other than the unit or units of government in relation to which the person is required to file:

8. List the name of any entity from which a gift or gifts, or honorarium or honoraria, valued singly or in the aggregate in excess of \$500, was received during the preceding calendar year:

VERIFICATION

I declare that this Statement of Economic Interests (including any accompanying schedules and statements) has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is a true, correct and complete statement of my economic interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. I understand that the penalty for willfully filing a false or incomplete statement shall be a fine not to exceed \$1,000, or imprisonment in a penal institution other than the penitentiary not to exceed one year, or both fine and imprisonment.

Signature of Person Making Statement

Date

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DO NOT DETACH
(WILL BE RETURNED AS YOUR RECEIPT)