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PREFACE

This *Candidate's Guide* has been prepared to provide information for candidates seeking office in 2016. It includes a listing of the offices to be nominated or elected, filing dates, general requirements for filing, and specific requirements for individual offices. In addition, information is provided regarding nomination procedures and the objection process. Also included is a section that provides answers to some of the more frequently asked questions about nominating petitions and procedures. A signature requirements section is included at the end of the guide.

All citations contained herein refer to the Illinois Election Code (10 ILCS 5/1-1 et seq., as amended) or as otherwise indicated. This Guide may be amended to include new legislation and court decisions. Please visit the Illinois State Board of Election's website (www.elections.il.gov) for any updates.

Legal information contained in this guide is not binding and should not be construed as sufficient argument in response to an objection to any candidate's nominating papers. The State Board of Elections recommends that all prospective candidates consult with competent legal counsel when preparing their nominating papers.

Statutory deadlines for filing objections and for withdrawing from all but one incompatible office will depend on the filing period. Specific deadline dates can be found in the SBE *Election and Campaign Finance Calendar for 2016.* The calendar, this guide, and filing date announcements can be found on the State Board of Elections' web site:

www.elections.il.gov

Additional information may be obtained by contacting your election authority (county clerk or board of elections commissioners) or the State Board of Elections in Springfield (217/782-4141) or Chicago (312/814-6440).

NOTE:

Information about PRESIDENTIAL and DELEGATE/ALTERNATE DELEGATE petition filing requirements is (or will be) available in a separate publication.

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GENERAL PRIMARY
(Third Tuesday in March)
[10 ILCS 5/2A-1.1 (a)]
March 15, 2016

GENERAL ELECTION
(First Tuesday after first Monday in Nov.)
[10 ILCS 5/2A-1.1 (a)]
November 8, 2016

OFFICERS TO BE NOMINATED AT THE GENERAL PRIMARY AND ELECTED AT THE GENERAL ELECTION:

President of the United States

United States Senator

Office of State Comptroller (2 year unexpired term)

Representatives in Congress – all 18 districts

State Senators – For two and four-year terms [10 ILCS 5/29C-15]:
Two year term districts: 2,5,8,11,14,17,20,23,26,29,32,35,38,41,44,47,50,53,56,59
Four year term districts: 1,4,7,10,13,16,19,22,25,28,31,34,37,40,43,46,49,52,55,58

Representatives in the General Assembly – all 118 districts

Judges (Additional judgeships if required):

Supreme Court Judges, vacancies will be filled if required
Appellate Court Judges, vacancies will be filled if required
Circuit Court Judges, vacancies will be filled if required
Resident Circuit Court Judges, vacancies will be filled if required
Subcircuits, vacancies will be filled if required
All judges seeking retention will appear on the ballot at the General Election

County Auditors (in counties with a population of 75,000 – 3,000,000)
County Board Members (in counties under township organization)
County Board of Review Members
County Commissioners (in counties not under township organization)
County Circuit Clerks
County Coroners
County Recorder of Deeds (in counties with a population of 60,000 or more)
Regional Superintendent of Schools (vacancies)
Sanitary District Commissioners and Trustees (Prairie Dupont Levee and Sanitary District file with State Board of Elections)
States Attorneys

OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED AT THE GENERAL PRIMARY:

Delegates and Alternate Delegates (requirements available in separate publication)
Precinct Committeemen (all counties except Cook County)
Ward Committeemen (City of Chicago)
School Districts under Article 33 of the School Code, Members
Special Charter Municipalities, Annual Municipal Election, Officers
(Contact county clerk, board of election commissioners or municipal clerk for filing information)

Annual Municipal Election
[10/ILCS 5/2A-1.2(b) (3)]

Municipal Primary (if required)….February 2, 2016
Municipal General Election……March 15, 2016

Contact County Clerk, Board of Elections Commissioners or Municipal Clerk for filing information.

FILING PERIODS
FEDERAL, STATE AND COUNTY

November 23 – November 30, 2015 (Petitions may not be circulated prior to September 1, 2015) [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 7-12(1)]	ESTABLISHED PARTY CANDIDATES (For Presidential preference and delegate filing – see below)
December 14 – December 21, 2015 [10 ILCS 5/7-12(1)]	SPECIAL JUDICIAL FILING PERIOD [Supreme, Appellate, Circuit Court when a vacancy occurs within the three week period prior to the filing deadline] (November 9 through November 30, 2015)
January 4 – January 6, 2016 (Petitions may not be circulated prior to October 8, 2015) [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 7-11]	REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE and DELEGATES/ALTERNATE DELEGATES *Information on petition filing requirements is (or will be) available in a separate publication.*
January 4 – January 6, 2016 (Petitions may not be circulated prior to October 8, 2015) [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 7-11]	DEMOCRAT PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE and DELEGATES *Information on petition filing requirements is (or will be) available in a separate publication.*
June 20 – June 27, 2016 (Petitions may not be circulated prior to March 29, 2016) [10 ILCS 5/10-4, 10-6]	NEW POLITICAL PARTY CANDIDATES and INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES (Also includes INDEPENDENT and NEW PARTY candidates for President – filing requirements available in separate publication)

MUNICIPAL

October 12 – October 19, 2015 (Petitions may not be circulated prior to (July 21, 2015) [10 ILCS 5/10-4, 10-6(5)]	ESTABLISHED PARTY and NONPARTISAN Officers
November 23– November 30, 2015 (Petitions may not be circulated prior to September 1, 2015) [10 ILCS 5/10-4, 10-6(3)]	NEW POLITICAL PARTY and INDEPENDENT Officers

SCHOOL BOARDS UNDER ARTICLE 33

October 26 – November 2, 2015 (Petitions may not be circulated prior to August 4, 2015) [10 ILCS 5/10-4, 10-6] [105 ILCS 5/33-1]	NONPARTISAN Members

SANITARY DISTRICT ACT OF 1936

June 20 – June 27, 2016 (Petitions may not be circulated prior to March 29, 2016) [10 ILCS 5/10-4, 10-6]	NONPARTISAN Commissioners or Trustees

REQUIREMENTS FOR FILING NOMINATING PAPERS

A. GENERAL FILING INFORMATION

1. Candidates are strongly advised to obtain legal counsel regarding their legal qualifications for office, the proper method for completing the petition forms with respect to the office, the minimum and maximum number of signatures required, the qualifications of the signers and circulators, etc.

   NOTE: The number of signatures required for candidates who file with the Illinois State Board of Elections are located at the end of this publication. For candidates filing at the county or municipal level, contact the election authority or the local election official responsible for receiving the filing of the petition for nomination and/or election to office for further information as to the specific number of signatures required on a nominating petition for a specific office.

2. Candidates must file for office in one of the following manners:

   a. candidate of an established political party;

   b. candidate of a new political party;

   c. independent candidate; or

   d. as a nonpartisan candidate [certain sanitary districts (see page 38, school boards and nonpartisan municipalities]

3. Candidates **must** file the following papers, except as noted:

   a. Statement of Candidacy;

   b. Loyalty Oath (OPTIONAL);

   c. Receipt for filing a Statement of Economic Interests (not required for Federal Office or political party offices – (see page 10) ;

   d. Nominating petition sheets, containing a sufficient number of **original** signatures.

      NOTE: Certificate of Officers Authorized to Fill Vacancies. A new political party petition must have attached thereto a certificate (SBE suggested form P-8C) stating the names and addresses of the party officers authorized to fill vacancies in nomination. Failure to file the certificate will not invalidate the petitions but will preclude the new party from being able to fill any vacancy that may occur. [See Peoples Independent Party v. Petroff, 191 Ill. App 3d 706, 138 Ill. Dec. 915, 548 N.E. 2d 145 (5th Dist. 1989)]

4. Election laws prescribe the general format to be submitted when seeking nomination to office. The State Board of Elections has prepared **suggested** forms for petitions, statements of candidacy, etc. The official State Board of Elections form number to be used is included under each office listed in this guide. Forms may be downloaded from the State Board of Elections web site (www.elections.il.gov). Forms may also be obtained from many of the election authorities, and are available for purchase from election supply vendors.

5. Petitions may be filed by mail or in person, by either the candidate or a representative of the candidate.

   a. Information on where to file is included under each office listed in this guide.

   b. Filings must be made within the appropriate filing period noted on page ii. [10 ILCS 5/7-12]

   c. Filings must be received no earlier than 8:00 a.m. or the normal opening hour of such office, whatever the case may be, on the first day of the appropriate filing period and no later than 5:00 p.m. or the close of business, whichever is later, on the last day of that filing period. [10 ILCS 5/1-4, 7-12(6), 10-6.2]

      Welsh vs. Education Officer's Electoral Board, 322 Ill.App.3d 568, 750 N.E. 2d 222, 255 Ill.Dec. 641 (1st Dist. 2001)

      NOTE: The State Board of Elections will **NOT ACCEPT** any petition for filing after 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the filing period. This applies to any individual(s) waiting in line as of the 5:00 p.m. deadline who has not yet filed his/her petition(s).

   d. Petitions sent by mail (United States Post Office only) and received **AFTER** midnight of the first day for filing and in the first mail delivery or pickup of that day shall be deemed filed as of 8:00 a.m. of the day or as of the normal opening hour of such day, as the case may be. Candidates who file by mail with the State Board of Elections and wish to qualify for the lottery, must **mail** their petitions to the State Board of Elections, P. O. Box 4187, Springfield, IL 62708. (Use the P.O. Box for mailing, not the street address.) Nominating petitions received through other delivery systems are not considered "mail" and will not be included in the lottery. It is important to note that petitions received **BEFORE** the first day of filing cannot be accepted. [10 ILCS 5/7-12 (6), 8-9, 10-6.2]

6. Ballot Position Lottery (see page 51)

   a. The lottery is held within nine days following the last day to file petitions.

   b. Petitions filed in person at 8:00 a.m. on the first filing day or at the normal opening hour of such day, as the case may be and petitions filed by mail and received in the first mail delivery of the first filing day are included in the lottery drawing to determine the first ballot position.

c. Petitions filed in person after 8:00 a.m. on the first filing day or after the normal opening hour of such day, as the case may be, and petitions filed by mail and received after the first mail delivery of the first filing day are not included in the lottery drawing and are placed on the ballot in the order filed. [10 ILCS 5/7-12 (6), 8-9, 10-6.2]

d. Two or more petitions filed within the last hour of the filing deadline (between 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. on the last filing day) shall be deemed filed simultaneously and are included in the lottery drawing to determine the final ballot position. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(6), 8-9(2), 10-6.2]

7. Multiple Filings

If multiple sets of nomination papers are filed for a candidate for the same office, the State Board of Elections, appropriate election authority or local election official where the petitions are filed shall, within two (2) business days, notify the candidate of his/her multiple petition filings and that the candidate has three (3) business days after receipt of the notice to notify the State Board of Elections, appropriate election authority or local election official that he or she may cancel prior sets of petitions. If the candidate notifies the State Board of Elections, appropriate election authority or local election official, the last set of petitions filed shall be the only petitions to be considered valid. If the candidate fails to notify the State Board of Elections, appropriate election authority or local election official~~,~~ then only the first set of petitions filed shall be valid and all subsequent petitions shall be void. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(11), 8-9(4), 10-6.2]

NOTE: If petitions for nomination have been filed for the same person with respect to more than one political party, his/her name shall not be certified for the primary ballot of any party. If petitions for nomination have been filed for the same person for two or more offices which are incompatible, a person must withdraw as a candidate for all but one of such offices within the 5 business days following the last day for petition filing or his/her name shall not be certified for the primary ballot for any office. Judicial candidates at the circuit court level are limited to filing a petition for one circuit court vacancy and/or a petition for one subcircuit vacancy in any filing period. [10 ILCS 5/7-12 (9)]

The Office of the Illinois Attorney General has issued a number of opinions on incompatibility of offices. For questions concerning the same, contact the Opinions Division of the Attorney General's office at 217/782-9070.

B. NOMINATING PETITION SHEETS

1. Petition Sheet Heading

a. The top portion (heading) of the nomination petition pages, which includes information relative to the election, the candidate, the office and political party, where applicable, must be completed prior to the circulation of the petition sheet.

b. **The State Board of Elections will certify each candidate's name as it appears on the first numbered page of the petition.** (Other Election Authorities may follow a different policy with regard to petitions filed with them).

c. The candidate's given name or names, initial or initials, nickname by which the candidate is commonly known, or a combination thereof, may be used in addition to the candidate's surname. No other designation such as a political slogan**,** title, degree or nickname suggesting or implying possession of a title, degree or professional status, or similar information may be used in connection with the candidate's surname.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10.2, 7-17(b), 8-8.1, 10-5.1, 16-3(e)]

NOTE: If a candidate has changed his or her name, whether by a statutory or common law procedure in Illinois or any other jurisdiction, within 3 years before the last day for filing the petition or certificate for that office, whichever is applicable, then (i) the candidate's name on the petition or certificate must be followed by "formerly known as (list all prior names during the 3-year period) until name changed on (list date of each such name change)" and (ii) the petition or certificate must be accompanied by the candidate's affidavit stating the candidate's previous names during the period specified in (i) and the date or dates each of those names was changed; failure to meet these requirements shall be grounds for denying certification of the candidate's name for the ballot or removing the candidate's name from the ballot, as appropriate, but these requirements do not apply to name changes resulting from adoption to assume an adoptive parent's or parents' surname, marriage to assume a spouse's surname, or dissolution of marriage or declaration of invalidity of marriage to assume a former surname.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10.2, 7-17(b), 8-8.1, 10-5.1, 16.3(e)]

d. A political slogan is defined as any word or words expressing or connoting a position, opinion or belief that the candidate may espouse, including but not limited to any word or words conveying any meaning other than that of the personal identity of the candidate. A candidate may not use a

political slogan as part of his or her name on the ballot, notwithstanding that the political slogan may be part of the candidate's name.
[10 ILCS 5/7-17 (b), 16-3(e)]

NOTE: The State Board of Elections, a local election official or an election authority shall not certify to any election authority any candidate name designation that is inconsistent with this statutory reference.
[10 ILCS 5/7-17(c), 16-3(f)]

e. The form of name on the petition sheets must match the form of name on the Statement of Candidacy. **THE CANDIDATE'S NAME SHOULD APPEAR IN EXACTLY THE SAME FORM ON THE PETITION SHEETS, STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY AND LOYALTY OATH.** The State Board of Elections will certify each candidate's name as it appears on the first numbered page of the petition (Other Election Authorities may follow a different policy with regard to petitions filed with their offices). Failure to match the name on the petition to the name on the Statement of Candidacy may result in the candidate not being certified for ballot.

f. Petitions of candidates for specified offices, which are to be filed with the same officer, may contain the names of 2 or more candidates of the same political party for the same or different offices. However, each candidate must submit his or her individual Statement of Candidacy, receipt for filing the Statement of Economic Interests and optional Loyalty Oath.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10]

g. Each sheet of the petition other than the statement of candidacy and candidate's statement shall be of uniform size and contain above the space for signatures an appropriate heading. The heading must provide the name of the candidate(s) in whose behalf the petition is signed, the office sought, the political party represented, and the place of residence. The heading of each sheet shall be the same. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4]

h. Petition sheets which are filed with the proper local election official, election authority or the State Board of Elections must contain the **original** signatures of the voters and the original signature of the circulator thereof, and shall not be photocopies or duplicates of such sheets.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 8-8, 10-4]

2. Petition Circulator

a. A petition circulator must be 18 years of age or older and a citizen of the United States. **The circulator must personally witness all signatures given and sign the required circulator's statement stating that all**

signatures were taken in his or her presence. No one may be considered a circulator of any petition page except the person who signs the circulator's statement. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 8-8, 10-4]

b. Petition sheets must **not** be circulated more than 90 days preceding the last day for the filing of the petitions. The circulator's statement on a candidate's petition sheet must specify either the dates on which the sheets were circulated, the first and last dates on which the sheet was circulated or that none of the signatures on the sheet were signed more than 90 days preceding the last day for filing the petitions. See page ii for dates when candidates may start circulating petitions. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 8-8, 10-4]

c. A petition circulator may not circulate for more than one political party. [10 ILCS 5/10-4] Schober v.Young, 322 Ill.App.3d 996, 751 N.E. 2d 610, 256 Ill.Dec. 220 (4th Dist. 2001)

d. A petition circulator may not circulate for an independent candidate or candidates in addition to candidates for a new political party. [10 ILCS 5/10-4]

e. A petition circulator may not circulate for more than one new political party. [10 ILCS 5/10-4]

f. A petition circulator must complete the circulator's statement at the bottom of each petition sheet certifying address, age and citizenship information and also certifying that the signatures on that sheet were signed in his/her presence and are genuine and that to the best of his/her knowledge the persons so signing were duly registered voters of the political subdivision for which the candidate or candidates shall be nominated, or elected, and that their respective registration addresses are correctly stated therein. This statement shall be sworn to and signed before an officer authorized to administer oaths in Illinois. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 8-8, 10-4]

g. Petition circulators shall indicate on such petition their residence address, written, or printed, including the street address or rural route number of the circulator, as well as the circulator's city, village or town. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4]

3. Petition Signers

a. A signer **MAY NOT** sign petitions for a candidate of more than one political party for the same Primary Election. [10 ILCS 5/7-10]

b. A signer may sign the petitions of one established political party for the Primary Election and one new political party or independent for the subsequent General Election. [10 ILCS 5/10-3]

c. A signer must sign his/her own signature on the petition. The signer cannot sign for someone else, such as another member of his or her family. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4]

d. A petition signer may change party affiliation from one election to another. Kusper v. Pontikes, 414 U.S. 51, 94 S. Ct. 303 (1973); Sperling v. County Officers Electoral Board, 57 Ill.2d 81, 309 N.E. 2d 589 (1974)

e. Petition signers must be registered voters in the political subdivision in which the candidate is seeking nomination or election.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 8-8, 10-2, 10-3, 10-4]

f. Petition signers shall indicate on such petition their residence address, written or printed, including the street address or rural route number, as well as their city, village or town, county and state. However, the state, county, city, village and town of residence may be pre-printed on the petition form when all of the electors signing the petition form reside therein. Standard abbreviations may be used in writing the residence address. **A petition signer must be a registered voter from the address shown opposite his/her signature on the petition.**
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 3-1.2, 8-8, 10-4]

g. Signatures may be struck from the petition by the circulator or the candidate, prior to filing, in the following manner:

1) The person striking the signature must initial the petition at the place where the signature is struck.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 8-8, 10-3]

2) The person striking the signature must sign a certification (such as SBE suggested form P-2A) listing the page number and line number of each signature struck from the petition. Such certification shall be filed as part of the petition.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 8-8, 10-3]

3) The person striking signatures from independent candidate petitions must sign an additional certificate (SBE suggested form P-2B) specifying the number of certification pages listing stricken signatures, which are attached to the petition, and the page numbers indicated on such certifications. This additional certificate must be filed as part of the petition, shall be numbered, and shall be attached immediately following the last page of voters' signatures and before the certifications of stricken signatures. [10 ILCS 5/10-3]

4) All of the foregoing requirements are necessary to effect a valid striking of any signature.

4. Petition Preparation [10 ILCS 5/ Articles 7, 8 & 10]

a. The petition signature sheets must be **original** and of **uniform size.**

b. The petition **signature** sheets must be numbered consecutively, beginning with the top sheet as number "1."

c. The following original documents are to be attached (preferably on top) to the nominating petition signature sheets:

1) Statement of Candidacy;

2) Loyalty Oath (optional);

3) Receipt for filing the Statement of Economic Interests (not required for federal or party office). The receipt may be filed at any time during the filing period and will not change the initial date and time of filing. (Candidates for county office need only file the statement itself.)

The above documents are NOT numbered.

4) Any certifications related to the striking of signatures shall be attached immediately following the last petition page and numbered consecutively beginning with the number "1." [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 8-8, 10-3]

5) For all new political party petitions, the petition must have attached thereto a certificate (SBE suggested form P-8C) stating the names and addresses of the party officers authorized to fill vacancies in nomination. Failure to file the certificate will result in the party forfeiting its right to fill vacancies in nomination, but will not invalidate the petition. [10 ILCS 5/10-5, 10-11]

6) Any other documentation, which may be required to qualify for a specific office.

d. The petition signature sheets must be **neatly fastened together** in book form by fastening them together at one edge in a secure and suitable manner.

NOTE: A petition once filed shall not be altered or added to. However, the receipt for an economic interest statement filing may be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last day on which nomination papers may be filed. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 7-12, 10-4, 10-5]

C. STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 8-8, 10-5]

1. Each candidate, whether an individual candidate or one whose name appears on a group petition or certificate of nomination, must complete and file a Statement of Candidacy. The form of the candidate's name, as printed and signed, should match the name as printed on the petition. Furthermore, the address of the candidate; the office for which the person is a candidate; political party designation, if applicable; and statements that the person is qualified for the office specified, should also match the information as printed on the petition. See each individual office in this guide for the correct SBE Statement of Candidacy form. **THIS STATEMENT MUST ACCOMPANY THE NOMINATION PAPERS.**

2. In the designation of the name of a candidate on a petition for nomination or certificate of nomination, the candidate's given name or names, initial or initials, a nickname by which the candidate is commonly known, or a combination thereof, may be used in addition to the candidate's surname. The State Board of Elections will certify each candidate's name as it appears on the first numbered page of the petition. Other filing offices may refer to other documents such as the Statement of Candidacy when determining the actual name to be certified. No other designation such as a **"POLITICAL SLOGAN"**, title, degree or professional status, or similar information may be used in connection with the candidate's surname. [10 ILCS 5/7-10.2, 7-17(b), 8-8.1, 10-5.1, 16-3(e)]

   NOTE: If a candidate has changed his or her name, whether by a statutory or common law procedure in Illinois or any other jurisdiction, within 3 years before the last day for filing the petition or certificate for that office, whichever is applicable, then (i) the candidate's name on the petition or certificate must be followed by "formerly known as (list all prior names during the 3-year period) until name changed on (list date of each such name change)" and (ii) the petition or certificate must be accompanied by the candidate's affidavit stating the candidate's previous names during the period specified in (i) and the date or dates each of those names was changed; failure to meet these requirements shall be grounds for denying certification of the candidate's name for the ballot or removing the candidate's name from the ballot, as appropriate, but these requirements do not apply to name changes resulting from adoption to assume an adoptive parent's or parents' surname, marriage to assume a spouse's surname, or dissolution of marriage or declaration of invalidity of marriage to assume a former surname. [10 ILCS 5/7-10.2, 7-17 (b), 8-8.1, 10-5.1, 16-3(e)]

3. The candidate must swear to or affirm and sign the Statement of Candidacy, and the statement must be notarized.

4. A person who filed a statement of candidacy for a partisan office as a qualified primary voter of an established political party or who voted the ballot of an established political party at a general primary election may not file a statement of candidacy as a candidate of a different established political party or as an independent candidate for a partisan office to be filled at the general election immediately following the general primary for which the person filed the statement or voted the ballot. A person may file a statement of candidacy for a

partisan office as a qualified primary voter of an established political party regardless of any prior filing of candidacy for a partisan office or voting the ballot of an established political party at any prior election. [10 ILCS 5/7-43) (f)]

D. STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS - RECEIPT

1. Each candidate must file a receipt indicating that he or she has filed a Statement of Economic Interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 7-12, 8-8, 10-5; 5 ILCS 420/1-101 et seq.] **EXCEPTION:** The receipt is not required if the Statement of Economic Interests is filed with the same officer with which the nominating papers are filed. (i.e. county officers) [10 ILCS 5/7-12 (8)]

   The Statement of Economic Interests is not required for federal or party offices.

2. Candidates are advised to file their receipt at the same time they file their nominating petitions. While the receipt need not accompany the nominating petitions at the time of filing, it must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last day to file the petitions**. THE DATE AND TIME AT WHICH A NOMINATING PETITION WAS FILED IS NOT CHANGED WHEN THE RECEIPT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS IS FILED AT ANOTHER TIME DURING THE FILING PERIOD. [10 ILCS 5/7-12, 10-5]**

3. State Statement of Economic Interests forms may be obtained from the State Board of Elections or the Office of the Secretary of State. County Statement of Economic Interests forms may be obtained from the county clerk.

4. The completed Statement of Economic Interests form must be filed with the Secretary of State, Index Division, 111 East Monroe, Springfield, IL 62756, for candidates that file petitions with the State Board of Elections, or with the county clerk in the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106)

E. LOYALTY OATH (Optional)

The filing of the Loyalty Oath is optional. The following court cases have held that the requirement for filing the Loyalty Oath is unconstitutional***:*** *Communist Party of Indiana v. Witcomb*, 94 S. Ct. 656 414 U.S. 441 (1974); *Communist Party of Illinois v. Ogilvie,* 357 F. Supp. 105 (N.D. Ill. 1972) and Socialist Workers Party v. Ogilvie, 357 F. Supp. 109 (N.D. Ill. 1972)

F. CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE (NOTICE OF OBLIGATION)

The official with whom nomination papers are filed, must provide to each candidate at the time he files his nomination papers a notice of obligation to comply with the Illinois Campaign Financing Act. However, if a candidate files his nomination papers by mail, or an agent of the candidate files his nomination papers, the clerk or secretary with whom the petitions were filed will send the notice to the candidate by first class mail. The

notice will state that the manual of instructions and forms for statements required to be filed under Article 9 of the Election Code are available from the State Board of Elections. Forms may also be downloaded for the State Board's website: www.elections.il.gov. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(7), 9-16, 10-6.1]

G. USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS TO INFLUENCE VOTERS **IS PROHIBITED**

No public funds shall be used to urge any elector to vote for or against any candidate or proposition, or be appropriated for political or campaign purposes to any candidate or political organization. This provision shall not prohibit the use of public funds for dissemination of factual information relative to any proposition appearing on an election ballot, or for dissemination of information and arguments published and distributed pursuant to law in connection with a proposition to amend the Constitution of the State of Illinois. [10 ILCS 5/9-25.1]

H. FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT

Candidates and committees are urged to abide by the provisions for campaigning outlined in the Fair Campaign Practices Act. This is a voluntary statement made and filed prior to an election, vowing that the candidate making the statement will conduct a positive, rather than a negative campaign. If a candidate or committee chooses to make such a statement, it shall be filed with the county clerk if the candidate is a local candidate or committee. [10 ILCS 5/29B et.seq.]

OFFICE:	**UNITED STATES SENATOR**
MINIMUM AGE:	30 years (United States Constitution, Article 1, Section 3)
RESIDENCY:	United States citizen for nine years. Inhabitant of Illinois at the time of the election and a registered voter. (United States Constitution, Article 1, Section 3; 10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-5)
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	ESTABLISHED PARTY CANDIDATES Not less than 5,000 nor more than 10,000 primary electors of his or her party. [10 ILCS 5/7-10(a)] INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES Minimum of 1% of the number of voters who voted in the next preceding statewide General Election or 25,000 qualified voters of the State, whichever is less.[10 ILCS 5/10-3] (**See Signature Requirements Section.**) NEW PARTY CANDIDATES Minimum of 1% of the number of voters who voted in the next preceding statewide General Election or 25,000 qualified voters of the state, whichever is less. [10 ILCS 5/10-2] (**See Signature Requirements Section.**)
PETITIONS:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-10 INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-3 NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-8
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-1 INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-1B NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-1D
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with nomination papers. SBE No. P-1C
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:	Not required for federal office.

FILING DATES: ESTABLISHED PARTY: Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the General Primary, November 23 – November 30, 2015* [10 ILCS 5/7-12]

*** THE ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS WILL BE CLOSED ON NOVEMBER 26 & 27, 2015 IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS.**

INDEPENDENT: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 - 27, 2016 [10 ILCS 5/10-6]

NEW PARTY: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 - 27, 2016. [10 ILCS 5/10-6]

WHERE TO FILE: State Board of Elections, 2329 S. MacArthur Blvd, P.O. Box 4187, Springfield, Illinois 62708. (Use P.O. Box if mailing)

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE: Filed with Secretary of the Senate, Office of Public Records, 232 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510-7116. (Telephone: 202/224-0322)

NOTE: Federal filing requirements are subject to change by the FEC. We advise you to contact the FEC for the latest information on filing requirements.

TERM BEGINS: Noon, January 3, 2017 (United States Constitution, Amendment XX, Section 1)

TERM OF OFFICE: 6 years (United States Constitution, Article 1, Section 3)

OFFICE:	**OFFICE OF STATE COMPTROLLER (2 year unexpired term)** **[10 ILCS 5/7-68, 5/25-5] Public Act 98-1170 effective 1/12/15**
MINIMUM AGE:	25 years (Illinois Constitution, Article V, Section 3)
RESIDENCY:	United States Citizen, resident of the State for three years preceding the election and registered voter. (Illinois Constitution, Article V, Section 3; 10 ILCS 7-10, 10-5)
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	ESTABLISHED PARTY CANDIDATES Not less than 5,000 nor more than 10,000 primary electors of his or her party. See page 42, Nomination of Established Political Party Candidates. [10 ILCS 5/7-10(a)] INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES Minimum of 1% of the number of voters who voted in the next preceding statewide General Election or 25,000 qualified voters of the State, whichever is less. [10 ILCS 5/10-3] (**See Signature Requirements Section.**) NEW PARTY CANDIDATES Minimum of 1% of the number of voters who voted in the next preceding statewide General Election or 25,000 qualified voters of the state, whichever is less. Whether the petition must include all offices at state level has never been decided. The State Board of Elections will not decide the question outside the context of an electoral board hearing. [10 ILCS 5/10-2] (**See Signature Requirements Section.**)
PETITIONS:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-10 INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-3 NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-8
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-1 INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-1B NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-1D
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with nomination papers. SBE No. P-1C
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:	Filed with the Secretary of State, Index Division, 111 East Monroe Street, Springfield, Illinois 62756. **(NOTE: Receipt must be filed as part of the petitions, or by the end of the filing period with the State Board of Elections.**)

FILING DATES: ESTABLISHED PARTY: Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the General Primary, November 23 – November 30, 2015*
[10 ILCS 5/7-12]

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NEW PARTY: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 - 27, 2016 [10 ILCS 5/10-6]

WHERE TO FILE: State Board of Elections, 2329 S. MacArthur Blvd., P.O. Box 4187, Springfield, Illinois 62708. (Use P.O. Box if mailing.)

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.

TERM BEGINS: Second Monday of January (January 9, 2017) after his/her election. (Illinois Constitution, Article V, Section 2)

TERM OF OFFICE: 2 years (unexpired term)

OFFICE:	**U.S. REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS**
MINIMUM AGE:	25 years (United States Constitution, Article 1, Section 2)
RESIDENCY:	United States citizen for seven years. Inhabitant of Illinois at the time of the election and a registered voter. (U.S. Constitution, Article I, Section 2; 10 ILCS 7-10, 10-5)
	SIGNATURE ESTABLISHED PARTY CANDIDATES REQUIREMENTS: Not less than .5% (.005) of the qualified primary electors of his/her party in the congressional district at the last presidential election. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10(b)]. **(See Signature Requirements Section)**
	INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES Not less than 5% nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the total number of persons who voted at the next preceding regular General Election within the congressional district. [10 ILCS 5/10-3]. **(See Signature Requirements Section.)**
	NEW PARTY CANDIDATES Not less than 5% of the total number of persons who voted at the next preceding regular General Election within the congressional district. There is **no maximum** signature requirement. [10 ILCS 5/10-2]. **(See Signature Requirements Section.)**
PETITIONS:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-11
	INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-3
	NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-8
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-1
	INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-1B
	NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-1D
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:	Not required for federal office.
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with nomination papers. SBE No. P-1C

FILING DATES:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the General Primary, November 23 – November 30, 2015* [10 ILCS 7-12] *** THE ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS WILL BE CLOSED ON NOVEMBER 26 & 27, 2015 IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS.** INDEPENDENT: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 – 27, 2016 [10 ILCS 5/10-6] NEW PARTY: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 - 27, 2016. [10 ILCS 5/10-6]
WHERE TO FILE:	State Board of Elections, 2329 S. MacArthur Blvd., P.O. Box 4187, Springfield, Illinois 62708. (Use P.O. Box if mailing)
CAMPAIGN DISCLOUSRE:	Filed with the Federal Election Commission, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463 (Telephone: 800/424-9530). **NOTE: Federal filing requirements are subject to change by the FEC. We advise that you contact the FEC for the latest information on filing requirements.**
TERM BEGINS:	Noon, January 3, 2017 (U.S. Constitution, Amendment XX, Section 2)
TERM OF OFFICE:	2 years (United States Constitution, Article 1, Section 2)

OFFICE: **GENERAL ASSEMBLY**
STATE SENATOR and STATE REPRESENTATIVE

MINIMUM AGE: 21 years

RESIDENCY: United States Citizen, resident of the district for 2 years preceding the election and a registered voter.

In the General Election following redistricting, a candidate for the General Assembly may be elected from any district that contains a part of the district in which he resided at the time of redistricting and reelected if a resident of the new district he represents for 18 months prior to reelection.
[Ill. Constitution, Article IV, Section 2(c)]

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: ESTABLISHED PARTY CANDIDATES

State Senator – At least 1,000 but not more than
3,000 of the candidate's party in his legislative district. (Senate) district.
[10 ILCS 5/8-8]

State Representative – At least 500 but not more than 1,500 qualified primary electors of the candidate's party in the representative district.
[10 ILCS 5/8-8]

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES

State Senator and State Representative – Independent candidates for the General Assembly shall submit signatures totaling not less than 5%, nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the number of persons, who voted at the last General Election in such district or political subdivision in which such district or political subdivision voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area.
[10 ILCS 5/10-3] **(See Signature Requirements Section.)**

NEW PARTY CANDIDATES

State Senator and State Representative – New Political Party candidates for the General Assembly shall submit signatures totaling not less than 5% of the number of persons who voted at the last General Election in such district in which such district voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area. **There is no maximum**. [10 ILCS 5/10-2]
(See Signature Requirements Section.)

PETITIONS:	ESTABLISHED PARTY:	SBE No. P-12 – State Senator SBE No. P-13 – State Representative
	INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-3	
	NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-8	
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with nomination papers.	
	ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-1	
	INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-1B	
	NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-1D	
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with nomination papers. SBE No. P-1C	
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:	Filed with the Secretary of State Index Division, 111 East Monroe Street, Springfield, Illinois 62756. **(NOTE: Receipt must be filed with petitions or by the end of the filing period.)**	
FILING DATES:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the General Primary, November 23 – November 30, 2015* [10 ILCS 5/8-9]	
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	NEW PARTY: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 – 27, 2016. [10 ILCS 5/10-6]	
WHERE TO FILE:	State Board of Elections, 2329 S. MacArthur Blvd., P.O. Box 4187, Springfield, Illinois 62708. (Use P.O. Box if mailing)	
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.	
TERM BEGINS:	Second Wednesday of January (January 11, 2017) after their election. [Ill. Constitution, Article IV, Section 5(a)]	
TERM OF OFFICE:	STATE SENATORS: For two and four-year terms [10 ILCS 5/29C-15]: **Two year term districts: 2,5,8,11,14,17,20,23,26,29,32,35,38,41,44,47,50,53,56,59** **Four year term districts: 1,4,7,10,13,16,19,22,25,28,31,34,37,40,43,46,49,52,55,58**	
	STATE REPRESENTATIVES: All 118 Representative Districts – 2-year terms.	

OFFICE: **ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT JUDGE, APPELLATE COURT JUDGE, CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE, RESIDENT CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE, SUBCIRCUIT JUDGE.**

NOTE: A preliminary list of declared vacancies is currently (or will be) available on the Board's website (www.elections.il.gov**).**

MINIMUM AGE: 21 years (General qualifications, Supreme Court, Rule 701)

RESIDENCY: United States citizen. Licensed attorney-at-law in Illinois. Resident of the judicial unit that selects him/her, and a registered voter in Illinois. (Ill. Constitution, Article VI, Section 11; 10 ILCS 7-10, 10-5)

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:

ESTABLISHED PARTY CANDIDATES

The number of signatures required for a candidate for judicial office in a **district** is .4% (.004) of the number of votes cast in that district for the candidate for his/her political party for the office of Governor at the last general election at which a Governor was elected, but in no event less than 500 signatures. [10 ILCS 5/7-10(h)]

The number of signatures required for a candidate for **circuit, or subcircuit** judicial office is 0.25% (.0025) of the number of votes cast for the judicial candidate of his/her political party who received the highest number of votes at the last general election at which a judicial officer from the same circuit, or subcircuit was regularly scheduled to be elected, but in no event shall be less than 500 signatures, WITH THE EXCEPTION ONLY OF circuits and subcircuits located in the First Judicial District in which the required number of signatures shall be not less than 1,000. [10 ILCS 5/7-10(h)]
(See Signature Requirements Section.)

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES

Not less than 5% nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the total number of persons who voted at the next preceding general election within the district or judicial unit in which such district, circuit or subcircuit voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area, except that where 5% is greater than 25,000, the minimum number of signatures required is 25,000. [10 ILCS 5/10-3]
(See Signature Requirements Section.)

NEW PARTY CANDIDATES

Not less than 5% of the total number of persons who voted at the next preceding general election within the district, circuit or subcircuit in which such district, circuit or subcircuit voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area, except that where 5% is greater than 25,000, the minimum number of signatures required is 25,000.
[10 ILCS 5/10-2] **(See Signature Requirements Section.)**

PETITIONS: ESTABLISHED PARTY:

SBE No. P-14	Supreme Court Judge
SBE No. P-15	Appellate Court Judge
SBE No. P-16	Circuit Court Judges, Cook County
SBE No. P-16A	Circuit Court Judge (Subcircuits)
SBE No. P-17	Circuit Court Judges, excluding Cook County
SBE No. P-18	Resident Circuit Judges, excluding Cook County

INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-3

NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-8

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Filed with nomination papers.

ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-1

INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-1B

NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-1D

LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with nomination papers. SBE No. P-1C

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS: Filed with the Secretary of State, Index Division, 111 E. Monroe St., Springfield, IL 62756. (**NOTE: Receipt must be filed with petitions or by the end of the filing period.)**

FILING DATES: ESTABLISHED PARTY: Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the General Primary, November 23 – November 30, 2015* [10 ILCS 5/7-12]

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NOTE: When a vacancy occurs in the office of Supreme, Appellate or Circuit Court judge within the three-week-period (November 9, 2015 – November 30, 2015) preceding the 106th day before the general primary, petitions for nomination for the office in which the vacancy has occurred shall be filed in the principal office of the State Board of Elections not more than 92 nor less than 85 days prior to the date of the general primary election (December 14 thru December 21, 2015). **CONTACT THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS DURING THIS TIME PERIOD FOR AN UPDATED LISTING OF VACANCIES FOR THE SPECIAL JUDICIAL FILING PERIOD.** [10 ILCS 5/7-12]

INDEPENDENT: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 – 27, 2016. [10 ILCS 5/10-6]

	NEW PARTY: Not more than 141 or less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 – 27, 2016. [10 ILCS 5/10-6]
WHERE TO FILE:	State Board of Elections, 2329 S. MacArthur Blvd., P.O. Box 4187, Springfield, Illinois 62708. (Use P.O. Box if mailing)
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.
TERM BEGINS:	First Monday in December following the election. (December 5, 2016) [Ill Constitution, Article VI, Section 12(d)] [10 ILCS 5/1A-19 (c), 7A – 1, 2A --9 (b)]
TERM OF OFFICE:	Supreme Court and Appellate Court Judges, 10 years Circuit Court Judges, 6 years [Ill Constitution, Article VI, Section 10]
ELECTION:	Judicial vacancies and newly created judicial offices are initially elected on a partisan basis. The State Board of Elections is provided with a certification from the Chief Justice of the Illinois Supreme Court delineating which vacancies will be filled by election in the year 2016. Interested citizens may contact the State Board of Elections to learn which judicial offices will be filled by election. The judicial office being sought is the vacancy of the preceding ELECTED judge, not the judge appointed to fill the vacancy until the next election. The nominating petitions and Statement of Candidacy must state the exact vacancy or the exact additional judgeship that the candidate is seeking.
RETENTION/ VACANCIES:	Once elected to office, a judge may seek to retain that office at the expiration of the term by seeking retention on a special ballot separate from the regular ballot. No party affiliation is indicated on a retention ballot. Nominating petitions are not required to seek retention for another term. A Declaration of Judicial Candidacy to succeed oneself must be filed in the office of the Secretary of State on or before Sunday May 8, 2016 (not less than six months before the General Election preceding the expiration of his/her term of office). [Illinois Constitution, Article VI, Section 12(d)]

JUDICIAL SUB-CIRCUITS:

It is the duty of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts to assign judgeships to the subcircuits as vacancies occur as well as additional judgeships created by legislation. Interested citizens may contact the State Board of Elections.

NOTE: When a vacancy occurs in the office of Supreme, Appellate, or Circuit Court Judge within the three week period preceding the 106th day before a General Primary Election (November 9 thru November 30th, 2015), a special filing period shall be held not more than 92 nor less than 85 days prior to the date of the General Primary Election (December 14 – December 21, 2015). Consult the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts and the State Board of Elections concerning newly created vacancies. On or before Sunday May 8, 2016 (not less than six months before the General Election preceding the expiration of his/her term of office), any elected judge who wishes to seek retention shall file in the Office of the Secretary of State, a Declaration of Judicial Candidacy to succeed himself/herself. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(1)]

NOTE: PA 97-81 amended 10 ILCS 7-12(9), effective July 5, 2011, such that judicial candidates at the circuit court level are limited to filing a petition for one circuit court vacancy and/or a petition for one subcircuit vacancy in any filing period. For any individual circuit court judge candidate, the State Board of Elections will accept only one petition for a circuit court vacancy and/or only one petition for a subcircuit vacancy in any filing period. A new circuit court or subcircuit judgeship created by statute or by conversion of a resident judge position to a subcircuit position is a vacancy. A resident judge vacancy is a circuit court vacancy.

<u>For “in person” petition filings</u>, the SBE staff will accept from any candidate (or filing agent) only one petition for a full circuit judicial vacancy and only one petition for a subcircuit judicial vacancy in any filing period. The staff will refuse to accept any additional judicial petition filings at the circuit court level for that candidate.

<u>For petition filings by mail or by commercial carriers</u>, the SBE staff will accept and process only one petition for a full circuit judicial vacancy and only one petition for a subcircuit judicial vacancy in any filing period for any candidate.

If multiple petitions are sent in a single envelope (or package):
If the candidate designates a particular petition as the chosen petition, the staff will accept that petition and return the rest of the petitions to the candidate.

In the absence of a designation by the candidate and if the petitions are all oriented such that the print side of each petition faces the same way, the staff will accept the top petition in the pile and return the rest of the petitions to the candidate.

In the absence of a designation by the candidate and if the petitions are not all oriented with the print facing the same way, the staff will accept the petition that was on top of the pile when the petitions were removed from the envelope with the postage, postmarked and/or mailing label side of the envelope or package facing up, and return the rest of the petitions to the candidate.

If petitions are mailed in multiple envelopes, the first envelope processed will be the one accepted and all other petitions will be returned to the candidate.

A withdrawal of an accepted petition will be accepted, but no new petition for a different judicial vacancy will be accepted after a withdrawal. Withdrawal and filing of a new petition for the same vacancy will be permitted

OFFICE: **COUNTY OFFICERS – CIRCUIT CLERK, RECORDER, STATE'S ATTORNEY, AUDITOR, CORONER, PRESIDENT OF COUNTY BOARD, COUNTY COMISSIONERS, COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS, BOARD OF REVIEW MEMBERS AND REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (VACANCIES)**

The number of countywide executive offices varies from county to county. For example, some counties do not elect the office of assessor. All counties do, however, elect such officers as county clerk, treasurer, sheriff, state's attorney, county board members or commissioners, recorder, and circuit clerk. Approximately one- half of a county's officers are elected every two years.

MINIMUM AGE: 18 years. Licensed attorneys in Illinois must be 21 years old. (See Residency below - Illinois Supreme Court Rule 701)

RESIDENCY: United States citizen. Resident of the county for 30 days. Registered voter in the county or county board district. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-5]

NOTE: Candidates for State's Attorney do not have residency requirements but must be citizens of the United States and licensed attorneys in Illinois.
[Ill. Constitution, Article VI, Section 19]

NOTE: In counties with a population of 3,000,000 or less, no person is eligible to hold the office of **county board member or commissioner** unless that person is a legal voter and has been a resident of the county for at least one year next preceding the election. [55 ILCS 5/2-3015]

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: ESTABLISHED PARTY CANDIDATES
For all offices (including Chairman of the County Board and county board members elected from the county at large), petitions must be signed by at least .5% (.005) of the vote cast for any candidate of the party who received the highest number of votes in the county at the 2014 General Election. The party candidate with the highest vote in the county could be any federal, state or county candidate. [10 ILCS 5/7-10(c)] **(NOTE: The actual number is generally compiled by the election authority. Contact your election authority for further information.)**

For offices elected by district, at least .5% (.005) of the number of primary electors of his/her party in the district who cast votes at the last preceding general election (determined by the number of votes received by the candidate of each political party who received the highest number of votes in the district at the last regular election at which an officer was scheduled to be elected from that district; the candidate with the highest number of votes could be

federal, state, or county candidate). The actual number is compiled by the election authority.) [10ILCS 5/7-10(c)]

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES
An Independent candidate for county office (including Chairman of the County Board and county board members elected from the county at large) must submit nomination papers signed by qualified voters of the county equaling not less than 5%, nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the number of persons who voted at the **LAST** General Election in the county or county board district, (for county board district, the LAST time the district elected a member).
[10 ILCS 5/10-3]

For offices elected by district, not less than 5%, nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the number of persons, who voted at the preceding regular election in such district in which such district voted as a unit. [10 ILCS 5/10-3] **(The actual number is generally compiled by the election authority. Contact your election authority for more information)**

NEW PARTY CANDIDATES
A petition to form a new political party for countywide offices shall contain a complete list of candidates of such party for all offices (including all county board districts) to be filled at the election.
[10 ILCS 5/10-2]

Not less than 5% of the number of persons who voted at the next preceding General Election in the county or for a county board district, the last time the district elected a member. Where 5% is greater than 25,000, 25,000 is the minimum number of signatures required. [10 ILCS 5/10-2]

(The actual number of signatures required is generally compiled by your election authority. Contact your election authority for more information.)

New party candidates seeking county office with officers elected by district and at-large shall file petitions consisting of separate components for each district from which an officer is to be elected. Each component shall be circulated only within a district of the political subdivision and signed only be qualified electors who are residents of such district. Each sheet of such petition must contain a complete list of the names of the candidates of the party for all offices to be filled in the political subdivision at large, but the sheets comprising each component shall also contain the names of those candidates to be elected from the particular district. Each component of the petition for each district from which an officer is to be elected must be signed by qualified voters of the district equaling in number not less than 5% of the number of voters who voted at the next preceding regular election in such

district at which an officer was elected to serve the district. The entire petition, including all components, must be signed by a total of qualified voters of the entire political subdivision equaling in number not less than 5% of the number of voters who voted at the next preceding regular election in such political subdivision at which an officer was elected to serve the political subdivision at large. [10 ILCS 5/10-2]

PETITIONS: ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-10

SBE No. P-20 (multi-county school superintendent)
SBE No. P-26 (county board by district)

INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-3

NEW PARTY: (At-large offices) SBE No. P-8
(At-large offices and offices by district - SBE No. P-8B)

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Filed with nomination papers.

ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-1

INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-1B

NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-1D

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS: Filed with the County Clerk (Statement of Economic Interest). Receipt must be filed with petitions or by the end of the filing period for those counties having election commissions. (See page 10, item D, 1). Multi-County Regional Superintendent candidates file with the county clerk in the county where the principal office of the region is located.

LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with nomination papers. SBE No. P-1C

FILING DATES: ESTABLISHED PARTY: Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the General Primary, November 23 – November 30, 2015 [10 ILCS 5/7-10]

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NEW PARTY: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 - 27, 2016. [10 ILCS 5/10-2]

WHERE TO FILE: Office of the County Clerk. (Exceptions: Candidates for Regional Superintendent of a Multi-County Region file with the State Board of Elections *, candidates in DuPage County file with the DuPage County Board of Election Commissioners and candidates in Peoria County file with the Peoria County Board of Election Commissioners)

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TERM OF OFFICE: 4 years and until a successor is elected and qualified.

NOTE: County Commissioner term is 6-years and until a successor is elected and qualified. Cook County Commissioner term is 4-years.

County Commissioners are elected at-large in certain downstate counties. County Board Members and Commissioners may be elected at-large and from districts.

NOTE: Elected Board of Review members' term is 6 years and until a successor is elected and qualified. Every two years, at the regular election of county officers, one member of the board of review shall be elected to succeed the member whose term expires in that year. [35 ILCS 200/6-35]

TERM BEGINS: December 1, 2016 (First day of the month following the election) for the following offices:

COUNTY AUDITOR	[55 ILCS 5/3-1001]
CIRCUIT CLERK	[705 ILCS 105/1.1]
CORONER	[55 ILCS 5/3-3002]
RECORDER OF DEEDS	[55 ILCS 5/3-5004]
STATE'S ATTORNEY	[55 ILCS 5/3-9002]

December 5, 2016 (First Monday of the month following the election) for the following offices:

COUNTY BOARD MEMBER	[55 ILCS 5/2-3009]
COMMISSIONER	[55 ILCS 5/2-3009]
COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN	[55 ILCS 5/2-3007]

For Regional Superintendent of Schools (Vacancies) - First day of July after his/her election, July 1, 2017. [105 ILCS 5/3-1]

Elected Board of Review members shall qualify within 10 days after the canvass of the vote is completed. [35 ILCS 200/6-35]

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	A candidate for REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS must possess a master's degree and certain other educational qualifications that are listed in 105 ILCS 5/3-1. No other petition of any candidate for nomination for the office of Regional Superintendent of Schools may be filed and no such candidate's name may be placed on a primary or General Election ballot, unless such candidate files as part of his/her petition, a certificate from the State Board of Education certifying that from the records of its office such candidate has the qualifications required by this section; however, any incumbent filing his/her petition for nomination for a succeeding term of office shall not be required to attach such certificate to his/her Petition of Candidacy. A candidate for Regional Superintendent of Schools should examine the provisions of Section 3-1 carefully in order to determine if he/she qualifies.

OFFICE: **COOK COUNTY BOARD OF REVIEW COMMISSIONER**

MINIMUM AGE: 18 Years

RESIDENCY: Shall be an elector of the county and a resident of the election district for at least 2 years before the date of the election. In addition, the Commissioner shall hold no other lucrative public office or public employment. [35 ILCS 200/5-5(a) (c)]

NOTE: An incumbent must be a resident for 18 months prior to re-election if he/she is a resident of a new district which contains a part of their former district in which he/she resided at the time of redistricting. [35 ILCS 200/5-5(c)]

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: **Contact Cook County Clerk**

ESTABLISHED PARTY CANDIDATES
At least the number of signatures equal to .5% or .005 of the total number of **REGISTERED VOTERS** in his/ her Board of Review District in the last General Election at which a commissioner was regularly scheduled to be elected from that Board of Review District**.**

In no event shall the number of signatures required be greater than the requisite number for a candidate who seeks countywide office in Cook County (.5% or .005 of the qualified electors of his or her party who cast votes at the last General Election).
[10 ILCS 5/7-10 (d) (3)]

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES

For offices elected by district, equaling not less than 5%, nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the number of persons who voted at the next preceding regular election in such district in which such district voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area. Where 5% is greater than 25,000, 25,000 is the minimum number of signatures required. [10 ILCS 5/10-3]

NEW PARTY CANDIDATES

For offices elected by district, equaling not less than 5%, of the number of voters who voted at the next preceding regular election in such district in which such district voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its territorial area. Where 5% is greater than 25,000, 25,000 is the minimum number of signatures required. [10 ILCS 5/10-2]

PETITIONS:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-10 INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-3 NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-8
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with nomination papers. ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-1 INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-1B NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-1D
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with nomination papers. SBE No. P-1C
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:	Filed with the office of the Cook County Clerk (See page 10)
FILING DATES:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the General Primary, November 23 – November 30, 2015. [10 ILCS5/7-12] INDEPENDENT: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 – 27, 2016 [10 ILCS 5/10-6] NEW PARTY: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 - 27, 2016. [10 ILCS 5/10-6]
WHERE TO FILE:	Office of the Cook County Clerk.
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.
TERM OF OFFICE:	2 or 4 year term. [35 ILCS 200/5-5(c)] (Contact the Cook County Clerk's office for further information)
TERM BEGINS:	First Monday in December following his/her election. (December 5, 2016) [35 ILCS 200/5-5]

OFFICE: **SANITARY DISTRICT TRUSTEES (Prairie Dupont Levee and Sanitary District)** Sanitary District Act of 1907

Three trustees are to be elected from the territory of the district in the county having the greater assessed valuation of the district and two trustees shall be elected from the territory of the district in the county having the lesser-assessed valuation of the district. All five may be elected at-large if the equalized assessed valuation of the district is less than $100,000,000. [70 ILCS 2205/5]

MINIMUM AGE: 18 years

RESIDENCY: Must be a registered voter and a resident of that portion of the district in the county from which the candidate wishes to seek office.
[70 ILCS 2205/5]

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: ESTABLISHED PARTY CANDIDATES
At least the number of signatures equal to .5% (.005) of the primary electors of his/her party of that sanitary district or ward thereof.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10(g)] **(See Signature Requirements Section)**

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES
Not less than 5%, nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the number of persons who voted at the last regular election for Commissioners of the sanitary district. Where 5% is greater than 25,000, 25,000 is the minimum number of signatures required. [10 ILCS 5/10-3] **(See Signature Requirements Section)**

NEW PARTY CANDIDATES
Not less than 5% of the number of persons who voted at the last regular election for Commissioners of the sanitary district. Where 5% is greater than 25,000, 25,000 is the minimum number of signatures required.
[10 ILCS 5/10-2] **(See Signature Requirements Section)**

PETITIONS: ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-10

INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-3

NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-8

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Filed with nomination papers.

ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-1

INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-1B

NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-1D

LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with nomination papers. SBE No. P-1C
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:	Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of government is located.
FILING DATES:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the General Primary, November 23 – November 30, 2015*. [10 ILCS 5/7-12] *** THE ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS WILL BE CLOSED ON NOVEMBER 26 & 27, 2015 IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS.** INDEPENDENT: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 – 27, 2016 [10 ILCS 5/10-6] NEW PARTY: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 - 27, 2016. [10 ILCS 5/10-6]
WHERE TO FILE:	State Board of Elections, 2329 S. MacArthur Blvd, P.O. Box 4187, Springfield, Illinois 62708. (Use P.O. Box if mailing) [10 ILCS 5/7-12(1)]
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.
TERM BEGINS:	Trustees hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. [70 ILCS 2205/5]
TERM OF OFFICE:	4 years [70 ILCS 2205/5]

OFFICE: **SANITARY DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS (Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago) Three commissioners (of a 9-member board) are to be elected for six-year terms. [70 ILCS 2605/3 and 2605/3.2]**

MINIMUM AGE: 18 years

RESIDENCY: Resident of sanitary district and must be a registered voter.

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: **Contact the Cook County Clerk.**

ESTABLISHED PARTY CANDIDATES
At least .5% (.005) of the total vote cast for that party's candidate who received the highest number of votes in the district at the last regular election for Commissioners of such sanitary district. [10 ILCS 5/7-10(g)] **(Signature requirements are compiled by the office of the Cook County Clerk)**

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES
Not less than 5%, nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the number of persons who voted at the next preceding regular election for Commissioners of the sanitary district. Where 5% is greater than 25,000, 25,000 is the minimum number of signatures required. [10 ILCS 5/10-3] (**Signature requirements are compiled by the office of the Cook County Clerk)**

NEW PARTY CANDIDATES
Not less than 5% of the number of persons who voted at the next preceding regular election for Commissioners of the sanitary district. Where 5% is greater than 25,000, 25,000 is the minimum number of signatures required. [10 ILCS 5/10-2] (**Signature requirements are compiled by the office of the Cook County Clerk)**

PETITIONS: ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-10

INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-3

NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-8

NOTE: The Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago is not a countywide district; therefore a complete slate of county offices is not required.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with nomination papers. ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-1 INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-1B NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-1D
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:	Filed with the Cook County Clerk. (See page 10)
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with nomination papers. SBE No. P-1C
FILING DATES:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the General Primary, November 23 – November 30, 2015 [10 ILCS 5/7-12] INDEPENDENT: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 – 27, 2016. [10 ILCS 5/10-6] NEW PARTY: Not more than 141 or less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 - 27, 2016. [10 ILCS 5/10-6]
WHERE TO FILE:	Office of the Cook County Clerk [10 ILCS 5/7-12(2)]
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.
TERM BEGINS:	First Tuesday after the first Monday of the month following the month of their election, December 6, 2016. [70 ILCS 2605/3]
TERM OF OFFICE:	6 years and until their successors shall be elected and qualified. [70 ILCS 2605/3]

OFFICE:	**SANITARY DISTRICT TRUSTEES (North Shore Sanitary District) Contact the district in Waukegan for the specific wards electing trustees and the term of office. [70 ILCS 2305/3]**
MINIMUM AGE:	18 years
RESIDENCY:	Resident of sanitary district and must be a registered voter.
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	**Contact Lake County Clerk.** ESTABLISHED PARTY CANDIDATES If a candidate seeks to run for trustee of a sanitary district in which trustees are elected from wards, then the candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least the number of signatures equal to .5% or .005 of the primary electors of his or her party in the ward of that sanitary district. [10 ILCS 5/7-10(g)] INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES Not less than 5%, nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum whichever is greater) of the number of persons who voted at the next preceding regular election in such sanitary district ward for the election of officers. Where 5% is greater than 25,000, 25,000 is the minimum number of signatures required. [10 ILCS 5/10-3] NEW PARTY CANDIDATES Not less than 5% of the number of persons who voted at the next preceding regular election in such sanitary district ward for election of officers. Where 5% is greater than 25,000, 25,000 is the minimum number of signatures required. [10 ILCS 5/10-2]
PETITIONS:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-10 INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-3 NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-8
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with nomination papers. ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-1 INDEPENDENT: SBE No. P-1B NEW PARTY: SBE No. P-1D
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:	Filed with the Lake County Clerk. (Receipt must be filed with petition or by last day of filing period. For exception, see page 10, para. D, 1 -4.)

LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with nomination papers. SBE No. P-1C
FILING DATES:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the General Primary, November 23 – November 30, 2015 [10 ILCS 5/7-12] INDEPENDENT: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 – 27, 2016 [10 ILCS 5/10-6] NEW PARTY: Not more than 141 or less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 - 27, 2016. [10 ILCS 5/10-6]
WHERE TO FILE:	Office of the Lake County Clerk. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(2)]
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.
TERM BEGINS:	All trustees elected in 2012 or thereafter shall assume office on the second Wednesday in December following the general election, December 14, 2016. [70 ILCS 2305/3]
TERM OF OFFICE:	Either 2 or 4 year terms. [70 ILCS 2305/3] For further information, contact the district in Waukegan for the specific wards electing trustees and the terms of office for each.

OFFICE:	**SANITARY DISTRICT TRUSTEES (Sanitary District Act of 1936)** For those districts that have chosen by referendum to elect their trustees, three trustees are to be elected for four-year terms. [70 ILCS 2805/3.1 and 2805/3.2] **Contact the district office for the number of trustees to be elected.**
MINIMUM AGE:	18 years
RESIDENCY:	Resident of said district and a registered voter. [70 ILCS 2805/3]
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	NONPARTISAN CANDIDATES Not less than 5%, nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the number of persons who voted at the last regular election in such district for the election of officers. Where 5% is greater than 25,000, 25,000 is the minimum number of signatures required. [70 ILCS 2805/3.2; 10 ILCS 5/10-3 and 10-3.1]
PETITIONS:	NONPARTISAN: SBE No. P-4
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with nomination papers. NONPARTISAN: SBE No. P-1A
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:	Filed with the office of the county clerk. (See page 10)
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with nomination papers. SBE No. P-1C
FILING DATES:	Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 20 – 27, 2016. [10 ILCS 5/10-6]
WHERE TO FILE:	Office of the county clerk.
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.
TERM BEGINS:	The first Monday of the month following the General Election, December 5, 2016. [70 ILCS 2805/3.2]
TERM OF OFFICE:	4 years and until their successors are elected and qualified. [70 ILCS 2805/3.2]

OFFICE:	**BOARD MEMBER (BOARD OF EDUCATION)** (Under 105 ILCS 5/33 - City of Peoria Only)
MINIMUM AGE:	18 years
RESIDENCY:	United States citizen and a resident of the district for at least one year immediately preceding the election and shall not be a child sex offender. [105 ILCS 5/33-2]
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	At least 200 qualified voters of the district. [105 ILCS 5/33-2]
PETITION:	Board of Education Petition. SBE No. P-7A (District)
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with nominating petitions Nonpartisan: SBE No. P-1A
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:	Filed with the county clerk. (Receipt shall be filed with petitions or by last day of filing period.)
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C
FILING DATES:	Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Primary Election in even-numbered years, October 26 – November 2, 2015. [10 ILCS 5/10-6]
WHERE TO FILE:	Peoria County Board of Election Commissioners.
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.
TERM BEGINS:	All terms shall commence on July 1, 2016, following the election. [105 ILCS 5/33-1]
TERM OF OFFICE:	5-year terms [105 ILCS 5/33-1]. By referendum, may change to 4 -year terms [105 ILCS 5/33-1A].

OFFICE:	**WARD COMMITTEEMEN AND PRECINCT COMMITTEEMEN (Party officers elected at the Primary)**
MINIMUM AGE:	18 years
RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS:	United States Citizen. Must be a registered voter and a resident of that ward or precinct from which that candidate wishes to seek office.
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	**WARD COMMITTEEMEN** – not less than 5% nor more than 8% (or 50 more than minimum, whichever is greater)* of the primary electors of his party in the ward. Signature requirements may be obtained from the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners – (312) 269-7900. [10 ILCS 5/7-10(i)] *** SPECIAL NOTE:** Although the express language of Sec. 7-10(i), which applies in this instance, requires not less than 10% nor more than 16% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the primary electors of his party in the ward, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit held in Gjersten v. Board of Election Commissioners for City of Chicago, 791 F.2d 472 (7th Cir., 1986), that a signature requirement in excess of 5% is unconstitutional and thus unenforceable. Thus, 5% of the primary electors of the candidate's party in the ward is the minimum number of signatures required for ward committeemen petitions. **PRECINCT COMMITTEEMEN** – a minimum of 10 primary electors of his party in his precinct. [10 ILCS 5/7-10(i)]
PETITIONS:	ESTABLISHED PARTY: SBE No. P-10 (Ward Committeemen) SBE No. P-27 (Precinct Committeemen)
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:	Not required for party office.
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C
FILING DATES:	(Elected at Primary) Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the General Primary, November 23 – November 30, 2015. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(5)]
WHERE TO FILE:	**Ward Committeemen** file with the office of the Cook County Clerk. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(5)] **Precinct Committeemen** file with the office of the county clerk. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(5)]

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.
TERM BEGINS:	Date of completion of canvass and proclamation.
TERM OF OFFICE:	Ward Committeemen: 4 years Precinct Committeemen: 2 years [10 ILCS 5/7-8 (b)]

NOMINATION PROCEDURES

A. NOMINATION OF ESTABLISHED POLITICAL PARTY CANDIDATES

1. A political party which at the last General Election for state and county offices, polled for its candidate for Governor more than 5% of the entire vote cast for Governor, is an "established political party" as to the state and as to any district or political subdivision thereof. If any of the other Statewide candidates of such political party polled more than 5% of the entire vote cast for the office for which they were running, then such political party shall be an "established political party" in the State, but not as to any district or political subdivision within the State. [10 ILCS 5/7-2, 10-2]

   A political party, which at the last election in any congressional district, legislative district, county, township, municipality or other political subdivision or district in the state, polled more than 5% of the entire vote cast within such territorial area or political subdivision, as the case may be, has voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve the respective territorial area of such district or political subdivision, is an "established political party" as to such district or political subdivision. [10 ILCS 5/10-2]

2. The State Board of Elections recommends that established political party candidates review the information contained in "General Requirements for Filing Nominating Papers" before attempting to prepare his/her nomination papers. See pages 1 thru 11.

3. Established political party candidates file nomination papers with the State Board of Elections for federal, state, judicial, and multi-county offices*. Nomination papers for county offices are filed with the county clerk. Candidates in DuPage County file with the DuPage County Board of Election Commissioners. Candidates in Peoria County file with the Peoria County Board of Election Commissioners. The filing period for these offices is November 23 – November 30, 2015. [10 ILCS 5/7-12 (1) (2)]

   *** THE ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS WILL BE CLOSED ON NOVEMBER 26 & 27, 2015 IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS.**

4. A candidate for whom a nomination paper has been filed as a partisan candidate at a primary election, and who is defeated for nomination, is prohibited from being listed on the ballot as an independent candidate or as a candidate of another political party and may not file a Declaration of Intent to be a Write-In candidate at that General Election. [10 ILCS 5/7-61, 10-3, 17-16.1 and 18-9.1]

5. Qualifications for office, signature requirements, and other relevant information for filing can be found under the specific offices listed elsewhere in this guide.

6. Individual voters who sign an established party candidate petition may not sign a petition of a candidate of another established party. [10 ILCS 5/7-10]

B. NOMINATION OF NEW POLITICAL PARTY CANDIDATES

1. A new political party is created when a political group files nomination papers for a complete slate of candidates within the state, a specific district, or a political subdivision. If the new party receives more than 5% of the total votes cast at the General Election for Governor, it becomes an established political party as to the State, and as to any district or political subdivision thereof.
[10 ILCS 5/7-2 and 10-2]

2. The name for the new political party cannot contain more than five words. The new party name cannot bear the same name or include the name of any established political party. [10 ILCS 5/10-2, 5/10-5]
(However, see Norman v. Reed, 112 S.Ct. 698, 502 U.S. 698, which held that Illinois' provision prohibiting use of the name of an established party so as to bar candidates running in one political subdivision from ever using the name of a political party established only in another, sweeps broader than necessary to advance electoral order, and, accordingly, violated the First Amendment right of political association.

3. New party candidates seeking county office where officers are elected from districts and at-large should follow 10 ILCS 5/10-2 which provides in part:

…."In the case of a petition to form a new political party within a political subdivision in which officers are elected from districts and at-large, such petition shall consist of separate components for each district from which an officer is to be elected. (Petition - SBE No. P-8B). Each component shall be circulated only within a district of the political subdivision and signed only by qualified electors who are residents of that district. Each sheet of such petition must contain a complete list of the names of the candidates of the party for all offices to be filled in the political subdivision at-large, but the sheets comprising each component shall also contain the names of those candidates to be elected from the particular district. Each component of the petition for each district from which an officer is to be elected must be signed by qualified voters of the district equaling in number not less than 5% of the number of voters who voted at the next preceding regular election in such district at which an officer was elected to serve the district. The entire petition, including all components, must be signed by a total of qualified voters of the entire political subdivision equaling in number not less than 5% of the number of voters who voted at the next preceding regular election in such political subdivision at which an officer was elected to serve the political subdivision at-large"…

4. Nomination papers for a new political party must include a Certificate of Officers (SBE Form P-8C) listing the names and addresses of the new party officers authorized to fill vacancies in nomination. **Failure to file this certificate may result in the party forfeiting the right to fill vacancies in nomination, but will not invalidate the petition. (Peoples Independent Party v. Petroff, App 5 Dist. 1989, 138 Ill.Dec. 915) [10 ILCS 5/10-5, 10-11]**

   (See "Requirements for Filing Nominating Papers" beginning on page 1 for more detailed information.)

   Nomination papers for new party candidates must also include the following documents [10 ILCS 5/10-5]:

   a. A Statement of Candidacy for each candidate;

   b. Loyalty Oath for each candidate (optional);

   c. A receipt for the filing of each candidate's Statement of Economic Interests; (see page 10)

5. The party must nominate one candidate for each office to be filled within the political subdivision at the General Election. In the case of group offices, the number of candidates nominated must equal the number of positions being elected. *Reed v. Kusper*, 154 Ill.2d 77, 180 Ill.Dec.685, 607 N.E.2d 1198 (1992); *Green Party v. Henrichs*, 355 Ill. App. 3d 445, 291 Ill. Dec. 35, 822 N.E.2d 910 (s Dist. 2005).

6. Nomination papers for new political parties must be filed with the State Board of Elections for federal, state, judicial, and multi-county offices, with the county clerk for county offices, candidates in DuPage County file with the DuPage County Board of Election Commissioners and candidates in Peoria County file with the Peoria County Board of Election Commissioners during the filing period June 20 - 27, 2016. [10 ILCS 5/10-6]

7. Signature requirements and other relevant information for filing are detailed under the specific offices listed elsewhere in this Guide.

8. If a new political party is invalidated in its entirety by an electoral board or upon judicial review, the new party officers cannot replace the entire slate of candidates on the pretext of filling vacancies in nomination. ***People ex. Rel. Vigilant Party vs. Village of Dolton***, 118 Ill. App. 2d 392, 254 NE 2d 832 (1969) [10 ILCS 5/10-7]

9. A candidate for whom a nomination paper has been filed as a partisan candidate at a Primary Election, and who is defeated for nomination, is prohibited from being listed on the ballot at the General Election as an independent candidate or as a candidate of another political party, and may not file a Declaration of Intent to be a Write-In Candidate at that General Election.
[10 ILCS 5/7-61, 10-2, 10-3, 17-16.1, 18-9.1]

C. NOMINATION OF INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES

1. Independent candidates are those individuals who are not candidates of any political party, but who are candidates in a General Election at which party candidates may appear on the ballot. Such candidates are listed on the ballot under the heading, "Independent." [10 ILCS 5/10-3]

2. Nomination papers must be filed with the State Board of Elections for federal, state, judicial and multi-county offices, with the county clerk for county offices. Candidates in DuPage County file with the DuPage County Board of Election Commissioners. Candidates in Peoria County file with the Peoria County Board of Election Commissioners during the filing period June 20 – 27, 2016
[10 ILCS 5/7-12, 10-6]

3. Signature requirements and other relevant information for filing are detailed under the specific offices listed elsewhere in this guide.

4. An independent candidate is an individual candidate not supported by a political party structure. Therefore, there is no political party organization to fill the vacancy in nomination. [10 ILCS 5/10-7]

5. Independent candidates seeking election should review the information contained in "Requirements for Filing Nomination Papers," beginning on page 1.

6. A candidate for whom a nomination paper has been filed as a partisan candidate at a Primary Election, and who is defeated for nomination, is prohibited from being listed on the ballot at the General Election as an independent candidate or as a candidate of another political party, and may not file a Declaration of Intent to be a Write-In Candidate at that General Election.
[10 ILCS 5/7-61, 10-3, 17-16.1, 18-9.1]

7. A person who filed a statement of candidacy for a partisan office as a qualified primary voter of an established political party or who voted the ballot of an established political party at a general primary election may not file a statement of candidacy as a candidate of a different established political party or as an independent candidate for a partisan office to be filled at the general election immediately following the general primary for which the person filed the statement or voted the ballot. [10 ILCS 5/7-43]

D. WRITE-IN CANDIDATE PROCEDURES

1. A candidate who is defeated for nomination at the General Primary Election is prohibited from filing a Declaration of Intent to be a Write-In Candidate at the subsequent General Election. [10 ILCS 5/17-16.1, 18-9.1]

2. A write-in candidate must file a notarized "Declaration of Intent to be a Write-In Candidate" no later than 61 days prior to the election. However, whenever an objection to a candidate's nominating papers or petitions for any office is sustained after the 61st day before the election, the candidate may file a notarized declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate for that office with the proper election authority or authorities no later than 7 days prior to the election. The declaration must be filed with the proper **election authority or authorities** in those jurisdictions in which he or she is seeking to be a write-in candidate. **Declarations of Intent forms are NOT TO BE FILED with the State Board of Elections.**
[10 ILCS 5/7-59(b), 17-16.1, 18-9.1]

   The "Declaration of Intent to be a Write-in Candidate" form can be obtained from the election authority's office, i.e., the county clerk or board of elections commissioners. [10 ILCS 5/17-16.1, 18-9.1]

3. To qualify as a candidate for an established political party in a General Election, a write-in candidate at a Primary Election for that party must receive the number of votes that is equal to or greater than the number of signatures required on a petition for that office if the number of candidates whose names appear on the primary ballot is less than the number of persons the party is entitled to nominate or elect to that office at the Primary Election. [10 ILCS 5/7-59]

4. The number of votes required for write-in candidates to be nominated or elected to an office at a **Primary Election,** as outlined above, does not apply if:

   (a) The number of votes he/she receives exceeds the number of votes received by at least one of the candidates whose name was printed on the ballot for nomination or election to the same office; or

   (b) The number of candidates whose names appear on the ballot equals or exceeds the number of persons the party is entitled to nominate or elect to that office. [10 ILCS 5/7- 59 (c) (1)]

5. A winning write-in candidate who receives the required number of votes at a Primary Election must file: 1) a Statement of Candidacy; 2) a receipt for the filing of the Statement of Economic Interests (exception: federal and party offices); 3) a Loyalty Oath (optional). These forms must be filed within 10 days of the canvass. The forms must be filed with a certifying officer or board (example: winning write-in candidate for State Representative would file with the State Board of Elections). [10 ILCS 5/7-60]

E. FILING FOR INCOMPATIBLE OFFICES

If petitions for nominations have been filed for the same person for two or more offices which are incompatible, (e.g., State Senator and State Representative), so that the same person could not serve in more than one of such offices if elected, that person must withdraw as a candidate from all but one of such offices within five business days following the last day for petition filing. If petitions are filed for the same person with respect to more than one political party, the candidate shall not be certified for either primary ballot. Judicial candidates at the circuit court level are limited to filing a petition for one circuit court vacancy and/or a petition for one sub-circuit vacancy in any filing period.
[10 ILCS 5/7-12, 8-9 and 10-7]

For questions concerning compatibility of offices, contact the Opinions Division of the Attorney General's office at 217/782-9070

F. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. For the purpose of determining eligibility to sign a nominating petition or a petition proposing a public question, the terms "voter," "registered voter," "qualified voter," "legal voter," "elector," "qualified elector," "primary elector," and "qualified primary elector" shall mean a person who is registered to vote at the address shown opposite his/her signature on the petition or was registered to vote as such address when he/she signed the petition. [10 ILCS 5/3-1.2]

2. Whenever a statute requires that a nominating petition or a petition proposing a public question shall be signed by a specific percentage of the registered voters of the state, a political subdivision or district, the total number of voters to which the percentage is applied shall be the number of voters who are registered in the state, political subdivision or district, as the case may be, on the date registration closed before the regular election next preceding the last day on which such petition may be filed. [10 ILCS 5/3-1.3]

3. When computing signature requirements, the number of primary electors is determined as follows: a) in a <u>district</u>, the total vote cast for the candidate for such political party who received the highest number of votes, statewide, at the last General Election in the state at which electors for President of the United States were elected, and b) in a <u>political subdivision</u>, the total vote cast for the candidate for such political party who received the highest number of votes in such political subdivision at the last regular election at which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from that subdivision. [10 ILCS 5/7-10]

4. When a candidate withdraws his or her nominating petition, the original petition is not returned to the individual, but remains in the office of either the State Board of Elections, the election authority or the local election official.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4]

5. Blank nomination petitions may be reproduced prior to circulation. The signatures of the signers (voters), circulator and the notary public must be original. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4]

OBJECTIONS TO NOMINATING PAPERS

FILING OBJECTION PETITION:	Nomination papers shall be deemed to be valid unless objections are filed in writing, **an original objector's and two copies**, within five business days after the last day for the filing of nomination papers. **Objection petitions that do not include 2 copies thereof, shall not be accepted.** The last day to file an objection will depend on the filing period. (See SBE Election and Campaign Finance Calendar for 2016.) The objection shall be filed with the SBE, the election authority or local election official with whom the original nomination petition was filed. **NOTE:** An objection to petitions for the office of ward or precinct committeeman may be filed within 5 business days after the last day for filing nomination papers. [10 ILCS 5/7-13, 10-8]
PROCESSING OBJECTION:	Not later than 12 noon on the second business day after receipt of an objector's petition, the State Board of Elections, the election authority or local election official shall transmit by registered mail or receipted personal delivery the Certificate of Nomination or nomination papers and the original objector's petition to the chairman of the proper electoral board designated in Section 10-9, or his/her authorized agent, and shall transmit a copy of the objector's petition, by registered mail or receipted personal delivery, to the candidate whose Certificate of Nomination or nomination papers are objected to, addressed to the place of residence designated in said Certificate of Nomination or nominating papers. [10 ILCS 5/10-8]
RESPONSIBILITY OF CHAIRMAN OF ELECTORAL BOARD:	Within 24 hours after receipt of the objector's petition, the chairman of the electoral board, other than the State Board of Elections, shall send a call by registered or certified mail to each of the members of the electoral board, the objector, and the candidate, and shall also cause the Sheriff of the county or counties in which such officers and persons reside to serve a copy of such call upon each of the officers and persons. In those cases where the State Board of Elections is the designated electoral board, the Chairman of the State Board of Elections shall send the call to the objector and candidate whose Certificate of Nomination or nomination papers are objected to stating the day, hour and place at which the State Board of Elections shall meet to hear the objection. [10 ILCS 5/10-10]
ELECTORAL BOARD MEETING:	The meeting of the electoral board shall not be less than three nor more than five days after receipt of the objector's petition by the chairman of electoral board. The electoral board on the first day of its meeting shall adopt rules of procedure for the introduction of evidence and the presentation of arguments and may, in its discretion, provide for the filing of briefs by the parties to the objection or by other interested persons. [10 ILCS 5/10-10]

JUDICIAL REVIEW FILED:	Within 5 days after the decision of the electoral board, the candidate or objector aggrieved by the decision of the board, may file a petition for judicial review with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county in which the hearing of the electoral board was held, and must serve a copy of the petition upon the electoral board and other parties to the proceedings. The petition shall contain a brief statement of the reason why the decision of board should be reversed. Court hearings are to be held within 30 days after the filing of the petition and the decision delivered promptly thereafter. [10 ILCS 5/10-10.1]
NO JUDICIAL REVIEW:	If no petition for judicial review has been filed within 5 days after the decision of the electoral board, the electoral board shall transmit a copy of its ruling, together with the original Certificate of Nomination or nomination papers or petitions and the original objector's petitions to the officers or board with whom they were on file and such officers or board shall abide and comply with the ruling so made to all intents and purposes. [10 ILCS 5/10-10, 5/10-10.1]

STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS – RULES AND REGULATIONS
(As codified under the Illinois Administrative Procedures Act)
Title 26, Chapter 1.

Section 201.40 Simultaneous Filing for the Same Office – LOTTERY

Simultaneous filings of candidate nominating petitions for the same office occur only at 8:00 a.m., or the opening hour, on the first day of filing. The lottery system to be used by the State Board of Elections, the election authority, or the local election official to break ties resulting from such simultaneous filings must be approved by the State Board of Elections. The following system has been so approved:

a) The names of all candidates who filed simultaneously for the same office shall be listed alphabetically and shall be numbered consecutively commencing with the number one which shall be assigned to the candidate whose name is listed first on the alphabetical list; provided, however, that candidates filing a group petition for the same office shall be treated as one in the alphabetical list. For example, if five candidates by the name of Downs, Brown, Edwards, Cook and Adams have filed simultaneously, they will be arranged alphabetically and assigned numbers as follows: Adams, one; Brown, two; Cook, three; Downs, four; and Edwards, five. However, if Cook and Adams filed a group petition and Cook's name appeared first on the petition, then the candidates would be arranged as follows: Brown, one; Cook and Adams, two; Downs, three; and Edwards, four.

b) All ties will be broken by a single drawing. A number shall be placed in a container representing each number assigned to each candidate and group of candidates pursuant to the alphabetical listing procedures set forth in paragraph a) above. For example, if the largest number to be used for any office is five, then numbers one, two, three, four and five will be placed in a container. In this manner, sufficient numbers will be placed in the container to conduct a drawing for all offices at the same time.

c) After the numbers are placed in the container, they shall be drawn one at a time from the container after they have been thoroughly shaken and mixed. The candidate or group of candidates in the position on an alphabetical list corresponding to the first number drawn shall be certified ahead of the other candidates listed on the alphabetical list. The candidate or group of candidates in the position on the alphabetical list corresponding to the second number drawn will be certified second and so forth until all numbers have been drawn. For example, where no group petitions were filed, if candidates Adams, Brown, Cook, Downs, and Edwards filed simultaneously at 8:00 a.m. on the first day of filing, and the number three is first drawn, then candidate Cook, who is listed in the third position on the alphabetical list, shall be certified first on the ballot. If the number one is drawn second, then candidate Adams, who is listed in the first position on the alphabetical list, shall be certified second on the ballot…and so on. For offices where group petitions were filed, using the example set forth above where candidates Cook and Adams file a group petition for the same office, and Cook's name appears first on the petition, and number three is drawn first, then candidate Downs would be listed first. If

the number two is drawn second, then candidates Cook and Adams would be certified second and third, respectively. If the number four is drawn third, then candidate Edwards would be certified fourth….and so on. In districts with fewer names on the alphabetical list than are in the drawing, then all numbers in excess of the number of candidates or group of candidates that appear on the particular alphabetical list shall be disregarded. Thus, if five numbers are placed in the container, and only four candidates or groups of candidates are on a particular list, then the number five shall be disregarded. For example, if candidates Adams and Cook, filing separate petitions, are the only candidates listed on the alphabetical list and five numbers are chosen in the following order: 3, 5, 4, 2 and 1, then candidate Cook's name will appear in the certification prior to the name of candidate Adams.

d) ***** If at 5:00 p.m. on the last day of filing, two or more nominating petitions for the same office are presented; they shall be deemed filed in the order of actual receipt. Ballot position shall be assigned consecutively to these petitions with the first petition received placed upon the ballot before the second set of petitions received and so on. No nominating petitions will be accepted after 5:00 p.m.

* **Since the creation of the above rule, P.A. 97-1044 (Effective January 1, 2013) and P.A. 98-115 (Effective July 29, 2013), provide that 2 or more petitions filed within the last hour of the filing deadline are deemed filed simultaneously and the order of candidate placement on the ballot will be determined by a separate lottery drawing**. **[10 ILCS 5/7-12(6); 5/8-9(2); 5/10-6.2]**

e) All candidates shall be certified in the order in which petitions have been filed with the State Board of Elections, election authority or the local election official. In cases where candidates have filed simultaneously, they shall be certified (in the order determined by the lottery procedure outlined above) prior to candidates who filed for the same office who filed their petitions at a later time, except in those situations where the law requires rotation on a district-by-district basis.

(Source: Amended at 5 Ill. Reg. 14140, effective December 4, 1981)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

SIGNING PETITIONS

1. Can a registered voter sign petitions for candidates of more than one political party for the same Primary Election?

No. A "qualified primary elector" of a party may not sign petitions for or be a candidate in the primary of more than one party.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4]

2. May a voter who voted Republican in the last Primary Election now sign a petition for a Democratic candidate?

Yes, however, no one may sign petitions for candidates of more than one political party for the **same** Primary Election.
Kusper v. Pontikes, 414 U.S. 51, 94 S. Ct. 303 (1973); Sperling v. County Officers Electoral Board, 57 111.2d 81, 309 N.E. 2d 589 (1974)

3. Can a voter sign an established party petition and a new party and/or independent petition?

Yes, a voter may sign an established party candidate's petition prior to a General Primary Election and subsequent to that Election, sign a petition of an independent OR new political party candidate prior to a General Election. The voter may not however, sign a petition of more than one independent or new political party candidate's petition for the same office.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-3]

4. How should the voter sign his name when he signs the petition?

The voter should sign the petition with the same name as he or she is registered to vote. However, signing with a nickname will not invalidate the signature, provided the voter can be identified and it can be shown that he or she is lawfully registered to vote and qualified to sign the petition.

5. Are pencil signatures allowed?

Yes, but it is advisable to use a pen with dark ink.

6. Are abbreviations allowed on petitions?

Standard abbreviations may be used in writing the voter's address, including the street number.

7. Can ditto marks be used on the petitions?

Though ditto marks are not specifically prohibited, it's suggested they be avoided. The use of ditto marks could be objected to and the outcome of an objection cannot be predicted. A circulator can, however, fill in any missing information except a voter's signature.

CIRCULATORS

8. May a candidate circulate his or her own petition sheets?

Yes.

9. When can the circulator start collecting signatures?

No more than 90 days prior to the last day for filing petitions. (See page ii)
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 5/8-8, 5/10-4]

10. If a candidate finds something wrong with his or her petitions after they are filed, can a new set of petitions be circulated and filed before the end of the filing period?

Yes, but the candidate must cancel the original set of petitions in writing. If the candidate fails to cancel the original set of petitions, then only the original petitions shall be considered filed and all subsequent petitions shall be void. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(11), 5/10-6.2]

11. May a circulator circulate petitions for an independent candidate and an established party candidate?

No.
[10 ILCS 5/10-4]

12. May a circulator sign as a voter on the petition he or she is circulating?

Yes, as long as he/she is a registered voter in the applicable political subdivision or district.

13. May a circulator circulate petitions for an established party candidate and a new party candidate?

No.
[10 ILCS 5/10-4]

14. Is the circulator required to be a registered voter?

No, but he/she must be a United States Citizens and be 18 years of age. He/she must also include his/her current address on the circulator's affidavit.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4]

15. Can a petition sheet be circulated by more than one individual?

No. Only the person who signs the page as circulator can circulate that sheet. By signing as circulator, the circulator is attesting that all signers signed in his/her presence.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10]

FILING PETITIONS

16. May a candidate file in person and by mail?

Yes. However if the candidate wishes to be in the lottery for the first ballot position, it is advisable to file in person, as only candidates whose petitions are received in the first mail delivery on the first day of filing are eligible for the lottery.

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

Yes. An established party may file a slate of candidates for offices to be filled within the State, county or a district (e.g.: Judicial). However, each candidate of the slate must individually file a Statement of Candidacy and a receipt for filing a Statement of Economic Interests. The Statement of Candidacy and the receipt for each candidate must be attached to the original slate petition.

18. When must a petition be filed with a complete slate of candidates?

New political parties must file a complete slate of candidates for offices in the political subdivision or district from which they wish to run for office. An established party or independent candidates may file a complete slate or they may file either a single candidate petition or a partial slate petition for the political subdivision or district.
[10 ILCS 5/7-2, 10-2] **Whether the petition must include all offices at state level has never been decided. The State Board of Elections will not decide the question outside the context of an electoral board hearing.** [10 ILCS 5/10-2]

19. If you are first in line or your petition is in the first mail pickup or delivery of the day, 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 from the same party and for the same office, they would be considered as filing simultaneously along with any petition in the first mail pickup or delivery and will be involved in a lottery to determine ballot position.
[10 ILCS 5/7-12(6), 8-9(2), 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.

20. Must the notary of the petition be an Illinois notary, and may the notary also be a signatory of the petition?

Under the provisions of the Uniform Recognition of Acknowledgements Act:
[765 ILCS 30/2]

"Notarial acts may be performed outside this State for use in this State with the same effect as if performed by a notary public of this State by the following persons authorized pursuant to the laws and regulations of other governments in addition to any other person authorized by the laws and regulations of this State:

(1) "A notary public authorized to perform notarial acts in the place in which the act is performed. …"

For additional information, contact the Index Department of the Secretary of State's Office, 111 E. Monroe, Springfield, IL 62756-0001, Phone 217/782-7017.

It has not been definitively 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.

21. Is a lottery conducted for party placement on the ballot?

For the General Election, a lottery is conducted by each election authority for all established parties to determine the proper order of party placement on the ballot. This lottery is held within 30 days following the proclamation of the results of the Primary Election. New parties are involved in a lottery when there is a simultaneous filing with the State Board of Elections or the county clerk. The State Board of Elections conducts the lottery for new parties that file in the Springfield office and the election authorities must use such order. No party lottery is done for the Primary Election since each party has its own ballot, separate from any other established party. [10 ILCS 5/7-60]

22. In filing a petition to fill a vacancy in the office of Circuit Judge, must the petition contain the vacancy for which the candidate is filing?

Yes. For example, "To fill the vacancy of the Honorable John Jones." The vacancy is for the preceding elected judge, not the interim appointee.

23. Are judges running for retention required to file petitions?

No. Judges running for retention are required to file a Declaration of Candidacy for Retention with the Secretary of State on or before Sunday May 8, 2016, preceding the expiration of their term of office.
[Illinois Constitution, Article VI, Section 12(d)]

24. Does a candidate have to file his or her own nomination papers?

No. The candidate or a representative of the candidate can file the candidate's petitions.

25. May a candidate file his or her own petition and petitions for other candidates at the same time?

Yes.

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

Yes, however, the candidate must withdraw from all but one office within five business days following the last day of petition filing, if the offices are incompatible. The withdrawal notice must be in writing and notarized. If he/she does not withdraw, his/her name will not be certified for any office. Judicial candidates at the circuit court level are limited to filing a single petition for one circuit court vacancy and/or a single petition for one subcircuit vacancy in any filing period. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(9)]

27. When may petitions be mailed?

There are no statutory requirements regarding a time element for mailing petitions. However, all petitions must be received during the filing period. All petitions received in the office prior to the opening of the office on the first day of the filing period or after the close of the office on the last day of the filing period will be returned to the sender.
[10 ILCS 5/7-12.6, 8-9, 10-6.2]

28. May a petition that has been filed be changed?

No. A petition once filed may not be added to or altered. However, the receipt(s) for filing Statements of Economic Interests may be filed at any time during the filing period.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 7-12]

29. Who can remove a signature from a nominating petition?

Only the circulator or the candidate on whose behalf the petition was circulated may strike a signature. However, an individual can submit a written request to the proper filing office to have his/her own name removed **before** the petition is filed.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 8-8, 10-3]

30. When a candidate withdraws his nominating petition, are the petitions returned to the candidate?

No. The original documents are not returned, but remain in the office where they were filed. They must remain in the office for a period of at least six months. [10 ILCS 5/10-7]

31. When are petitions open to the public?

Upon their filing with the proper office. As a practical matter, there will be some delay in availability while the SBE or the Election Authority processes each petition. All certificates of nomination and nomination papers when presented or filed shall be open, under proper regulation, to public inspection, and the State Board of Elections and the several election authorities and local election officials having charge of nomination papers shall preserve the same in their respective offices not less than 6 months. [10 ILCS 5/10-7]

2016 SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS

Office	Democratic	Republican	Independent	New Party
United States Senate	5,000 - 10,000	5,000 - 10,000	25,000	25,000
Comptroller (unexpired term)	5,000 - 10,000	5,000 - 10,000	25,000	25,000

U. S. CONGRESS

District	Democratic .5%	Republican .5%	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
1	1,314	337	11,591 - 18,544	11,591
2	1,256	289	10,614 - 16,981	10,614
3	719	548	9,373 - 14,995	9,373
4	686	145	5,388 - 8,620	5,388
* **5**	942	455	9,595 - 15,351	9,595
6	760	899	12,249 - 19,597	12,249
7	1,322	179	9,535 - 15,254	9,535
8	667	475	7,705 - 12,327	7,705
9	1,004	514	11,186 - 17,896	11,186
10	788	563	9,573 - 15,316	9,573
11	760	533	8,933 - 14,292	8,933
** **12**	769	746	10,664 - 17,061	10,664
13	733	739	10,754 - 17,206	10,754
14	702	861	11,514 - 18,420	11,514
15	526	987	11,488 - 18,379	11,488
16	687	804	11,141 - 17,824	11,141
17	847	598	10,124 - 16,198	10,124
18	626	1,014	12,603 - 20,163	12,603

***** District 5 - Green Party - 12 Signatures

****** District 12 - Green Party - 13 Signatures

LEGISLATIVE (STATE SENATE)

District	Democratic	Republican	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
1	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	1,546 - 2,473	1,546
2	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	1,773 - 2,836	1,773
3	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,781 - 4,449	2,781
4	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,385 - 5,415	3,385
5	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,686 - 4,296	2,686
6	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,209 - 5,134	3,209
7	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,882 - 4,611	2,882
8	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,600 - 4,160	2,600
9	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	4,049 - 6,477	4,049
10	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,906 - 4,649	2,906
11	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	1,813 - 2,900	1,813
12	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	1,709 - 2,733	1,709
13	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,150 - 5,039	3,150
14	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,697 - 5,914	3,697
15	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,067 - 4,907	3,067
16	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,947 - 4,714	2,947
17	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,548 - 5,676	3,548
18	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,703 - 5,923	3,703
19	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,803 - 6,084	3,803
20	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	1,916 - 3,064	1,916
21	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,895 - 6,230	3,895
22	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	1,755 - 2,807	1,755
23	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,882 - 4,610	2,882
24	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	4,058 - 6,492	4,058
25	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,333 - 5,332	3,333
26	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,794 - 6,069	3,794
27	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,623 - 5,795	3,623
28	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,914 - 4,661	2,914
29	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,258 - 5,212	3,258
30	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,324 - 3,717	2,324
31	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,940 - 4,702	2,940
32	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,331 - 5,329	3,331
33	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,390 - 5,422	3,390
34	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,634 - 4,213	2,634
35	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,274 - 5,237	3,274
36	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,372 - 5,394	3,372
37	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,968 - 6,348	3,968
38	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,498 - 5,595	3,498
39	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,542 - 4,066	2,542

LEGISLATIVE (STATE SENATE)

District	Democratic	Republican	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
40	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,344 - 5,350	3,344
41	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,982 - 6,369	3,982
42	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	1,835 - 2,935	1,835
43	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,578 - 4,124	2,578
44	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,667 - 5,865	3,667
45	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,584 - 5,733	3,584
46	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,808 - 4,492	2,808
47	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,375 - 5,399	3,375
48	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,156 - 5,048	3,156
49	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,129 - 5,004	3,129
50	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	4,148 - 6,635	4,148
51	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,969 - 6,349	3,969
52	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	2,725 - 4,358	2,725
53	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,368 - 5,387	3,368
54	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,619 - 5,789	3,619
55	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,531 - 5,648	3,531
56	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,138 - 5,020	3,138
57	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,043 - 4,867	3,043
58	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,616 - 5,784	3,616
59	1,000 - 3,000	1,000 - 3,000	3,478 - 5,563	3,478

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

District	Democratic	Republican	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
1	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	742 - 1,185	742
2	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	805 - 1,287	805
3	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	792 - 1,266	792
4	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	982 - 1,570	982
5	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,494 - 2,390	1,494
6	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,288 - 2,059	1,288
7	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,769 - 2,829	1,769
8	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,617 - 2,586	1,617
9	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,335 - 2,135	1,335
10	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,351 - 2,161	1,351
11	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,538 - 2,459	1,538
12	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,672 - 2,674	1,672
13	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,445 - 2,310	1,445
14	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,438 - 2,300	1,438
15	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,403 - 2,244	1,403
16	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,198 - 1,915	1,198
17	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,960 - 3,135	1,960
18	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	2,090 - 3,342	2,090
19	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,332 - 2,131	1,332
20	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,575 - 2,518	1,575
21	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	709 - 1,133	709
22	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,105 - 1,766	1,105
23	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	920 - 1,471	920
24	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	789 - 1,261	789
25	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,471 - 2,352	1,471
26	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,680 - 2,687	1,680
27	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	2,018 - 3,227	2,018
28	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,680 - 2,687	1,680
29	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,715 - 2,742	1,715
30	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,353 - 2,164	1,353
31	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,667 - 2,665	1,667
32	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,281 - 2,049	1,281
33	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,702 - 2,722	1,702
34	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,847 - 2,954	1,847
35	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,989 - 3,181	1,989
36	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,714 - 2,742	1,714
37	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,989 - 3,181	1,989
38	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,815 - 2,903	1,815
39	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	937 - 1,498	937
40	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	979 - 1,565	979
41	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,882 - 3,010	1,882
42	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	2,014 - 3,220	2,014
43	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	750 - 1,198	750

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

District	Republican	Democratic	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
44	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,006 - 1,609	1,006
45	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,642 - 2,627	1,642
46	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,240 - 1,983	1,240
47	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	2,070 - 3,311	2,070
48	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,989 - 3,181	1,989
49	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,559 - 2,494	1,559
50	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,774 - 2,838	1,774
51	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	2,103 - 3,364	2,103
52	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,691 - 2,704	1,691
53	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,869 - 2,989	1,869
54	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,754 - 2,805	1,754
55	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,485 - 2,374	1,485
56	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,430 - 2,286	1,430
57	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,328 - 2,123	1,328
58	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,931 - 3,088	1,931
59	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,419 - 2,269	1,419
60	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	905 - 1,447	905
61	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,574 - 2,517	1,574
62	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,366 - 2,185	1,366
63	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,589 - 2,541	1,589
64	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,743 - 2,788	1,743
65	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,897 - 3,034	1,897
66	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,493 - 2,387	1,493
67	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	925 - 1,479	925
68	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,709 - 2,734	1,709
69	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,722 - 2,754	1,722
70	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,553 - 2,483	1,553
71	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,779 - 2,845	1,779
72	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,594 - 2,549	1,594
73	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,943 - 3,108	1,943
74	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	2,026 - 3,240	2,026
75	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,742 - 2,786	1,742
76	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,756 - 2,809	1,756
77	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	837 - 1,337	837
78	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,706 - 2,728	1,706
79	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,667 - 2,665	1,667
80	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,678 - 2,684	1,678
81	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,968 - 3,147	1,968
82	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	2,015 - 3,222	2,015
83	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	725 - 1,159	725
84	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,110 - 1,775	1,110

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

District	Republican	Democratic	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
85	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,282 - 2,049	1,282
86	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,297 - 2,074	1,297
87	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,871 - 2,993	1,871
88	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,796 - 2,872	1,796
89	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,843 - 2,948	1,843
90	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,742 - 2,785	1,742
91	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,547 - 2,474	1,547
92	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,262 - 2,018	1,262
93	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,575 - 2,519	1,575
94	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,800 - 2,879	1,800
95	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,756 - 2,809	1,756
96	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,400 - 2,239	1,400
97	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,667 - 2,666	1,667
98	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,462 - 2,338	1,462
99	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	2,238 - 3,580	2,238
100	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,910 - 3,055	1,910
101	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	2,073 - 3,316	2,073
102	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,896 - 3,033	1,896
103	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,130 - 1,807	1,130
104	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,595 - 2,551	1,595
105	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,651 - 2,640	1,651
106	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,717 - 2,746	1,717
107	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,712 - 2,738	1,712
108	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,908 - 3,051	1,908
109	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,877 - 3,002	1,877
110	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,654 - 2,645	1,654
111	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,484 - 2,373	1,484
112	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,655 - 2,647	1,655
113	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,510 - 2,414	1,510
114	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,533 - 2,452	1,533
115	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,824 - 2,917	1,824
116	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,792 - 2,866	1,792
117	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,759 - 2,813	1,759
118	500 - 1,500	500 - 1,500	1,719 - 2,750	1,719

SUPREME/APPELLATE COURT JUDGE

District	Democratic .4% or 500	Republican .4% or 500	Independent 5% - 8% **	New Party 5% **
1st	3,484	1,790	25,000 - 109,154	25,000
2nd	1,347	2,216	25,000 - 74,095	25,000
3rd	852	1,236	25,000 - 44,167	25,000
4th	525	1,039	21,040 - 33,662	21,040
5th	519	1,016	20,846 - 33,352	20,846

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Circuit	Democratic .25% or 1,000	Republican .25% or 1,000	Independent 5% - 8% **	New Party 5% **
Cook	2,233	1,000	25,000 - 109,154	25,000
1st Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	4,590 - 7,343	4,590
2nd Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	4,561 - 7,297	4,561
3rd Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	4,962 - 7,938	4,962
4th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	4,741 - 7,585	4,741
5th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	3,955 - 6,327	3,955
6th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	5,295 - 8,471	5,295
7th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	3,943 - 6,308	3,943
8th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	8,755 - 14,007	8,755
9th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	5,004 - 8,005	5,004
10th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	4,628 - 7,403	4,628
11th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	4,261 - 6,817	4,261
12th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	5,694 - 9,109	5,694
13th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	4,980 - 7,967	4,980
14th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	3,537 - 5,658	3,537
15th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	6,397 - 10,235	6,397
Circuit	Democratic .25% or 500	Republican .25% or 500	Independent 5% - 8% **	New Party 5% **
1st	500	500	3,600 - 5,759	3,600
2nd	500	500	3,788 - 6,060	3,788
3rd	500	500	6,565 - 10,502	6,565
4th	500	500	4,064 - 6,501	4,064
5th	500	500	2,974 - 4,757	2,974
6th	500	500	7,927 - 12,681	7,927
7th	500	500	5,768 - 9,227	5,768
8th	500	500	2,582 - 4,130	2,582
9th	500	500	3,056 - 4,888	3,056

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Circuit	Democratic .25% or 500	Republican .25% or 500	Independent 5% - 8% **	New Party 5% **
10th	500	500	7,643 - 12,227	7,643
11th	500	500	6,314 - 10,101	6,314
12th	500	500	7,508 - 12,012	7,508
1st Subcircuit	500	500	2,307 - 3,690	2,307
2nd Subcircuit	500	500	1,579 - 2,525	1,579
3rd Subcircuit	500	500	1,980 - 3,168	1,980
4th Subcircuit	500	500	1,980 - 3,168	1,980
5th Subcircuit	500	500	1,980 - 3,168	1,980
13th	500	500	3,286 - 5,256	3,286
14th	500	500	4,266 - 6,825	4,266
15th	500	500	3,961 - 6,336	3,961
16th	500	500	9,138 - 14,619	9,138
1st Subcircuit	500	500	1,270 - 2,031	1,270
2nd Subcircuit	500	500	1,600 - 2,558	1,600
3rd Subcircuit	500	500	2,270 - 3,631	2,270
4th Subcircuit	500	500	1,270 - 2,031	1,270
5th Subcircuit	500	500	1,270 - 2,031	1,270
17th	500	500	4,830 - 7,726	4,830
1st Subcircuit	500	500	1,191 - 1,905	1,191
2nd Subcircuit	500	500	1,191 - 1,905	1,191
3rd Subcircuit	500	500	2,056 - 3,289	2,056
4th Subcircuit	500	500	1,191 - 1,905	1,191
18th	500	542	14,435 - 23,095	14,435
19th	500	500	9,536 - 15,257	9,536
1st Subcircuit	500	500	966 - 1,545	966
2nd Subcircuit	500	500	1,949 - 3,117	1,949
3rd Subcircuit	500	500	2,583 - 4,132	2,583
4th Subcircuit	500	500	1,688 - 2,701	1,688
5th Subcircuit	500	500	1,688 - 2,701	1,688
6th Subcircuit	500	500	1,688 - 2,701	1,688
20th	500	500	8,495 - 13,591	8,495
21st	500	500	2,062 - 3,297	2,062
22nd	500	500	4,137 - 6,618	4,137
1st Subcircuit	500	500	1,020 - 1,630	1,020
2nd Subcircuit	500	500	1,191 - 1,905	1,191
3rd Subcircuit	500	500	1,183 - 1,892	1,183
4th Subcircuit	500	500	1,183 - 1,892	1,183
23rd	500	500	4,450 - 7,119	4,450

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Whenever 5% is greater than the statewide requirement, the minimum signature requirement shall be 25,000.

RESIDENT CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Circuit County	Democratic .25% or 500	Republican .25% or 500	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
1st				
Alexander	500	500	246 - 392	246
Jackson	500	500	1,327 - 2,121	1,327
Johnson	500	500	213 - 340	213
Massac	500	500	355 - 567	355
Pope	500	500	128 - 203	128
Pulaski	500	500	157 - 249	157
Saline	500	500	493 - 788	493
Union	500	500	448 - 716	448
Williamson	500	500	1,476 - 2,361	1,476
2nd				
Crawford	500	500	360 - 574	360
Edwards	500	500	149 - 237	149
Franklin	500	500	708 - 1,131	708
Gallatin	500	500	168 - 267	168
Hamilton	500	500	220 - 351	220
Hardin	500	500	134 - 213	134
Jefferson	500	500	831 - 1,328	831
Lawrence	500	500	384 - 612	384
Richland	500	500	337 - 539	337
Wabash	500	500	199 - 318	199
Wayne	500	500	301 - 480	301
White	500	500	358 - 571	358
3rd				
Bond	500	500	369 - 590	369
Madison	500	500	4,013 - 6,419	4,013
4th				
Christian	500	500	591 - 945	591
Clay	500	500	339 - 541	339
Clinton	500	500	648 - 1,036	648
Effingham	500	500	642 - 1,026	642
Fayette	500	500	453 - 723	453
Jasper	500	500	207 - 330	207
Marion	500	500	906 - 1,449	906
Montgomery	500	500	446 - 712	446
Shelby	500	500	526 - 841	526

RESIDENT CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Circuit County	Democratic .25% or 500	Republican .25% or 500	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
5th				
Clark	500	500	363 - 580	363
Coles	500	500	1,077 - 1,722	1,077
Cumberland	500	500	275 - 438	275
Edgar	500	500	425 - 679	425
Vermilion	500	500	1,101 - 1,761	1,101
6th				
Champaign	500	500	2,694 - 4,309	2,694
DeWitt	500	500	341 - 544	341
Douglas	500	500	306 - 488	306
Macon	500	500	1,690 - 2,703	1,690
Moultrie	500	500	326 - 520	326
Piatt	500	500	359 - 574	359
7th				
Greene	500	500	335 - 535	335
Jersey	500	500	394 - 629	394
Macoupin	500	500	885 - 1,415	885
Morgan	500	500	570 - 911	570
Sangamon	500	500	3,826 - 6,120	3,826
Scott	500	500	131 - 209	131
8th				
Adams	500	500	1,456 - 2,328	1,456
Brown	500	500	162 - 257	162
Calhoun	500	500	103 - 164	103
Cass	500	500	282 - 450	282
Mason	500	500	293 - 468	293
Menard	500	500	248 - 396	248
Pike	500	500	369 - 590	369
Schuyler	500	500	170 - 271	170
9th				
Fulton	500	500	563 - 899	563
Hancock	500	500	464 - 742	464
Henderson	500	500	169 - 269	169
Knox	500	500	891 - 1,424	891
McDonough	500	500	526 - 840	526
Warren	500	500	395 - 630	395

RESIDENT CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Circuit County	Democratic .25% or 500	Republican .25% or 500	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
10th				
Marshall	500	500	257 - 409	257
Peoria	500	500	3,974 - 6,357	3,974
Putnam	500	500	132 - 210	132
Stark	500	500	98 - 156	98
Tazewell	500	500	2,205 - 3,527	2,205
11th				
Ford	500	500	228 - 363	228
Livingston	500	500	611 - 976	611
Logan	500	500	539 - 861	539
McLean	500	500	3,692 - 5,906	3,692
Woodford	500	500	620 - 991	620
12th				
Will	500	500	7,606 - 12,169	7,606
13th				
Bureau	500	500	755 - 1,206	755
Grundy	500	500	686 - 1,097	686
LaSalle	500	500	2,388 - 3,819	2,388
14th				
Henry	500	500	899 - 1,437	899
Mercer	500	500	461 - 737	461
Rock Island	500	500	2,277 - 3,642	2,277
Whiteside	500	500	896 - 1,433	896
15th				
Carroll	500	500	308 - 492	308
JoDaviess	500	500	433 - 691	433
Lee	500	500	727 - 1,163	727
Ogle	500	500	864 - 1,382	864
Stephenson	500	500	1,091 - 1,744	1,091
16th				
Kane	500	500	5,467 - 8,746	5,467

RESIDENT CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Circuit County	Democratic .25% or 500	Republican .25% or 500	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
17th				
Boone	500	500	668 - 1,067	668
Winnebago	500	500	3,650 - 5,839	3,650
18th				
DuPage	500	500	13,664 - 21,861	13,664
19th				
Lake	500	503	13,831 - 22,129	13,831
20th				
Monroe	500	500	536 - 856	536
Perry	500	500	515 - 823	515
Randolph	500	500	603 - 964	603
St. Clair	500	500	3,886 - 6,216	3,886
Washington	500	500	376 - 601	376
21st				
Iroquois	500	500	650 - 1,039	650
Kankakee	500	500	1,794 - 2,870	1,794
22nd				
McHenry	500	500	4,224 - 6,758	4,224
23rd				
DeKalb	500	500	2,072 - 3,314	2,072
Kendall	500	500	2,379 - 3,805	2,379

REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Region	Democratic .5%	Republican .5%	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
Adams/Brown/Cass Morgan/Pike/Scott	108	196	3,131 - 5,008	3,131

PRAIRIE DUPONT LEVEE & SANITARY DISTRICT

Counties	Democratic .5%	Republican .5%	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
Monroe/St. Clair	5	4	58 - 93	58