

2018 PETITION and FILING INFORMATION

The top part of each page must be completed before it is circulated and should have identical information on all sheets. Petition forms may be photocopied, but must have original signatures, addresses and city.

You are urged to submit more than the minimum number to discourage signature challenges.

Your name will appear on the ballot exactly as is shown inside the box on the Statement of Candidacy Form P-1 or P-1B, as long as it meets State requirements.

Every individual who circulates petitions on your behalf must complete the certification at the bottom of the page and sign in the presence of a Notary Public who will also sign and seal each page.

Filing period for all local established party petitions is from Monday, November 27, 2017, thru Monday, December 4, 2017, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. (last day till 5:00 p.m.) Independent candidates file June 18-25, 2018. All forms must be notarized and "fastened together in a secure manner":

1. The Statement of Candidacy
2. Numbered Petition Forms
3. Loyalty Oath (optional)
4. Receipt for filing Statement of Economic Interest Form (if required)

Candidates for each office of the same party will be listed on the Primary ballot in the order of their petition filing. When two or more petitions are received simultaneously for the same office and party (a) as of the opening hour of the first day (8:00 a.m. on November 27th) and/or (b) within the last hour of the last day (between 4-5 p.m. on December 4th), then a lottery to determine ballot placement will be held. All forms must be complete - notarized, fastened, numbered, etc. to be considered acceptable.

Once petitions are filed and stamped, you cannot change, alter, delete or add anything to them unless you file a completely new set of petitions with original signatures, so be sure to examine all your completed documents carefully before filing.

Additional information is available thru the Illinois State Board of Elections web site - www.elections.il.gov. The **2018 Candidate's Guide** has frequently asked questions starting on page 51, and they State will also post the **2018 Election and Campaign Finance Calendar**.