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PREFACE

This *Candidate's Guide for 2009* has been prepared to provide information for candidates seeking office at the local level in 2009. It includes a listing of offices nominated or elected at the Consolidated Primary Election on February 24 and at the Consolidated Election on April 7. Filing dates and the general requirements for filing are included. Also included is a section that provides answers to some of the more frequently asked questions about nominating petitions and procedures.

All citations contained herein refer to the Illinois Election Code [10 ILCS 5/1-1 *et seq*, as amended] or as otherwise indicated. New legislation and court decisions made after August 30, 2008, are not included in this guide.

Legal information contained in this guide, however, 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 nomination papers.

For additional information, we advise that you contact your county clerk, your local election official (municipal clerk, township clerk, road district clerk, park district secretary, school board secretary, etc.), or the State Board of Elections in Springfield (217/782-4141) or Chicago (312/814-6440). Website is: www.elections.il.gov.

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CONSOLIDATED PRIMARY
Last Tuesday in February
February 24, 2009

ESTABLISHED POLITICAL PARTY OFFICERS TO BE NOMINATED

MUNICIPAL *-- over 5,000 population and/or Special Charter

Mayor or President
Clerk
Treasurer
Alderman or Trustee

* Municipalities under 5,000 population may determine by ordinance (no later than November 17, 2008) that political parties shall nominate candidates for municipal offices by primary. [10 ILCS 5/7-1(b)]

* Villages that have nominated and elected candidates for president and trustees in partisan elections prior to January 1, 1992, may continue to hold partisan elections without conducting a referendum. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-25-20]

TOWNSHIPS in Cook County**

TOWNSHIPS and MULTI-TOWNSHIP ASSESSMENT DISTRICTS, with a population of more than 15,000 outside of Cook County**. Townships over 5000 population coterminous or wholly within cities/villages not under commission from of government.

Supervisor
Clerk
Assessor, Multi-township Assessor
Highway Commissioner
Collector (if elected) ***
Trustees

** Townships may conduct a primary if the township central committee approves by November 15, 2008. [60 ILCS 1/45-55]

*** Counties having township organization with a population of over 100,000, except in Cook County, may conduct a referendum to discontinue the office of Collector. [60 ILCS 1/50-30]

NONPARTISAN
OFFICERS TO BE NOMINATED

MUNICIPAL -- Council-Manager form (councilmen at-large and from districts)

Mayor or President
Treasurer (Council-Manager form only)
Council Member or Trustee

NONPARTISAN
OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED

MUNICIPAL -- Special Election * – City of Chicago Aldermen, if required.
[65 ILCS 20/21-26]

*Special Election would apply if vacancy in office occurred.

CONSOLIDATED ELECTION

First Tuesday in April
April 7, 2009

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

MUNICIPAL -- including Special Charter

Mayor or President
Clerk
Treasurer
Alderman or Trustee

TOWNSHIP –

Supervisor
Clerk
Assessor/Multi-township Assessor
Highway Commissioner
Collector* (if elected)
Trustees

*Counties having township organization, except Cook County, may conduct a referendum to discontinue the office of Collector [60ILCS 1/50-30]

NONPARTISAN OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED

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

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

MUNICIPAL -- City of Chicago (run-off elections if required)
[65 ILCS 20/21-26]

PARK DISTRICT - Commissioners, Trustees
PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT - Trustees
TOWNSHIP AND MUNICIPAL LIBRARY - Trustees
REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES - Trustees
SCHOOL DISTRICT - Board Members, School Directors
SCHOOL DISTRICT - Special Charter - Inspectors, Board Members
TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF SCHOOLS (Cook County only)
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT - Trustees
TOWNSHIP LAND COMMISSIONERS (in counties under 220,000 population)
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT - Trustees
FOX WATERWAY MANAGEMENT AGENCY - Chairman, Directors:
2 Directors to be elected from Lake County; 1 Director to be elected from McHenry County
FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT - Commissioners
ROAD DISTRICT – Clerk, Commissioner
SPRINGFIELD METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION AND AUDITORIUM AUTHORITY - Commissioners
OTHER SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICTS (see applicable statutes)

FILING PERIODS
(And caucus date information)

December 8-15, 2008

Filing period for candidates seeking nomination at the **Consolidated Primary Election**, February 24, 2009.

(Petitions may NOT be circulated prior to September 16, 2008.)

January 19-26, 2009 **(First day of filing could start January 20th due to observance of Martin Luther King holiday. Check with local filing office to verify beginning of filing period.)**

Filing period for candidates seeking election at the **Consolidated Election**, April 7, 2009.

(Petitions may NOT be circulated prior to October 28, 2008.)

In **MUNICIPALITIES** under 5,000 population, established political parties hold their caucuses on January 12, 2009, and file their certificates of nomination with the municipal clerk during the filing period, January 19-26, 2009.

Note: Municipalities of 5,000 or less may determine by ordinance (no later than November 15, 2008) that established political parties shall nominate candidates for municipal offices by primary election.
[10 ILCS 5/7-1 (*et seq*)]

TOWNSHIP CAUCUS – January 13, 2009 [60 ILCS 1/45-10]

MULTI-TOWNSHIP CAUCUS – January 14, 2009 [60 ILCS 1/45-25]

New political parties file nominating petitions which must include a full slate of candidates as well as a certificate stating the names and addresses of the party officers authorized to fill vacancies. (See pages 3 - 5)

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

ESTABLISHED PARTY, NEW PARTY, INDEPENDENT AND NONPARTISAN CANDIDATE FILINGS

A. ESTABLISHED POLITICAL PARTY CANDIDATES in MUNICIPALTIES & TOWNSHIPS - NOMINATION BY PRIMARY ELECTION

1. An established political party is defined as a political party which at the election next preceding a primary for that governmental unit received more than 5% of the entire vote cast in that governmental unit.
[10 ILCS 5/7-2, 10-2]

2. A political party which, at the last election in any municipality or township in the State, polled more than 5% of the entire vote cast within such territorial area, as the case may be, has voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve the respective territorial area, is an "established political party" as to such municipality or township. [10 ILCS 5/7-2, 10-2]

3. In the 2009 elections, municipalities over 5,000 population and not governed by the commission or council-manager forms of government or municipalities that have not adopted a nonpartisan primary system fall under the provisions of Article 7 (Established Political Parties) of the Election Code.
[10 ILCS 5/7-1 (*et seq)*]

4. No primary election shall be held where the name of not more than one person of a political party has filed as a candidate for the nomination for each office to be filled at an election at which no other offices are to be voted on. Primary elections are held only for contested offices. [10 ILCS 5/7-5b]

5. Candidates of established political parties seeking nomination by primary election to municipal or township offices should follow the information contained in "Requirements for Filing Nominating Papers" beginning on page 9 in preparing their nomination papers for filing.

6. Specific qualifications for office, signature requirements and location for filing are detailed under the appropriate office listed elsewhere in this guide.

7. 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 Consolidated Election as

an independent candidate, a candidate of another political party, or from filing a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate at that Consolidated Election. [10 ILCS 5/7-61, 10-3, 17-16.1, 18-9.1]

B. CERTIFICATE OF NOMINATION BY ESTABLISHED <u>PARTY CAUCUS</u> IN MUNICIPALITIES WITH A POPULATION OF 5,000 OR LESS (For information about the Township Caucus procedures, see the "Township Caucus Guide for 2005)

1. Established political parties shall nominate candidates by caucus in municipalities with a population of 5,000 or less. [10 ILCS 5/7-1, 10-1] This provision does not apply to commission, council-manager forms of government, or to any municipality that has adopted a nonpartisan primary system, as candidates in these municipalities are elected on a nonpartisan basis. See page 1 for definition of "Established Political Parties."

   NOTE: Municipalities of 5,000 or less population may determine by ordinance no later than November 15, 2008, that established political parties shall nominate candidates for municipal offices by a primary election in accordance with Article 7 of the Election Code. [10 ILCS 5/7-1 (*et seq*)]

2. Caucus Date for municipalities: The municipal caucuses shall be conducted on **January 12, 2009**, the Monday immediately preceding the first day for filing caucus certificates of nomination. [10 ILCS 5/10-1]

3. Only those registered voters who reside within the territory for which the nomination is made shall be permitted to vote or take part in the caucus proceedings. (See Form H-1A) [10 ILCS 5/10-1(e)]

4. No voter shall vote or take part in the proceedings of more than one caucus or meeting to make a nomination for the same municipality. [10 ILCS 5/10-1(e)]

5. The caucus may make **ONE** nomination for each office to be filled at the Consolidated Election.

6. A Certificate of Nomination by Caucus, Form H-2, shall be prepared to include:

   a. the names and addresses of the candidates along with the offices to which they are nominated; and

   b. the established party name.

7. The presiding officer and secretary of the caucus shall list their addresses and sign the Certificate of Nomination. The certificate shall be sworn to by them to be true to the best of their knowledge and belief and must be notarized.

8. Candidates nominated by caucus must individually provide the following documents which are filed with the caucus certificate of nomination:

   a. a Statement of Candidacy (SBE P-1K);

   b. a receipt for the filing of the candidate's Statement of Economic Interests. The receipt must be filed prior to the filing deadline; and

   c. a Loyalty Oath. (The filing of the Loyalty Oath is OPTIONAL.)

   (See "Requirements for Filing Nominating Papers" beginning on page 8 for more detailed information.)

9. The Certificate of Nomination along with the required individual candidate documentation shall be filed with the appropriate municipal clerk, during the regular filing period (January 19-26, 2009).

10. Any vacancy in nomination by caucus of an established political party for a municipal office shall be filled in accordance with 10 ILCS 5/7-61.

11. A candidate who participated at a caucus and <u>who is defeated</u> at the caucus for nomination <u>is ineligible</u> to be listed as a candidate of another political party, an independent candidate, or to file a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate at the Consolidated Election.
    [10 ILCS 5/7-61, 10-3, 17-16, 18-9.1]

C. NEW POLITICAL PARTY CANDIDATES

1. A political group wishing to form a new political party within a municipality must file petitions with a full slate of candidates for such political subdivision. Upon such filing, a new political party is created. That new political party remains a new political party for the election for which it filed a full slate of candidates. If the new political party receives more than 5% of the votes cast at that election, it becomes an established political party. If it does not, it ceases to exist. [10 ILCS 5/10-2]

2. The new political party petition must include a certificate (SBE Form P-8C) which includes the names and addresses of party officers authorized to fill vacancies in nomination. [10 ILCS 5/10-7, 10-11] See #5.
   [10 ILCS 5/10-5]

3. Where a new political party petition is invalidated by an electoral board or upon judicial review or the entire new party slate withdraws, the new party officers cannot replace the entire slate of candidates on the pretext of filling vacancies in nomination. [10 ILCS 5/10-7, 10-11]

4. The new party name may not contain more than five words. Moreover, such party shall not bear the same name as, or include the name of any established party. [10 ILCS 5/10-2, 10-5]

5. Petitions for new political party candidates must include the following:

   a. a Statement of Candidacy for each candidate;

   b. a receipt for the filing of each candidate's Statement of Economic Interests. The receipt must be filed prior to the filing deadline;

   c. a Loyalty Oath (the filing of the Loyalty Oath is OPTIONAL); and

   d. a Certificate (SBE Form P-8C) stating the names and addresses of the party officers authorized to fill vacancies in nomination. Failing to file such certificate will not invalidate the petition, but if it is not filed, the new party will not be able to fill vacancies in nomination. (*Peoples Independent Party v. Petroff,* 191 ILL. App.3d 706, 548 N.E. 2nd 145 (5th Dist. 1989).

   (See "Requirements for Filing Nominating Papers" beginning on page 9 for more detailed information.)

6. The new party must nominate one candidate for each office to be filled within the political subdivision (municipality, ward or district) at the Consolidated Election. In the case of group offices, the number of candidates nominated must equal the number of offices to be filled.

7. New party candidates seeking office where officers are elected from wards or districts and at-large. 10 ILCS 5/10-2:

   - In the case of a petition to form a new political party within a municipality in which officers are to be elected from wards or districts and at-large, such petition shall consist of separate components for each ward or district from which an officer is to be elected. Each component shall be circulated only within a ward or district of the political subdivision and signed only by qualified electors who are residents of such ward or 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 ward or district. Each component of the petition (SBE No. P-8A) for each ward or district from which an officer is to be elected must be signed by qualified voters of the ward or district equaling a number not less than 5% of the number of voters who voted at the last regular election in such ward or district at which an officer was elected to serve the ward or district.

- The entire petition, composed of 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 last regular election in such municipality at which an officer was elected to serve the municipality at large.

8. A candidate for whom a nomination paper has been filed as a partisan candidate at a Consolidated Primary Election, and <u>who is defeated</u> for nomination, <u>is prohibited</u> from being listed on the ballot at the Consolidated Election as an independent candidate, a candidate of another political party and new party candidate or from filing a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate at that Consolidated Election.
[10 ILCS 5/7-61, 10-3, 17-16.1, 18-9.1]

D. INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES

1. Independent candidates are defined as those individuals who are not candidates of any political party, but who are candidates in an election at which party candidates may appear on the ballot. [10 ILCS 5/10-3]

2. Independent candidates should follow the information contained in "Requirements for Filing Nominating Papers" beginning on page 9 in preparing their nomination papers for filing.

3. Nomination papers must be filed in the office of the appropriate local election official or board of election commissioners during the filing period, January 19-26, 2009.

4. Signature requirements and locations for filing are detailed under the appropriate office listed elsewhere in this guide.

5. Whenever the name of an independent candidate for an office is withdrawn or an independent candidate's petition is declared invalid by an electoral board or upon judicial review, no vacancy in nomination for that office shall exist. A vacancy in nomination contemplates a political party organization to fill it; but an independent candidate is not supported by a party structure, therefore vacancies for independent candidates cannot be filled.
[10ILCS 5/10-7]

6. A partisan candidate who is defeated for nomination in the Consolidated Primary is prohibited from being listed on the ballot at the Consolidated Election as an independent candidate, a candidate of another political party and new party candidate, or from filing a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate at that Consolidated Election. [10 ILCS 5/7-61, 10-3, 17-16.1, 18-9.1]

E. NONPARTISAN CANDIDATES

1. The statutes governing certain units of government require that candidates file for office on a nonpartisan basis. The ballot listing such candidates shall be printed without any party designation or "Independent"designation at its head.

2. Certain governmental units require that candidates file for office on a nonpartisan basis to be elected at the Consolidated Election, April 7, 2009. These include:

   a. Candidates for municipal office in municipalities operating under council-manager (councilmen-at-large) form of government. (A village may adopt a system of nonpartisan primary and general elections for the election of village officers as provided in 65 ILCS 5/3.1-25-20 through 3.1-25-60, and in certain home-rule municipalities who have devised governmental systems unique to them.) These candidates file for the February 24, 2009 Consolidated Primary. No primary is held for any uncontested office. Candidates for municipal office under the commission form of government file for the April 7th Consolidated Election.

   b. Candidates for Library Trustee

   c. Candidates for Park District Commissioner or Park Trustee

   d. Candidates for School Board Member in districts adopting Article 33 of the School Code

   e. Candidates for Regional Board of School Trustees

   f. Candidates for School District Board Members, School Directors

   g. Candidates for Township Trustees of Schools in Cook County

   h. Candidates for Community College Trustees

   i. Candidates for Fire Protection District Trustees

   j. Candidates for Fox Waterway Agency Chairman and Directors

   k. Candidates for Forest Preserve District Commissioners

   i. Candidates for Springfield Metropolitan Exposition and Auditorium Authority

3. Nonpartisan candidates should follow the information contained in "Requirements for Filing Nominating Papers" beginning on page 9 in preparing nomination papers for filing.

4. Specific qualifications for office, signature requirements and location for filing are detailed under the appropriate office listed elsewhere in this guide.

5. Nonpartisan candidates for office who are defeated at the Consolidated Primary may not file a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate in the Consolidated Election. [10 ILCS 5/17-16.1]

F. WRITE-IN CANDIDATE PROCEDURES

For the Consolidated Primary and Consolidated Election, 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 [10 ILCS 5/17-16.1]. Any candidate who is required to file a certificate of qualifications (assessor, multi-township assessor) to participate as a candidate should file such certificate with the declaration of intent form [35 ILCS 200/2-45(b)].

Write-in candidates are not nominated for an office at the Consolidated Primary unless the number of votes received equals or exceeds the number of signatures required on a nominating petition for that office; or unless the number of votes received exceeds the number of votes received by at least one of the candidates whose name was printed on the Consolidated Primary ballot for that office; or unless the number of candidates whose names appear on the ballot equals or exceeds the number of persons the party is entitled to nominate to that office.
[10 ILCS 5/7-59(c)]

Within five days following the completion of the canvass of results for the Consolidated Primary Election and within five days following the canvass of the Consolidated Election, write-in candidates who are declared nominated or elected must file a Statement of Candidacy and a receipt for the filing of the Statement of Economic Interests. The filing of a Loyalty Oath form is optional. [10 ILCS 5/7-60.1] Any necessary qualification certificate that may be required for a particular office must also be filed. The winning write-in candidates should be notified of these requirements by the election authority.

Upon the filing of the necessary documents following the Consolidated Election, the election authority shall issue a certificate of election to the write-in winners, upon their application. [10 ILCS 5/22-18]

To force a primary election for an office of an established party, OR to force a nonpartisan municipal primary: If the nomination for any office in the Consolidated Primary is uncontested, an individual seeking to be a write-in candidate must file a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate on or before the date of certification, December 26, 2008, which is 61 days prior to the Consolidated Primary. The declaration must be filed with the appropriate office with whom nomination papers for such office are filed.
[10 ILCS 5/7-5(d), 5/7-13.1]

REQUIREMENTS FOR FILING NOMINATING PAPERS

A. GENERAL FILING REQUIREMENTS

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

2. Candidates may file for office in the following manner:

   a. as a candidate of an established political party;

   b. as a candidate of a new political party;

   c. as an independent candidate; or

3. Candidates must file on a non-partisan basis in units of government where it is required that all candidates file on a nonpartisan basis. (See pages 6 and 7.)

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

   a. Statement of Candidacy;

   b. Nominating petition sheets or Certificate of Nomination by party caucus;

      NOTE: Certificate of Officers Authorized to Fill Vacancies (new party filings only). A new political party petition must have attached thereto a certificate (SBE 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 form 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)]

   c. Receipt for the filing of a Statement of Economic Interests;

   d. Loyalty Oath (the filing of the Loyalty Oath is OPTIONAL);

   e. Certificate of qualifications (e.g., township/multi-township assessors).

5. Election laws prescribe the forms to be submitted in seeking nomination to office. The State Board of Elections has prepared **suggested** forms for petitions, statements of candidacy, etc. See listing and forms beginning on page 62. The official SBE form number to be used is included under each office listed elsewhere in this guide. Forms are **not** available from the offices of the State Board of Elections. Local officials are advised to contact their local election authority (county clerk, board of election commissioners) regarding the availability of forms. Forms are also available for purchase from election supply companies.

6. A candidate's nomination papers may be challenged by the filing of an objection. The deadline for filing objections is five business days after the last day of the filing period. Objections to all nominating papers are heard by the proper electoral board as designated in the Election Code and decisions of the electoral board are subject to judicial review. [10 ILCS 5/10-8 through 10-10.1] See page 57.

7. 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 as listed elsewhere in this guide.

   b. Filings must be made within the appropriate filing period; page "iv."

   c. Filings made by mail must be received no earlier than the opening of the office on the first day of the appropriate filing period and no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last day of that filing period.

   d. Petitions filed by mail and received after midnight on the first day for filing and in the first mail delivery or pickup of a filing day shall be deemed as filed at 8:00 a.m. of that day or as of the normal opening hour of such day, as the case may be. [10 ILCS 5/7-12]

8. Ballot position is determined as follows: 1) On the first day of filing, petitions filed by persons waiting in line as of the normal opening hour of the office involved shall be deemed filed simultaneously with petitions received in the first mail delivery or pickup of that day. A lottery is held for simultaneous filings to break any tie within nine days following the last day for petition filing. 2) Ballot position for all subsequent filings is determined by time and date
[10 ILCS 5/7-12, 10-6.2; 105 ILCS 5/9-11.1, 9-11.2]

9. A candidate for whom nomination papers have been filed as a partisan candidate at a <u>Consolidated Primary Election</u>, and who is defeated for his/her nomination at the Consolidated Primary Election, **is ineligible** for nomination as a candidate of another political party or as an independent candidate and **is prohibited** from filing a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate for that Consolidated Election.

A candidate seeking election to an office for which candidates of a political party are nominated by caucus who is a participant in the caucus and who is defeated for his/her nomination at such caucus, **is ineligible** for nomination as a candidate of another political party or as an independent candidate, new party candidate and **is therefore ineligible** from filing a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate for that Consolidated Election. [10 ILCS 5/17-16.1, 7-61, 10-3, 18-9.1]

Nonpartisan candidates for municipal office who are defeated at the Consolidated Primary **is therefore ineligible** to file a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate for the Consolidated Election. [10 ILCS 5/17-16.1, 18-9.1]

B. NOMINATING PETITION SHEETS

1. Petition Sheet Heading

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

   b. The candidate's name must appear on the petition pages as indicated on the Statement of Candidacy. 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. The State Board of Elections will certify each candidate's name as it appears on the first numbered page of the petition. Other filing officers 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), 10-5.1, 16-3(e)]

      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)]

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, 8-8.1, 10-5.1 and 16.3]

c. The name of more than one candidate of the same political party for a group office or for different offices of the same political subdivision may appear on the same petition. However, each candidate must submit his or her individual Statement of Candidacy, receipt for the filing of the Statement of Economic Interests and the optional Loyalty Oath. In the case of a new political party a complete slate of candidates for each office to be elected must be submitted.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-2, 10-5]

d. Each petition signature page must contain precisely the same information in the heading. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4]

e. Petition sheets which are filed with the proper local election officials, election authorities or the State Board of Elections shall be the <u>original</u> sheets which have been signed by the voters and by the circulator thereof, and not photocopies or duplicates of such sheets. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 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 certificate required 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 its certificate.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 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 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 that last day for filing of the petitions. See page "iii" for additional filing date information.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4]

1) Petitions circulated for established political party candidates and nonpartisan candidates who are required to file for the February 24 Consolidated Primary Election may be circulated starting September 16, 2008, for the filing period December 8-15, 2008.

2) Petitions circulated for independent candidates, new political party candidates and nonpartisan candidates who are required to file for the April 7 Consolidated Election may be circulated starting October 28, 2008, for the filing period January 19-26, 2009.

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

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

g. A petition circulator may not circulate for more than one independent candidate or nonpartisan candidate for each office to be elected. [10 ILCS 5/10-4]

h. A petition circulator must witness all signatures on each sheet he circulates and signs as circulator. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4]

i. A petition circulator must complete and sign the statement at the bottom of each sheet certifying that the signatures on that sheet were signed in his presence and are genuine and that to the best of his knowledge the persons so signing were duly registered voters of the political subdivision or district at the time of signing for which the candidate or candidates shall be nominated and that their respective residences are correctly stated therein. This statement shall be sworn to and signed before some officer authorized to administer oaths in Illinois. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 8-8, 10-4]

j. 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 voter may **NOT** sign petitions for candidates of more than one political party for the same primary election. [10 ILCS 5/7-10] If a voter does not sign a political party petition, he may sign one independent candidate's petition for each office to be elected. No unit of government has nonpartisan and established party candidates. A nonpartisan unit prohibits parties for each office to be elected. The voter may sign the petitions of one established political party for the Consolidated Primary and one new political party for the Consolidated Election.
[10 ILCS 5/10-2]

b. A registered voter must sign the petition in his own person. He may not sign for someone else, such as another member of his or her own family. [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4]

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

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

e. Petition signers shall indicate on such petition their residence address, written or printed, including the street address or rural route number, as well as the city, village, or town. The address on the petition must be the signer's voter registration address.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4]

f. 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 shall initial the petition at the place where the signature is struck.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-3]

2) The person striking the signature shall sign a certification (SBE Form P-2A); listing the page 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, 10-3]

3) The person striking signatures from independent and nonpartisan candidate petitions shall also sign an additional certificate (SBE 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 certification. This additional certificate shall be filed as a part of the petition, shall be numbered consecutively beginning with the number “1", and shall be attached immediately following the last page of voters’ signatures and before the certifications of stricken signatures.
[10 ILCS 5/10-3, 10-3.1]

All of the foregoing requirements are necessary to effect a valid striking of any signature. The provisions authorizing the striking of signatures shall not impose criminal liability on any person so authorized to strike signatures which may be fraudulent.
[10 ILCS 5/10-3]

4. Petition Preparations [10 ILCS 5/7-10, 10-4]

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

b. The petition sheets shall be neatly fastened together in book form and fastened together at one edge in a secure and suitable manner.

c. The petition sheets (the sheets with the signers’ signatures) must be numbered consecutively beginning with the top sheet as number “1.”

d. The following documents are to be attached (preferably on top) to the nominating petitions. The Statement of Candidacy, the receipt for the filing of the Economic Interests Statement and the optional Loyalty Oath are NOT to be numbered.

1) Statement of Candidacy;

2) Receipt for the filing of the Statement of Economic Interests (the receipt may be filed at any time during the filing period and will not change the initial date and time of filing the petition);

3) The Loyalty Oath, which is optional;

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, 10-3]

5) Any other documentation which may be required to qualify for said office.

IMPORTANT: A new political party petition must include a certificate (SBE Form P-8C) stating the names and addresses of the party officers authorized to fill vacancies in nomination. Failure to file the certificate does not invalidate a petition. However, the party would not be authorized to fill a vacancy in nomination if the certificate is not filed. [10 ILCS 5/10-5 and 10-11] [See *Peoples Independent Party v. Petroff*, 191 III. App 3d 706, 138 III. Dec. 915, 548 N.E. 2d 145 (5th Dist. 1989)]

e. A petition when filed shall not be altered or added to. However, the receipt for the filing of an economic interests statement may be filed no later than 5:00 P.M. on the last day of the filing period.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10, 7-12, 10-4, 10-5]

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

1. Each candidate, whether he is an individual candidate or his name appears on a group petition or certificate of nomination, must complete and file a Statement of Candidacy. The Statement of Candidacy shall set out the name of the candidate as it will appear on the ballot; the address of the candidate; the office for which he is a candidate; political party designation, if applicable; and a statement(s) that he is qualified for the office specified. See each office in the 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 officers 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 candidates surname. [10 ILCS 5/7-10.2, 7-17(b), 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, 8-8.1, 10-5.1, 16.3]

3. **The candidate must swear to and sign the Statement of Candidacy and the statement <u>must be notarized</u>.**

D. STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS - RECEIPT

1. A Statement of Economic Interests must be filed by every candidate for local office. The statement is filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government for which the person is a candidate is located.

   If it is not apparent which county the principal office of a unit of local government is located, the chief administrative officer, or his designee, has the authority to determine what county in which the principal office is located. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]

2. The receipt for the filing of the statement, or a copy thereof, must be filed with the election official who receives the nominating petitions. [10 ILCS 5/7-10 and 10-5]

3. The statement must be filed during the **<u>calendar year</u>** in which the nominating petitions are filed. 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 for filing the petitions. Filing the receipt by the last day of the filing period will not change the initial date and time of filing the nominating petitions. [10 ILCS 5/10-5]

4. Statements of Economic Interests forms may be obtained from the Secretary of State or the office of the County Clerk.

5. A Statement of Economic Interests filed for a different office may not be acceptable. If in doubt, consult with your county clerk or the Index Division of the Secretary of State, 111 E. Monroe Street, Springfield, Illinois 62756. (Telephone 217/782-7017)

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 or county clerk upon request. Forms may also be downloaded from the State Board's website: www.elections.il.gov. [10 ILCS 5/7-12.7, 9-16(7), 10-6.1; 60 ILCS 1/45-35]

NOTE: A political committee that electronically files its campaign finance reports with the State Board of Elections is not required to file duplicate reports with the appropriate county clerk **if the county clerk has a system that permits access to, and duplication of, reports that are filed with the State Board of Elections. In addition, the county clerk must agree, in writing, to this filing waiver.** The filing waiver applies only to D-2 or A-1 report forms. Regardless of whether a political committee files its reports electronically, copies of the D-1 (Statement of Organization), and amended D-1's and any written correspondence must be filed with the county clerk. For additional information, contact the State Board of Elections.

G. IMPROPER USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS

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, however, 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.]

COMMISSION FORM - MUNICIPAL

OFFICE:	Mayor and Commissioners
QUALIFICATIONS:	Qualified elector/registered voter. Must not be arrears in the payment of any tax or other indebtedness due the municipality; must not have been convicted in any court located in the United States of any infamous crime, bribery, perjury, or other felony. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-5]
RESIDENCY:	One-year residency in the municipality preceding the election. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-5]
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	Equal to at least 1% of the total vote cast for mayor at the last preceding mayoral election of the municipality. [65 ILCS 5/4-3-8]
PETITION:	Nonpartisan, non municipal or municipal-commission form, SBE No. P-4.
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:	Filed with county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
FILING DATES:	January 19 - 26, 2009 (not more than 78 days nor less than 71 days before the Consolidated Election).
WHERE TO FILE:	Municipal Clerk, or in those municipalities which have a municipal Board of Election Commissioners, with the clerk of that Board.
CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:	Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)
FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:	Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: The terms of elected municipal officers shall commence at the first regular or special meeting of the corporate authorities during the month of May following the proclamation of the results of the regular municipal election at which such officers were elected, except as may otherwise be provided by ordinance fixing the date for inauguration of newly elected officers of a municipality. No such ordinance shall fix the time for inauguration of newly elected officers later than the first regular or special meeting of the corporate authorities in the month of June following such election. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-15]

TERM OF OFFICE: 4 years. [65 ILCS 5/4-3-4]

MAYOR-ALDERMAN AND PRESIDENT-TRUSTEE FORM MUNICIPAL

NOTE: **Candidates of established political parties file petitions to be placed on the Consolidated Primary Election ballot in municipalities of <u>over 5,000</u> population.**

Municipalities of <u>5,000 or less</u> population may determine by ordinance, no later than November 17, 2008, that political parties shall nominate candidates for municipal offices by primary election in accordance with Article 7 of the Election Code.
[10 ILCS 5/7-1 *et seq*.]

OFFICE: Mayor or President, Alderman or Trustee, Clerk, Treasurer

Cities of 10,000 or fewer inhabitants may, by ordinance, allow for the appointment of a city treasurer. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-15-5]

Villages of fewer than 5,000 inhabitants may, by resolution, choose to have the clerk appointed by the village president.
[65 ILCS 5/3.1-25-90]

This procedure for election of officers includes municipalities which have adopted the managerial form and retained or later adopted the mayor-aldermanic or president-trustee form of electing their officers. [65 ILCS 5/5-1-2]

QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter.

Must not be in arrears in the payment of any tax or other indebtedness due the municipality; must not have been convicted in any court located in the United States of any infamous crime, bribery, perjury, or other felony. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-5]

RESIDENCY: Mayor or President, Clerk, Treasurer and Trustee: One-year residency in the municipality preceding the Consolidated Election.
[65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-5]

Alderman must reside in the ward at least 1 year preceding their election. Trustees elected from districts must reside in their districts at least 1 year preceding their election. Trustees elected <u>by district</u> in villages with a population of over 5,000: Each of the districts shall be represented by one trustee who shall have been a resident of the district for at least one year immediately before his or her election in the first election after redistricting.
[65 ILCS 3.1-10-5(c), 3.1-25-75]

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: **Established Political Party Candidates.**

For president, mayor, trustee or clerk, at least .5% (.005) of the qualified **primary** electors of his **party** in the city, incorporated town, town or village. [10 ILCS 5/7-10]

For alderman, by at least .5% (.005) of the qualified primary electors within their ward.

The number of qualified primary electors is determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for such political party who received the highest number of votes in such political subdivision, ward or district at the last regular election at which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from that subdivision, ward or district. [10 ILCS 5/7-10] If an established political party **was not** on the ballot at the election on which the signature requirements for the political subdivision are based, then .5% (.005) of the registered voters, but **not less** than 25 signatures are required.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10(k)]

In the case of an election for alderman or trustee of a municipality to be elected from a ward or district, for the first primary following a redistricting or the initial establishment of wards or districts, then by .5% of the total number of votes cast for the candidate of such political party who received the highest number of votes in the entire municipality at the last regular election which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from the entire municipality, divided by the number of wards or districts, but in any event not less than 25 qualified primary electors of his party in the ward or district. [10 ILCS 5/7-10]

New Political Party Candidates - For the Consolidated Election, not less than 5% of the total number of persons who voted in the last regular election in the 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 5/10-2]

For the first election following redistricting of municipal wards or districts, or for the first election following the initial establishment of such districts or wards in a municipality, a petition to form a new political party in a municipal ward or district shall be signed by qualified voters of the district or ward equal to not less than 5% of the total number of votes cast at the preceding municipal election, as the case may be, for the municipal office voted on throughout the municipality for which the greatest total number of votes were cast for all candidates, divided by the number of districts or wards, but in any event not less than 25 qualified voters of the district or ward. Component Petition for political subdivisions that elect candidates at large and by district. [10 ILCS 5/10-2]

Independent Candidates - For the Consolidated Election, 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 the 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]

Example: If 1,000 voters cast ballots at the last regular election in the district or political subdivision, the formula of 5% - 8% would result in a signature requirement of 50 - 80. Illinois statutes [10 ILCS 5/10-3] require a difference of 50 between the minimum and maximum. Therefore, the signature requirement would be 50 - 100.

For the first election following redistricting of municipal wards or districts, or for the first election following the initial establishment of such districts or wards in a municipality, nomination papers for an independent candidate for alderman or trustee of such municipality, shall be signed by qualified voters of the district or ward equal to not less than 5% nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the total number of votes cast at the preceding general municipal election, as the case may be, for the municipal office voted on throughout such county or municipality for which the greatest total number of votes were cast for all candidates divided by the number of districts or wards, but in any event not less than 25 qualified voters of the district or ward.
[10 ILCS 5/10-3]

Non-Partisan:

City: For the Consolidated Election, 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 the 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, 10-3.1]

Village: 1% of the total vote cast for president or 25, whichever is greater. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-25-30]

PETITION:	Established Party -	SBE No. P-10 (for Primary)
	New Party -	SBE No. P-8 or P-8A (for Consolidated Election)
	Independent -	SBE No. P-3 (for Consolidated Election)
	Nonpartisan -	SBE No. P-5 (for Primary, as applicable)
CERTIFICATE OF OFFICERS:	New Party officers authorized to fill vacancies in nomination - SBE No. P-8C	
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with nominating petitions or filed with caucus certificate of nomination.	

	Established Party - SBE No. P-1(for Primary) Established Party - SBE No. P-1K (Caucus) New Party - SBE No. P-1D Independent - SBE No. P-1B Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with nominating papers. SBE No. P-1C.
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC is INTERESTS:	Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
FILING DATES:	For established political party candidates and nonpartisan candidates filing for a primary, December 8-15, 2008 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Primary). For new party candidates and independent candidates, January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election). Caucus certificates for nomination for established party candidates are filed January 19-26, 2009.
WHERE TO FILE:	With the appropriate city or village clerk. In those cities having a Board of Election Commissioners, with the clerk of that Board.
CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:	Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)
FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:	Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)
TERM BEGINS:	The terms of elected municipal officers shall commence at the first regular or special meeting of the corporate authorities during the month of May following the proclamation of the results of the regular municipal election at which such officers were elected, except as may otherwise be provided by ordinance fixing the date for inauguration of newly elected officers of a municipality. No such ordinance shall fix the time for an inauguration of newly elected officers later than the first regular or special meeting of the corporate authorities in the month of June following such election. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-15]
TERM OF OFFICE:	4 years. The term may be reduced to 2 years by referendum. 65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-65. Any municipality of less than 500,000 population that originally voted to shorten terms may submit a proposition to lengthen terms. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-75]

COUNCIL-MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT - MUNICIPAL

Upon adoption of the managerial form of government, the procedures for electing municipal officers will remain the same as prior to the adoption of 65 ILCS, Article 5. A referendum may be approved by the voters to establish a different type of municipal organization in conjunction with the managerial form.

The council-manager form is the only form of municipal government covered (for election of officers) by Article 5 of 65 ILCS/5. Other cities and villages which have adopted Article 5 and have retained or later adopted the mayor-aldermanic form or the president-trustee village form will follow the provisions under Article 3.1 of 65 ILCS/5 for the election of officers. Cities and villages which have adopted or retained a commission form would follow provisions under Article 4 of 65 ILCS/5 for the election of officers.

Refer to the appropriate section of this guide for either mayor-aldermanic, president-trustee or commission form if the municipality is also a managerial form.

OFFICE: Mayor, Councilmen at-large (and part from districts in some cities), Clerk, Treasurer

QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter.

Must not be in arrears in the payment of any tax or other indebtedness due the municipality; must not have been convicted in any court located in the United States of any infamous crime, bribery, perjury, or other felony. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-5]

RESIDENCY: One-year residency in the municipality preceding the election. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-5]

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: Cities and villages that retained or later adopted Article 3.1 of 65 ILCS, see Mayor-Alderman and President-Trustee form for signature requirements.

If a city has adopted the nonpartisan form of government as authorized by Article VII of the Constitution, the signature requirements which applies would be those in 10 ILCS 5/10-3 of the Election Code (independent signature requirements) as authorized by the second paragraph of [10 ILCS 5/10-3.1.] (See page 24.)

Signature requirements are governed by the form of government prior to the adoption of Council-Manager.

Council-Manager (formerly Commission):
1% of the total vote cast at the last preceding election in the municipality for mayor. [65 ILCS 5/4-3-8, 5/5-2-12]

Council-Manager (formerly nonpartisan President/Trustee):
1% of the total vote cast at the last preceding election in the village for president.

Council-Manager (formerly a city/village whose candidates ran as independents):

Signature requirements are those set out for independent candidates in 10 ILCS 5/10-3 of the Election Code as authorized by 5/10-3.1 (second paragraph).

PETITION: Nonpartisan SBE No. P-5.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Filed with nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.

LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with nominating petitions. 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 local government with which the person is associated located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS420/4A-106]

FILING DATES: December 8-15, 2008 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Primary.

WHERE TO FILE: Filed with the municipal clerk. In those cities having a Board of Election Commissioners, with the clerk of that Board.

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: The terms of elected municipal officers shall commence at the first regular or special meeting of the corporate authorities during the month of May following the proclamation of the results of the regular municipal election at which such officers were elected, except as may otherwise be provided by ordinance fixing the date for inauguration of newly elected officers later than the first regular or special meeting of the corporate authorities in the month of June following such election. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-15]

TERM OF OFFICE:	4 years. The term may be reduced to 2 years by referendum. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-65]. Any municipality of less than 500,000 population who originally voted to shorten terms may submit a proposition to lengthen terms. 65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-75]

TOWNSHIP

OFFICE: Supervisor, Clerk, Assessor, Multi-Township Assessor, Trustees, and Highway Commissioner

QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter. [60 ILCS 1/55-5]
(See assessor qualifications requirements on page 32)

RESIDENCY: One year resident of the township. [60 ILCS 1/55-5]

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: **Established Political Party Candidates** – **Primary Election only**
At least .5% (.005) of the qualified primary electors of his party in the township. The number of qualified primary electors is determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for such political party who received the highest number of votes in such township at the last regular election at which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from that township.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10(e)]

New Political Party Candidates – **Consolidated Election only**
Not less than 5% of the total number of persons who voted at the last regular election in the township in which such township voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area. [10ILCS 5/10-3]

Independent Candidates – **Consolidated Election only**
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 elections in the township in which such township voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area. [10 ILCS 5/10-3]

Example: If 1,000 voters cast ballots at the last regular election in the township, the formula of 5% – 8% would result in a signature requirement of 50 – 80. Illinois statutes [10 ILCS 5/10-3] require a difference of 50 between the minimum and maximum. Therefore, the signature requirement would be 50 – 100.

PETITION: Established Party – SBE No. P-10 (Primary only)
New Party – SBE No. P-8 (Consolidated Election)
Independent – SBE No. P-3 (Consolidated Election)

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Established Party – SBE No. P-1(Primary) Established Party – SBE No P-1K (Caucus) New Party – SBE No. P-1D Independent – SBE No. P-1B
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTEREST:	Filed with the county clerk. [5 ILCS 420 (et seq) and 60 ILCS 1/45-30] See page 17.
PRIMARY ELECTION:	If a decision to conduct a primary is determined by the Township Central Committee, the Township Central Committee must file a statement of such determination with the county clerk no later than November 15, 2008. If the township or any part of the township is within the jurisdiction of a Board of election commissioners, the Township Central Committee shall notify the Board of Election Commissioners of such determination. **NOTICE:** The option to hold a primary only applies to townships in counties having a population of more than 3,000,000, or in townships of more than 15,000 population in counties of less than 3,000,000. [60 ILCS 1/45-55]
CAUCUS:	Township Caucus Date – January 13, 2009 Multi-township Caucus Date – January 14, 2009 Caucus nomination papers include: 1) Certification by the Chairman and Secretary of the Township Caucus of the names of all candidates for office in the township nominated at the caucus, 2) a Statement of Candidacy for each candidate, and 3) a receipt from the county clerk showing that each candidate has filed a Statement of Economic Interests by the last day on which nomination papers are filed. Candidates for township assessor and multi-township assessor must also file a certificate of qualifications (see pages 32-33). For a description of township caucus procedures, see SBE Township Caucus Guide for 2009. The multi-township caucus is conducted by the multi-township political committee for all voters of the party in that district. The procedure is the same as in a single township caucus.

FILING DATES: Nomination by primary election, December 8-15, 2008 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Primary).

New political party and independent candidates file during the January 19-26, 2009 filing period. Caucus certificates of nomination are filed during this filing period.

WHERE TO FILE: Township Clerk's office or Board of Election Commissioners. Multi-township assessor candidates file with the election authority. Candidate's for townships which lie wholly within the jurisdiction of a Board of Election Commissioners file with the Board of Election Commissioners. [60 ILCS 1/45-20(b)]

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: Township Supervisors and Township Clerks, third Monday of the month following their election -- May 18, 2009. [60 ILCS 1/50-15(b)]

Township Trustees, third Monday of the month following their election and until their successors are elected and qualified – May 18, 2009. [60 ILCS 1/50-40]

Township Assessors and Multi-township Assessors – on January 1 following their election.
[35 ILCS 200/2-45(A) and 60 ILCS 1/50-15(c)]

Township Collectors – on January 1 following their election and qualification. [60 ILCS 1/50-15(a)]

Highway Commissioner – third Monday in May after his election and until their successors are elected and qualified – May 18, 2009. [605 ILCS 5/6-116]

TERM OF OFFICE: 4 years and until their successors are elected and qualified.
[60 ILCS 1/50-5, 50-10, 50-40]

ASSESSOR QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

All candidates for township or multi-township assessor must file a certificate of qualifications with or prior to their filing of nomination papers pursuant to the provisions of Section 2-45 of the Property Tax code [35 ILCS 200/2-45]. Candidates for township assessor or multi-township assessor cannot be appointed, file nomination papers, or participate as a candidate in a caucus, primary, or general election unless a copy of the certificate of his/her qualifications is filed with the township clerk, board of election commissioners, or the election authority as required by the Election Code [10 ILCS 5/1-1 (et seq)]. Any candidate can qualify by meeting a higher qualification or designation than the minimum requirement for the office for which he/she is a candidate. **Candidates who are filing nomination papers in the year 2008 for the 2009 election, participating in a 2009 caucus or participation as a write-in candidate must meet one of the following minimum education requirements. The educational qualification for township or multi-township assessors is generally based upon the equalized assessed value (EAV) of the assessment jurisdiction.**

In an introductory assessment jurisdiction with $10 million or less in non-farm EAV and less than $1 million in commercial and industrial EAV a candidate must possess one of the following qualifications:

1. Passed the **Township Assessor-Introductory Course** offered by the Illinois Department of Revenue (IDOR).
2. Passed the **Basic Course** offered by the Illinois Property Assessment Institute prior to January 1, 1997.
3. Possess a designation approved for larger assessment jurisdictions.

In an intermediate assessment jurisdiction with more than $10 million in non-farm EAV and less than $25 million in non-farm EAV and less than $1 million in commercial and industrial EAV, the qualifications will be based upon whether the candidate was previously elected in any such jurisdiction.

1. **If the candidate has not been previously elected** to office in an assessment jurisdiction that in 1994 had more than $10 million and less than $25 million in non-farm EAV and less than $1 million in commercial and industrial EAV in Section 2-45 (d) of the Property Tax Code [35 ILCS 200/2-45 (d)] the candidate must meet one of the requirements for an introductory assessment jurisdiction.

2. **If the candidate was previously elected** to office in an assessment jurisdiction that in 1994 had more than $10 million and less than $25 million in non-farm EAV and less than $1million in commercial and industrial EAV in Section 2-45 (b) of the property tax Code [35 ILCS 200/2-45 (b)] the candidate must meet one of the designation requirements for a larger assessment jurisdiction.

In a larger assessment jurisdiction with more than $25 million in non-farm EAV or more than $1 million in commercial and industrial EAV a candidate must possess one of the following designations in Section 2-45 (c) of the Property Tax Code [35 ILCS 200/2-45(c)]:

1. A Certified Illinois Assessment Officer (CIAO) or the Certified Illinois Assessment Officer-Associate (CIAO-A) from the Illinois Property Assessment Institute.
2. A Certified Assessment Evaluator (CAE) or Residential Evaluation Specialist (RES) designation from the International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO).
3. A Residential Member (RM), Member Appraisal Institute (MAI), Senior Real Estate Analyst (SREA), Senior Real Property Appraiser (SRPA), or Senior Residential appraiser (SRA) designation from the Appraisal Institute.
4. A Member (IFA), Senior Member (IFAS), or Appraiser-Counselor (IFAC) from the National Association of Independent Fee Appraisers.
5. A Member (ASA) designation from the American Society of Appraisers.

Candidates who are planning to use either the Introductory Course in Assessment Practices or the Certified Illinois Assessing Officer designation will need to contact the Illinois Department of Revenue at (217) 782-6958 for a Certificate of Qualifications. Candidates who are planning to use one of the other approved designations in Section 2-45 will need to request a letter of qualification from those organizations. The letter of qualification from other organizations should specify the type of designation, membership status, and the time period for which the candidate qualifies.

Anyone with questions regarding the educational requirements for township or multi-township assessor may call the Illinois Department of Revenue at (217) 524-5263.

ROAD DISTRICT
(Commission Form Counties)

OFFICE: Highway Commissioner and Road District Clerk. In commission form counties, the district clerk is elected in the same manner as the highway commissioner.

QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter. [605 ILCS 5/6-115]

RESIDENCY: One year resident in the district. [605 ILCS 5/6-115]

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: **Established Political Party Candidates** – **Primary Election Only**
At least .5% (.005) of the qualified primary electors of his party in the road district. The number of qualified primary electors is determined by taking the total votes cast for the candidate for such political party who received the highest number of votes in such road district at the last regular election at which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from that road district. (For the actual number required, contact your Road District Clerk.) [10 ILCS 5/7-10(d)]

New Political Party Candidates – **Consolidated Election only**
Not less than 5% of the total number of persons who voted at the last regular election in the road district in which such road district voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area. [10 ILLCS 5/10-2]

Independent Candidates – **Consolidated Election only**
Not less than 5% nor more than 8% (50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the number of persons who voted at the last regular election in the road district in which such road district voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area. [10 ILCS 5/10-3]

Example: If 1,000 voters cast ballots at the last regular election in the township, the formula of 5% – 8% would result in a signature requirement of 50 – 80. Illinois statutes [10 ILCS 5/10-3] require a difference of 50 between the minimum and maximum. Therefore, the signature requirement would be 50 – 100.

PETITION: Established Party – SBE No. P-10
New Party – SBE No. P-8
Independent – SBE No. P-3

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Established Party – SBE No. P-1
New Party – SBE No. P-1D
Independent: SBE No. P-1B

LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions.
SBE No. P-1C.

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTEREST: Filed with the county clerk. (See page 17.)

FILING DATES: Nomination by primary election, December 8-15, 2008, not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Primary

For new political party candidates and independents, the filing period is January 19-26, 2009.

WHERE TO FILE: Road District Clerk

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: Third Monday in May (May 18, 2009), after the election.
[605 ILCS 5/6-116]

TERM OF OFFICE: Four years, and until a successor is elected and qualified.
[605 ILCS 5/6-116]

PARK DISTRICT

OFFICE:	Park Commissioner, Trustee
QUALIFICATIONS:	Qualified elector/registered voter.
RESIDENCY:	Commissioner must be resident of the Park District at least one year prior to the election. [70 ILCS 1205/2-11] Pleasure Driveway and Park District trustees shall be legal voters of and reside within the park district. [70 ILCS 1205/2-15]
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	Signature requirements for general park district commissioners and pleasure driveway and park district trustees: Petition must be signed by not less than 2% of the number of ballots cast at the last election for trustee or commissioner in the district, but in no case by less than 25. [70 ILCS 1205/2-11, 2-17]
PETITION:	Nonpartisan SBE No. P-4.
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. 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 local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
FILING DATES:	January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
WHERE TO FILE:	Park District Secretary.
CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:	Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)
FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:	Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)
TERM BEGINS:	Commissioners and Pleasure Driveway and Park District Trustees shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. [70 ILCS 1205/2-12, 2-15]

TERM OF OFFICE:

5 Commissioners: 6-year term. [70 ILCS 1205/2-12]

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

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

Pleasure Driveway and Park District
President and 6 trustees: 4-year term. [70 ILCS 1205/2-15]

Township Park District
3 Commissioners: 6-year term. [70 ILCS 1205/2-19]

PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

OFFICE:	Public Library District Board - Trustee
QUALIFICATIONS:	Qualified elector/registered voter.
RESIDENCY:	Resident of Public Library District.
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	A number of qualified voters residing in the district equivalent to at least 2% of the votes cast at the last election for library trustees, or 50, whichever is less. [75 ILCS 16/30-20]
PETITION:	Nonpartisan SBE No. P-4.
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. 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 local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
FILING DATES:	January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
WHERE TO FILE:	Library District Secretary.
CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:	Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)
FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:	Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)
TERM BEGINS:	The third Monday (May 18, 2009) of the month following the regular election of trustees. [75 ILCS 16/30-10 and 16/30-40] Within 60 days after their election or appointment, the incumbents and new trustees shall meet to organize the board.
TERM OF OFFICE:	7 Trustees: 6-year terms. The library board by resolution may change to 4- year terms. [75 ILCS 16/30-10]

LIBRARY (Municipal - Township)

OFFICE:	Local Library Board - Trustee (In villages under the Commission form of government, the Library Board of Trustees are appointed by the village council.) [75 ILCS 5/4-2]
QUALIFICATIONS:	Qualified elector/registered voter.
RESIDENCY:	Resident of incorporated town, village or township involved. [75 ILCS 5/4-3.3]
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	Petition must be signed by at least 50 qualified voters residing in the incorporated town, village (except a village under the Commission form of government) or township. [75 ILCS 5/4-3.3]
PETITION:	Nonpartisan SBE No. P-4.
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. 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 local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
FILING DATES:	January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
WHERE TO FILE:	Appropriate local municipal or township clerk.
CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:	Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)
FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:	Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)
TERM BEGINS:	Trustees hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. [75 ILCS 5/4-3.1] Within 60 days after their election the trustees shall meet and organize. [75 ILCS 5/4-6]

TERM OF OFFICE:	7 Trustees: 6 years for incorporated towns, villages, library boards. (Library Board may change to 4-year terms by resolution.) [75 ILCS 5/4-3.1]
	7 Trustees: 4 years for Township Public Libraries. [75 ILCS 5/4-3.2]

REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
(Regional Office of Education)

OFFICE: Regional Board of School Trustee

The regional board of school trustees, in both single-county and multi- county educational service regions, shall consist of seven members. In single county regions, not more than one trustee may be a resident of any one congressional township; however, in case there are fewer than seven congressional townships in the region, then not more than two of such trustees may be residents of the same congressional township. In two-county regions, at least two trustees shall be residents of each county. In regions of three or more counties, at least one trustee shall be a resident of each county. If more than seven counties constitute the educational service region, the regional board of school trustees consists of one resident of each county.
[105 ILCS 5/6-2]

QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter. No person shall be eligible for the office who is not a voter of the Educational Service Region and qualified to vote in the election for members of the Regional Board of School Trustees, or who is a member of a school board, or who is a school board employee or who holds any county office.
[105 ILCS 5/6-3]

RESIDENCY: Must be resident of the educational service region.
[105 ILCS 5/6-3]

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: Petition must be signed by at least 50 qualified voters from the educational service region. In addition, the petition shall specify the county and township (or road district) of the candidate's residence.
[105 ILCS 5/6-10]

PETITION: Single county Regional School Trustee: SBE No. P-21A
Multi-county Regional School Trustee SBE No. P-21

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE Form No. P-1A.

LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. 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 local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt.
[5 ILCS 420/4A-106]

FILING DATES: January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).

WHERE TO FILE: Single county region candidates file with the county clerk. Multi-county region candidates file with the State Board of Elections.

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: Third Monday in May following election. (May 18, 2009)

TERM OF OFFICE: 7 members: 6-year terms. [105 ILCS 5/6-17]

BOARDS OF EDUCATION

OFFICE:	Board of Education Member
QUALIFICATIONS:	Qualified elector/registered voter.
RESIDENCY:	Any person who, on the date of election, is a U.S. citizen of the age of 18 or over and a resident of the State and the territory encompassing the district for one year preceding the election is eligible. A member cannot serve as a school trustee or school treasurer. [105 ILCS 5/10-10]
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	Petition must be signed by at least 50 qualified voters or 10% of the voters, whichever is less, residing within the district. [105 ILCS 5/9-10]
PETITION:	Board of Education petition. SBE No. P-7 or P-7A.
STATEMENT Of CANDIDACY:	Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. 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 local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
FILING DATES:	January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
WHERE TO FILE:	Secretary of Board of Education. **(If the Board Secretary is an incumbent board member seeking re-election, a disinterested person must witness the filing of the Secretary's petition.)**
CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:	Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:	Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)
TERM BEGINS:	Within 28 days after the election. [105 ILCS 5/10-5]
TERM OF OFFICE:	4 years - may be changed to 6 years by referendum. [105 ILCS 5/9-5]

SCHOOL DIRECTOR
(In districts having a population fewer than 1,000)

and

TOWNSHIP LAND COMMISSIONERS*
(In counties having fewer than 220,000 population)

*In counties of fewer than 220,000 inhabitants containing townships with common school lands, there shall be three land commissioners elected in the same manner as provided for election of school directors. [105 ILCS 5/15-24]

OFFICE:	School Director and Township Land Commissioner
QUALIFICATIONS:	Qualified elector/registered voter.
RESIDENCY:	Any person who, on the date of election, is a U.S. citizen of the age of 18 or over and a resident of the State and the territory encompassing the district for one year preceding the election. [105 ILCS 5/10-3]
ELIGIBILITY:	A land commissioner or director cannot serve as a school trustee or school treasurer. [105 ILCS 5/10-3]
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	Petition must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters or 5% of the voters, whichever is less, residing within the district. [105 ILCS 5/9-10]
PETITION:	Board of Education petition. SBE No. P-7.
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:	Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal officer of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
FILING DATES:	January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
WHERE TO FILE:	School Director candidates file with the Secretary of the Board of School Directors. Township Land Commissioner candidates file with the Township Land Commissioner's Secretary.

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:	Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)
FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:	Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)
TERM BEGINS:	School Directors and Land Commissioners shall meet and organize within 28 days after the election by appointing one of their number president and another clerk. [105 ILCS 5/10-5, 15-24]
TERM OF OFFICE:	4 years [105 ILCS 5/10-1, 10-4]

TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF SCHOOLS
(Cook County)

OFFICE:	Trustee of Schools
QUALIFICATIONS:	Qualified elector/registered voter.
RESIDENCY:	Resident of township. If there are three or more school districts in a township, no two trustees shall reside, when elected, in the same school district; except that in townships in which at least 90% of the electors reside in one school district, this restriction shall not apply. [105 ILCS 5/5-3]
ELIGIBILITY:	No person shall be eligible for the office of trustee of schools and school director or school board member simultaneously. [105 ILCS 5/5-3]
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	At least 25 qualified voters of the school township. [105 ILCS 5/5-4]
PETITION:	Petition for nomination of township school trustee. SBE No. P-22.
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. 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 local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
FILING DATES:	January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
WHERE TO FILE:	Township School Treasurer.
CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:	Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:	Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)
TERM BEGINS:	Third Monday of month following election. (May 18, 2009) [105 ILCS 5/5-14]
TERM OF OFFICE:	6 years. [105 ILCS 5/5-13]

BOARD OF EDUCATION

(Under Article 33 - City of Peoria)

OFFICE:	Board of Education Member
QUALIFICATIONS:	Qualified elector/registered voter.
RESIDENCY:	Resident of district for at least one year immediately preceding the election. [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-7.
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. 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 local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
FILING DATES:	January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election)
WHERE TO FILE:	Secretary of the Board of Education.
CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:	Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)
FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:	Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19)
TERM BEGINS:	All terms shall commence July 1, following the election.
TERM OF OFFICE:	5 years. May be changed to 4-year terms by referendum. [105 ILCS 5/33-1, 33-1(a)]

COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Southwestern Illinois Community College District Trustees (522) and Lincoln Land Community College District Trustees (526) run from separate subdistricts; all others run at-large.

OFFICE:	Trustee
QUALIFICATIONS:	Qualified elector/registered voter.
RESIDENCY:	Resident of State and the territory encompassing community college district for one year immediately preceding election. Residency for Lincoln Land Community College (526) must be a resident of the district for one year preceding the election. [110 ILCS 805/3-7(e)]
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	At least 50 qualified voters or 10% of the voters, whichever is less, residing within the district. [110 ILCS 805/3-7.10]
PETITION:	Community College petition. SBE No. P-6. Southwestern Illinois Community College. SBE No. P-6A. Lincoln Land Community College. SBE No. P-6A.
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. 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 local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
FILING DATES:	January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
WHERE TO FILE:	With the Secretary of the Board of Community College District or designated representative. **If the Secretary is an incumbent board member seeking re-election, a disinterested person must witness the filing of the Secretary's petition.** [110 ILCS 805/3-7.10]
CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:	Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)
FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:	Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS:	Following the canvass and within 28 days of the election [110 ILCS 805/3-8]
TERM OF OFFICE:	6 years. [110 ILCS 805/3-7(b)] Lincoln Land Community College and SouthWestern Ill Community College– all districts will receive 4-year terms in 2009. [110 ILCS 805/3-7(c),(d)]

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

OFFICE:	Trustee
QUALIFICATIONS:	Qualified elector/registered voter.
RESIDENCY:	Resident of the fire protection district. [70 ILCS 705/4(a)] NOTE: In the case of a multi-county district, the number of trustees for each county shall be proportional to the number of district residents from that county in relation to the district's total population. Not more than one trustee can be from a municipality unless that municipality has more than 50% of the population in the district. [70 ILCS 705/4]
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	25 registered voters or 5% of the registered voters residing within the district, whichever is less. [10 ILCS 5/10-3.1; 70 ILCS 705/4(a)]
PETITION:	Nonpartisan petition. SBE No. P-4-2.
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. 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 local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
FILING DATES:	January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
WHERE TO FILE:	Secretary of the Fire Protection District.
CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:	Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:	Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)
TERM BEGINS:	Third Monday in May following election (May 18, 2009). [70 ILCS 705/4(a)]
TERM OF OFFICE:	6 years. [70 ILCS 705/4(a)]

FOX WATERWAY AGENCY

OFFICE:	Chairman 2 Directors to be elected from Lake County 1 Director to be elected from McHenry County
QUALIFICATIONS:	Registered voter. [615 ILCS 90/5]
RESIDENCY:	Must be a resident of a member county and the territory of the agency. [615 ILCS 90/5]
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	For Directors, at least 200 qualified voters of such county who reside within the territory of the agency. For Chairman, at least 200 qualified voters of **each** member county who reside in the territory. [615 ILCS 90/5]
PETITIONS:	Nonpartisan - SBE No. P-4-1.
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. 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 local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
FILING DATES:	January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
WHERE TO FILE:	Filed with the State Board of Elections. 1020 South Spring St., P.O. Box 4187, Springfield, IL 62708
CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:	Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:	Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)
TERM BEGINS:	Third Monday (May 18, 2009) of the month following the election. [615 ILCS 90/5]
TERM OF OFFICE:	4 years. [615 ILCS 90/5]

FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT

OFFICE:	Commissioner (In counties with a population of more than 30,000 but less than 90,000)
QUALIFICATIONS:	Qualified elector/registered voter.
RESIDENCY:	Must be a resident of the forest preserve district. [70 ILCS 805/3.5]
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:	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 the district or political subdivision in which the district or political subdivision voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area. [10 ILCS 5/10-3, 10-3.1]
PETITION:	Nonpartisan petition. SBE No. P-4.
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:	Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
LOYALTY OATH:	(Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. 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 local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
FILING DATES:	January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
WHERE TO FILE:	With the Secretary of the District.
CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:	Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)
FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:	Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)
TERM BEGINS:	On the third Monday (May 18, 2009) of the month following the election. [70 ILCS 805/3.5]
TERM OF OFFICE:	5 Commissioners: 4-year terms. [70 ILCS 805/3.5]

OBJECTIONS TO NOMINATING PETITIONS

[10 ILCS 5/10-8 through 10-10.1]

FILING OBJECTION PETITION: Nomination papers shall be deemed to be valid unless objections are filed in writing (an original and one copy) within five business days after the last day for filing nomination papers. The objector's petitions are filed with the same office in which the nominating petitions are filed.

PROCESSING OBJECTIONS: Not later than 12:00 noon on the second business day after receipt of the objector's petition, the election authority or local election official, shall transmit by registered mail or receipted personal delivery the Certificate of Nomination or nomination papers and original objector's petition to the chairman of the proper electoral board designated in Section 10-9, or his authorized agent, and shall transmit a copy by registered mail or receipted personal delivery of the objector's petitions, 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 nomination papers.

RESPONSIBILITY OF CHAIRMAN OF ELECTORAL BOARD: Within 24 hours after receipt of the objector's petition, the chairman of the electoral board 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.

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 the electoral board. The Municipal Officers Electoral Board, the Township Officers Electoral Board, and the Education Officers Electoral Board may meet at the location (other than their county courthouse) where the governing body of the municipality, township, or school or community college district, respectively, holds its regularly scheduled meetings, if that location is available; provided that voter records may be removed from the offices of an election authority only at the discretion and under the supervision of the election authority. [10 ILCS 5/10-10]

JUDICIAL REVIEW FILED: Within 10 days after the decision of the Electoral Board, the candidate or objector aggrieved by the decision may file a petition for Judicial Review with the Clerk of the Circuit Court. Court hearings are to be held within 30 days after the filing of the petition and a decision delivered promptly thereafter.

NO JUDICIAL REVIEW: If no petition for Judicial Review has been filed within 10 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 officer or board shall abide by and comply with the ruling so made to all intents and purposes.
[10 ILCS 5/10-8, 10-9, 10-10, 10-10.1]

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

PETITION PAGES

1. **Are abbreviations allowed on petitions?**
   Standard abbreviations may be used in writing the resident's address, including the street number.

2. **What name should the voter use when signing a petition?**
   The voter should sign the petition as he is registered to vote. Example - The signature for James Smith should not appear on the petition as Jim Smith, however, signing with a nickname will not invalidate the signature, provided the voter can be identified.

3. **May a petition once filed be changed?**
   No. A petition once filed may not be added to or altered. However, the receipt for filing the Statement of Economic Interests may be filed at any time during the filing period.

4. **Are pencil signatures allowed?**
   Yes. However, dark ink is preferable.

5. **Who can remove a name from a nomination petition?**
   Only the circulator or the candidate on whose behalf the petition was circulated may strike the signature. [10ILCS 5/7-10 and 10-3] However, an individual can submit a written request with the election authority or the local election official to have his/her name removed before the petition is filed.

6. **May a voter sign a petition for someone else?**
   No. A registered voter must sign the petition in his own person. He may not sign for someone else, such as another member of his or her own family.

CIRCULATOR

1. **May a candidate circulate his own petitions?**
   Yes.

2. **May a circulator circulate petitions for an independent candidate and a partisan candidate, or for more than one political party?**
   No.

3. **Does the circulator have to be a registered voter?**
   No. A petition circulator must be a U.S. citizen and at least 18 years of age. (See page 12, item 2a.)

4. **May a circulator sign as a voter on the petition he is circulating?**
   Yes, if he/she is a registered voter of the political subdivision in which the candidate is seeking office.

NOTARIZATION

1. **Is it proper for the notary of the petition to have signed the same petition as a voter?**
   It has not been definitely determined whether a notary may also be a signatory to a petition. Some electoral boards and Circuit Courts have upheld petitions where the notary was also a signer of the petition, but the issue has not yet been decided by the Supreme Court or any Appellate Court in Illinois. A cautious candidate might wish to avoid using a petition signer as the notary so as to avoid the risk of having to defend against an objection on this issue.

2. **Must the notary put the date of his commission expiration on the document?**
   Yes, the notary stamp indicates the date the commission expires.

3. **Must the notary public live in the same county as the candidate?**
   No, but the notary must be authorized to administer oaths in the place where the notary act is performed.

FILING PETITIONS

1. **May a candidate file more than one set of petitions for the same office?**
   Yes. However, upon notice from the filing office the candidate must make a selection in writing to the filing office; otherwise, the set of petitions filed first will be considered the official filing.

2. **When are petitions open to the public?**
   Upon their filing with the proper office and at the earliest convenience of that office. Once filed, a petition is available for public inspection.

3. **Does a candidate have to file his or her own petition?**
   No. A candidate may choose someone to file the petition on their behalf.

4. **May a candidate file his own petition and petitions for other candidates at the same time?**
   Yes.

5. **When may petitions be mailed?**
   There are no statutory requirements regarding a time element for mailing petitions; however, all petitions that are received by the office prior to the first day of the filing period will be returned to the sender. Petitions received after the end of the filing period, regardless of postmark, will not be accepted.

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

7. **Who has to file a complete slate of candidates?**
   Persons wishing to form a New Political Party in a given jurisdiction must file a petition

containing the names of candidates for EACH office to be filled for that jurisdiction.

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

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

10. **May a candidate file as an Independent for a school office?**
No. “Independents” run in partisan elections but choose not to associate with a political party, so the word “independent” identifies them on the ballot label. All candidates for school offices run on a “nonpartisan” basis.

FORMS

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60 ILCS 1/45-50

Suggested
Revised June, 2001
SBE No. H-1

AFFIDAVIT OF VOTERS ATTENDING TOWNSHIP CAUCUS

At a caucus of the _____ Party in and for the Township of _____

in _____ County of Illinois, held at _____, Illinois,

on _____.
(insert month, day, year)

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
County of _____)

_____
(Township)

I hereby certify that I am a registered voter in the Township aforesaid and that I am affiliated with the political party, aforesaid, and I am not prohibited from signing this affidavit by any of the reasons listed below; nor will I become an independent candidate or a new political party candidate at the upcoming election.

No participant shall be able to participate or to vote at any township or multi-township caucus if such person is or was at any time during the twelve months prior to the caucus:

1. an elected or appointed public official of another established political party;

2. an elected or appointed officer, director, precinct committeeman or representative of the township committeeman of another established political party;

3. a judge of election pursuant to Article 13 or 14 of The Election Code for another established political party;

4. a voter who voted in the primary election of another statewide established political party.

SIGNATURE OF VOTER	ADDRESS
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This Affidavit was signed and sworn to before me by each of the persons whose signature appears thereon _____.
(insert month, day, year)

_____
(Caucus Judge)

10 ILCS 5/10-1

Suggested
Revised June, 2001
SBE No. H-1A

AFFIDAVIT OF VOTERS ATTENDING MUNICIPAL CAUCUS

At a caucus of the _____ Party in and for the City/Village of _____

in _____ County of Illinois, held at _____, Illinois,

on _____.
(insert month, day, year)

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
County of _____)

_____
(City or Village)

I hereby certify that I am a registered voter in the City or Village aforesaid and that I am affiliated with the political party, aforesaid, and I will not participate in the caucus of another political party.

SIGNATURE OF VOTER	ADDRESS
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This Affidavit was signed and sworn to before me by each of the persons whose signature appears thereon _____.
(insert month, day, year)

_____
(Caucus Judge)

10 ILCS 5/7-10.2, 10-1, 10-5, 10-5.1

Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. H-2

CERTIFICATE OF NOMINATION BY CAUCUS

To _____
(Local Election Official)

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that on _____ at a caucus of the_____ PARTY in the
(insert month, day, year)

_____ of _____ in _____ County, Illinois, the following nominations were made
(City, Village, Township)

for the respective offices herein designated, to be voted for at the _____ Election to be held on _____.
(insert month, day, year)

NAME OF CANDIDATE (As it is to appear on ballot)	OFFICE	RESIDENCE ADDRESS (Street and number)

Place an asterisk (*) after the name of each candidate who has changed names within three years and is required to report such changes pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/7-10.2 or 10-5.1, and attach a completed Form H-2A Name Change Supplement providing details as to said name change(s). Such candidate's former name(s) and the date(s) of the change(s) shall appear on the ballot along with the candidate's current name.

We also certify that at the last candidate election in this political subdivision aforesaid, the _____PARTY

polled more than 5% of the entire vote cast.

_____ (Secretary)

_____ (Presiding Officer)

_____ (Address)

_____ (Address)

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
County of _____)

The persons whose names are subscribed to the above certificate personally appeared before me on _____
(insert month, day, year)

and upon their oaths stated that the same is true and correct to the best of their knowledge.

_____
(Signature of Person Authorized to Administer Oaths in Illinois)

_____
(Title)

Filed _____in the office of _____.
(insert month, day, year)

This certificate of nomination shall be accompanied by a Statement of Candidacy and a receipt for filing Economic Interests Statement for each candidate nominated.

_____**ATTACH TO PETITION**_____

10 ILCS 5/7-10

Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-1

S T A T E M E N T O F C A N D I D A C Y

NAME	ADDRESS-ZIP CODE	OFFICE	DISTRICT	PARTY

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/7-10.2, 8-8.1 or 10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

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

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
County of _____)

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

_____
(Signature of Candidate)

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

_____
(SEAL) (Notary Public's Signature)

10 ILCS 5/10-5, 10-5.1 _____**ATTACH TO PETITION**_____ Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-1A

S T A T E M E N T O F C A N D I D A C Y

NONPARTISAN

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

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

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

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____being first duly sworn (or affirmed), say that I reside at _____, in the City, Village, Unincorporated Area (circle one) of _____ (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) Zip Code _____, in the County of _____, State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein, that I am a candidate for Nomination/ Election to the office of _____ in the _____
Name of City, Village or Special District

to be voted upon at the election to be held on _____ (date of election) and that I am legally qualified to hold such office and that I have filed (or I will file before the close of the petition filing period) a Statement of Economic Interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official ballot for Nomination/Election to such office.

_____
(Signature of Candidate)

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

_____
(SEAL) (Notary Public's Signature)

_____**ATTACH TO PETITION**_____

10 ILCS 5/10-5, 10-5.1

Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE P-1B

S T A T E M E N T O F C A N D I D A C Y

INDEPENDENT

NAME	ADDRESS-ZIP CODE	OFFICE	CITY, VILLAGE, TOWNSHIP, COUNTY, DISTRICT OR STATE

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

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

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ being first duly sworn (or affirmed), say that I reside at _____, in the City, Village, Unincorporated Area (circle one) of _____ (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) Zip Code _____, in the County of _____, State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein, that I am a candidate for election to the office of _____ in the _____to be
Name of City, Village, Township, County, District or State

voted upon at the election to be held on _____ (date of election) and that I am legally qualified (including being the holder of any license that may be an eligibility requirement for the office to which I seek election) to hold such office and that I have filed (or I will file before the close of the petition filing period) a Statement of Economic Interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official ballot for election to such office.

_____
(Signature of Candidate)

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

(SEAL)

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

_____**ATTACH TO PETITION**_____

10 ILCS 5/7-10.1

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

L O Y A L T Y O A T H
(OPTIONAL)

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

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

_____
(Signature of Candidate)

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

on _____.
(insert month, day, year)

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

(SEAL)

_____ATTACH TO PETITION_____

10 ILCS 5/10-5, 10-5.1

Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-1D

S T A T E M E N T O F C A N D I D A C Y

NEW POLITICAL PARTY

NAME	ADDRESS-ZIP CODE	OFFICE	CITY, VILLAGE, TOWNSHIP,COUNTY, DISTRICT OR STATE	PARTY

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

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

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ being first duly sworn (or affirmed), say that I reside at _____, in the City, Village, Unincorporated Area (circle one) of _____ (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) Zip Code _____, in the County of _____, State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein, that I am a candidate for election to the office of _____ in the _____
Name of City, Village, Township, County, District or State

to be voted upon at the election to be held on _____ (date of election) and that I am legally qualified (including being the holder of any license that may be an eligibility requirement for the office to which I seek election) to hold such office and that I have filed (or I will file before the close of the petition filing period) a Statement of Economic Interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official ballot for election to such office.

_____
(Signature of Candidate)

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

(SEAL)

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

_____ATTACH TO PETITION_____

10 ILCS 5/7-10

Suggested
New August, 2008
SBE No. P-1K

S T A T E M E N T O F C A N D I D A C Y
(NOMINATION BY CAUCUS)

NAME	ADDRESS-ZIP CODE	OFFICE	CITY, VILLAGE OR TOWNSHIP	PARTY

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/7-10.2, 8-8.1 or 10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

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

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ (Name of Candidate) being first duly sworn (or affirmed), say that I reside at _____, in the City, Village, Unincorporated Area (circle one) of _____ (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) Zip Code _____, in the County of _____, State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein and am a qualified Primary voter of the _____ Party; that I am a candidate for election to the office of _____ in the _____ (city, village or township), as duly nominated at said party's caucus, to be voted upon at the election to be held on _____ (date of election) and that I am legally qualified (including being the holder of any license that may be an eligibility requirement for the office to which I seek the nomination) to hold such office and that I have filed (or I will file before the close of the petition filing period) a Statement of Economic Interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official ballot for election to such office.

_____
(Signature of Candidate)

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

(SEAL)

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

10 ILCS 5/7-10, 8-8, 10-3

Suggested
Revised July, 2004
SBE No. P-2A

CERTIFICATION OF DELETIONS

I, _____, Candidate or Circulator (circle one) do hereby certify that I have properly initialed the deletions of signatures, listed hereinafter by page and line numbers, from the petition of _____ (Name of Candidate) who is a candidate for election or nomination (circle one) to the office of _____ at the _____Election to be held on _____ (date of election).

Page No.	Line No.	Page No.	Line No.	Page No.	Line No.

_____
(Signature of Person Deleting Signatures)

Only the person circulating the petition, or the candidate on whose behalf the petition is circulated, may strike any signature from the petition. If deletions are made, this **CERTIFICATION OF DELETIONS** shall be filed as part of the petition.

10 ILCS 5/10-3

Suggested
Revised July, 2004
SBE No. P-2B

CERTIFICATE OF ATTACHED LIST OF DELETIONS

We, the undersigned persons who have stricken signatures from the attached hereby certify that there is/are _____ page(s) of **CERTIFICATION OF DELETIONS** listing signatures which have been stricken, and are attached hereafter to the petitions of _____ (Name of Candidate) who is a candidate for election to the office of _____ at the _____ Election to be held on _____ (date of election).

The following are the page numbers indicated on the attached **CERTIFICATION OF DELETIONS**:

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_____
(CANDIDATE)

_____ (Circulator)	_____ (Circulator)
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Every person striking signatures from the petition shall each sign this certificate. This certificate shall be filed as part of the petition, shall be numbered, and shall be attached immediately following the last page of voters' signatures and preceding any **CERTIFICATE OF DELETION** sheet.

SHEET NO. _____

10 ILCS 5/10-3, 10-4, 10-5.1 **X...BIND HERE...X** Suggested
Revised July, 2007

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE PETITION

SBE No. P-3

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

NAME	OFFICE	ADDRESS--ZIP CODE

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

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

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State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ (Circulator's Name) do hereby certify that I reside at _____,

in the City/Village/Unincorporated Area (circle one) of _____ (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides

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

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

(SEAL)

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

SHEET NO. _____

10 ILCS 5/10-3.1, 10-5.1
65 ILCS 5/4-3-8

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Suggested
Revised August, 2008
SBE No. P-4

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

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

NAME	OFFICE	ADDRESS--ZIP CODE
	office title: full term or ___ year vacancy (circle one)	

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

FORMERLY KNOWN AS _____ UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON _____
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State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ do hereby certify that I reside at _____,
(Circulator's Name) (Street Address)
in the _____ of _____, _____,
(City/Village/Unincorporated Area) (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip Code)
County of _____, State of _____ that I am 18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day for filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and that their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

(SEAL)

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

SHEET NO. _____

10 ILCS 5/10-3.1, 10-5.1
615 ILCS 90/5

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Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-4-1

PETITION FOR NOMINATION
(FOX WATERWAY MANAGEMENT AGENCY)

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

NAME	OFFICE	ADDRESS--ZIP CODE

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

FORMERLY KNOWN AS _____ UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON _____
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State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ do hereby certify that I reside at _____,
(Circulator's Name) (Street Address)
in the _____ of _____, _____,
(City/Village/Unincorporated Area) (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip Code)
County of _____, State of _____ that I am 18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day for filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and that their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

(SEAL)

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

SHEET NO. _____

10 ILCS 5/10-3.1, 10-5.1 **X...BIND HERE...X** Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-4-2

PETITION FOR NOMINATION

Fire Protection Districts

To the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of _____(name of fire district)

We, the undersigned being _____(number of signatories or 5% or more) of the voters residing within the district, hereby petition that_____ who resides at _____
(name of candidate)
in the City, Village, Unincorporated Area (circle one) of _____(if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) Zip Code _____ County of _____,State of Illinois, in this district shall be a candidate for the office of _____ of the Board of Trustees, full-term or ____ year vacancy (*circle one)* to be voted for at the election to be held _____ (date of election).

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

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State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ do hereby certify that I reside at _____,
(Circulator's Name) (Street Address)
in the _____ of _____, _____,
(City/Village/Unincorporated Area) (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip Code)
County of _____, State of _____ that I am 18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day for filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and that their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

(SEAL) _____
(Notary Public's Signature)

SHEET NO. _____

CONSOLIDATED PRIMARY PETITION
(NONPARTISAN – MUNICIPALITY OTHER THAN COMMISSION FORM)

We, the undersigned, qualified voters in the _____ of _____ in the County of _____ and State of Illinois, and residing at the places set opposite our respective names, do hereby petition that the name of _____, who resides at _____in the City, Town or Village of _____Zip Code _____ County of _____ State of Illinois, be placed upon the ballot as a candidate for nomination for the office of _____ full term *or* vacancy (circle one) at the Consolidated Primary election to be held on _____ (date of primary election); provided that no primary election is required, the candidate's name will appear on the ballot at the Consolidated Election for election to said office and term.

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

FORMERLY KNOWN AS _____ UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON _____
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State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ do hereby certify that I reside at _____,
(Circulator's Name) (Street Address)
in the _____ of _____, _____,
(City/Village/Unincorporated Area) (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip Code)
County of _____, State of _____ that I am 18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day for filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and that their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

(SEAL) SHEET NO. _____

10 ILCS 5/10-3.1, 10-5.1
110 ILCS 805/3-7.10

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Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-6

PETITION FOR NOMINATION
TO THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. _____

We, the undersigned, being (_____ or more) (or 10% or more) of the voters residing within said district, hereby petition that _____ who resides at _____ in the City, Village, Unincorporated Area (circle one) of _____ (If unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) in _____ Township in said district shall be a candidate for the office of member of the Board of Trustees, full term *or* ___ *year* vacancy (circle one) to be voted for at the Consolidated Election to be held on _____(date of election).

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

FORMERLY KNOWN AS _____ UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON _____
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State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ do hereby certify that I reside at _____,
(Circulator's Name) (Street Address)
in the _____ of _____, _____,
(City/Village/Unincorporated Area) (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip Code)
County of _____, State of _____, that I am 18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day for filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and that their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

_____
(SEAL) (Notary Public's Signature)

SHEET NO. _____

10 ILCS 5/10-3.1, 10-5.1
110 ILCS 805/3-7.10

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Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-6A

PETITION FOR NOMINATION
TO THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. _____
FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES WHICH ELECT FROM DISTRICTS RATHER THAN AT-LARGE

We, the undersigned, being (_____ or more) (or 10% or more) of the voters residing within said district, hereby petition that _____ who resides at _____in the City, Village, Unincorporated Area (circle one) of _____ (If unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) in _____ Township in said district shall be a candidate for the office of member of the Board of Trustees _____ District, full term *or* ___ year vacancy (circle one) to be voted for at the Consolidated Election to be held on _____ (date of election).

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

FORMERLY KNOWN AS _____ UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON _____
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State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ do hereby certify that I reside at _____,
(Circulator's Name) (Street Address)
in the _____ of _____, _____,
(City/Village/Unincorporated Area) (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip Code)
County of _____, State of _____, that I am 18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day for filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and that their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

(SEAL)

SHEET NO. _____

10 ILCS 5/10-3.1, 10-5.1
105 ILCS 5/9-10

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Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-7

PETITION FOR NOMINATION
(LEAVE OUT THE INAPPLICABLE PART)

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION (OR BOARD OF DIRECTORS) OF DISTRICT NUMBER _____IN _____ COUNTY, ILLINOIS

We, the undersigned, being (_____ or more) (or 10% or more) (or 5% or more) of the voters residing within said district, hereby petition that _____ who resides at _____ in the City, Village, Unincorporated Area (circle one) of _____ (If unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) in Township _____ in said district shall be a candidate for the office of _____ full term *or* ___ *year* vacancy (circle one) of the Board of Education (or Board of Directors) to be voted for at the Consolidated Election to be held on _____ (date of election).

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

FORMERLY KNOWN AS _____ UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON _____
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State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ do hereby certify that I reside at _____,
(Circulator's Name) (Street Address)
in the _____ of _____, _____,
(City/Village/Unincorporated Area) (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip Code)
County of _____, State of _____ that I am 18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day for filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and that their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) by _____before me, on _____.
(Name of Circulator) (insert month, day, year)

(SEAL)

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

SHEET NO. _____

10 ILCS 5/10-3.1, 10-5.1
105 ILCS 5/9-10

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Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-7A

PETITION FOR NOMINATION
FOR SCHOOL BOARDS WHICH ELECT FROM DISTRICTS RATHER THAN AT-LARGE OR BY TOWNSHIP
(LEAVE OUT THE INAPPLICABLE PART)

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION (OR BOARD OF DIRECTORS) OF _____ SCHOOL DISTRICT IN _____ COUNTY, ILLINOIS

We, the undersigned, being (_____ or more) (or 10% or more) (or 5% or more) of the voters residing within _____ district, (specify district number 1 - 7) hereby petition that _____ who resides at _____ _____ in the City, Village, Unincorporated Area (circle one) of _____ (If unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) in said district shall be a candidate for the office _____ of the Board of Education (or Board of Directors) full term *or* ____ *year* vacancy (circle one) _____ District (specify district 1 - 7) to be voted for at the Consolidated Election to be held on _____ (date of election).

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

FORMERLY KNOWN AS _____ UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON _____
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State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ do hereby certify that I reside at _____,
(Circulator's Name) (Street Address)
in the _____ of _____, _____,
(City/Village/Unincorporated Area) (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip Code)
County of _____, State of _____ that I am18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day for filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and that their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

(SEAL)

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

SHEET NO. _____

10 ILCS 5/10-2,10-4, 10-5.1 **X...BIND HERE...X** Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-8

PETITION FOR NOMINATION
(To Form a New Political Party)

We, the undersigned, qualified voters of the _____ of _____ in the County of _____ and State of Illinois, do declare that it is our intention to form a new political party in the political division aforesaid, to be known and designated as the _____ Party, and do hereby petition that the following named persons shall be candidates for the offices hereinafter specified, to be voted at the _____ Election to be held on _____ (date of election).

A COMPLETE SLATE IS HEREBY PRESENTED

NAME	OFFICE	ADDRESS - ZIP CODE

For any candidate subject to the requirements of 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, mark his/her name with an asterisk (*) and complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

FORMERLY KNOWN AS _____ UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON _____
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State of Illinois)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____do hereby certify that I reside at _____,
(Circulator's Name) (Street Address)
in the _____ of _____, _____,
(City/Village/Unincorporated Area) (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip Code)
County of _____, State of _____ that I am18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day for filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and that their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

(SEAL) SHEET NO _____

10 ILCS 5/10-2, 10-4, 10.5-1 **X...BIND HERE...X** Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-8A

PETITION FOR NOMINATION AND FORMATION OF A NEW POLITICAL PARTY (IN CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE IN WHICH OFFICERS ARE TO BE ELECTED FROM DISTRICTS OR WARDS AND AT-LARGE)

We, the undersigned, qualified voters of District/Ward Number _____ in the City, Town or Village of _____, in the County of _____ and State of Illinois, do hereby declare that it is our intention to form a new political party in such city, town or village to be known as the _____ Party and the following named persons shall be candidates of such party for the offices hereinafter specified to be voted at the election to be held on _____(date of election).

NAMES OF CANDIDATES FOR ALL OFFICES TO BE ELECTED AT-LARGE

NAME OF CANDIDATE	OFFICE	ADDRESS - ZIP CODE

NAMES OF CANDIDATES FOR ALL OFFICES TO BE ELECTED BY DISTRICT OR WARD

NAME OF CANDIDATE	OFFICE	DISTRICT OR WARD NO.	ADDRESS - ZIP CODE

For any candidate subject to the requirements of 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, mark his/her name with an asterisk (*) and complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

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State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ do hereby certify that I reside at _____,
(Circulator's Name) (Street Address)
in the _____ of _____, _____,
(City/Village/Unincorporated Area) (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip Code)
County of _____, State of _____ that I am 18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day for filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and that their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

(SEAL) _____
SHEET NO. _____ (Notary Public's Signature)

10 ILCS 5/10-2, 10-4, 10-5.1 **X...BIND HERE...X** Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-8B

PETITION FOR NOMINATION AND FORMATION OF A NEW POLITICAL PARTY (IN COUNTIES IN WHICH OFFICERS ARE TO BE ELECTED FROM DISTRICTS AND AT-LARGE)

We, the undersigned, qualified voters of District Number _____ in the County of _____, State of Illinois, do hereby declare that it is our intention to form a new political party in such county to be known as the _____ Party and the following named persons shall be candidates of such party for the offices hereinafter specified to be voted at the election to be held on _____ (date of election).

NAMES OF CANDIDATES FOR ALL OFFICES TO BE ELECTED AT-LARGE

NAME OF CANDIDATE	COUNTY OFFICE	ADDRESS - ZIP CODE

NAMES OF CANDIDATES FOR ALL OFFICES TO BE ELECTED BY DISTRICTS

NAME OF CANDIDATE	OFFICE OF COUNTY BOARD MEMBER	ADDRESS - ZIP CODE
	District No.	
	District No.	
	District No.	
	District No.	

For any candidate subject to the requirements of 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, mark his/her name with an asterisk (*) and complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

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State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ do hereby certify that I reside at _____,
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in the _____ of _____, _____,
(City/Village/Unincorporated Area) (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip Code)
County of _____, State of _____ that I am 18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day for filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and that their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

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(SEAL) (Notary Public's Signature)

SHEET NO. _____

10 ILCS 5/10-5, 10-11

Suggested
Revised July, 2004
SBE No. P-8C

CERTIFICATE OF OFFICERS AUTHORIZED TO FILL VACANCIES IN NOMINATION FOR A NEW POLITICAL PARTY

We, the undersigned, duly certify that the persons whose names and addresses are listed below are the designated officers of the _____ who are authorized to fill vacancies in nomination
(Name of New Political Party)
pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-11.

_____ (Name and Title)	_____ (Name and Title)
_____ (Address)	_____ (Address)
_____ (City) (Zip Code)	_____ (City) (Zip Code)
_____ (Name and Title)	_____ (Name and Title)
_____ (Address)	_____ (Address)
_____ (City) (Zip Code)	_____ (City) (Zip Code)

Signed: _____
(CHAIRMAN)

Attest: _____
(SECRETARY)

(Use additional sheets if necessary)

A new political party petition shall have attached thereto a certificate stating the names and addresses of the party officers authorized to fill vacancies in nomination. Failure to file this form results in the party forfeiting the right to fill vacancies. It does not alone invalidate the petition.

10 ILCS 5/7-10, 7-10.2 **X...BIND HERE...X** Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-10

GENERAL
PRIMARY PETITION

We, the undersigned, members of and affiliated with the _____ Party and qualified primary electors of the _____ Party, in the _____ of _____ in the County of _____, and State of Illinois, do hereby petition that the following named person or persons shall be a candidate(s) of the _____ Party for the nomination/election for the office or offices hereinafter specified to be voted for at the Primary Election to be held on _____(date of election).

NAME	OFFICE	ADDRESS

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/7-10.2, 8-8.1 or 10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

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

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

State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____(Circulator's Name) do hereby certify that I reside at _____,

in the City/Village/Unincorporated Area (circle one) of _____ (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides

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

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

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(SEAL) (Notary Public's Signature)

SHEET NO. _____

10 ILCS 5/10-3.1, 10-5.1
105 ILCS 5/6-10

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Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-21

PETITION FOR NOMINATION FOR MULTI-COUNTY REGIONAL SCHOOL TRUSTEES TO BE FILED WITH THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

We, the undersigned, being 50 or more of the voters qualified to vote, hereby petition that _____ who resides at _____ in Township (or Road District) _____, in _____ County, shall be a candidate for the office of **MEMBER OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES** of _____ Region (Counties within region) full term or vacancy (circle one) to be voted for at the Consolidated Election to be held _____ (date of election).

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

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

NAME (VOTER'S SIGNATURE)	STREET ADDRESS OR RR NUMBER	CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE	COUNTY
1			IL
2			IL
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7			IL
8			IL
9			IL
10			IL
11			IL
12			IL

State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ (Circulator's Name) do hereby certify that I reside at _____, in the City/Village/Unincorporated Area (circle one)of _____ (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip Code) _____ County of_____ State of _____ that I am 18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day for filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and that their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

_____
(SEAL) (Notary Public's Signature)

SHEET NO. _____

10 ILCS 5/10-3.1, 10-5.1
105 ILCS 5/6-10

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Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-21A

PETITION FOR NOMINATION FOR <u>SINGLE-COUNTY</u> REGIONAL SCHOOL TRUSTEES TO BE FILED WITH THE COUNTY CLERK

We, the undersigned, being 50 or more of the voters qualified to vote, hereby petition that _____ who resides at _____ in Township (or Road District) _____, in _____ County, shall be a candidate for the office of **MEMBER OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES** of _____ County full term or vacancy (circle one) to be voted for at the Consolidated Election to be held on _____ (date of election).

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

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

NAME (VOTER'S SIGNATURE)	STREET ADDRESS OR RR NUMBER	CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE	COUNTY
1			IL
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7			IL
8			IL
9			IL
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11			IL
12			IL

State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ do hereby certify that I reside at _____,
(Circulator's Signature) (Street Address)
in the _____ of _____, _____,
(City/Village/Unincorporated Area) (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip Code)
County of _____, State of _____ that I am 18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day for filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and that their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

(SEAL)

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

SHEET NO. _____

10 ILCS 5/10-3.1, 10-5.1
105 ILCS 5/5-4

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Suggested
Revised July, 2007
SBE No. P-22

PETITION FOR NOMINATION FOR TRUSTEE OF SCHOOLS

TO THE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL TREASURER OF TOWNSHIP NO. _____, RANGE NO. _____
IN THE COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS

We, the undersigned, being at least 25 voters residing within said Township hereby petition that _____ who resides at _____ in Township No. _____, Range No. _____, shall be a candidate for the office of **TRUSTEE OF SCHOOLS** in Township No. _____, Range No. _____, for a full term *or* vacancy (circle one) to be voted for at the Consolidated Election to be held on _____ (date of election).

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

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

NAME (VOTER'S SIGNATURE)	STREET ADDRESS OR RR NUMBER	CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE	COUNTY
1			IL
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5			IL
6			IL
7			IL
8			IL
9			IL
10			IL
11			IL
12			IL

State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ (Circulator's Name) do hereby certify that I reside at _____,

in the City/Village/Unincorporated Area (circle one)of _____ (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides

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

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

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

_____
(SEAL) (Notary Public's Signature)

SHEET NO. _____

10 ILCS 5/7-12, 10-7

Suggested
Revised July, 2004
SBE No. P-25

WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY

I, _____ (Name of Candidate) being first duly sworn, say that I reside at _____ in the City/Village of _____, County of _____ and State of Illinois; that I am the same person whose name is subscribed hereto in whose behalf nomination papers were filed for the office of _____, _____ district, _____ Party, and I hereby withdraw as a candidate for said office and respectfully request that my name **NOT** be printed upon the official ballot as a candidate for the _____ Election to be held on _____ (date of election).

_____
SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE

STATE OF _____)
) SS.
COUNTY OF _____)

I, _____, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that _____ personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to in the foregoing withdrawal, appeared before me in person this day and acknowledged that he/she signed the said instrument as his free and voluntary act of his/her own will and accord.

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

(SEAL)

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

Withdrawal is filed with the office where original nominating petition or certificate of nomination was filed. Upon receipt, the local election official must issue amended certification to each election authority who prepares ballots for the political subdivision.