

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania NOMINATION PAPER

NOTE: 1. Read the General Instructions on Side 2 carefully before you fill in Sections A, B and C, and before you circulate the nomination paper for signatures.
 2. You must fill in all information in A, B & C before you circulate the nomination paper for signatures.

OFFICIAL USE ONLY

A. PREAMBLE

TO THE _____ COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

We, the undersigned, all of whom are qualified electors of Pennsylvania, of the County and of the electoral district(s) designated below, hereby nominate the persons designated in Section B below as candidates representing the political body named herein, and also appoint the persons designated in Section C below as a committee authorized to fill any vacancy caused by the death or withdrawal of any such candidates.

1. Name of Political Body _____

2. County of Signers _____

B. CANDIDATE INFORMATION

OFFICE TITLE	DISTRICT	NAME OF CANDIDATE	RESIDENCE		OCCUPATION
			Street & Number	City, Boro or Twp.	

C. COMMITTEE TO FILL VACANCIES

NAME OF COMMITTEE MEMBER	RESIDENCE	
	Street & Number	City, Boro or Twp.
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

D. SIGNATURES OF ELECTORS

SIGNATURE OF ELECTOR	PRINTED NAME	PLACE OF RESIDENCE			DATE OF SIGNING
		House No.	Street or Road	City, Boro or Twp.	

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E. AFFIDAVIT OF QUALIFIED ELECTOR

Instructions: The qualified elector who makes this affidavit must complete lines 1-5 below in the presence of a person empowered to take acknowledgements (such as a notary public). The affidavit may not be completed until after circulation (in other words, after the last signature is obtained in Section D).

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

SS:

COUNTY OF _____

I do swear (or affirm) that I am a qualified elector of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; that my residence is as set forth below; that the signers to the foregoing nomination paper signed the same with full knowledge of the contents thereof; that their residences are correctly stated therein; that they all reside in the county specified in number one below; that each signed on the date set opposite his or her name; and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the signers are qualified electors of the electoral districts designated in this nomination paper.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____

day of _____ 20_____

_____ Signature

_____ (Official Title)

My Commission expires _____

1 _____ County of Paper Signers Residence

2 _____ Signature of Affiant

3 _____ Printed Name of Affiant

4 _____ Street

5 _____ City, Boro, or Twp. _____ Zip Code

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- NOTICE** **READ CAREFULLY**
1. In addition to political party nominations made at primaries, the Election Code permits political bodies to nominate candidates for public offices by filing political body nomination papers. This is the political body nomination paper form. It should not be used to nominate political party candidates for the primary or to nominate minor political party candidates.
 2. **INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING PREAMBLE (Section A):** Name of Political Body -- All nomination papers must specify the name of the Political Body which the candidate(s) represent. Such name cannot be more than three words and cannot use words identical with, or deceptively similar to, any words used in the name of any existing political party, or of any political body which has already filed nomination papers for the same office(s). *County of Signers* -- Nomination papers may be on one or more sheets (each copy of this two-sided form is considered a "sheet"). However, different sheets must be used for signers resident in different counties. Insert the county of residence (only one) of the electors signing each sheet.
 3. **INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING CANDIDATE INFORMATION (Section B):** The name of each candidate, and his/her occupation and place of residence must be listed. The correct title of the office which each such candidate is seeking must be indicated with the appropriate district number. NOTE: More than one candidate may be nominated by one set of nomination papers, provided that all the signers are eligible to vote for all offices for which such nominations are made.
 4. **INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING COMMITTEE TO FILL VACANCIES (Section C):** All political body nomination papers must contain the names and addresses of a committee of not less than three (3) nor more than five (5) persons authorized to fill a vacancy or vacancies in the nomination(s) should they occur.
 5. **CIRCULATION OF NOMINATION PAPERS:** Signatures may be secured only between the tenth Wednesday before the primary and August 1 (see the Pennsylvania Election Calendar or contact the County Board of Elections for exact dates).
 6. **SIGNERS:** Signers must be qualified electors of the Commonwealth and of all electoral districts referred to in the nomination paper. They may sign only as many nomination papers as there are persons to be elected and offices to be filled. Each signer must personally sign his/her name, insert his/her printed name, place of residence and the date of signing. **Printed names are not acceptable.** (NOTE: The name of the City, Borough or Township must be given, as well as the street address, if any. The date of signing may be expressed in words or numbers, e.g. -- March 1, 2007 or 3/1/07.)
 7. **NUMBER OF SIGNERS:** For nomination papers required to be filed with the County Board of Elections, the minimum number of signatures required is two percent of the largest entire vote cast for any officer (except a judge of a court of record) elected at the last preceding election held in the same electoral district, but it may not be less than the number required for nomination petitions for political party candidates for the same office (exceptions to this rule apply to new electoral districts.) To obtain the signature requirement for the office you are seeking, contact the County Board of Elections.
 8. **AFFIDAVIT OF QUALIFIED ELECTOR:** Any person who signs the "Affidavit of Qualified Elector" on this nomination paper must be a qualified elector of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Every sheet of the nomination paper must have the "Affidavit of Qualified Elector" filled in, signed and notarized in the presence of a person empowered to take acknowledgements *after* all signatures have been obtained. Read the instructions in Section E, above, for further information.
 9. **ASSEMBLING NOMINATION PAPERS:** When more than one page is used, they shall be fastened together, and each page shall be numbered consecutively.
 10. **CANDIDATE'S AFFIDAVIT AND ETHICS STATEMENT:** Each candidate for public office who files nomination papers with the County Board of Elections must sign and submit *one* CANDIDATE'S AFFIDAVIT per set of nomination papers. The CANDIDATE'S AFFIDAVIT is a separate form and may be obtained from the County Board of Elections. Each candidate for public office who files nomination papers with the County Board of Elections must submit with their nomination papers a copy of the Statement of Financial Interests (except incumbent District Judges). Please refer to the back of the Statement of Financial Interests to find the appropriate office to file the original copy of this form.
 11. **FILING FEES:** Please contact the County Board of Elections regarding the filing fee for the office you are seeking.
 12. **TIME AND PLACE TO FILE:** Nomination papers for local offices must be filed by the regular close of business on the deadline to file nomination papers. Please consult the County Board of Elections for specific deadlines.