



GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION – MARCH 19, 2024 FILING AND CIRCULATION DATES

Abbreviated Dates: Established Party Candidates
1st day to Circulate Petitions: Tuesday, September 5, 2023
Filing Period: November 27 – December 4, 2023
Note: Independent and New Party Candidates begin circulation March 26, 2024 and file June 17th – 24th for the 2024 General Election.

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

First day to circulate nomination papers (**must include original sheets signed by voters and circulators**) for established party candidates who file between November 27 – December 4, 2023.

Monday, November 27, 2023

First day for candidates of established political parties to file **original** nomination papers (**must contain original sheets signed by voters and circulators**) in the office of the county clerk for county offices and precinct committeeperson.

Monday, December 4, 2023

Last day by **5:00 p.m.** for candidates of established political parties to file **original** nomination papers (**must contain original sheets signed by voters and circulators**) in the office of the county clerk for county offices and precinct committeeperson.

Wednesday, December 6, 2023

Last day for written notice of the time and place for conducting lottery which shall be given when two or more petitions are received simultaneously for the same office and party as of the opening hour of the filing period, November 27th and/or within the last hour of the filing period December 4th. (There must be seven days written notice given. If the lottery is to be held on the last statutory date, December 13th, the last date to give notice is December 6th)

Monday, December 11, 2023

Last day for filing objections to the nomination papers of all candidates who filed during the November 27 – December 4, 2023 filing period. Objections are filed in the office where the nomination papers were originally filed.

Last day for an individual who has filed, during the November 27 – December 4, 2023 filing period, for two or more **incompatible offices** to withdraw from all but one of the offices.

Wednesday, December 13, 2023

Last day lottery shall be conducted by the election authority when two or more petitions are received simultaneously for the same office and party, as of the opening hour or within the last hour of the filing period.

Monday, December 18, 2023

Last day for filing petitions (**must contain original sheets signed by voters and circulators**) for referenda for the submission of questions of public policy (local). [EXCEPTION: proposition to create a political subdivision, referenda held under the provisions of Article IX of the Liquor Control Act, and Section 18-120 of the Property Tax Code].

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**GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION – March 19, 2024
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Tuesday, December 26, 2023

Last day to file objections to petitions for the submission of questions of public policy (local). Objections are filed with the same office that has the original petitions. [EXCEPTION: proposition to create a political subdivision, referenda held under the provisions of Article IX of the Liquor Control Act, and Section 18-120 of the Property Tax Code].

Tuesday, January 2, 2024

Last day for local governing boards to adopt a resolution or ordinance to allow **binding** public questions to appear on the ballot.

Last day for County, Municipal, School, Township and Park Boards to place **advisory** referenda on the ballot by resolution.

Thursday, January 11, 2024

Last day for SBE to certify the names of candidates for the General Primary to the county clerks.

Last day for the circuit clerk and the local election official to certify any **binding** public question or **advisory** referenda to the election authority having jurisdiction over the political subdivision.

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

Last day for the county clerk to certify the names of candidates to be voted for in their jurisdiction and issue such certification.

Last day for candidates of established political parties to file withdrawal of nomination papers in the office of the county clerk.

Thursday, January 18, 2024

Last day a person may file a notarized Declaration of Intent to be a write-in candidate with the proper election authority. **Write-ins shall be counted only for persons who have filed the Declaration of Intent. Write-in declarations are NOT filed with the State Board of Elections.**