

132. All certificates of nomination and nomination papers for electors for president and vice-president of the United States, representatives in the congress of the United States, and for any other officers to be voted for by the voters of more than one county, shall be filed with the secretary of State; all such certificates and nomination papers for the nomination of candidates to be voted for by the voters of only one county, or of the cities of Baltimore, Annapolis, Frederick, Cumberland and Hagerstown, or any ward, election district, or other sub-division of such cities or counties, and all papers of withdrawal of a candidate or candidates shall be filed with the boards of supervisors of elections for the city of Baltimore and the respective counties; at the end of six months after the election for which the nominations were made, the secretary and the said board of supervisors shall destroy the said certificates, nomination and withdrawal papers, and said boards of supervisors of election shall destroy the copies thereof, unless there be some contest with respect to the election for which the nomination was made, and then the same shall be preserved until such contest is ended.

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133. All such certificates and nomination papers required by the preceding section to be filed with the secretary of State, shall be filed not more than sixty nor less than twenty days previous to the day of election for which such nominations are made; and all such certificates and nomination papers so required to be filed with said board of supervisors of elections shall be so filed not more than sixty days and not less than ten days before the day of the election for which such nominations are made; in the calculation of said period, the day of the filing of the certificates and the day of election shall both be excluded; all certificates of nomination and nomination papers when filed, shall, under proper regulations to be made by the secretary of State and boards of supervisors of elections respectively, be open to public inspection.

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134. If the officers with whom such certificates and nomination papers have been filed shall observe defects therein, it shall be their duty immediately to bring the same to the attention of the persons by whom the same were filed, and allow any necessary corrections to be made; provided, that in making the same the proceedings shall be the same as herein directed for the making acknowledgments and verification of such certificates and nomination papers; when said certificates and nomination papers are in apparent substantial conformity with this article, they shall be deemed to be valid.

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135. On or before the fourteenth day preceding the election for which the nominations have been made, it shall be the duty of the secretary of State to transmit by mail to the said respective boards of supervisors a statement of the names and residences of all persons duly nominated by such certificates of nomination

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