

4A-1.

【Each person filing a certificate of candidacy for nomination or election to any public or party office in any of the counties, any senatorial district or any legislative district must be a registered voter of the particular county or district in which he seeks to be nominated or elected and shall furthermore be affiliated with the party whose nomination he seeks or whose office he seeks.】

Each person seeking nomination to any public or party office at a primary election, shall file a certificate of candidacy for nomination in the manner and at the time provided in this subtitle. Such person who is a candidate for any State, local, or party office must be a registered voter of the particular county or district in which he seeks to be nominated. A candidate for any federal, State, local or party office shall be affiliated with the party whose office he seeks. Before finally placing the name of such a candidate on the ballot at the succeeding primary election, the board shall determine that the candidate meets the registration and affiliation requirements of this section. The requirements of this section shall not apply to the party affiliation of any candidate for judicial office for which candidates are permitted to be listed on the ballot without party designation; but the requirements shall be applicable to the filling of any vacancy in any public or party office.

4A-4.

(d) The provisions of this section shall not apply to the filling of vacancies, as specified in Sec. 9-2 of this article, nor to special elections held to fill vacancies in office caused by death, resignation or otherwise 【.】 , nor to political parties which are not required to nominate candidates by means of primary elections.

4A-6.

【(e) Candidates nominated by primary meetings and petition must pay the fee in accordance with the foregoing conditions.】

*New Political Parties*4B-1. *New political parties*

(a) *Formation.* Any group of voters wishing to form a new political party shall do so by filing with the State Administrative Board of Election Laws a Petition for Formation of a Political Party which shall declare their intention of organizing a State political party, the name of which shall be stated in the petition together with the name and address of the State Chairman thereof and the names and addresses of at least twenty-five persons who shall be designated as constituting the governing body of the party. Appended to the petition shall be papers bearing the signatures of at least ten thousand qualified voters of the State, in the manner hereinafter provided.

(b) *Form of Petition; affidavit.* The signatures shall not be appended to one paper but shall be on separate papers, bearing one or more signatures, and being no more than 8½ inches in width and 14 inches in length. Each paper shall ~~not~~ contain the names of persons residing ~~in more than one county or in any county and~~ ONLY IN ONE COUNTY OR ONLY in the City of Baltimore.