

Article 40A - Maryland Public Ethics Law

4-102.

(a) (1) Each official holding an office set forth in § 4-101 above shall file under oath or affirmation with the Commission, on or before the 30th day of April of each year during that person's term in office, the statement required by this title, for the calendar year immediately preceding each such year in office. A person, who has not filed the statement required by this title and who is appointed to fill a vacancy in an office set forth in § 4-101, shall file that statement within 30 days after appointment to that office.

(2) (i) Any official who leaves an office set forth in § 4-101 for any reason, except the official's death, shall file under oath or affirmation with the Commission, within 60 days of leaving, the statement required by this title, for the calendar year immediately preceding, unless a statement has previously been filed for that year, and any portion of the current calendar year during which that official held that office.

(ii) If an official leaves one office to become an official in another office for which a statement is required to be filed, and the scope and nature of the information required to be included in that statement are at least as extensive as those required by subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, the official may not be required to file the statement provided for in subparagraph (i) of this paragraph.

~~(b) Except for an official who has filed a statement pursuant to subsection (a) above for the same year or portion of the same year for which a statement otherwise would be required to be filed by this subsection, each candidate for nomination for, or election to, an office set forth in § 4-101 shall file under oath or affirmation with the State Administrative Board of Election Laws, or the appropriate local board of election supervisors, together with his certificate of candidacy and the statement required by this title, for the calendar year immediately preceding.~~

~~(c) If the certificate of candidacy is filed prior to January 1 of the year in which the election is held, the candidate, ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30 OF EACH YEAR OF CANDIDACY PRIOR TO THE YEAR OF THE ELECTION, AND, on or before the 30th day of April 30 of the year of the election or the last day for the withdrawal of candidacy, whichever is earlier, shall file under oath or affirmation a statement for the IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING calendar year immediately preceding the election AND FOR EACH YEAR OF CANDIDACY; and if he fails to do so, after written notice of his obligation, given at least 20 days prior to the last day for the withdrawal of candidacy, he shall be deemed to have withdrawn his candidacy.~~