

(1) A CANDIDATE WHO SEEKS NOMINATION BY PETITION MAY NOT HAVE THE CANDIDATE'S NAME PLACED ON THE GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT UNLESS THE CANDIDATE FILES WITH THE APPROPRIATE BOARD PETITIONS SIGNED BY:

(I) IN THE CASE OF AN OFFICE VOTED ON BY THE VOTERS OF THE ENTIRE STATE, NOT LESS THAN 1% OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF REGISTERED VOTERS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN THE STATE; AND

(II) IN THE CASE OF AN OFFICE NOT VOTED ON BY THE VOTERS OF THE ENTIRE STATE, NOT LESS THAN 3% OF THE REGISTERED VOTERS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE FOR THE OFFICE FOR WHICH THE NOMINATION BY PETITION IS SOUGHT.

(2) THE PETITIONS SHALL BE FILED AS REQUIRED IN TITLE 6 OF THIS ARTICLE.

(3) THE NUMBER OF REGISTERED VOTERS REQUIRED TO SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE DETERMINED AS OF THE DEADLINE FOR CHANGING PARTY AFFILIATION BEFORE THE PRIMARY ELECTION FOR WHICH THE NOMINATION IS SOUGHT.

(F) TIME AND PLACE FOR FILING PETITION SIGNATURES.

(1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A PETITION THAT CONTAINS THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF SIGNATURES SPECIFIED UNDER SUBSECTION (E)(1) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE FILED WITH THE APPROPRIATE BOARD BY 5 P.M. ON THE FIRST MONDAY IN AUGUST IN THE YEAR IN WHICH THE GENERAL ELECTION IS HELD.

(2) IN A SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, A PETITION THAT CONTAINS THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF SIGNATURES SHALL BE FILED WITH THE STATE BOARD BY 5 P.M. ON THE DAY OF THE SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION.

5-704. WRITE-IN CANDIDATES.

AN INDIVIDUAL WHO SEEKS ELECTION AS A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE SHALL FILE A CERTIFICATE OF CANDIDACY AS REQUIRED UNDER § 5-303 OF THIS TITLE.

5-705. CERTIFICATE OF NOMINATION OR ELECTION AFTER PRIMARY ELECTION.

(A) IN GENERAL.

A CERTIFICATE OF NOMINATION THAT ENTITLES A CANDIDATE FOR PUBLIC OFFICE TO HAVE THE CANDIDATE'S NAME LISTED ON THE GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT AND SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT THE GENERAL ELECTION SHALL BE ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION.

(B) ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF NOMINATION.