

**NOMINATING PETITION  
MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES**

**NOTICE**

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**This information sheet is not meant to cover all of the statutory and constitutional necessities for filing petitions, but is to be used only as a guide. If you have any questions, you should seek legal counsel.**

1. No person shall be eligible to become a candidate for any local elective office unless he/she is registered to vote in the local unit to which the office pertains, and has been a resident of that local unit for at least 1 year prior to the date upon the election is to be held, or prior to the date upon which the appointment is to be made. **(N.J.S.A. 40A:9-1.13)**
2. Each candidate shall also include a functioning email address [\(N.J.S.A. 19:23-7\)](#)
3. Please contact the election department at 609-625-7000 ext. 5232 for the required number of signatures or [click here](#). The signers of the petition are qualified voters and reside in the Municipality for which the Candidate is the nominee for office. **(N.J.S.A. 19:23-8)**
4. The person who circulates the petition shall be a registered voter in this State whose party affiliation is of the same political party named in the petition. A candidate may sign or circulate or both signs and circulates. Such petitions shall be verified by the oath or affirmation by affidavit of the person who circulates. **(N.J.S.A. 19:23-11)**
5. Several candidates for nomination to the same office may in such petitions request that their names be grouped together, and that the common designation to be named by them shall be printed opposite their names. **(N.J.S.A. 19:23-18)**

**PETITION FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

**PETITION OF NOMINATION FOR THE PRIMARY ELECTION:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PARTY**

**TITLE OF OFFICE SOUGHT:** \_\_\_\_\_

To the Honorable \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk

We, the undersigned, hereby certify the following statements are true:

1. I reside in the municipality of \_\_\_\_\_;
2. I am a qualified voter therein;
3. I am a member of the \_\_\_\_\_ party;
4. I intend to affiliate with the same political party at the ensuing election
5. I endorse the person hereinafter mentioned as candidate to the office of \_\_\_\_\_;
6. I request that you cause printed upon the official primary ballot of said party, the name of said person as the candidate for such nomination.

**Name of Candidate:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print or type name)

Residential Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Post Office Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**CANDIDATE’S REQUEST FOR DESIGNATION ON OFFICIAL PRIMARY BALLOT**

The candidate named in this petition request that there be printed on the primary election ballot the following slogan:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Slogan must not exceed 6 words and must be in accordance with [N.J.S.A. 19:23-17](#))

**COMPLETE ALL INFORMATION ON THIS PAGE PRIOR TO CIRCULATION**

(Petition filing deadline – before 4:00 P.M. on the 64<sup>th</sup> day before the primary election) ([N.J.S.A. 19:23-14](#))

### SIGNATURE SHEET

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**OATH OF ALLEGIANCE**

State of New Jersey }  
                                  } SS.  
County of Atlantic }

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of New Jersey; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same and to the Governments established in the United States and in this State, under the authority of the people. So help me God.

Subscribed and sworn to before me at:

\_\_\_\_\_, N.J.,

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ A.D.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Candidate

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Candidate

**CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE** (N.J.S.A. 19:23-15)

To Be Signed by Candidate

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I or we am/are a resident of and a legal voter in the jurisdiction of the office for which the nomination is made, and that I or we have not signed an acceptance for the primary nomination or any other petition of nomination under this chapter for such office.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Candidate

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Candidate

\_\_\_\_\_  
Residence/Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/Town

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip Code

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**AFFIDAVIT OF PERSON WHO CIRCULATES THIS PETITION AND WITNESSES SIGNATURES**

(N.J.S.A. 19:23-11)

The person making the affidavit below must be the person who witnessed the signatures appearing on this petition or any other petition for the same candidate and office. The person must make an affidavit for each petition and set of signatures he/she solicits and sign the affidavit in the presence of a person authorized to administer oaths (e.g., notary public).

State of New Jersey :  
 : ss.  
County of :

I, \_\_\_\_\_, being duly sworn, upon my oath say that I am a registered voter  
(Print Name of Circulator/Witness)

in this State whose party affiliation is of the same political party named in the petition; that the petition is signed by each of the signers thereof in his/her proper handwriting; that the signers are to the best knowledge and belief of the affiant legal voters of the State or political subdivision thereof, as the case may be, as stated in the petition, belong to the political party named in the petition.

Sworn and subscribed to before me in

\_\_\_\_\_ N.J., on

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Circulator/Witness)

(List County where Affidavit was signed and notarized)

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ A.D.