

2020 ELECTIONS CALENDAR

Please contact the Summit County Board of Elections at (330) 643-5200 with any questions.

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2020 ELECTION DATES

Primary Election - Tuesday, March 17, 2020

UOCAVA 100 day Notice – Sunday, December 8, 2019

Ninety day filing deadline - Wednesday, December 18, 2019, 4:00 p.m. **(Partisan Candidates, Issues and Local Options)**

Seventy-two day filing deadline – Monday, January 6, 2020, 4:00 p.m. **(Write-in Candidates)**

Sixty day filing deadline - Friday, January 17, 2020, 4:00 p.m. **(Charter Amendments)**

UOCAVA 46 day Notice – Friday, January 31, 2020

Thirty day registration deadline - Tuesday, February 18, 2020

Non-UOCAVA absentee ballots must be ready (day after the close of registration) – Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Expense Report Deadlines:

Pre-Election – due Friday, March 5, 2020 (closes end of business Wednesday, February 26, 2020) (R.C. 3517.10)

Post-Election – due Friday, April 24, 2020 (closes end of business Friday, April 17, 2020) (R.C. 3517.10)

Special Election - Tuesday, August 4, 2020

UOCAVA 100 day Notice – Sunday, April 26, 2020

Ninety day filing deadline - Wednesday, May 6, 2020, 4:00 p.m. **(Issues)**

Sixty day filing deadline – Friday, June 5, 2020, 4:00 p.m. **(Charter Amendments)**

UOCAVA 46 day Notice – Friday, June 19, 2020

Thirty day registration deadline – Monday, July 6, 2020

Non-UOCAVA absentee ballots must be ready (day after the close of registration) – Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Expense Report Deadlines:

Pre-Election - due Friday, July 23, 2020 (closes end of business Wednesday, July 15, 2020) (R.C. 3517.10)

Post-Election - due Friday, September 11, 2020 (closes end of business Friday, September 4, 2020) (R.C. 3517.10)

General Election - Tuesday, November 3, 2020

UOCAVA 100 day Notice – Sunday, July 26, 2020

Ninety day filing deadline - Wednesday, August 5, 2020, 4:00 p.m. **(Nonpartisan, Issues and Local Options)**

Independent & Nonpartisan deadline – Monday, March 16, 2020, 4:00 p.m. (day before primary election)

Seventy-two day filing deadline - Monday, August 24, 2020, 4:00 p.m. **(Write-in Candidates)**

Sixty day filing deadline - Friday, September 4, 2020, 4:00 p.m. **(Charter Amendments)**

UOCAVA 46 day Notice – Friday, September 18, 2020

Thirty day registration deadline – Monday, October 5, 2020

Non-UOCAVA absentee ballots must be ready (day after the close of registration) – Tuesday, October 6, 2020

Expense Report Deadlines:

Pre-Election - due Thursday, October 22, 2020 (closes end of business Wednesday, October 14, 2020) (R.C. 3517.10)

Post-Election - due Friday, December 11, 2020 (closes end of business Friday, December 4, 2020) (R.C. 3517.10)

Friday, July 31, 2020 – Last day for filing 2020 Semi-Annual Campaign Finance Report to disclose activity through Tuesday, June 30, 2020 (The Semi-Annual is not required of any entity for which a 2020 Post-Primary is required; the semi-annual is not required of any campaign committee of a candidate for judicial office; the semi-annual report of any other committee is required to be filed only if the campaign committee has total contributions of \$10,000.00 for the reporting period or if they hold countywide office). (R.C. 3517.10)

CAMPAIGN FINANCE

2019 ANNUAL FINANCE REPORT

Friday, January 31, 2020 - Last day for filing 2019 annual campaign finance reports. (Does not need to be filed if a Post- General Election 2019 Report was filed) Report closes last day of December, which is December 31.

2020 ANNUAL FINANCE REPORT

Friday, January 29, 2021 - Last day for filing 2020 annual campaign finance reports. (Does not need to be filed if a Post- General Election 2019 Report was filed) Report closes last day of December, which is December 31.

DEADLINES FOR CAMPAIGN EXPENSE REPORTS FOR EACH ELECTION ARE LISTED ON THE ELECTION CALENDAR FOR THAT ELECTION.

DEADLINES FOR CANDIDATES TO FILE THEIR PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS WITH THE OHIO ETHICS COMMISSION ARE AS FOLLOWS: (R.C. 102.02)

1. Candidates must file their statements by the thirtieth day before the election at which the candidacy is to be voted on.
2. Write-in candidates must file their statements by the twentieth day before the election at which the candidacy is to be voted on.

IN SOME INSTANCES, THE STATUTORY DEADLINE FALLS ON A DAY WHEN THE OFFICES OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND BOARDS OF ELECTIONS ARE CLOSED. IN THOSE INSTANCES, THE DEADLINES ARE EXTENDED, PURSUANT TO O.R.C. 1.14, TO THE NEXT SUCCEEDING DAY THAT IS NOT A SUNDAY OR A LEGAL HOLIDAY.

RECOUNTS AND ELECTION CONTEST

An application for a recount shall be filed within five days after the day the official results are declared. (R.C. 3515.02)

A petition contesting an election must be filed in court within fifteen days after the official results are declared, or within ten days after the official results of a recount are declared. (R.C. 3515.09)

PROTESTS

Declaration of candidacy – Protests against the candidacy of any person filing a declaration of candidacy for party nomination or for election to an office or position may be filed by any qualified elector who is a member of the same political party as the candidate and who is eligible to vote at the primary election for the candidate whose declaration of candidacy the elector objects to, or by the controlling committee of that political party. The protest shall be in writing, and shall be filed not later than four p.m. of the seventy-fourth day before the day of the primary election. (R.C. 3513.05)

Nominating – Written protests against nominating petitions may be filed by any qualified elector eligible to vote for the candidate whose nominating petition the elector objects to, not later than four p.m. of the thirtieth day of July, or if the primary election was a presidential primary election, not later than the end of the twelfth week after the day of that election. (R.C. 3513.262)

Write-in – Protests against the candidacy of any person filing a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate may be filed by any qualified elector who is eligible to vote in the election at which the candidacy is to be considered. The protest shall be in writing and shall be filed not later than four p.m. of the sixty-seventh day before the day of the election. (R.C. 3513.041)

BALLOT QUESTIONS (R.C. 3513.10)

Whoever seeks to propose a ballot question or issue to be submitted to electors shall pay the following fee at the time the petition proposing the question or issue is filed:

1. If the question or issue is to be submitted to the electors of a county or of a district that consists of all or part of two or more counties but less than the entire state, \$15.00.
2. If the question or issue is to be submitted to the electors of a city, \$12.50.
3. If the question or issue is to be submitted to the electors of a village, township, a local, city, county, or exempted village school district, a precinct, or another district consisting of less than an entire county, \$10.00.

CERTIFICATION

A judge of a court of record, state officer, county officer, militia officer, or judge of a county court, shall be ineligible to perform any duty pertaining to his office until he presents to the proper officer a legal certificate of his election or appointment, and receives from the governor a commission to fill such office. (R.C. 107.05)

Except militia officers, each officer designated in section 107.05 of the Revised Code, who receives compensation shall pay a fee to the secretary of state for making, recording, and forwarding his commission. A judge of county court shall pay two dollars, and all other officers, five dollars. (R.C. 107.06)

CANDIDATE, CIRCULATOR AND SIGNER REQUIREMENTS

THE CANDIDATE

An elector with no voting record or an independent elector who has never voted in a party primary may become a party candidate.

Either of the following persons may be candidates for nomination of any political party at a party primary: (R.C. 3513.191)

- (1) A person who does not hold an elected office;
- (2) A person who holds an elective office other than one for which candidates are nominated at a party primary.

A person who holds an elected office for which candidates are nominated at a party primary may be a candidate at a primary election if they file a declaration of intent to seek nomination of that party. No person who files a declaration of intent shall file another such declaration for a period of ten years after the declaration is filed. (R.C. 3513.191)

Forfeiture of Candidacy: Any candidate nominated in a primary election who votes in that primary election as a member of a political party different from the party that nominated the candidate shall forfeit the nomination. (R.C. 3513.192)

No person who seeks party nomination for an office or position at a primary election by declaration of candidacy or by declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate shall be permitted to become a candidate by nominating petition or by declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate at the following general election for any office other than the office of member of the state board of education, office of member of a city, local, or exempted village board of education, office of member of a governing board of an educational service center, or office of township trustee. (R.C. 3513.04)

The statement of candidacy must be completed, signed, and dated by the candidate (in ink) before collecting any signatures. (R.C. 3501.38)

Copies of a petition, with a completed statement of candidacy, may be photocopied before the signatures of electors are placed thereon unless a Charter requires otherwise. Original petitions from which the photocopies were made must accompany all petitions at the time of filing. (R.C. 3513.09)

A candidate will be placed on the ballot as registered or by the name that they requested on the yellow slip at the time of filing. The candidate may use a natural derivative from the candidate's given name, i.e. "Bill" for "William" but not "Shorty" for "John."

The independent or nonpartisan candidate filing a nominating petition may list five persons as a committee to represent the candidate and should obtain their permission before listing their names. In some cases, this committee may name a person to fill a vacancy in office.

Any nonjudicial candidate who files a nominating petition may request, at the time of filing, that the candidate be designated on the ballot as a nonparty candidate or as an other-party candidate, or may request that the candidate's name be placed on the ballot without designation. Any such candidate who fails to request a designation either as a nonparty candidate or as an other-party candidate shall have the candidate's name placed on the ballot without any designation. Unless otherwise provided by Charter. (R.C. 3513.257)

THE CIRCULATOR OF A CANDIDATE'S PETITION

The circulator should fill in the circulator's statement on the petition only after they have completely finished collecting signatures. Whenever a person is required to sign or affix a signature, "sign" or "signature" means that person's written, cursive-style legal mark written in that person's own hand. The legal mark of a registered elector shall be considered to be the mark of that elector as it appears on the elector's voter registration record. (R.C. 3501.011)

The circulator must personally observe each voter sign the petition. If there is any question as to their qualifications, the circulator should not permit signers to sign. The circulator should examine each signature immediately after it is made. If the name is not legible, the circulator or signer may print the name just above the signature. The circulator may also fill in the signer's date, address, ward, precinct and county at the request of or with the permission of the signer. (R.C. 3501.38 (E)(1))

The circulator of a petition may, before filing it in a public office, strike from it any signature the circulator does not wish to present as a part of the petition. (R.C. 3501.38 (G)) The deletion must be done before filing.

Each separate petition paper shall be circulated by one person only, who shall be the candidate or a joint candidate or a member of the same political party as the candidate or joint candidates, and each separate petition paper shall be governed by the rules set forth in section 3501.38 of the Revised Code. (R.C. 3513.05)

For purposes of signing or circulating a petition of candidacy for party nomination or election, an elector is considered to be a member of a political party if the elector voted in that party's primary election within the preceding two calendar years, or if the elector did not vote in any other party's primary election within the preceding two calendar years. (R.C. 3513.05)

A circulator may not sign the same petition paper that he or she is circulating; a circulator may, however, sign a petition paper being circulated for the same candidacy by a different circulator.

THE SIGNER

Any declaration of candidacy or nominating petition shall contain signatures of qualified electors of the district, political subdivision, or portion of a political subdivision in which the candidacy is to be voted on. (R.C. 3513.257)

Only electors qualified to vote on the candidacy or issue which is the subject of the petition shall sign a petition. Each signer shall be a registered elector pursuant to section 3503.01 of the Revised Code. (R.C. 3501.38(A))

For purposes of signing or circulating a petition of candidacy for party nomination or election, an elector is considered to be a member of a political party if the elector voted in that party's primary election within the preceding two calendar years, or if the elector did not vote in any other party's primary election within the preceding two calendar years. (R.C. 3513.05)

An elector who voted in a party primary in 2018 or 2019 is not qualified to sign the petition of a candidate of the opposite party; however, a voter who did not vote in a party primary in 2018 or 2019 may sign candidacy petitions of either party.

Signature of candidate on his own nominating petition could not be included in determining whether such petition contained minimum number of signatures required by law. State ex rel. Kucinich v. Duffy (1970)

A petition shall consist of separate petition papers, each of which shall contain signatures of electors of only one county. Petitions or separate petition papers containing signatures of electors of more than one county shall not thereby be declared invalid. In case petitions or separate petition papers containing signatures of electors of more than one county are filed, the board shall determine the county from which the majority of signatures came, and only signatures from such county shall be counted. Signatures from any other county shall be invalid. (R.C. 3513.05)

THE CANDIDATE IS ULTIMATELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SUFFICIENCY OF HIS OR HER DECLARATION OR STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY AND THE PETITION. MISTAKES BY CIRCULATORS AND VOTERS OR WRONG ADVICE BY THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS ARE NOT GROUNDS FOR APPROVING A DEFECTIVE PETITION.

I. INSTRUCTIONS FOR GIVING OUT PETITIONS

- A. Check the election calendar to determine the correct information for the office in question.
 1. A candidate may take out petitions for more than one office but may file for one office per (R.C. 3513.052) (Exception: county central committee and state central committee).
 2. Be sure the candidate is given correct petition form number as specified on Election Calendar. Also each candidate should receive one and one-half times the number of petitions for signatures needed.
 3. Using the election calendar and EVIS, inform the candidate how their name appears in the system.
 4. Give the candidate the Board of Elections instruction sheet and have the candidate fill out the top portion of the instruction form.

Inform the candidate that the pamphlet entitled “2020 Ohio Candidate Requirement Guide” can be found online at:
www.sos.state.oh.us/globalassets/publications/election/2020_crg.pdf

B. Complete a 5 x 8 white index card for each candidate.

1. When requesting a candidate's phone number, make sure it is a number where the candidate will be available during the Board's working hours.
2. Initial 5 x 8 white index card in the appropriate field.
3. Cards should be filed in the appropriate file box.
4. A card should be completed for all candidates.

(Information such as DATE OF FILING, FEE \$, RECEIPT #, and FILING CLERK (initials) should be completed at the time of filing, not when petitions are taken out.)

C. Enter the candidates name under the appropriate office in the appropriate book (Democrat – green, Republican – pink, Nonpartisan – purple, Independent – blue, Other parties – yellow).

1. Include name of candidate (as registered), address and zip code. PLEASE WRITE LEGIBLY

PLEASE NOTE: Everything in this office is public record; this includes all information on cards, including phone numbers.

D. Inform the candidate that they must file form 30-D “Designation of Treasurer” prior to receiving contributions or making expenditures.

II. INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING PETITIONS

- a. Check the filing books to see if the candidate has previously filed for an office. If the candidate has filed please inform them that you cannot accept the new filing per R.C. 3513.052.
- B. Collect the “CANDIDATE FILING CHECKLIST” from the candidate after they have reviewed the petitions using the checklist. Do not accept the filing until the candidate has signed and dated the checklist.
- C. Check the election calendar to insure the petition form, number of signatures, and filing fee are correct.
 1. If more than one petition page is being filed, run a tape of the number of signatures on the circulator statement and attach the tape to the petitions. Write the candidate’s name and receipt number on the tape. (Use red ink)
- D. Time stamp the front and back of all parts unless instructed by the Director or Deputy Director. Write the receipt number and your initials under the time stamp on the front and back of all parts. Once this step has been completed, the petition is

considered to be filed and the candidate may not take back or alter any of the part-petitions. (Use red ink)

- E. Ask the candidate to legibly print their name, office sought, party (if applicable), election date, and signature on the yellow name slip. The candidate needs to print their name, sign, and date the lower portion on the yellow slip. (Copies of R.C. 3513.052 and 3599.09 are available for candidate review at the counter.)
- F. Collect the correct filing fee and write out a receipt. The candidate should have 2 checks or correct change. (CHECKS – Stamp back of all checks - Stamp is in the cash drawer) Make sure check is filled in properly, and then put your initials on the check. On group petitions, a filing fee is charged for each candidate's name.
- G. Complete the 5 x 8 white index card located in the black box that was started when the candidate pulled the petitions. (adding the date filed, filing fee, receipt number, and your initials in red). If there is no white 5 x 8 card, create one.
- H. If not already done, enter the candidates name under the appropriate office in the appropriate book (Democrat – green, Republican – pink, Nonpartisan – purple, Independent – blue, Other parties – yellow). Write the date filed in red.
- I. Place the filing fee inside the filing fee envelope, fill out all fields on the front of the envelope and seal it.
- J. Notify (page) campaign finance that a candidate has filed and let them know where the white 5 x 8 white card is.
- K. Take all materials except for the 5 x 8 white card upstairs to petitions and polling locations for entry into the candidate filing system.

III. WRITE-IN CANDIDATES

- A. Write-in candidate names do not appear on the ballot. Follow the same instructions as you would for candidates whose names do appear on the ballot except there are no petitions.
- B. Any candidate shall file a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate before four p.m. of the seventy-second day preceding the election at which such candidate is to be considered. (R.C. 3513.041)
- C. Write in candidates must complete and file **Form No. 13**. Be sure to time-stamp, initial and add receipt number.
 - 1. Collect filing fee (which is the same as a candidate whose name will appear on the ballot.) and write out a receipt.
 - 2. Indicate on the receipt that the candidate is a "write-in" in red.
 - 3. Make up a white 5 x 8 card and print "write-in" at the top in red.
 - 4. Filing fee should be placed inside the filing envelope, and sealed.

- D. Enter the write-in candidates name under the appropriate office in the appropriate book (Democrat – green, Republican – pink, Nonpartisan – purple, Independent – blue, Other parties – yellow). Write the date filed (in red) (Indicate in red that the candidate is a write-in).
- E. Notify campaign finance that a candidate has filed.

NOMINATION OF WRITE-IN CANDIDATES (Primary Election)

The following rules apply in determining who receives the nomination of his or her party at the primary election.

- a. If no candidates' names are printed on the ballot for the office, a valid write-in candidate may be nominated only if the total number of votes is at least equal to the number of petition signatures required for that office. To be nominated such a write-in candidate would also have to receive the highest number of votes if contested by other valid write-in candidates. (R.C. 3513.23)
- b. If the primary election is eliminated pursuant to R.C. 3513.02, the board shall not accept declarations of intent to be write-in candidates at the primary. (OAG 73-094)

◆ PRIMARY ELECTION ◆ MARCH 17, 2020 ◆ AND ◆ GENERAL ELECTION ◆ NOVEMBER 3, 2020

FEDERAL OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

REPRESENTATIVE TO CONGRESS

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>U.S. CONST. ART. I, SEC. 2</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>U.S. CONST. AMEND. XX, SEC. 1</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE 11 th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT* (Fudge)	1 (2 YEARS)	1-03-2021	2E	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$35 (\$85.00)
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE 13 th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT* (Ryan)	1 (2 YEARS)	1-03-2021	2E	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$35 (\$85.00)
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE 14 th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT* (Joyce)	1 (2 YEARS)	1-03-2021	2E	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$35 (\$85.00)
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE 16 th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT* (Gonzalez)	1 (2 YEARS)	1-03-2021	2E	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$35 (\$85.00)

REQUIREMENTS: Candidates must be 25 years of age and have been a U.S. citizen for at least 7 years. (U.S. Const., Art. I, Sec. 2)

[INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES – GENERAL ELECTION ONLY](#); FILING DEADLINE 4:00 P.M., March 16, 2020. (R.C. 3513.257)

Independent candidates file petition form **3F** and the signature requirements are listed below. The filing fee and requirements for holding office are the same as for partisan candidates.

[INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS](#):

*11th Congressional District is comprised of the following counties: Cuyahoga and Summit Counties. **Candidates file in Cuyahoga County.**

*13th Congressional District is comprised of the following counties: Mahoning, Portage, Stark, Summit, and Trumbull County. **Candidates file in Summit County.** 13th DISTRICT: **2,574-7,722**

*14th Congressional District is comprised of the following counties: Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Portage, Trumbull and Summit Counties. **Candidates file in Lake County.**

*16th Congressional District is comprised of the following counties: Cuyahoga, Medina, Portage, Stark, Summit and Wayne County. **Candidates file in Cuyahoga County.**

GENERAL ELECTION ♦ NOVEMBER 3, 2020

STATE OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION 5TH DISTRICT

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>3301.02</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>3301.02(A)</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.259</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.259</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.259</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
State Board of Education (District 5) (Woods)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-01-2021	3Z	100-300	General-Nov. 3	Aug. 5	\$20 + \$35 (\$55.00)

District #5 is comprised of Ashland, Cuyahoga, Holmes, Medina, Richland, Stark, Summit and Wayne Counties. Petitions must be filed in Cuyahoga as it is the most populous county. (State Senate Districts 22, 24 and 27)

No elected or appointed voting member of the board shall, during the member's term of office, hold any other office of trust or profit or be an employee or officer of any public or private elementary or secondary school. (R.C. 3301.03)

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Statewide candidates file with the office of the Secretary of State.

STATE OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>2503.03</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>2503.03</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M.</i> <i>3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
Justice of the Supreme Court (Kennedy)	1 (6 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2D	1,000-3,000	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$100 + \$50 (\$150.00)
Justice of the Supreme Court (French)	1 (6 YEARS)	1-02-2021	2D	1,000-3,000	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$100 + \$50 (\$150.00)

[INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES – GENERAL ELECTION ONLY](#); FILING DEADLINE 4:00 P.M., MARCH 16, 2020 (R.C. 3513.257)

Independent candidates file petition form **3E**. The signature requirements are **5,000-15,000**. The filing fee and requirements for holding office are the same as for partisan candidates.

◆ PRIMARY ELECTION ◆ MARCH 17, 2020 ◆ AND ◆ GENERAL ELECTION ◆ NOVEMBER 3, 2020

JUDICIAL OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

9TH DISTRICT COURT OF APPEALS

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>2501.02</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>2501.02 & 2501.012</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
Judge of the Court of Appeals (9th District) (Schafer)	1 (6 YEARS)	2-09-2021	2FJ	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)

9th District Court of Appeals is comprised of Lorain, Medina, Summit, and Wayne Counties. Summit is the most populous.

Each judge of a court of appeals shall have been admitted to practice as an attorney at law in this state and have, for a total of six years preceding the judge's appointment or commencement of the judge's term, engaged in the practice of law in this state or served as a judge of a court of record in any jurisdiction in the United States, or both. (R.C. 2501.02)

[INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES – GENERAL ELECTION ONLY](#); FILING DEADLINE 4:00 P.M., MARCH 16, 2020 (R.C. 3513.257)

Independent candidates file petition form **3G. 3,993-11,979 signatures** are required for independent candidates. The filing fee and requirements for holding office are the same as for partisan candidates.

◆ PRIMARY ELECTION ◆ MARCH 17, 2020

STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

OFFICE 3517.03	TO BE ELECTED 3517.03 & PARTY BYLAWS	TERM COMMENCING 3517.04	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED 3513.05	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE 3517.03 & 3513.01	FILING DEADLINE 4:00 P.M. 3513.05	FILING FEE 3513.10
Member of State Central Committee, Man (27th District) (Elected at Primary)	1 (Republican) (2 YEARS)	6-15 DAYS AFTER CERTIFICATION	2-J	5-15	Primary-March 17	Dec. 18	\$0.00
Member of State Central Committee, Woman (27th District) (Elected at Primary)	1 (Republican) (2 YEARS)	6-15 DAYS AFTER CERTIFICATION	2-J	5-15	Primary-March 17	Dec. 18	\$0.00
Member of State Central Committee, Man (28th District) (Elected at Primary)	1 (Republican) (2 YEARS)	6-15 DAYS AFTER CERTIFICATION	2-J	5-15	Primary-March 17	Dec. 18	\$0.00
Member of State Central Committee, Woman (28th District) (Elected at Primary)	1 (Republican) (2 YEARS)	6-15 DAYS AFTER CERTIFICATION	2-J	5-15	Primary-March 17	Dec. 18	\$0.00

It is not necessary to provide write-in spaces on primary election ballots for the offices of member of the state central committee of a political party in Ohio, or delegate or alternate to the national convention of a political party. (OAG 70-011)

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STATE OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

STATE SENATOR

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>OH. CONST. Art. II, Sec. 2</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>OH. CONST. Art. II, Sec. 2</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
State Senator (28th District) (Sykes)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2F	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$35 (\$85.00)

28th Ohio Senate District is comprised of the 34th, 35th and 36th State House Districts

Senators and representatives shall have resided in their respective districts one year next preceding their election, unless they have been absent on the public business of the United States, or of this State. (O Const. Art. II, Sec. 3)

[INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES – GENERAL ELECTION ONLY](#); FILING DEADLINE 4:00 P.M., MARCH 16, 2020 (O.R.C. 3513.257)

Independent candidates file petition form **3G**. The signature requirement is **1,169-3,506**. The filing fee and requirements for holding office are the same as for partisan candidates.

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STATE OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>OH. CONST. Art. II, Sec. 2</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>OH. CONST. Art. II, Sec. 2</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
State Representative 34 th District* (Sykes)	1 (2 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2F	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$35 (\$85.00)
State Representative 35 th District* (Galonski)	1 (2 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2F	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$35 (\$85.00)
State Representative 36 th District* (DeVitis)	1 (2 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2F	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$35 (\$85.00)

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STATE OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>OH. CONST. Art. II, Sec. 2</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>OH. CONST. Art. II, Sec. 2</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
State Representative 37 th District* (Weinstein)	1 (2 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2F	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$35 (\$85.00)

State Representative 38 th District* (Roemer)	1 (2 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2F	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$35 (\$85.00)
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Independent candidates file petition form **3G** and the signature requirements are listed below. The filing fee and requirements for holding office are the same as for partisan candidates.*[INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS](#):

34th DISTRICT: 407-1,220 35th DISTRICT: 335-1,004 36th DISTRICT: 481-1,441 37th DISTRICT: 579-1,736

38th DISTRICT: 508-1,524

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JUDICIAL OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

COMMON PLEAS COURT

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>2301.01</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>2301.02</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas (General Division) (O'Brien)	1 (6 YEARS)	1-02-2021	2GJ	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas (General Division) (McLaughlin)	1 (6 YEARS)	1-03-2021	2GJ	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas (General Division) (McCarty)	1 (6 YEARS)	1-05-2021	2GJ	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas (General Division) (Rowlands)	1 (6 YEARS)	1-06-2021	2GJ	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)

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JUDICIAL OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

COMMON PLEAS COURT (CONTINUED)

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>2301.01</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>2301.02</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas (General Division) (Croce)	1 (6 YEARS)	2-09-2021	2GJ	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas (General Division) (Oldfield)	1 (6 YEARS)	5-01-2021	2GJ	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas (Juvenile Division) (Teodosio)	1 (6 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2GJ	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas (Domestic Relations Division) (Quinn)	1 (6 YEARS)	1-04-2021	2GJ	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)

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JUDICIAL OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

COMMON PLEAS COURT (CONTINUED)

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>2301.01</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>2301.02</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas (Probate Division) (Stormer)	1 (6 YEARS)	2-09-2021	2GJ	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)

There shall be a court of common pleas in each county held by one or more judges, each of whom has been admitted to practice as an attorney at law in this state and has, for a total of at least six years preceding the judge's appointment or commencement of the judge's term, engaged in the practice of law in this state or served as a judge of a court of record in any jurisdiction in the United States, or both, resides in the county, and is elected by the electors therein. (O.R.C. 2301.01)

No person shall be elected or appointed to any judicial office if on or before the day when he shall assume the office and enter upon the discharge of its duties he shall have attained the age of seventy years. (OH Const IV Sec. 6 (C))

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Independent candidates file petition form **3H. 2,121-6,363_signatures** are required for independent candidates. The filing fee and requirements for holding office are the same as for partisan candidates.

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COUNTY OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

SUMMIT COUNTY EXECUTIVE

A Board of Elections may not certify as valid the petition of a candidate for county office who does not reside in the county in which he seeks office. (OAG 84-025)

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>CHARTER ART. II, SEC. 2.01</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>CHARTER ART. II, SEC. 2.01</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
County Executive (Shapiro)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2G	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)

Any candidate for election as County Executive shall be an elector of the County at the time filing of the declaration of candidacy, shall be nominated and elected in the manner provided by general law for county officers and during the entire term of office shall remain an elector of the County and shall not, except as authorized by the County Council, hold or accept other employment or public office. (Charter Art II, Sec. 2.01)

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COUNTY OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

SUMMIT COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

A Board of Elections may not certify as valid the petition of a candidate for county office who does not reside in the county in which he seeks office. (OAG 84-025)

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>309.01</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>309.01</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
Prosecuting Attorney (Bevan Walsh)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-04-2021	2G	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)

No person shall be eligible as a candidate for the office of prosecuting attorney, or shall be elected to such office, who is not an attorney at law licensed to practice law in this state. (O.R.C. 309.02)

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COUNTY OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

SUMMIT COUNTY CLERK OF COMMON PLEAS COURT

A Board of Elections may not certify as valid the petition of a candidate for county office who does not reside in the county in which he seeks office. (OAG 84-025)

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>2303.01</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>2303.01</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
Clerk of Court of Common Pleas (Kurt)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-04-2021	2G	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)

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COUNTY OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

SUMMIT COUNTY SHERIFF

A Board of Elections may not certify as valid the petition of a candidate for county office who does not reside in the county in which he seeks office. (OAG 84-025)

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>311.01</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>311.01</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M.</i> <i>3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
Sheriff (Barry)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-04-2021	2G	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)

Advise all candidates to read Ohio Revised Code 311.01 in its entirety. Copies are available from ballot layout.

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COUNTY OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

SUMMIT COUNTY FISCAL OFFICER

A Board of Elections may not certify as valid the petition of a candidate for County office who does not reside in the County in which he seeks office. (84 O.A.G. 025)

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>CHARTER ART. IV, SEC. 4.01</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>CHARTER ART. IV, SEC. 4.01</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
County Fiscal Officer (Scalise)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2G	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)

Any person shall be eligible as a candidate and/or appointee for the office of Summit County Fiscal Officer if the person is an elector of Summit County and possesses the same qualifications set forth under the General Laws of the State of Ohio for the county offices of Auditor, Recorder, and Treasurer. Charter Sec. 4.01 (3)

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COUNTY OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

SUMMIT COUNTY ENGINEER

A Board of Elections may not certify as valid the petition of a candidate for county office who does not reside in the county in which he seeks office. (OAG 84-025)

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>315.01</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>315.01</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
County Engineer (Brubaker)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-04-2021	2G	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)

No person is eligible in any county as a candidate for such office or shall be elected or appointed thereto unless he is a registered professional engineer and a registered surveyor, licensed to practice in this state. (O.R.C. 315.02)

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COUNTY OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

SUMMIT COUNTY COUNCIL

A Board of Elections may not certify as valid the petition of a candidate for county office who does not reside in the county in which he seeks office. (OAG 84-025)

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>CHARTER ART. III, SEC. 3.01.2</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>CHARTER ART. III, SEC. 3.01.1</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
County Council (District 1) (Koehler)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2G	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)

County Council (District 2) (Schmidt)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2G	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)
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Charter Art. 3, Sec. 3.01.3 County Council candidates shall be residents of the County for at least 60 days immediately prior to filing of candidacy or appointment to fill a vacancy. District County Council candidates shall be residents of the district to be served for at least 30 days immediately prior to filing of candidacy or appointment to fill a vacancy. Once elected or appointed, an at-large County Council member shall reside within the County during the tenure of the term and a District Council member shall reside within the County and district during the tenure of the term.

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Independent candidates file petition form **3H**. **District 1 = 334 – 1002 / District 2 = 248 – 744 signatures** are required for independent candidates. The filing fee and requirements for holding office are the same as for partisan candidates.

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COUNTY OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

SUMMIT COUNTY COUNCIL (CONTINUED)

A Board of Elections may not certify as valid the petition of a candidate for county office who does not reside in the county in which he seeks office. (OAG 84-025)

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>CHARTER ART. III, SEC. 3.01.2</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>CHARTER ART. III, SEC. 3.01.1</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
County Council (District 3) (Rodgers)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2G	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)
County Council (District 4) (Wilhite)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2G	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)

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Independent candidates file petition form **3H**. District 3 = 350 – 1,050 / District 4 = 276 – 828 signatures are required for independent candidates. The filing fee and requirements for holding office are the same as for partisan candidates.

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COUNTY OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

SUMMIT COUNTY COUNCIL (CONTINUED)

A Board of Elections may not certify as valid the petition of a candidate for county office who does not reside in the county in which he seeks office. (OAG 84-025)

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>CHARTER ART. III, SEC. 3.01.2</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>CHARTER ART. III, SEC. 3.01.1</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE 4:00 P.M. <i>3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
County Council (District 5) (Hamilton)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2G	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)
County Council (District 6) (Feeman)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2G	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)

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Independent candidates file petition form **3H**. District 5 = 282 – 846 / District 6 = 239 – 717 signatures are required for independent candidates. The filing fee and requirements for holding office are the same as for partisan candidates.

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COUNTY OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2020

SUMMIT COUNTY COUNCIL (CONTINUED)

A Board of Elections may not certify as valid the petition of a candidate for county office who does not reside in the county in which he seeks office. (OAG 84-025)

OFFICE	TO BE ELECTED <i>CHARTER ART. III, SEC. 3.01.2</i>	TERM COMMENCING <i>CHARTER ART. III, SEC. 3.01.1</i>	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED <i>3513.05</i>	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE <i>3513.01</i>	FILING DEADLINE <i>4:00 P.M. 3513.05</i>	FILING FEE <i>3513.10</i>
County Council (District 7) (McKenney)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2G	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)
County Council (District 8) (Prentice)	1 (4 YEARS)	1-01-2021	2G	50-150	Primary-March 17 General-Nov. 3	Dec. 18	\$50 + \$30 (\$80.00)

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Independent candidates file petition form **3H**. District 7 = 222 – 666 / District 8 = 268 – 804 signatures are required for independent candidates. The filing fee and requirements for holding office are the same as for partisan candidates.

PRIMARY ELECTION ♦ MARCH 17, 2020

SUMMIT COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE (PC)

OFFICE 3517.03	TO BE ELECTED 3517.03 & Party Bylaws	TERM COMMENCING 3517.04	PETITION FORM	SIGNATURES REQUIRED 3513.05	ELECTION TYPE AND DATE 3517.03 & 3513.01	FILING DEADLINE 4:00 P.M. 3513.05	FILING FEE 3513.10
Member of County Central Committee (Elected at Primary)	1 PER PRECINCT (Republican) (2 YEARS)	6-15 DAYS AFTER CERTIFICATION	2-L	5-15	Primary March 17	Dec. 18	\$0.00
Member of County Central Committee (Elected at Primary)	1 PER PRECINCT (Democrat) (4 YEARS)	6-15 DAYS AFTER CERTIFICATION	2-L	5-15	Primary March 17	Dec. 18	\$0.00

A write-in space must be provided for the office of member of the county central committee. The office of member of the county central committee of a political party in Ohio, being a public office, must appear on the ballot even though no candidate has qualified to have his name printed on the ballot for the office, in order that votes cast for eligible write-in candidates may be counted. (OAG 70-011)

2020 ELECTION CALENDAR

<u>DEADLINE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AUTHORIZATION</u>
2019		
Dec. 08	Boards of elections must prepare and publish notices of the March 17, 2020 presidential primary election and provide the notices to federal write-in absentee voters upon request (no later than 100 days before the presidential primary election)	3511.16
Dec. 18	Constitutional amendments proposed by joint resolution of the General Assembly must be filed with the Secretary of State (90 days before presidential primary election)	OH Const XVI Sec. 1
Dec. 18	Declarations of candidacy for partisan candidates must be filed by 4 p.m. (90 days before presidential primary election)	3513.05
Dec. 18	Declarations of candidacy for presidential delegates and alternates to a party's national nominating committee must be filed by 4 p.m. (90 days before presidential primary election)	3513.121
Dec. 18	Local questions and issues for March 17, 2020 presidential primary election, including local option petitions, must be certified to or filed with boards of elections by 4 p.m. (90 days before presidential primary election)	731.28, .29, 3501.02, 4301.33, .331, .332, .333, .334, 4305.14
Dec. 18	Applications for absentee ballots for the March 17, 2020 presidential primary election may be accepted (90 days before presidential primary election)	3509.03, 3511.02
Dec. 30	Boards of elections must certify the validity and sufficiency of local option petitions (78 days before presidential primary election)	4301.33, .331, .332, .333, .334, 4305.14
Dec. 30	Boards of elections must certify the validity and sufficiency of partisan candidates' petitions (78 days before presidential primary election)	3513.05
2020		
Jan. 1	Applications for absentee ballots for all 2020 elections may be accepted (first day of the year; presidential primary election applications for absentee ballots accepted starting Dec. 18. 2019)	3509.03, 3511.02
Jan. 3	Protests against partisan candidates' petitions must be filed by 4 p.m. (74 days before presidential primary election)	3513.05

<u>DEADLINE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AUTHORIZATION</u>
Jan. 3	Protests against local option petitions must be filed by 4 p.m. (74 days before presidential primary election)	4301.33, .331, .332, .333, .334, 4305.14
Jan. 6*	November 5, 2019 general election ballots may be discarded, except for federal offices, unless ordered held by a court or the Secretary of State (61 days after general election)	3505.31., 52 USC 20701
Jan. 6*	Write-in candidates for March 17, 2020 presidential primary election must file declarations of intent by 4 p.m. (72 days before presidential primary election)	3513.041
Jan. 7	Form of official ballot for March 17, 2020 presidential primary election must be certified by Secretary of State to boards of elections (70 days before presidential primary election)	3513.05
Jan. 7	Boards of elections of most populous county in a multi-county district must certify names of all candidates to other boards of elections (70 days before presidential primary election)	3513.05
Jan. 10	Protests against write-in candidates must be filed by 4 p.m. (67 days before presidential primary election)	3513.041
Jan. 17	Boards of elections must schedule a program for instruction of precinct election officials (within 60 days before presidential primary election)	3501.27
Jan. 17	Election Administration Plans for March 17, 2020 presidential primary election must be submitted to Secretary of State's Office (60 days before presidential primary election)	3501.27
Jan. 17	Deadline for certain municipal charter amendments (60 days before presidential primary election)	OH Const. XVIII, Sec. 8 & 9, Charters
Jan. 21	The Secretary of State and boards of elections must send notice to candidates required to file annual campaign finance reports (10 days before annual campaign finance report deadline)	3517.11
Jan. 31	Annual campaign finance reports must be filed by certain candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds) and political parties by 4 p.m. (last business day of January detailing contributions and expenditures through December 31, 2019)	3517.10

<u>DEADLINE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AUTHORIZATION</u>
Jan. 31	UOCAVA absentee ballots for March 17, 2020 presidential primary election must be ready (46 days before presidential primary election)	3501.27
Jan. 31	Boards of elections must update and publish notices of March 17, 2020 presidential primary election and provide the notices to federal write-in absentee voters upon request (no later than 46 days before presidential primary election)	3511.16
Feb. 4	Boards of elections must advertise in newspaper(s) the places, dates, times, qualifications, and methods for voter registration (6 weeks before presidential primary election)	3503.12
Feb. 6	Presidential candidates may withdraw from March 17, 2020 presidential primary by 4 p.m. (40 days before presidential primary election)	3513.30
Feb 18*	Deadline for voter registration for the March 17, 2020 presidential primary election (30 days before presidential primary election)	3503.19
Feb. 18*	Deadline to file corrections and challenges to precinct voter registration lists (30 days before March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3503.24
Feb. 19*	Non-UOCAVA absentee ballots for March 17, 2020 presidential primary election must be ready (first day after close of voter registration)	3509.01
Feb. 24	The Secretary of State and boards of elections must send notice to candidates required to file pre-primary campaign finance reports (10 days before pre-primary campaign finance report deadline)	3517.11
Feb. 26	Committees advocating or opposing issues on March 17, 2020 presidential primary election ballot must file by 4 p.m. to be recognized as a committee to appoint observers (20 days before presidential primary election)	3505.21
March 3	Boards of elections must prepare precinct voter registration lists (14 days before March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3503.23
March 5	Pre-primary election campaign finance reports must be filed by certain candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds) and political parties by 4 p.m. (12 days before the primary election) detailing contributions and expenditures through Feb. 26, 2020 (20 days before the election)	3517.10

<u>DEADLINE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AUTHORIZATION</u>
March 6	Deadline for political parties, groups of candidates and recognized issue committees to file notice of observer appointments (11 days before March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3505.21
March 7	Boards of elections must give public notice of March 17, 2020 presidential primary election (10 days before March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3501.03
March 9*	Certificate to fill vacancy on ballot caused by death of candidate whose name is on March 17, 2020 presidential primary ballot in more than one county must be filed by 4 p.m. (10 days before March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3513.30
March 12	Certification to fill vacancy on ballot caused by death of candidate whose name is on March 17, 2020 presidential primary ballot in only one county must be filed by 4 p.m. (5 days before March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3513.30
March 14	Applications for absentee ballots to be mailed for March 17, 2020 presidential primary election must be received by boards of elections by noon (3 days before March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3509.03, .08, 3511.02
March 16	Nominating petitions of independent candidates, other than joint candidates for president and vice president, for offices for which a primary election may be held must be filed by 4 p.m. (day before March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3513.257
March 16	Amendments to observer appointments must be filed by 4 p.m. (day before March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3505.21
March 16	Boards of elections must submit verification forms of handicapped accessible parking and handicapped accessible polling locations to the Secretary of State's Office (no later than the day before March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3501.29
March 17	Primary Election Day - Polls are open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.	3501.01, .32
March 17	Absentee ballots, returned in person or via a method other than U.S. Mail must be received by the boards of elections by close of polls	3509.05, 3511.11
March 17	If voter, or voter's minor child is hospitalized because of accident or medical emergency, voter may apply for an absentee ballot until 3 p.m.	3509.08

<u>DEADLINE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AUTHORIZATION</u>
March 27	Absentee ballots returned by U.S. Mail must be postmarked no later than March 16 and received by boards of elections by this date to be counted (10 days after March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3509.05
March 27	UOCAVA absentee ballots must received by boards of elections by this date to be counted (10 days after March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3511.11
March 28	Boards of elections may begin official canvass of the March 17, 2020 presidential primary election ballots (11 days after March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3513.22
April 1	Boards of elections must begin official canvass of the March 17, 2020 presidential primary election ballots no later than this date (15 days after March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3513.22
April 7	Boards of elections must complete canvass of the March 17, 2020 presidential primary election ballots no later than this date (21 days after March 17, 2020 presidential primary election)	3513.22
April 14	The Secretary of State and boards of elections must send notice to candidates required to file post-primary election campaign finance reports (10 days before post-primary election campaign finance deadline)	3517.11
April 24	Post-primary election campaign finance reports must be filed by candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds) and political parties by 4 p.m. (38 days after the election) detailing contributions and expenditures through April 17, 2020 (the 7th day before the report is filed)	3517.10
April 26	Boards of elections must prepare and publish notices of the Aug. 4 special election by this date, and provide the notices to federal write-in absentee voters upon request (no later than 100 days before special election)	3511.16
May 1	Boards of elections of most populous county of a multi-county district must transmit petitions of independent candidates to other boards of elections (no later than the end of the 6th week after presidential primary election)	3513.262
May 6	Local questions and issues for the Aug. 4, 2020 special election must be certified to boards of elections by 4 p.m. (90 days before special election)	3501.01, .02

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May 17	March 17, 2020 presidential primary election ballots may be discarded, except for federal office, unless ordered held by a court or the Secretary of State (61 days after presidential primary election)	3505.31, 52 USC 20701
May 29	Boards of elections must certify independent candidate petitions by this date (no later than the end of 10th week after presidential primary election)	3513.262
June 5	Deadline for certain municipal charter amendments (60 days before special election)	OH Const. XVIII, Sec. 8 & 9, Charters
June 11	Last day for local option petitioners to send street listings to Division of Liquor Control (55 days before Aug. 5 deadline for filing petitions for Nov. 3, 2020 general election)	4301.33, 4305.14
June 12	Protests against independent candidates nominated by petition must be filed by 4 p.m. (end of 12th week after presidential primary election)	3513.262
June 19	UOCAVA absentee ballots for the Aug. 4, 2020 special election must be ready (46 days before special election)	3511.04
June 19	Boards of elections must update and publish notices of the Aug. 4 special election and provide the notices to federal write-in absentee voters upon request (no later than 46 days before special election)	3511.16
June 23	Boards of elections must advertise in newspaper(s) the places, dates, times, qualifications, and methods for voter registration (6 weeks before special election)	3503.12
June 30	Deadline for prospective minor political parties to file party formation petitions with the Secretary of State (126 days before general election)	3517.012
July 1	Constitutional amendments or statutes proposed by initiative petitions to be submitted directly to the voters must be filed with the Secretary of State (125 days before general election)	OH Const II, Sec. 1a-1b
July 6*	Deadline for voter registration for the Aug. 4, 2020 special election (30 days before special election)	3503.19
July 6*	Deadline to file corrections and challenges to precinct voter registration lists (30 days before special election)	3503.24

<u>DEADLINE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AUTHORIZATION</u>
July 6*	Election Administration Plans for Nov. 3, 2020 general election must be submitted to Secretary of State's Office (120 days before general election)	
July 7	Non-UOCAVA absentee ballots for the Aug.4, 2020 special election must be ready (first day after close of voter registration)	3509.01
July 15	Committees advocating or opposing issues on the Aug. 4, 2020 special election ballot must file by 4 p.m. to be recongnized as a committee to appoint observers (20 days before special election)	3505.21
July 16	Nominating petitions of minor political party candidates (for minor party that submitted party formation petition) must be filed (110 days before general election)	3517.012
July 21	Boards of elections must prepare precinct voter registration lists for special election (14 days before special election)	3503.23
July 21	Secretary of State and boards of elections must send notice to candidates required to file semiannual campaign finance reports (10 days before semiannual campaign finance report deadline)	3517.11
July 23	Pre-special election campaign finance reports must be filed by certain candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds) and political parties by 4 p.m. (12 days before the primary election) detailing contributions and expenditures through July 15, 2020 (20 days before the election)	3517.10
July 24	Deadline for political parties, groups of candidates and issue committees to file notice of observer appointments (11 days before special election)	3505.21
July 25	Boards of elections must give public notice of the Aug. 4, 2020 special election (10 days before special election)	3501.03
July 26	Board of elections must prepare and publish notices of the Nov. 3, 2020 general election and provide the notices to federal write-in absentee voters upon request (no later than 100 days before general election)	3511.16

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July 31	Boards of elections must notify the appropriate minor political party of the validity and sufficiency of any nominating petitions filed by that minor political party's candidates (for minor party that submitted party formation petition) (95 days before general election)	3517.012
July 31	Semiannual campaign finance reports must be filed by certain candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds) and political parties by 4 p.m. of the last business day of July detailing contributions and expenditures through June 30, 2020)	3517.10
Aug. 1	Applications by mail for absentee ballots for the Aug. 4, 2020 special election must be received by noon (3 days before special election)	3509.03, .08, 3511.02
Aug. 3	Amendments to observer appointments must be filed by 4 p.m. (day before special election)	3505.21
Aug. 3	Boards of elections must submit verification forms of handicapped accessible parking and handicapped accessible polling locations to the Secretary of State's Office (no later than the day before the special election)	3501.29
Aug. 4	Special Election may be held - Polls open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.	3501.01, .32
Aug. 4	Absentee ballots, returned in person or via a method other than U.S. Mail, must be received by the boards of elections by close of polls	3509.05, 3511.11
Aug. 4	If voter, or voter's minor child is hospitalized because of accident or medical emergency, voter may apply for absentee ballot until 3 p.m.	3509.08
Aug. 5	Constitutional amendments proposed by joint resolution of General Assembly must be filed with Secretary of State (90 days before general election)	OH Const. XVI, Sec. 1
Aug. 5	Deadline for minor political parties to certify candidates (and list of electors) for the office of president and vice president to Secretary of State (90 days prior to the day of general election)	3505.10
Aug. 5	Nominating petitions of independent joint candidates for president and vice president must be filed with the Secretary of State by 4 p.m. (90 days before general election)	3513.257
Aug. 5	Nominating petitions of candidates in nonpartisan races must be filed by 4 p.m. (90 days before general election)	1907.13, 3513.259, .263

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Aug. 5	Local questions and issues for the Nov. 3, 2020 general election, including local option petitions, must be certified to or filed with boards of elections by 4 p.m. (90 days before general election)	731.28, .29, 3501.02, 4301.33, .331, .332, .333, .334, 4305.14
Aug. 10*	Political party or independent candidate nominating committees must certify name of person to fill vacancy on the Nov. 3, 2020 general election ballot caused by withdrawal or disqualification of candidate by 4 p.m. (86 days before general election)	3513.31
Aug. 14	Absentee ballots for the Aug. 4, 2020 special election returned by U.S. Mail must be postmarked no later than Aug. 3 and received by boards of elections by this date to be counted (10 days after special election)	3509.05, 3511.11
Aug. 14	UOCAVA absentee ballots for the Aug. 4, 2020 special election must be received by boards of elections by this date to be counted (10 days after special election)	3511.11
Aug 15	Boards of elections may begin official canvass of the Aug. 4, 2020 special election ballots (11 days after special election)	3505.32
Aug. 17	Boards of elections must certify the validity and sufficiency of candidates' petitions in nonpartisan races (78 days before general election)	3513.263
Aug. 17	Boards of elections must certify the validity and sufficiency of nominating petition papers of independent joint candidates for president and vice president (78 days before general election)	3513.263
Aug. 17	Boards of elections must certify the validity and sufficiency of local option petitions (78 days before general election)	4301.33, .331, .332, .333, .334, 4305.14
Aug 19	Boards of elections must begin official canvass of the Aug. 4, 2020 special election ballots no later than this date (15 days after special election)	3505.32
Aug. 20	Deadline for minor political parties (that submitted party formation petition) to certify slate of candidates to Secretary of State (75 days before general election)	3517.012
Aug. 21	Protests against candidates for nonpartisan office must be filed by this date (74 days before general election)	3513.263

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Aug. 21	Protests against local option petitions must be filed by 4 p.m. (74 days before general election)	4301.33, .331, .332, .333, .334, 4305.14
Aug. 21	Protest against independent joint candidates for president and vice president must be filed by this date (74 days before general election)	3513.263
Aug. 24*	Write-in candidates must file declarations of intent by 4 p.m. (72 days before general election)	3513.041
Aug. 25	Board of elections of most populous county of a multi-county district must certify names of all candidates to other boards of elections (70 days before general election)	3505.01
Aug. 25	Boards of elections must complete canvass of Aug. 4 special election ballots no later than this date (21 days after special election)	3505.32
Aug. 28	Protests against write-in candidates for general election must be filed by 4 p.m. (67 days before general election)	3513.041
Sept. 4	Boards of elections must schedule a program for the instruction of precinct election officials (within 60 days before general election)	3501.27
Sept. 4	Major political parties must certify the names of their joint candidates for president and vice president to the Secretary of State by this date (60 days before general election)	Sec. 735.11 of H.B. 166 (133rd G.A.)
Sept. 4	Deadline for certain municipal charter amendments (60 days before general election)	OH Const. XVIII, Sec. 8 & 9, Charters
Sept. 11	Post-special election campaign finance reports must be filed by candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds) and political parties by 4 p.m. (38 days after the election) detailing contributions and expenditures through September 4, 2020 (the 7th day before the report is filed)	3517.10
Sept. 14	Form of official ballots for the Nov. 3, 2020 general election must be certified by the Secretary of State to boards of elections (50 days before general election)	Sec. 735.11 of H.B. 166 (133rd G.A.)
Sept. 18	UOCAVA absentee ballots for the Nov. 3, 2020 General Election must be ready (46 days before the election)	3511.04

<u>DEADLINE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AUTHORIZATION</u>
Sept. 18	Board of elections must update and publish notices of the Nov. 3, 2020 general election and provide the notices to federal write-in absentee voters upon request (no later than 46 days before general election)	3511.16
Sept. 22	Boards of elections must advertise in newspaper(s) the places, dates, times, qualifications, and methods for voter registration (six weeks before general election)	3503.12
Oct. 4	Aug. 4 special election ballots may be discarded unless ordered held by a court or the Secretary of State (61 days after special election)	3505.31
Oct. 5*	Deadline for voter registration for the Nov. 3, 2020 general election (30 days before election)	3503.19
Oct. 5*	Deadline to file corrections and challenges to precinct voter registration lists (30 days before general election)	3503.24
Oct. 6	Non-UOCAVA absentee ballots for the Nov. 3, 2020 general election must be ready (first day after close of voter registration)	3509.01
Oct. 12	The Secretary of State and boards of elections must send notice to candidates required to file pre-general election campaign finance reports (10 days before pre-general campaign finance report deadline)	3517.11
Oct. 14	Committees advocating or opposing issues on the Nov. 3, 2020 general election ballot must file by 4 p.m. to be recognized as a committee to appoint observers (20 days before general election)	3505.21
Oct. 20	Boards of elections must prepare precinct voter registration list for general election (14 days before general election)	3503.23
Oct. 22	Pre-general election campaign finance reports must be filed by certain candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds) and political parties by 4 p.m. (12 days before the general election) detailing contributions and expenditures from the last day reflected in the previous report through October 14, 2020 (20 days before the election)	3517.10
Oct. 23	Deadline for political parties, groups of candidates, and issue committees to file notice of observer appointments (11 days before general election)	3505.21

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Oct. 24	Boards of elections must provide public notice of the Nov. 3, 2020 general election (10 days before general election)	3501.03
Oct. 26	Certificate to fill vacancy on the Nov. 3, 2020 general election ballot caused by death of candidate nominated at primary election whose name is on ballot in more than one county must be filed by 4 p.m. (10 days before general election)	3513.31
Oct. 29	Certificate to fill vacancy on the Nov. 3, 2020 general election ballot caused by death of independent or nonpartisan candidate prior to October 24 (10 days before general election) must be filed by 4 p.m. (5 days before general election)	3513.31
Oct. 29	Certificate to fill vacancy on the Nov. 3, 2020 general election ballot caused by the death of a candidate nominated at primary election whose name is on ballot in only one county must be filed by 4 p.m. (5 days before general election)	3513.31
Oct. 31	Applications for absentee ballots to be mailed for the Nov. 3, 2020 general election must be received by boards of elections by noon (3 days before general election)	3509.03, .08, 3511.02
Nov. 2	Amendments to observer appointments must be filed by 4 p.m. (day before general election)	3505.21
Nov. 2	Boards of elections must submit verification forms of handicapped accessible parking and handicapped accessible polling locations to the Secretary of State's office (no later than day before general election)	3501.29
Nov. 3	General Election Day. Polls open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.	3501.01, .32
Nov. 3	Absentee ballots, returned in person or via a method other than U.S. Mail, must be received by the boards of elections by close of polls	3509.05, 3511.11
Nov. 3	If voter, or voter's minor child is hospitalized because of accident or medical emergency, voter may apply for absentee ballot until 3 p.m.	3509.08
Nov. 13	Absentee ballots, returned by U.S. Mail must be postmarked no later than Nov. 2 and received by boards of elections by this date to be counted (10 days after general election)	3509.05, 3511.11

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Nov. 13	UOCAVA absentee ballots must received by boards of elections by this date to be counted (10 days after general election)	3511.11
Nov 14	Boards of elections may begin official canvass of the Nov. 3, 2020 general election ballots (11 days after general election)	3505.32
Nov. 18	Boards of elections must begin official canvass of the Nov. 3, 2020 general election ballots no later than this date (15 days after general election)	3505.32
Nov. 24	Boards of elections must complete canvass of the Nov. 3, 2020 general election ballots no later than this date (21 days after general election)	3505.32
Dec. 1	The Secretary of State and boards of elections must send notice to candidates to required to file post-general election campaign finance reports (10 day before post-general election campaign finance report deadline)	3517.11
Dec. 10	Last day for certain local option petioners to send street listings to Division of Liquor Control (55 days before Feb. 3, 2021 petition filing deadline for May 4, 2021 primary election)	4301.33,4305.14
Dec. 11	Post-general election campaign finance reports must be filed by certain candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds) and political parties by 4 p.m. (38 days after the general election) detailing contributions and expenditures through Dec. 4, 2020 (the seventh day before the report is filed)	3517.10

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Jan. 1	Applications for absentee ballots for all 2021 elections may be accepted (first day of the year)	3509.03, 3511.02
Jan. 3	November 3, 2020 general election ballots may be discarded, except for federal offices, unless ordered held by a court or the Secretary of State (61 days after general election)	3505.31., 52 USC 20701
Jan. 4	Last day for local option petitioners contesting community facility to send street listings to Division of Liquor Control (30 days before Feb. 3 petition filing deadline for May 4 primary election)	4301.334

DEADLINE**DESCRIPTION****AUTHORIZATION**

Jan. 24

Boards of elections must prepare and publish notices of the May 4 primary/special election and provide the notices to federal write-in absentee voters upon request (no later than 100 days before the primary/special election)

3511.16

Recounts and Election Contests

An application for a recount must be filed not later than five days after official results are declared

3515.02

A petition contesting an election must be filed in the appropriate court within 15 days after the official results are declared, or within 10 days after the official results of a recount are declared

3515.09