General Primary Election – Tuesday, March 17, 2020

Offices are listed as they will appear on the ballot.

**McLean County Circuit Clerk:** 4-year Term

**McLean County State’s Attorney:** 4-year Term

**McLean County Auditor:** 4-year Term

**McLean County Coroner:** 4-year Term

**McLean County Board Members:** 2-year Term

**Precinct Committeepersons:** 2-year Term

- *2020 County Board elections are for a two-year term rather than the usual four-year term due to the census. Those County Board candidates elected in 2020, will then run again with all County Board members in 2022. Following the 2022 election, a lottery drawing process will occur to determine who draws a two-year term, and who draws a four-year term. For more information please call the State Board of Elections at 217.782.4141.*

- Candidates for Regional Superintendent of a Multi-County Region file with the State Board of Elections.

- Judicial Candidates file with State Board of Elections.

- State Central Committeepersons (Democratic Party only, one Committeeman and one Committeewoman per District) file with State Board of Elections.

- State Central Committeepersons for the Republican Party will not be on the ballot. They will be elected at the County Conventions.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Candidates are strongly advised to obtain legal counsel regarding their legal qualifications for office, the proper method for completing the petition forms with respect to the office, the minimum and maximum number of signatures required, and the qualifications of the signers and circulators, etc. It is important to remember that Nominating Petitions are subject to legal challenge by objectors if improperly completed. More information can be obtained from the **2020 Candidates Guide**, which is included in this packet, by calling the State Board of Elections at 217.782.4141, or by going to their website: [www.elections.il.gov](http://www.elections.il.gov)

**WHERE TO FILE:** McLean County has two Election Commissions; **HOWEVER, ALL CANDIDATES**, whether City of Bloomington, Town of Normal or in the County **FILE WITH THE OFFICE OF MCLEAN COUNTY CLERK**.

**ELIGIBILITY/RESIDENCY:** A candidate must be a qualified, registered voter in the district for which they seek to be a candidate. A candidate for County Board must also be a resident of McLean County for one year before the election. (55-ILCS 5/2-3015)

PETITION FILING DEADLINE: Petitions may be submitted to the County Clerk beginning Monday, November 25, 2019 at 8:00 am. The last day for submitting petitions is Monday, December 2, 2019 at 5:00 pm. Petitions may be submitted in person or by mail. According to Illinois Compiled Statutes, for those petitions submitted by mail, the official date and time of submission will be determined by the date and time stamp applied to the petitions by the County Clerk’s office as the daily mail is processed and not the date of any USPS postmarks. Petitions submitted past 5:00 pm on December 2, 2019 will not be accepted for any reason. Petitions received by mail before November 25, 2019 will be returned to the candidate as not filed. (10 ILCS 5/7-12, 6)

FILING AND BALLOT POSITION: Petitions filed by persons in line at 8:00 am on Monday, November 25, 2019 and petitions received in the first mailing on that day will be treated as having been “filed simultaneously” regardless of the time of day that the first mail-in petitions are processed and file stamped. Ballot position is determined by the time of filing. A public lottery will be held to determine ballot position when two or more positions from the same political party are simultaneously filed for the same office. The McLean County Clerk will notify candidates involved in any lottery as to the time and place the lottery will be held. Candidates for established political parties appear first on the ballot, followed by new political party candidates, and finally by independent candidates. (10 ILCS 7/12, 6)

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: Refer to pages three and four for all signature requirements. (This includes Countywide Offices, County Board Members, Precinct Committeeperson, and Public Questions/Referenda.)

FORMS: Included in this packet are the suggested forms used in the past for various filing purposes. These are offered to you, the candidate, as a courtesy, and McLean County Clerk’s office is not responsible for any changes that may or may not have been made to the strictly representative forms. Candidates are urged to contact the State Board of Elections by calling 217.782.4141, or by going to their website: www.elections.il.gov for more information regarding where to find the latest forms needed to file for office.

RESOURCES:
McLean County Clerk: Kathy Michael 309.888.5190 kathy.michael@mcleancountyiil.gov
Director of Elections: Denise Cesario 309.888.5588 denise.cesario@mcleancountyiil.gov
County Clerk’s Website: www.mcleancountyiil.gov/countyclerk
Illinois State Board of Elections: 217.782.4141 www.elections.il.gov

OFFICE HOURS:
Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm (closed on County holidays). We will be open until 5:00 pm on December 2, to receive petitions.
OFFICE LOCATION:
We are located in the Government Center, 115 E Washington St., Bloomington, IL, Room 102. Visitors may also enter the Government Center from the Front and East Streets entry across from the parking garage.

Mailing Address for Nomination Packets:
  Kathy Michael
  McLean County Clerk
  Attn: Elections Packets
  PO Box 2400
  Bloomington, IL  61702-2400

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:

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| Part of this district resides within | Dist. 3 Republican Candidates | 27 signatures required |
| the Bloomington Election Commission | Dist. 3 Democratic Candidates | 16 signatures required |
|                                     | Dist. 3 Libertarian Candidates | 7 signatures required |
|                                     | Dist. 3 Independent Candidates | 314 minimum 503 maximum* |

| Part of this district resides within | Dist. 4 Republican Candidates | 25 signatures required |
| the Bloomington Election Commission | Dist. 4 Democratic Candidates | 24 signatures required |
|                                     | Dist. 4 Libertarian Candidates | 10 signatures required |
|                                     | Dist. 4 Independent Candidates | 357 minimum 570 maximum* |

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Dist. 5 Independent Candidates = 374 minimum 599 maximum*  
Dist. 6 Republican Candidates = 17 signatures required  
Dist. 6 Democratic Candidates = 19 signatures required  
Dist. 6 Libertarian Candidates = 9 signatures required  
Dist. 6 Independent Candidates = 241 minimum 386 maximum*  

The following districts reside within the Bloomington Election Commission:  
Dist. 7 Republican Candidates = 29 signatures required  
Dist. 7 Democratic Candidates = 16 signatures required  
Dist. 7 Libertarian Candidates = 10 signatures required  
Dist. 7 Independent Candidates = 379 minimum 606 maximum*  

Dist. 8 Republican Candidates = 18 signatures required  
Dist. 8 Democratic Candidates = 15 signatures required  
Dist. 8 Libertarian Candidates = 10 signatures required  
Dist. 8 Independent Candidates = 270 minimum 432 maximum*  

Dist. 9 Republican Candidates = 30 signatures required  
Dist. 9 Democratic Candidates = 15 signatures required  
Dist. 9 Libertarian Candidates = 9 signatures required  
Dist. 9 Independent Candidates = 387 minimum 620 maximum*  

Dist. 10 Republican Candidates = 39 signatures required  
Dist. 10 Democratic Candidates = 17 signatures required  
Dist. 10 Libertarian Candidates = 10 signatures required  
Dist. 10 Independent Candidates = 477 minimum 763 maximum*  

For Precinct Committeeperson:  10 signatures required regardless of party affiliation  
(10 ILCS 5/7-10i)  

For Public Questions/Referenda by petition:  6,582 signatures required Countywide  
(10 ILCS 5/28-6a)  

* Independent/New Party Candidates may begin circulating petitions on March 24, 2020 through June 22, 2020. The file period is from June 15, 2020 through June 22, 2020. A candidate for a County Office/County Board Office must submit nomination papers signed by qualified voters of the County equaling not less than 5% or more than 8% (or more than the minimum plus 50 whichever is greater) of the number of persons who voted in the last General Election. (10 ILCS 5/10-3)