

Nassau County Candidate Handbook

(Electronic Format)



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This document is being provided for informational purposes **only** and does not constitute legal advice. It is recommended that candidates consult legal counsel or professional advisors, as the candidate is responsible for being in compliance with Florida Election Law, local charters and regulations relating to the campaign or qualifications to seek office. This document provides statutory and other references and is not intended to be all inclusive. Information contained in this document is subject to change. Publication date: 3.9.18.

Please note: Many documents are linked within this handbook. To ensure you have the most up to date information, please reference the *Change Log* for revisions. If you would like a printed version, please contact our office or visit the *Candidate Information* webpage for printing purposes.

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Thank you for your interest in public service and participating in the Nassau County electoral process!

The following *Nassau County Candidate Handbook* has been compiled for the review and reference of local candidates and political party executive committees. It is designed to supplement the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook* produced by the Florida Department of State, Division of Elections, as well as *The Florida Election Code, Chapters 97 - 106*. Anyone interested in a circuit, district, multicounty or statewide office should consult with the Florida Division of Elections for candidate information.

If you are considering running for local public office, please make an appointment with our Candidate Coordinator to receive an orientation on the election laws and the necessary steps to qualify for office. Taking the time to review the process and understand the laws governing candidates and campaigns *prior* to campaigning could save you time and money. If at any time during your campaign you are uncertain of a law or requirement, please contact our office before taking any action. It is always easier to avoid a problem than to solve one!

We hope that you find these materials helpful. Should you have questions, or if we can be of assistance to you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



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Supervisor of Elections

HONOR A VETERAN WITH YOUR VOTE!

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TAB 1

2018 NASSAU COUNTY OFFICES UP FOR ELECTION

PRIMARY ELECTION

August 28, 2018

GENERAL ELECTION

November 6, 2018

The following local and district offices qualify with the Nassau County Supervisor of Elections. For detailed information on becoming a candidate, and an overview of the candidate process, please click the link(s) below for the respective office(s) up for election to review the corresponding *2018 Candidate Information Sheet*.

VERY IMPORTANT: PRIOR to filing for office, please review the [*Potential Conflict of Interest, Resign to Run Law, and the Hatch Act*](#) to avoid a conflict of interest.

County Commission

*School Board

Ocean, Highway and Port Authority

*Amelia Concourse Community Development District

*Amelia Island Mosquito Control Board

*Amelia National Community Development District

*Amelia Walk Community Development District

*Heron Isles Community Development District

*River Glen Community Development District

*Soil and Water Conservation District

Write-In Candidate

*Indicates nonpartisan seat(s)

FOR DISTRICT BOUNDARY MAPS, CLICK [HERE](#)

2020 NASSAU COUNTY OFFICES UP FOR ELECTION

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY ELECTION PRIMARY ELECTION GENERAL ELECTION
To Be Determined August 25, 2020 November 3, 2020

The following local and district offices qualify with the Nassau County Supervisor of Elections. For detailed information on becoming a candidate, and an overview of the candidate process, please click the link(s) below for the respective office(s) up for election to review the corresponding *2020 Candidate Information Sheet*.

VERY IMPORTANT: PRIOR to filing for office, please review the [Potential Conflict of Interest, Resign to Run Law, and the Hatch Act](#) to avoid a conflict of interest.

[Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller](#)

*[County Court Judge](#)

[Property Appraiser](#)

[Sheriff](#)

[Superintendent of Schools](#)

[Supervisor of Elections](#)

[Tax Collector](#)

[County Commission](#)

*[School Board](#)

[Ocean, Highway and Port Authority](#)

*[Amelia Concourse Community Development District](#)

*[Amelia Island Mosquito Control Board](#)

*[Amelia National Community Development District](#)

*[Amelia Walk Community Development District](#)

*[Heron Isles Community Development District](#)

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UNDERSTANDING FLORIDA ELECTIONS

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PRIMARY ELECTIONS

Florida is a closed primary election state. That means that only voters who are registered members of a political party which has candidates on the primary ballot may vote for that party's candidates at the primary election. The deadline for a voter to make a party affiliation change is no later than 29 days before a primary election.

In a primary election, each voter will receive a ballot *based on the legal residential address and party affiliation* recorded in his or her voter registration record.

The following exceptions allow eligible voters regardless of party affiliation to vote in a primary election, whether they are affiliated with a party or not:

- UNIVERSAL PRIMARY CONTEST: All candidates in the same race have the same party affiliation and the winner will have no opposition in the general election.
- NONPARTISAN OFFICES: Includes races for judicial, school board, certain special districts and other local offices.
- LOCAL REFERENDUM QUESTIONS: County, municipal, and district referenda or other ballot measures that may be on the ballot.

GENERAL ELECTIONS

In a general election, each voter will receive a ballot *based on the legal residential address* recorded in his or her voter registration record.

All eligible voters can vote for any candidate or issue regardless of party affiliation on the general election ballot.

The following types of candidates will only appear on a General Election ballot:

- NO PARTY AFFILIATION CANDIDATES: Candidates qualifying with no party affiliation.
- WRITE-IN CANDIDATES: If there are write-in candidates who have qualified for a particular office, a line will be provided on the ballot for the voter to write in the candidate's name.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND OTHER BALLOT MEASURES: Proposed amendments to Florida's Constitution may also be on the ballot, as well as county, municipal, and district referenda or other ballot measures.



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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES / COMMITTEES

NONPARTISAN OFFICES

FS 105.051

Candidates for county judge and school board will appear on the primary and, if necessary, on the general election ballot for election.

105.051 Determination of election or retention to office.

(1) ELECTION.—In circuits and counties holding elections:

(a) The name of an unopposed candidate for the office of circuit judge, county court judge, or member of a school board shall not appear on any ballot, and such candidate shall be deemed to have voted for himself or herself at the general election.

(b) If two or more candidates, neither of whom is a write-in candidate, qualify for such an office, the names of those candidates shall be placed on the ballot at the primary election. If any candidate for such office receives a majority of the votes cast for such office in the primary election, the name of the candidate who receives such majority shall not appear on any other ballot unless a write-in candidate has qualified for such office. An unopposed candidate shall be deemed to have voted for himself or herself at the general election. If no candidate for such office receives a majority of the votes cast for such office in the primary election, the names of the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes for such office shall be placed on the general election ballot. If more than two candidates receive an equal and highest number of votes, the name of each candidate receiving an equal and highest number of votes shall be placed on the general election ballot. In any contest in which there is a tie for second place and the candidate placing first did not receive a majority of the votes cast for such office, the name of the candidate placing first and the name of each candidate tying for second shall be placed on the general election ballot.

(c) The candidate who receives the highest number of votes cast for the office in the general election shall be elected to such office. If the vote at the general election results in a tie, the outcome shall be determined by lot.

(2) RETENTION.—With respect to any justice or judge who qualifies to run for retention in office, the question prescribed in s. 105.041(2) shall be placed on the ballot at the general election. If a majority of the qualified electors voting on such question within the territorial jurisdiction of the court vote for retention, the justice or judge shall be retained for a term of 6 years commencing on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January following the general election. If less than a majority of the qualified electors voting on such question within the territorial jurisdiction of the court vote for retention, a vacancy shall exist in such office upon the expiration of the term being served by the justice or judge.

History.—s. 5, ch. 71-49; s. 38, ch. 77-175; s. 19, ch. 81-105; s. 632, ch. 95-147; s. 5, ch. 99-326; s. 4, ch. 99-355; s. 23, ch. 2005-286.

FLORIDA IS A CLOSED PRIMARY STATE

FS 100.061, 101.021

NO PARTY AFFILIATION AND MINOR PARTIES

FS 99.0955, 101.151, 101.2512, 103.021

PARTISAN OFFICES

FS 99.061, 100.031, 100.061, 105.051, Article VI, Section 5(b) Florida Constitution

UNIVERSAL PRIMARY CONTEST

Article VI, Section 5(b) Florida Constitution

POLITICAL PARTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

POLITICAL PARTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES (2020 ELECTION CYCLE)

FS 101.252, 103.091

Nassau County executive committee precinct members and state executive committee members for each political party shall be elected to four year terms in each year in which a Presidential Election is held. Members shall be a registered voter of Nassau County and affiliated with the political party they are representing.

Electors seeking to qualify may do so with the Supervisor of Elections office. For additional information, click the link(s) below:

Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen

State Committeeman and Committeewoman

 *Freedom Rings with Every Vote* 

TAB 2

NASSAU COUNTY ELECTION INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The following is general information for candidates running for local races in Nassau County. Local candidates are encouraged to review all relevant information prior to filing to qualify and/or campaigning. In addition, it is recommended that candidates make an appointment with the Candidate Coordinator to expedite the qualifying process.

To assist you in understanding the qualifying process and required qualifying documents, please review the Florida Division of Elections [*Supervisor's Handbook on Candidate Qualifying*](#).

Please note: The Nassau County Supervisor of Elections serves as the filing office in a ministerial function only in reviewing qualifying papers. The filing officer will review qualifying papers to determine whether all items required by law have been properly filed and whether each item is complete on its face. The filing officer may not, however, determine whether the contents of any qualifying papers are accurate. FS 99.061(7)(c)

All Federal, State and Multicounty offices are required to qualify with the [*Florida Division of Elections*](#). Municipal candidates are required to file with their respective City or Town Clerk. For qualifying information as a municipal candidate, please contact the Clerk for your municipality [click here](#).

CANDIDATE PARTY AFFILIATION CHANGE DEADLINE:

2018 Election Cycle Deadline: June 18, 2017

2020 Election Cycle Deadline: June 16, 2019

Any person seeking to qualify for nomination as a candidate of any political party shall affirm that the person has not been a registered member of any other political party for 365 days before the beginning of qualifying preceding the general election for which the person seeks to qualify. (FS 99.021)

PREQUALIFYING BEGINS: NASSAU COUNTY AND DISTRICT CANDIDATES

2018 Election Cycle: June 4, 2018

**2020 Election Cycle: April 13, 2020 (Judicial Candidates ONLY)
June 1, 2020 (County and District Candidates)**

The SOE may begin accepting and holding qualifying papers for county or district office candidates, not earlier than 14 days prior to the beginning of the qualifying period, to be processed and filed during the qualifying period. Qualifying information will be made available to each announced candidate prior to the prequalifying period. (FS 99.061)

WRITTEN RESIGNATIONS DUE: NASSAU COUNTY AND DISTRICT CANDIDATES

2018 Election Cycle: June 8, 2018

**2020 Election Cycle: April 17, 2020 (Judicial Candidates ONLY)
June 5, 2020 (County and District Candidates)**

At least 10 days prior to the first day of the qualifying period for the office being sought, written resignations are due for officers qualifying as a candidate for county or district office if the terms of the office, or any part thereof, run concurrently with each other. (FS 99.012)

QUALIFYING PERIOD: NASSAU COUNTY AND DISTRICT CANDIDATES

2018 Election Cycle: Noon, June 18, 2018 – Noon, June 22, 2018

**2020 Election Cycle: Noon, April 27, 2020 – Noon, May 1, 2020 (Judicial Candidates ONLY)
Noon, June 15, 2020 – Noon, June 19, 2020 (County and District Candidates)**

Qualifying begins for all county or district candidates on the dates noted above. Candidates may contact the SOE's office to schedule an appointment for their qualifying session. This will ensure an expedited qualifying process. Qualifying information will be made available prior to the prequalifying period. (FS 99.061)

CANDIDATE & CAMPAIGN TREASURER HANDBOOK

The Florida Division of Elections' *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook* is available by clicking the link below:

Candidate & Campaign Treasurer Handbook



Florida Department of State
Division of Elections
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250
Phone: 850.245.6240

LEGAL RESOURCES

To view the following publications, please click the link(s) provided below:

[*Florida Constitution*](#)

[*Florida Election Code*](#)

[*FS Chapter 99, Candidates*](#)

[*FS Chapter 104, Election Code: Violations; Penalties*](#)

[*FS Chapter 105, Nonpartisan Elections*](#)

[*FS Chapter 106, Campaign Financing*](#)

[*An Aid to Understanding Canon 7 \(Judicial Candidates ONLY\)*](#)

[*Division of Elections Rules*](#)



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CANDIDATE PETITION HANDBOOK

The Florida Division of Elections' *Candidate Petition Handbook* is available by clicking the link below:

[*Candidate Petition Handbook*](#)

SUPERVISOR'S HANDBOOK ON CANDIDATE PETITIONS

Please review the Florida Division of Elections' *Supervisor's Handbook on Candidate Petitions* to assist you in understanding the process for circulating petitions and the Supervisor of Elections' process for verifying and certifying candidate petitions. The publication can be viewed by clicking the link below:

[*Supervisor's Handbook on Candidate Petition*](#)

FLORIDA DIVISION OF ELECTIONS CANDIDATE PETITION PROCESS RULE

Please review the Florida Division of Elections' *Rule 1S-2.045 Candidate Petition Process* for the required *Candidate Petition* and processing requirements:

[*Rule 1S-2.045 Candidate Petition Process*](#)



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THE PETITION PROCESS

(In lieu of paying a qualifying fee)

FS 99.095, 105.035

Who Can Sign Petitions:

Signatures shall be collected from any registered voter in Nassau County regardless of party affiliation, unless otherwise specified below. The tables on the following pages outline the number of petitions and geographical areas for circulating petitions required for each office.

Submitting Petitions:

At the time the candidate or the candidate's representative submits petitions, a petition count will be conducted by the SOE staff and verified with the candidate or representative.

An *Incoming Candidate Petitions Verification Form* (Form) will be signed by a staff member and the candidate/representative and date/time stamped. A photocopy will be provided to the candidate/representative for their files. Once the SOE issues a date/time stamp on the Form, no changes can be made to the petitions, nor can they be returned to the candidate.

Petition signatures will be verified against the signature(s) in the voter's registration record to ensure each person signing the petition is an eligible registered voter in Nassau County. The candidate will be emailed (or mailed upon request) a report showing the number of valid and rejected petitions, along with a list of the names of voters who signed the petitions, and whose signatures were accepted or rejected.

Obtaining Ballot Position:

Upon receiving the required number of valid petitions and obtaining ballot position, a certification will be emailed to the candidate. The original will be provided upon request by the candidate. A copy of this certification will be placed in the candidate's file for reference during qualifying. A candidate who does not meet the required number of petitions to obtain ballot position may qualify by paying the qualifying fee.



THE PETITION PROCESS

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The following table outlines the number of valid petitions required and the geographical areas for circulating petitions for each office in the 2018 Election Cycle.

2018 OFFICE(S) UP FOR ELECTION		
DEADLINE TO SUBMIT PETITIONS: Prior to noon, May 21, 2018		
SUBMIT PETITIONS FOR VERIFICATION TO: Nassau County Supervisor of Elections Office 96135 Nassau Place, Suite 3, Yulee, Florida 32097		
OFFICE(S) UP FOR ELECTION	VALID NUMBER OF PETITIONS REQUIRED	GEOGRAPHICAL AREA FOR CIRCULATING CANDIDATE PETITIONS
County Commission Districts: 2 and 4	613	<i>All of Nassau County</i>
School Board Districts: 1, 3 and 5	613	<i>All of Nassau County</i>
Amelia Concourse CDD: Seats 2 and 3	25	<i>Amelia Concourse CDD</i>
Amelia Island Mosquito Control: Groups 2 and 3	25	<i>Amelia Island Mosquito Control District includes all of Amelia Island, Piney Island and Marsh Lakes.</i>
Amelia National CDD: Seats 2 and 5	25	<i>Amelia National CDD</i>
Amelia Walk CDD: Seats 1 and 4	25	<i>Amelia Walk CDD</i>
Heron Isles CDD: Seats 2 and 4	25	<i>Heron Isles CDD</i>
Ocean, Highway & Port Authority: Districts 3, 4 and 5	25	<i>All of Nassau County</i>
River Glen CDD: Seats 3 and 4	25	<i>River Glen CDD</i>
Soil & Water Conservation District: Groups 1, 3 and 5	25	<i>All of Nassau County</i>

CDD = Community Development District

THE PETITION PROCESS

(Continued)

The following table outlines the number of valid petitions required and the geographical areas for circulating petitions for each office in the 2020 Election Cycle. Please note the number of petitions required may change after the 2018 General Election.

2020 OFFICE(S) UP FOR ELECTION		
DEADLINE TO SUBMIT PETITIONS: Prior to noon, May 18, 2020		
SUBMIT PETITIONS FOR VERIFICATION TO: Nassau County Supervisor of Elections Office 96135 Nassau Place, Suite 3, Yulee, Florida 32097		
OFFICE(S) UP FOR ELECTION	VALID NUMBER OF PETITIONS REQUIRED	GEOGRAPHICAL AREA FOR CIRCULATING CANDIDATE PETITIONS
Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller	613	<i>All of Nassau County</i>
County Court Judge, Group 1	613	<i>All of Nassau County</i>
Property Appraiser	613	<i>All of Nassau County</i>
Sheriff	613	<i>All of Nassau County</i>
Superintendent of Schools	613	<i>All of Nassau County</i>
Supervisor of Elections	613	<i>All of Nassau County</i>
Tax Collector	613	<i>All of Nassau County</i>
County Commission: Districts 1, 3 and 5	613	<i>All of Nassau County</i>
School Board: Districts 2 and 4	613	<i>All of Nassau County</i>
Amelia Concourse CDD: Seats 1 and 4	25	<i>Amelia Concourse CDD</i>
Amelia Island Mosquito Control: Group 1	25	<i>Amelia Island Mosquito Control District includes all of Amelia Island, Piney Island and Marsh Lakes.</i>
Amelia National CDD: Seats 1, 3 and 4	25	<i>Amelia National CDD</i>
Amelia Walk CDD: Seats 3 and 5	25	<i>Amelia Walk CDD</i>
Heron Isles CDD: Seats 1, 3 and 5	25	<i>Heron Isles CDD</i>
Ocean, Highway & Port Authority: Districts 1 and 2	25	<i>All of Nassau County</i>
River Glen CDD: Seats 1 and 2	25	<i>River Glen CDD</i>
Soil & Water Conservation District: Groups 2 and 4	25	<i>All of Nassau County</i>

CDD = Community Development District

Nassau County Electronic Filing System Guidelines For Candidates and Committees

The Nassau County *Electronic Filing System Guidelines* can be viewed by clicking the link below:

[Electronic Filing System Guidelines](#)

The *Calendar of Reporting Dates* for Candidates, Political Committees, Electioneering Communications Organizations and Political Party Executive Committees are located on pages 4 – 6 within the *Electronic Filing System Guidelines*. This information includes the required filing deadlines, report types and reporting periods for each report type.



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TAB 7

GUIDE to the SUNSHINE AMENDMENT and CODE of ETHICS for Public Officers and Employees

The most recent version of the Guide can be viewed by clicking the link below:

[Guide to the Sunshine Amendment and Code of Ethics](#)



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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

To view the following publications, please click the link(s) provided below:

[*2018 Primary Election Calendar of Reporting Dates for Candidates, Political Committees and Electioneering Communications Organizations*](#)

[*2018 General Election Calendar of Reporting Dates for Candidates, Political Committees and Electioneering Communications Organizations*](#)

[*2018 Calendar of Reporting Dates for Political Party Executive Committees*](#)

[*2020 Calendar of Reporting Dates for Political Party Executive Committees*](#)

[*Election Dates and Activities Calendar*](#)

[*Upcoming Elections*](#)



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VOTER DATA INFORMATION

The Nassau County *Voter Data Request Packet* can be viewed by clicking the link below:

[Nassau County Voter Data Request Packet](#)

The Nassau County *Election Data Guide* can be viewed by clicking the link below:

[Nassau County Election Data Guide](#)



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TAB 10

PREVENTIVE MEASURES

To avoid critical errors and potential issues in your candidacy, which may result in a violation of the Florida Election Laws and a complaint being filed against you, please be advised of the following:

Potential Conflict of Interest, Resign to Run Law, and the Hatch Act

PRIOR to filing for office, please review the *Potential Conflict of Interest, Resign to Run Law, and the Hatch Act* to avoid a conflict of interest [click here](#).

Florida Elections Commission

For information on the Florida Elections Commission complaint process, click here: [Florida Elections Commission](#).

Common Reporting Errors

- 1) Accepting contributions prior to filing Form DS-DE 9, *Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository* with the filing officer. **(Personal money deposited in the campaign account is a contribution to your campaign.)**
- 2) Accepting anonymous contributions, such as passing the hat or selling tickets for fundraisers without getting the required information from contributors.
- 3) Showing a deficit in campaign contribution and expenditure reports.
- 4) Taking contributions in excess of legal limitations.
- 5) Failing to notify the filing officer of changes in treasurers, addresses or other required information.
- 6) Accepting contributions to cover outstanding expenses **after** the elections. (A candidate's personal money given to the campaign is included. Florida statutes require that you have monies on deposit before expenditures are made.)
- 7) Failing to properly mark political disclaimers on political advertisements, campaign literature, campaign fundraisers, and ads.
- 8) Failure to fill out complete names and addresses.
- 9) Adding in-kind contributions into *Total Monetary Contributions* instead of totaling separately.
- 10) Failure to list the required occupation for contributions over \$100.
- 11) Accepting too much cash – \$50 per donor is the limit of a **cash** contribution, per election.
- 12) Showing a negative balance – your campaign must be in the black.
- 13) Deposits not made in a timely manner.

Chapter 106 of the Florida Election Code and the "Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook" published by the Florida Department of State, Division of Elections, provides guidance in transactions regarding your Campaign Treasurer's Reports and all other matters of campaign finance. Please feel free to call our office with any questions. Never hesitate to ask a question when in doubt.

A candidate/committee filing a late *Campaign Treasurer's Report* is subject to being fined. To view the *Calculation of Fine for Late Campaign Treasurer's Report* [click here](#).

PREVENTIVE MEASURES

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Your Campaign Treasurer's Report is a Public Record

Once the Elections Office receives your report it becomes a public record. It will be posted to the website and available for inspection by the press and the public. The Nassau County Supervisor of Elections serves in a ministerial function only in reviewing reports and qualifying papers. This means the Supervisor of Elections, as filing officer, will review Campaign Treasurer's Reports to determine whether all items required by law have been properly filed and whether each item is complete on its face. The filing officer may not, however, determine whether the contents of any reports are inclusive of all information. Errors in your reporting, like other campaign violations, are the province of the Florida Elections Commission. Remember that your report will likely be scrutinized by the press and your opponents.

Frequently Asked Questions

The Florida Division of Elections website contains additional *Frequently Asked Questions* on a variety of issues. To view this information click here: [DOE Frequently Asked Questions](#).

Political Disclaimers

It is vital for candidates and their campaign workers to become familiar with the political disclaimer **to ensure the most recent version is being used** on campaign signs, advertisements, fundraising and other campaign related materials. Please verify with your printer **PRIOR** to printing campaign material, that the correct and current version of the political disclaimer is being used pursuant to Florida law. To view this information, please refer to the [Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook](#).

REFERENCES AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Online Candidate Photo and Biographical Information

This free resource is available to all candidates (and committees). The Nassau County Supervisor of Elections Office (SOE) provides the opportunity to display a photo and biographical information (or committee information) on the SOE website. This cost effective service is made available to provide voters with convenient access to your information. To utilize this resource, please refer to the instructions located in the [Nassau County Electronic Filing System Guidelines](#).

Florida Division of Elections Opinions

The Division of Elections provides a historical database of advisory opinions for reference purposes only. To view advisory opinions click here: [DOE Opinions](#).

Florida Voter Registration Voting Guide

The Florida Division of Elections *Florida Voter Registration Voting Guide* incorporates the *Voter Rights and Responsibilities*, Absentee Voting, Uniform Services and Overseas Citizens and many more resources. To view this publication [click here](#).

Political Campaign Sign Regulations

Political campaign signs are governed by local, state, federal and organizational laws. Organizations, such as homeowner associations, may also restrict signs. To view current information on political campaign sign regulations in Nassau County, Florida click here: [Political Campaign Sign Regulations](#).

Poll Watchers

Each party, political committee and candidate is eligible to designate poll watchers to observe procedures in early voting sites and polling places.

Poll watchers' names must be submitted to the Supervisor of Elections for approval on the [Form DS-DE 125 Designation of Poll Watchers](#). For early voting sites, the deadline to submit the form is before noon at least 14 days before early voting begins. For Election Day polling places, the deadline is before noon of the second Tuesday preceding the Election.

Poll watchers may be designated as "at-large," however, the number of poll watchers per candidate, political party and political committee may not exceed one poll watcher in the polling room at any one time. *FS 101.131*

REFERENCES AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

(Continued)

Recount Procedures

A summarization of procedures pertaining to a Recount is available for your review here: [Recount Procedure Summary](#).

Third-Party Voter Registration Organizations

It is imperative for candidates and their campaign workers to become familiar with information as it relates to voter registration applications and third-party voter registration organizations. To view current information click here: [Third-Party Voter Registration Information](#).

Voluntary Guidelines for Accessible Political Campaigns for Persons with Disabilities

The Advocacy Center for Persons with Disabilities suggests the voluntary guidelines to be followed by political candidates and campaigns to make campaigns and the political process accessible to persons with disabilities. To view the voluntary guidelines click here: [Voluntary Guidelines](#).



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