

# Write-in Candidate Declaration of Intent instructions

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## When to file

By 4 p.m. on the second Friday immediately preceding the election, except precinct delegates. Delegates can file by 4 p.m. on the first Friday immediately preceding the election or on Election Day at the precinct.

## Where to file

- File with the Michigan Bureau of Elections for a federal or state district that includes more than one county (including statewide) and all judicial races except probate or municipal.
- File with the county clerk for a federal or state district in only one county, a county or probate judge race, and precinct delegates.
- File with the city or township clerk for all city or township offices.
- Contact your county clerk to determine the appropriate filing official for village, school, or library district offices.

## Campaign finance

You may have additional filing obligations under Michigan's Campaign Finance Act. Ask your filing official.

# Completing the form

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## Section 1: Write-in candidate information

Section one requires you to provide your information. You may provide a mailing address to receive your ballot proof and other information at an alternate address. Please provide a phone number and email address so your filing official may contact you.

## Section 2: Office information

Section two requires detailed information for the office you seek. All office details are required.

- First, provide the name of the office you seek as well as the jurisdiction, and any district/ward defining the office you seek. Precinct delegates should put the precinct number.
- Next, mark your political party affiliation. If running for a partisan office, list your political party in the space provided.
- Third, provide the date of the primary and general election if you intend to run in both elections. If you are filing only for the November general election, only complete the general election date.
- Fourth, select the term of office. If it is a partial term, you must indicate when the partial term is expiring.

## Section 3: Statement

You must mark the box to certify that you are a U.S. citizen and meet the statutory and constitutional requirements for the office sought. Finally, sign and date the affidavit in front of a notary and complete the notarization.

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| <b>SECTION 1</b><br><b>Write-in candidate information</b> | First name                               | Middle name      | Last name |     |
|   | Residential address                      |                  | City      | ZIP |
|   | Mailing address, if different than above |                  | City      | ZIP |
|   | Phone number                             | Year of birth    |           |     |
|   | Email address                            | Campaign website |           |     |

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|---|---|---|--|---------------|--|
| <b>SECTION 2</b><br><b>Office information</b> | Office name   | Jurisdiction  | District/circuit/ward                                      |               |  |
|   | If precinct delegate, provide the precinct number _____ |   |  |               |  |
|   | Select one {  | I am running for a partisan office, and my political party is _____ |  |               |  |
|   |   | I am running for a nonpartisan office without party affiliation     |  |               |  |
|   |   | I am running for a partisan office without party affiliation        |  |               |  |
|   | Election (check one)                                    | Primary election _____<br><small>DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)</small>          | General election _____<br><small>DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)</small> |               |  |
| Term (check one)                              | Regular term  | Partial term expiring _____<br><small>DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)</small>     | Recall   |               |  |
| Judicial candidates only                      |   | Incumbent position  | Non-incumbent position                                     | New judgeship |  |

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| <b>SECTION 3</b><br><b>Statement</b> | By signing this affidavit, I swear the statements made above are true and do hereby declare my intent to seek the above elective office as a write-in candidate. |  |  |      |  |
|                                      | Candidate signature  |  |  | Date |  |
|                                      | Notary signature   |  | Notary name  |      |  |
|                                      | County of commission   |  | Acting in the County of                                  |      |  |
|                                      | My commission expires<br><small>DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)</small>  |  | Date of notarization<br><small>DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)</small> |      |  |

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| <b>Office use only</b> | Date of filing | Received by             |
|                        | Reviewed by    | Campaign finance number |