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Prescribed by the Secretary of State
Secs 141.063, 142.004-009, Texas Election Code
9/2023

Name of Form:

Independent Candidate's Petition for a Place on the Ballot.

Section Reference:

Sections 141.063 and 142.004 – 142.009, Texas Election Code.

Purpose:

To qualify for ballot access.

Number of Copies Required:

As needed.

Completed by:

Qualified voter, person circulating petition, and person administering oath.

Filing Date:

5:00 p.m. of the 30th day after the Primary Runoff Election unless deadline is extended under Section 202.007.

Filed with:

Secretary of State for statewide and district offices, County Judge for county and precinct offices.

Comments:

The petition is addressed to the Secretary of State for state or district offices and to the county judge for county or precinct offices.

The petition may not be circulated until the day after the general primary election or if a primary runoff election is held for the office sought by the applicant, until the day after the primary runoff election. It is recommended that independent candidates begin circulating the petition the day after the runoff election since signatures are void if the signer voted in either the general or primary runoff of a political party that made a nomination for the office sought at either primary election.

Persons who sign the petition must be qualified voters of the district, county, or precinct for the office sought.

Printing Notes:

None.

Version:

Current form is date 9/2023*.

*Previous version of the form dated 12/2015 may still be used.