Name of Form: Petition for a Statewide Judicial Office in a Primary Election


Purpose: To collect the legally required number of signatures for a statewide judicial candidate who seeks a place on the General Primary Ballot. This petition must contain at least 50 signatures from registered voters from each Court of Appeals District. See Section 172.021, Texas Election Code.

Number of Copies Required: One

Completed By: The petition circulator, registered voters within the territory, the person authorized to administer oaths, as described in Chapter 602 of the Government Code, and the State Party Chair. The person accepting the candidate’s application and petition does not complete any part of the petition form, but does conduct a review of the number and validity of the signatures.

Filing Deadline: No later than 6:00 p.m. on the second Monday in December of the odd-numbered year preceding the General Primary Election.

Filed With: An application for a place on the general primary election ballot must be filed with the state party chair for a statewide office. (Section 172.022, Texas Election Code)

A statewide judicial candidate’s application must be accompanied by this petition, containing the signature of at least 50 registered voters in each Court of Appeals District. The judicial candidate must also pay a filing fee or submit a petition in lieu of a filing fee. Please see Section 172.025, Texas Election Code, for the required number of signatures on a submitted Petition in Lieu of a Filing Fee.