
FILING FOR OFFICE

SUPREME COURT JUDICIAL CANDIDATE PACKET

**State of Alaska
Office of the Lieutenant Governor
Division of Elections
2018**



JUDICIAL CANDIDATE FILING REQUIREMENTS

Below is a checklist provided as a convenience to judicial candidates seeking retention.

CHECKLIST FOR FILING FOR RETENTION IN OFFICE

- Complete your Declaration of Candidacy for Retention (A26).** AS 15.35.040, AS 15.35.055, AS 15.35.070, AS 15.35.110
- Sign your Declaration of Candidacy for Retention before a Notary.** A Notary is available at all Division of Elections offices.
- Determine filing fee.** The fees are set in statute and are non-refundable. AS 15.35.041, AS 15.35.057, AS 15.35.071, AS 15.35.120
 - a) \$100 for Supreme Court Justice or Appellate Court Judges
 - b) \$30 for Superior or District Court Judges.
- Complete Financial Disclosure Statement with APOC on or before the AUGUST 1, 2018 filing deadline.**
 - a) Judicial retention candidates must file a Public Official's Financial Disclosure Statement with Alaska Public Offices Commission (contact APOC to ensure a current statement is on file).
 - b) A Public Official's Financial Disclosure Statement on file with a municipal clerk for a municipal office may not satisfy this requirement.
 - c) A "current statement on file" with APOC is a financial disclosure statement that was filed timely with APOC that covers the reporting period of the prior year.
- File completed forms no later than 5:00 p.m. on the filing deadline, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018.** All Division of Elections Offices will be open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. AS 15.35.040, AS 15.35.055, AS 15.35.070, AS 15.35.110

DEADLINE	DESCRIPTION	OFFICE
Wed., 08/01/18	Simultaneous filing of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Declaration of Candidacy for Retention (A26) • Filing Fee • Financial Disclosure Statement with APOC (Contact APOC to ensure current report is on file.) 	Division of Elections
Tues., 08/07/18	Last day to submit materials for the Official Election Pamphlet.	Division of Elections
Tues., 09/04/18	Last day to submit letter of withdrawal from the General Election ballot.	Division of Elections
<i>For APOC reporting deadlines, state candidates may contact the Alaska Public Offices Commission Toll Free at 1-800-478-4176 or online at www.doa.alaska.gov/apoc/.</i>		

**STATE OF ALASKA DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY FOR RETENTION
SUPREME COURT**

Please check: ___ My **\$100 filing fee** accompanies this *Declaration of Candidacy*
Please check: ___ My *Public Official Financial Disclosure Statement* on file with the Alaska Public Offices Commission.
NOTE: Candidates are encouraged to contact APOC to ensure they have a current *Public Officials Financial Disclosure Statement* on file with APOC.

GENERAL INFORMATION (Please print or type)

I, _____, declare that I am a candidate for retention to the office of:
SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

I request that my name be placed on the **November 6, 2018 General Election** ballot.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Mailing address and contact phone number for Candidate to be listed on the Division of Election's website:

_____, _____, _____, _____, _____
(Mailing Address) (City) (State) (Zip) (Phone Number)

I request that my name appear on the General Election ballot in the following manner:

_____, _____, _____, _____
(First Name) (MI) (Last Name) (*Nickname and/or Suffix)

*The Director of Elections may not include on the ballot as part of candidate's name, any honorary or assumed title or prefix but may include in the candidate's name any nickname or familiar form of a proper name of the candidate. [AS 15.15.030(4)]

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that the information in this *Declaration of Candidacy for Retention*, required by AS 15.35.040, 15.35.041, is true and complete, and that I meet the specific requirements of this office. I also acknowledge that should I choose to withdraw my candidacy, my withdrawal must be received by the Director of Elections in writing over my signature at least 64 days before the election.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

_____ day of _____, 20_____.

(Candidate's Signature)

(Signature of Notary Public)

(Primary Phone)

(Alternate Phone)

My commission expires: _____

To assist staff in verifying candidate/voter identification, please provide one of the following:

(SSN, ADL, Voter # or DOB) _____

NOTARY SEAL

Privacy Disclaimer

Unless otherwise made confidential or protected from disclosure by law, information provided on this form may be subject to disclosure under the Alaska Public Records Act (AS 40.25.100—40.25.295). Failure to provide requested personal information may result in the Division's inability to process relevant portions of this form. Requested information will be used only for purposes directly associated with the processing of this form. For information on how to challenge the accuracy or completeness of personal information maintained by the Division, please send the Division a written request that the personal information be changed. The request must comply with AS 40.25.310 and be sent to the Division of Elections at the following address: Division of Elections, Director's Office, PO Box 110017, Juneau, AK 99811-0017.

2018 IMPORTANT DATES

Check the Division of Elections website for a current calendar: www.elections.alaska.gov

- Fri., 06/01/18 **Filing deadline for both party and no-party candidates.** Party candidates must file a "Declaration of Candidacy" and appropriate Financial Disclosure Statement for any office appearing on the Primary Election ballot. No-party candidates must file a "Filing Notification" and Financial Disclosure Statement by this date. Election offices will be open 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. AS 15.25.040, AS 15.25.150
- Mon., 06/11/18 Last day to file a complaint with the Division of Elections regarding the eligibility of a candidate. AS 15.25.042 and 6 AAC 25.260
- Sat., 06/16/18 Candidates who faxed filing materials to the Division of Elections by the June 1st deadline must have their mailed documents received by the Division of Elections by this date. AS 15.25.040(a)(2)
- Mon., 07/02/18 Last day for candidates to withdraw their names from Primary Election ballot. AS 15.25.055
- Mon., 07/23/18 **Candidate deadline for Official Election Pamphlet information material.** Candidates submit materials to the Division of Elections for the state's 2018 General Election voter pamphlet. *(Since the 22nd of July falls on a Sunday, the deadline is moved to the next business day.)* AS 15.58.030
- Wed., 08/01/18 **Filing deadline for judges seeking retention.** Candidates for judicial retention must file a Declaration of Candidacy for Retention and Financial Disclosure Statement. AS 15.35.040, AS 15.35.055, AS 15.35.070, AS 15.35.110, AS 39.50.020
- Tues., 08/07/18 **Judicial retention deadline for Official Election Pamphlet information material.** Judges and the Judicial Council submit materials to the Division of Elections for the state's 2018 General Election voter pamphlet. AS 15.58.030(g), AS 15.58.050
- Tues., 08/21/18 **PRIMARY ELECTION DAY.** AS 15.25.020
- Tues., 08/21/18 **Filing deadline for no-party candidates to submit petition signatures.** No-party candidates must submit petition signatures by this date by 5:00 p.m. Alaska time. AS 15.25.150
- Tues., 09/04/18 Last day for candidates to withdraw their names from the General Election ballot. AS 15.25.200, AS 15.35.135
- Tues., 09/04/18 Deadline for filling vacancies by party petition. AS 15.25.110
- Thur., 11/01/18 **Filing deadline for write-in candidates.** Write-in candidates must submit Letter of Intent by this date prior to 5:00 p.m. Alaska Time. AS 15.25.105(13)(c)
- Tues., 11/06/18 **GENERAL ELECTION DAY.** AS 15.15.020

OFFICIAL ELECTION PAMPHLET INFORMATION

Prior to the General Election, the Division of Elections distributes the Official Election Pamphlet (OEP) to registered voter households. The pamphlet contains information about candidates and issues appearing on the ballot. In addition, the information submitted by candidates for the OEP is posted to the division's website prior to the election in which the candidate will appear on the ballot.

All candidates who wish to appear in the pamphlet must submit the materials listed below by the statutory deadline. **Late submissions will not be accepted**. The division recommends filing your materials as soon as possible. Materials should be submitted electronically. Forms for making the submission are available on the division's website under the candidate section at:

<http://elections.alaska.gov/Core/oeinfocandidates.php>

1. **Candidate Statement:** A biographical statement of 150 words or less and a position statement of 250 words or less. AS 15.58.030(e)
2. **Photograph:** A 5" x 7" photograph (five inches wide by seven inches high) taken within the last five years and limited to the head, neck and shoulders of the candidate. All photographs will be printed in black and white. AS 15.58.030(f)
3. **Filing Fee:** Submit payment in the appropriate amount to the State of Alaska, Division of Elections. (cash, check, credit card accepted) AS 15.58.060(a)
 - a. \$300.00 – President of the United States, Vice President of the United States, United States Senator, United States Representative, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Supreme Court Justice, Court of Appeals Judge
 - b. \$150.00 – Superior Court Judge, District Court Judge
 - c. \$100.00 – State Senator, State Representative

STATUTORY DEADLINES

- State/Federal Candidates: **MONDAY, JULY 23, 2018** AS 15.58.030(b)
(the statutory deadline falls on Sunday, July 22nd, so submission deadline is extended to following Monday)
- Judicial Retention Candidates: **TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2018** AS 15.58.030(g)

NOTE: Translated Materials - If you are a candidate for a federal or statewide office, a candidate for State Senate in Districts C, S, or T, a candidate for State Representative in House Districts 06, 37 – 40, or a judicial retention candidate for Supreme Court, Court of Appeals or judicial districts 2, 3 or 4 and would like your statement translated into appropriate Alaska Native languages, you must submit your material at least 30 days prior to the statutory deadline. We strongly encourage you to submit your pamphlet material following this requirement so that the division can have your information translated to assist limited English proficient Alaska Native voters.

METHODS FOR FILING YOUR JUDICIAL PAPERWORK

Judicial retention candidates may submit a Declaration of Candidacy for Retention to any Division of Elections Office and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 1 before a General Election at which approval or rejection is required. If August 1 falls on a weekend or holiday, the filing deadline will be extended to the next business day.

- In person - A Declaration of Candidacy for Retention and Financial Disclosure Statement may be delivered in person to any Division of Elections Office no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 1st. If August 1st falls on a weekend or holiday, the deadline is extended to the next business day.
- By mail - A Declaration of Candidacy for Retention and Financial Disclosure Statement sent by mail must be received by any Division of Elections Office no later than 5:00 p.m. on the filing deadline. If August 1st falls on a weekend or holiday, the deadline is extended to the next business day.

If you have questions regarding filing for office, call the Director's Office at (907) 465-4611 or (866) 952-8683 (toll free within the U.S.).