FILING FOR OFFICE

PRESIDENTIAL WRITE-IN
CANDIDATE PACKET

State of Alaska
Office of the Lieutenant Governor
Division of Elections
2020
GENERAL INFORMATION

To be recognized as a write-in candidate for the 2020 General Election, write-in candidates must file with the Division of Elections a Letter of Intent form. Write-in votes will not be counted unless the Letter of Intent has been filed. [As 15.25.105]

For the November 3, 2020 General Election, the Write-in Candidate’s Letter of Intent must be filed no later than October 29, 2020. [AS 15.25.105 (c)]

A write-in vote is the writing in of the candidate’s name with the oval filled in next to the name. A blank space is provided for each race on the General Election ballot for this purpose. To be a valid write-in vote, the voter must write in the name as it appears on the Write-in Candidate’s Letter of Intent or write in the last name of the candidate. Either way, the voter must mark the oval next to the candidate’s name for the vote to be counted. [6 AAC 25.070 (c)]

QUALIFICATIONS FOR PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Following are the qualifications for the office of President and Vice President of the United States:

- 35 years of age;
- a natural born citizen;
- and a 14-year resident of the United States.

In a presidential race, the President and Vice President run as a team, and one vote is a vote for the team. Space is provided for the voter to write in the names of choices for both offices.

The Division of Elections uses an Optical Scan and Touch Screen ballot tabulation system. Pre-printed stickers with candidate’s names may not be used on the ballot. [6 AAC 25.070(a)]

The Director of the Division of Election prepares all official ballots to facilitate fairness, simplicity, and clarity in the voting procedure, to reflect most accurately the intent of the voter, and to expedite the administration of elections. With respect to write-in candidates, Alaska law requires a provision to be made for voting write-in candidates with each section of the official ballot of the General Election. [AS 15.15.030(5)]

The candidate must check with the Federal Election Commission for financial reporting requirements.
HOW WRITE-IN VOTES ARE COUNTED

Write-in votes are reported as a group in each race, combining votes for all write-ins.

The votes will be counted for each individual write-in candidate if the candidate has filed a Letter of Intent with the Division of Elections as required, **AND the total of all votes cast for all write-in candidates for the particular office is:**

- the highest number of votes received by any candidate for the office; or
- the total number of write-in votes in a race is the second highest, and the difference between the number of write-in votes and the highest votes received by a candidate is less than .5%

*The Director of the Division of Elections will determine the time and place to count write-in votes if the above requirements have been met. [AS 15.15.365 (c)]*

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Federal Election Commission’s Website: [www.fec.gov](http://www.fec.gov)
STATE OF ALASKA
DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
ELECTION LAW DATES
FOR
PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES

Wednesday, August 5, 2020
A Limited Political Party petition for presidential candidates must be submitted to the Division of Elections by this date. The petition must have at least 3,212 signatures of registered Alaska voters. AS 15.30.025(a)

Wednesday, August 5, 2020
An Independent Candidate petition for presidential candidates must be submitted to the Division of Elections by this date. The petition must have at least 3,212 signatures of registered Alaska voters. AS 15.30.026

Monday, August 31, 2020
Candidates for President and Vice President must have photographs, statements advocating their candidacy and the appropriate fee in the Division of Elections office by this date to be printed in the Official Election Pamphlet. (Since the 30th of August falls on a Sunday, the deadline is moved to the next business day.) AS 15.58.030(a)

Monday, August 31, 2020
Last day for a candidate to withdraw their name from the General Election ballot. AS 15.25.200, 6AAC 25.210(b)

Monday, August 31, 2020
Last day for parties to submit a certificate with the names of their candidates for President and Vice President to appear on the November 3, 2020 General Election ballot.

Tuesday, September 1, 2020
Last day for political parties and qualified independent candidates to submit names of electors to the Division of Elections. AS 15.30.020 & AS 15.30.026(b)

Tuesday, September 1, 2020
Ballot layout certified for printing.

Thursday, October 29, 2020
Last day to file a Letter of Intent as a write-in candidate for the 2020 General Election. AS 15.25.105(c)

Tuesday, November 3, 2020
General Election Day. AS 15.15.020

Monday, December 14, 2020
Electors meet at 11:00 a.m. to cast their votes for President and Vice President. AS 15.30.070
STATE OF ALASKA LETTER OF INTENT
WRITE-IN CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Please check: _____ We acknowledge we are responsible for contacting the Federal Election Commission for federal reporting requirements: 999 E St., N.W., Washington, DC 20463

GENERAL INFORMATION

I, ____________________________, declare myself to be a candidate for office of PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

I, ____________________________, declare myself to be a candidate for office of VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

We are write-in Candidates for the November 3, 2020 General Election ballot. We are registered under and are candidates of the _______ political party OR we are candidates of _______ political group OR ☐ we are not affiliated with a political party or group (check box).

RESIDENCY INFORMATION – CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT

My current residence address is: _________________________________________, __________________, ________  ______

 (Street name #, mile post or other physical description)  (City)  (State)  (Zip)

I have lived at this address since: ___________________ (MM/DD/YYYY)

My mailing address is: _________________________________________________, __________________, ________  ______

 (Mailing Address)  (City)  (State)  (Zip)

RESIDENCY INFORMATION – CANDIDATE FOR VICE PRESIDENT

My current residence address is: _________________________________________, __________________, ________  ______

 (Street name #, mile post or other physical description)  (City)  (State)  (Zip)

I have lived at this address since: ___________________ (MM/DD/YYYY)

My mailing address is: _________________________________________________, __________________, ________  ______

 (Mailing Address)  (City)  (State)  (Zip)

CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact’s Name: ____________________________  Contact’s Phone Number: ____________________________

Mailing Address: _____________________________________________________, __________________, ________  ______

 (City)  (State)  (Zip)

We are requesting voters to write our names as follows:

For President: ____________________________, ____________________________, ____________________________, ____________________________

 (Last Name)  (First Name)  (MI)  (Nickname and/or Suffix)

For Vice President: ____________________________, ____________________________, ____________________________, ____________________________

 (Last Name)  (First Name)  (MI)  (Nickname and/or Suffix)

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, certify that the information in this Letter of Intent, required by AS 15.25.105, is true and complete, and that we meet the specific residency and citizenship requirements of this office. We further certify that we shall meet the age requirements upon taking the oath of office, if elected. We are not candidates for any other office to be voted upon at the General Election in Alaska, nor are we candidates for this office under any other means of declaring candidacy.

________________________________________   ___________  _________________  ________________  ______________________

 (Signature of candidate for President)  (Date)  (Primary Phone)  (Alternate Phone)  (SSN# or DOB)

________________________________________   ___________  _________________  ________________  ______________________

 (Signature of candidate for Vice President)  (Date)  (Primary Phone)  (Alternate Phone)  (SSN# or DOB)

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