

NO-PARTY CANDIDATE EXCERPTS FROM ELECTION LAW - TITLE 15

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Sec. 15.25.140. Provision for no-party candidate nominations. Candidates not representing a political party are nominated by petition.

Sec. 15.25.150. Date of filing petition. A candidate seeking nomination by petition shall submit the information required under AS 15.25.180 (a)(1) - (8) and (11) - (17) to the director in the time and manner specified in AS 15.25.040. The full petition with voter signatures shall be filed with the director by actual physical delivery in person at or before 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, on the day of the primary election in the year in which a general election is held for the office, or by actual physical delivery to the director by registered or certified mail return receipt requested which is postmarked at or before 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, on the day of the primary election in the year in which a general election is held for the office, and received not more than 15 days after that time. If the postmark is illegible, a dated receipt from the post office where dispatched shall be acceptable as evidence of mailing.

Sec. 15.25.160. Required number of signatures for statewide office. Petitions for the nomination of candidates for the office of governor, lieutenant governor, United States senator, and United States representative shall be signed by qualified voters of the state equal in number to at least one percent of the number of voters who cast ballots in the preceding general election.

Sec. 15.25.170. Required number of signatures for district-wide office. Petitions for the nomination of candidates for the office of state senator or state representative shall be signed by qualified voters of the house or senate district in which the proposed nominee desires to be a candidate equal in number to at least one percent of the number of voters who cast ballots in the proposed nominee's respective house or senate district in the preceding general election. A nominating petition may not contain less than 50 signatures for any district.

Sec. 15.25.180. Requirements for petition. (a) The petition must state in substance

- (1) the full name of the candidate;
- (2) the full residence address of the candidate and the date on which residency at that address began;
- (3) the full mailing address of the candidate;
- (4) the name of the political group, if any, supporting the candidate;
- (5) if the candidacy is for the office of state senator or state representative, the house or senate district of which the candidate is a resident;
- (6) the office for which the candidate is nominated;

(7) the date of the election at which the candidate seeks election;

(8) the length of residency in the state and in the district of the candidate;

(9) that the subscribers are qualified voters of the state or house or senate district in which the candidate resides;

(10) that the subscribers request that the candidate's name be placed on the general election ballot;

(11) that the proposed candidate accepts the nomination and will serve if elected, with the statement signed by the proposed candidate;

(12) the name of the candidate as the candidate wishes it to appear on the ballot;

(13) that the candidate is not a candidate for any other office to be voted on at the primary or general election and that the candidate is not a candidate for this office under any other nominating petition or declaration of candidacy;

(14) that the candidate meets the specific citizenship requirements of the office for which the person is a candidate;

(15) that the candidate will meet the specific age requirements of the office for which the person is a candidate; if the candidacy is for the office of state representative, that the candidate will be at least 21 years of age on the first scheduled day of the first regular session of the legislature convened after the election; if the candidacy is for the office of state senator, that the candidate will be at least 25 years of age on the first scheduled day of the first regular session of the legislature convened after the election; and if the candidacy is for the office of governor or lieutenant governor, that the candidate will be at least 30 years of age on the first Monday in December following election or, if the office is to be filled by special election under AS 15.40.230 - 15.40.310, that the candidate will be at least 30 years of age on the date of certification of the results of the special election; or, for any other office, by the time that the candidate, if elected, is sworn into office;

(16) that the candidate is a qualified voter; and

(17) if the candidacy is for the office of the governor, the name of the candidate for lieutenant governor running jointly with the candidate for governor.

(b) A person filing a nominating petition under this section, other than a person subject to AS 24.60 who is filing a petition for a state legislative office, shall simultaneously file with the director a statement of income sources and business interests that complies with the requirements of AS 39.50. A person who is subject to AS 24.60 and is filing a nominating petition for state legislative office shall simultaneously file with the director a disclosure statement that complies with the requirements of AS 24.60.200.

(c) An incumbent public official, other than a legislator, who has a current statement of income sources and business interests under AS 39.50 on file with the Alaska Public Offices Commission, or an incumbent legislator who has a current disclosure statement under AS 24.60.200 on file with the Alaska Public Offices Commission, is not required to file a statement of income sources and business interests or a disclosure statement with the nominating petition under (b) of this section.

Sec. 15.25.185. Eligibility of candidate. The provisions of AS 15.25.042 and 15.25.043 apply to determinations of a candidate's eligibility when a candidate seeks nomination by petition under AS 15.25.140 - 15.25.200.

Sec. 15.25.190. Placement of names on general election ballot. The director shall place the names and the political group affiliation of persons who have been properly nominated by petition on the general election ballot.

Sec. 15.25.200. Withdrawal of candidate's name. If a candidate nominated by petition dies or withdraws after the petition has been filed and 64 days or more before the general election, the director may not place the name of the candidate on the general election ballot.