

# NOMINATION PAPER FOR PARTISAN OFFICE

Candidate's name; no titles may be used.			Street, fire, or rural route number; box number (if rural route); and name of street or road			Name of municipality for <u>voting</u> purposes <input type="checkbox"/> Town <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> City		
Name of municipality for <u>mailing</u> purposes	State	zip code	Type of election <input type="checkbox"/> general <input type="checkbox"/> special	Election date	Name of Party or Statement of Principle (5 words or less)			
Title of office			District or Jurisdiction <input type="checkbox"/> District number _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Jurisdiction (county) _____		Name of jurisdiction or district in which candidate seeks office			

I, the undersigned, request that the candidate, whose name and address are listed above, be placed on the ballot at the election described above as a candidate representing the party or statement of principle indicated above, so that voters will have the opportunity to vote for ☐ him or ☐ her for the office listed above. I am eligible to vote in the jurisdiction or district in which the candidate named above seeks office. I have not signed the nomination paper of any other candidate for the same office at this election.

<b>THE MUNICIPALITY USED FOR MAILING PURPOSES, WHEN DIFFERENT THAN MUNICIPALITY OF RESIDENCE, IS NOT SUFFICIENT.</b> <b>THE NAME OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF RESIDENCE MUST ALWAYS BE LISTED.</b>			
SIGNATURES OF ELECTORS	STREET & NUMBER OR RURAL ROUTE <small>Rural address must also include box or fire no.</small>	MUNICIPALITY OF RESIDENCE <small>Indicate Town, Village, or City</small>	DATE OF SIGNING
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## CERTIFICATION OF CIRCULATOR

I, \_\_\_\_\_, certify:  
(Name of circulator)

I reside at \_\_\_\_\_  
(Circulator's residence - Include number, street, and municipality.)

I personally circulated this nomination paper and personally obtained each of the signatures on this paper. I know that the signers are electors of the jurisdiction or district the candidate seeks to represent. I know that each person signed the paper with full knowledge of its content on the date indicated opposite his or her name. I know their respective residences given. I intend to support this candidate. I am aware that falsifying this certification is punishable under §12.13(3)(a), Wis. Stats.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature of circulator)

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This form is prescribed by:  
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# INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING NOMINATION PAPERS FOR PARTISAN OFFICE

This is a sample nomination paper form. It conforms to the statutory requirements for nomination papers for partisan office. All information concerning the candidate must be completed in full before circulating this form to obtain signatures of electors. All information concerning the signing electors and the circulator must be completed in full before filing with the appropriate filing officer. This form may be reproduced in any way. A candidate's picture and biographical data may also be added to this form. The Government Accountability Board has determined that no disclaimer or other attribution statement is required on nomination papers.

**Page Numbers** – Number each page consecutively, beginning with “1”, before submitting to the filing officer. A space for page numbers has been provided in the lower right-hand corner of the form.

**Candidate's Name** - Insert the candidate's name. A candidate may use his or her full legal name, or any combination of first name, middle name, and initials or nickname with last name. The Government Accountability Board has determined that, absent any evidence of an attempt to manipulate the electoral process, candidates are permitted to choose any form of their name, including nicknames, by which they want to appear on the ballot.

No titles are permitted. In addition, names such as “Red” or “Skip” are permitted, but names which have an apparent electoral purpose or benefit, such as “Lower taxes,” “None of the above” or “Lower Spending” are not permitted. It is also not permissible to add nicknames in quotes or parentheses between first and last names. For example, John “Jack” Jones or John (Jack) Jones are not acceptable, but John Jones, Jack Jones or John Jack Jones are acceptable.

**Candidate's Residence** - If a candidate's municipality of residence is different from the municipality used for mailing purposes, both must be given. Indicate if the municipality of residence is a town, village, or city.

**Date of Election** - Insert the date of the election. If the nomination paper is being circulated for a general election, the date is the Tuesday after the first Monday in November of an even-numbered year. If the election is a special partisan election, the date of the special election must be listed.

**Party or Statement of Principle** – Insert the name of the party the candidate represents. Independent candidates may provide a Statement of Principle, not to exceed 5 words.

**Title of Office** - The name of the office must be listed **along with the jurisdiction or district number** that clearly identifies the office the candidate is seeking, for example, Representative to the Assembly – 1<sup>st</sup> district or Dane County District Attorney.

**Name of Jurisdiction** - The nomination papers must also indicate the municipality or jurisdiction in which the signing electors are qualified to vote, as it relates to the office sought by the candidate named on the nomination paper. For example, for a statewide office the jurisdiction is the State of Wisconsin. Other examples are 1<sup>st</sup> Congressional District, 24<sup>th</sup> Assembly District or Brown County.

**Signatures of Electors** - Only qualified electors of the jurisdiction or the district the candidate seeks to represent may sign the nomination papers. Each elector's municipality of residence must be listed on the nomination paper along with the mailing address, including any street, fire or rural route number, box number (if rural route) and street or road name. The Street & Number or Rural Route section for each elector's address is split into two lines. The first line is for the street address. The second line is for the municipality for mailing purposes. The Municipality of Residence listed for each signing elector must clearly identify the town, village or city where the elector's voting residence is located. A post office box number alone does not show where the elector actually resides. The date the elector signed the nomination paper, including month, day and year, must be indicated. Ditto marks that follow correct and complete address or date information are acceptable. The circulator may add any missing or illegible address or date information before the papers are filed with the filing officer.

**Signature of Circulator** - The circulator should carefully read the language of the *Certification of Circulator*. THE CIRCULATOR MUST PERSONALLY PRESENT THE NOMINATION PAPER TO EACH SIGNER. **THE NOMINATION PAPER MAY NOT BE LEFT UNATTENDED ON COUNTERS OR POSTED ON BULLETIN BOARDS.** The circulator's complete address (**including municipality of residence**) must be listed in the certification. After obtaining signatures of electors, the circulator must sign and date the certification.

**Other Instructions** - Candidates and circulators should review GAB 2.05, 2.07, Wis. Adm. Code.

- Nomination papers must be in the physical custody of the appropriate filing officer by the filing deadline. A postmark on the filing deadline is **NOT** sufficient. Nomination papers **CANNOT** be faxed to the filing officer.
- Nomination papers with the required number of signatures must be filed with the appropriate filing officer **no later than 5:00 p.m.** on the second Tuesday in July (or the next day if the second Tuesday is a holiday) before the general election. Special elections may have different filing deadlines. Check with the filing officer.
- In order for a candidate's name to be placed on the ballot, a candidate must file a *Campaign Registration Statement* (EB-1), a *Declaration of Candidacy* (EB-162), and *Nomination Papers* (EB-168) containing the appropriate number of signatures for the office sought no later than the filing deadline. §8.15(6), Wis. Stats. Candidates for state office and municipal judge must also file a statement of economic interests with the Government Accountability Board by the third business day after the nomination paper filing deadline. §19.43, Wis. Stats. If any one of these required forms is not filed by the deadline, the candidate's name will not be placed on the ballot. §8.30, Wis. Stats.
- If a candidate or circulator has any questions, he or she should contact the filing officer.