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QUALIFYING BEGINS WEDNESDAY FOR NOVEMBER ELECTIONS

BATON ROUGE, La. - Louisiana Secretary of State Tom Schedler reminds everyone that qualifying begins for the November Congressional Primary on Wednesday, August 20th and runs through Friday, August 22nd.

All candidates for local municipal races will qualify with their parish Clerk of Court. All candidates for U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals and Public Service Commission will qualify at the Louisiana Secretary of State's Office located at 8585 Archives Ave. in Baton Rouge. Hours of operation for the Secretary of State are 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. daily. Check with your local Clerk of Court specific parishes.

The media is invited to attend qualifying at the Secretary of State's Office and will have the opportunity to interview/photograph candidates as they file their paperwork.

Once qualified, candidates will appear on the Secretary of State's website in real-time under "Elections & Voting", "Get Election Information", "Search for Candidates," or by clicking on the link below:

http://www.sos.la.gov/ElectionsAndVoting/GetElectionInformation/SearchForCandidates/Pages/ default.aspx

The Fall Congressional Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 and the Fall Congressional General Election will be held on Saturday, December 6th. For more information on qualifying, visit the Secretary of State's website at <u>www.sos.la.gov</u>.