

# QUALIFYING INFORMATION FOR PRESIDENT: CANDIDATES NOT AFFILIATED WITH A RECOGNIZED POLITICAL PARTY (ELECTORS)

## STATE OF LOUISIANA

### Presidential Election

November 3, 2020

Candidates for presidential elector who are not affiliated with a recognized political party shall file the following materials with the Louisiana Secretary of State's office from **8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 21, 2020** (La R.S. 18:1254(A)) through **4:30 p.m. on Friday, August 21, 2020** (La R.S. 18:1254(A)):

1. **Eight (8) Notices of Candidacy** - used by candidates for the office of presidential elector who are not affiliated with a recognized political party. The notice of candidacy form is provided by the secretary of state and is included in this Presidential Candidate Packet (La R.S. 18:1254(D));  
*NOTE: A filing must consist of a full slate of eight candidates for presidential elector, one registered voter from each of the state's six congressional districts and two from the state at-large.*
2. **Eight (8) Affidavits of Acceptance of Nomination** - a notarized affidavit by each candidate for presidential elector signifying acceptance of the nomination. The affidavit of acceptance of nomination form is provided by the secretary of state and is included in this Presidential Candidate Packet (La R.S. 18:1254(A)); and
3. **A \$500 qualifying fee OR a Nominating Petition** for the slate of candidates (La R.S. 18:1254).
  - A. Acceptable forms of payment for the qualifying fee are (La R.S. 18:464(A)):
    1. Cash;
    2. Certified or cashier's check on a state or national bank or credit union;
    3. U.S. Postal money order; or
    4. A money order issued by a state or national bank or credit union.

*NOTE: Please make checks and money orders payable to: Louisiana Department of State.*

- B. Nominating petitions shall contain at least 5,000 signatures of registered voters, 500 of which must be obtained from each of the six congressional districts (La R.S. 18:1254(C), La R.S. 18:465(C)(1)). Nominating petitions are available upon request.
  1. First day to begin obtaining signatures on nominating petition is **March 23, 2020** (no more than 120 days before the qualifying period opens) (La R.S. 18:465(B)).
  2. Last day to submit Nominating Petition for certification by the registrar of voters in each parish is **July 22, 2020** (30 days before the qualifying period ends) (La R.S. 18:465(E)(1)(a)).

**Presidential elector qualifying documents may be filed by mail, by courier, or in person at:**

Secretary of State, Elections - Business Division

**Attention: Heather Meyers**

8585 Archives Ave., Baton Rouge, LA 70809

**FAXED DOCUMENTS ARE NOT ACCEPTED**

Candidates not affiliated with a political party do **NOT** include political parties recognized in Louisiana (Democratic, Republican, Green, Independent, and Libertarian Parties). Nominations for presidential electors for recognized political parties are certified by the state central committees or national chairman of the parties (La R.S. 18:1253).

# STATE OF LOUISIANA -- NOTICE OF CANDIDACY

(For use by candidates for the office of Presidential Elector who are not affiliated with a political party)

NOTE: This Notice of Candidacy must be executed before a notary public OR witnessed by two persons who are registered to vote on the Office of Presidential Elector. If the candidate is serving outside the state with the armed forces of the United States, the Notice of Candidacy may be witnessed by a commissioned officer in the armed forces. This Notice of Candidacy, and the other Notices of Candidacy executed by each candidate of a full slate of eight candidates for the Offices of Presidential Electors, must be filed in the office of the Secretary of State during the period beginning the third Tuesday in July and ending at 4:30 p.m. the first Friday following the third Tuesday in August.

STATE OF LOUISIANA, PARISH OF \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of candidate)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(place of residence: number, street, city, state, zip)

hereby certify that:

1. I will be a candidate in the election to be held on \_\_\_\_\_  
for election to the Office of Elector for President and Vice President of the United States from the

\_\_\_\_\_  
(indicate state-at-large or specify the congressional district)

2. I support the following candidates for President and Vice President of the United States:

For President of the United States: \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of candidate)

of: \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of state)

For Vice President of the United States: \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of candidate)

of: \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of state)

3. The political principle which I and the other seven candidates for Presidential Elector represent, in not more than three words, is as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Check the appropriate blank: I am a member of the  
\_\_\_\_ Democratic Party \_\_\_\_ Republican Party \_\_\_\_ Green Party \_\_\_\_ Independent Party \_\_\_\_ Libertarian Party  
\_\_\_\_ I am not affiliated with a recognized political party.

5. I hereby designate that my name be printed on the ballot as follows: (Titles will not be printed on the ballot)

6. I filed this Notice of Candidacy as one of a group of eight Notices of Candidacy for Presidential Elector, to which we attach \_\_\_\_ cash; \_\_\_\_ cashier's or certified check drawn on a state or national bank or credit union; U.S. Postal money order; \_\_\_\_ money order issued by a state or national bank or credit union, in the sum of \$500.00; **OR**  
\_\_\_\_ nominating petition.

7. I have read this Notice of Candidacy and all the statements contained in it are true and correct.

8. I attach hereto my notarized affidavit signifying my acceptance of the nomination.

WITNESSES:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature of candidate)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(notary public)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(print name and number)

Received in the office of Secretary of State on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
(signature of receiving officer)

# AFFIDAVIT OF ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATION

(For use by Candidates for the Office of Presidential Elector not affiliated with a recognized political party)



STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF \_\_\_\_\_

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared:

\_\_\_\_\_ (name of candidate)

who being by me duly sworn did depose and say that in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1254(A), accepts the nomination as a candidate for Presidential Elector from the

\_\_\_\_\_ of Louisiana supporting  
(indicate state-at-large or specify the congressional district)

\_\_\_\_\_ as President of the United States of America and  
(name of presidential candidate)

\_\_\_\_\_ as Vice President of the United States of America.  
(name of vice-presidential candidate)

\_\_\_\_\_ (candidate signature)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (notary public)

\_\_\_\_\_ (notary/bar #)