



Write-In Candidate Declaration of Intent and Oath of Candidacy

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DECLARATION AND OATH OF CANDIDACY TO BE FILED WITH SECRETARY OF STATE OR ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR AS APPLICABLE

Filing for _____
office of _____ ☐ Party Primary: _____ or ☐ Nonpartisan or ☐ General
Full name of office including district and/or dept. #s if applicable Name of Party

Candidate Name: _____

Mailing Address _____ City and State _____ Zip Code _____

Residence Address _____ City and State _____ Zip Code _____

County of Residence _____ Contact Phone _____ Email Address _____ Website Address _____

IF THIS DECLARATION IS FOR THE OFFICE OF GOVERNOR, YOU MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Lieutenant Governor Name (printed exactly as it should appear on the ballot): _____
Mailing Address: _____ Residence Address: _____
Phone: _____ Email Address: _____ Website Address: _____

IF THIS DECLARATION IS FOR THE STATE LEGISLATURE, YOU MUST SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- ☐ (a) **I hereby affirm** that I am either a resident of the county in which I am a candidate, if it contains one or more legislative districts, or of the legislative district if it contains all or parts of more than one county, **OR**
☐ (b) **I hereby affirm** that I will meet the residency qualification(s) in (a) above for 6 months preceding the general election and will notify the office of the Secretary of State in writing when I qualify or if I do not qualify.

FILING FEE – FEE MUST BE PAID BEFORE FILING IS VALID:

☐ Candidate Filing Fee, if applicable, in the amount of \$ _____ is hereby submitted with this Declaration and Oath of Candidacy.

OATH OF CANDIDACY – CANDIDATE MUST SIGN IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR AN OFFICER OF THE OFFICE WHERE THIS FORM IS FILED:

I hereby affirm that I possess, or will possess within constitutional and statutory deadlines, the qualifications prescribed by the Constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Montana.

Signature of Candidate

Date

NOTARY PUBLIC OR AUTHORIZED OFFICER

State of Montana

County of _____

Signed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20____ by _____

Printed Name of Candidate

Where to file for Federal, Statewide, State District and Legislative offices:

Montana Secretary of State
State Capitol, 2nd Floor, Room 260
PO Box 202801
Helena, MT 59620-2801
Online: sosmt.gov
By Fax: 406-444-2023

Where to file for County, City and most Local District offices:

County Election Office
A list of county election offices may
be found at: sosmt.gov/elections

Signature of Notary or Public Official

Printed Name of Notary Public

Notary Public for the State of _____

Residing at: _____

My commission expires: _____, 20____

[SEAL/STAMP]



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Candidate Name

IF THIS DECLARATION AND OATH IS FOR THE OFFICE OF GOVERNOR, YOU MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Petition for Nomination of Lieutenant Governor:

Lieutenant Governor Candidate Name

FILING FEE AND CANDIDATE CERTIFICATIONS

Candidate filing fee, if applicable, in the amount of \$ is hereby submitted with this Declaration. I have checked both boxes below:

☐ I certify that pursuant to 13-10-211 (6), MCA, I understand that a declaration of intent for a write-in candidate is not valid until any filing fee required under 13-10-202, MCA is received by the Secretary of State or election administrator, as applicable. I further certify that this declaration serves as my declaration of acceptance of the nomination or election pursuant to 13-10-204 and 13-15-111; **AND**

☐ I understand that pursuant to 13-10-211(1), MCA, a write-in candidate must file any initials, nicknames, derivatives, or diminutives of the candidate's name that the candidate wishes to have counted if written in by a voter instead of how the write-in candidate's name is listed above.

WRITE-IN CANDIDATE DESIGNATIONS

Pursuant to 13-10-302 and 13-15-206, MCA, a write-in vote may only be counted if the oval or other designated voting area on the ballot is marked and the write-in vote identifies a declared write-in candidate by any of the designations filed in the write-in candidate's declaration of intent which must contain:

- i) first and last name;
- ii) initials, if any, used instead of a first name, or first and middle name, and last name;
- iii) nickname, if any, used instead of a first name, and the last name; and
- iv) a derivative or diminutive name, if any, used instead of a first name, and last name:

Therefore, as part of my declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate, I am listing the following variations of my name pursuant to 13-10-211(1), MCA, **including my last name and at least an initial**, which is required by law for each variation:

If additional, list below: