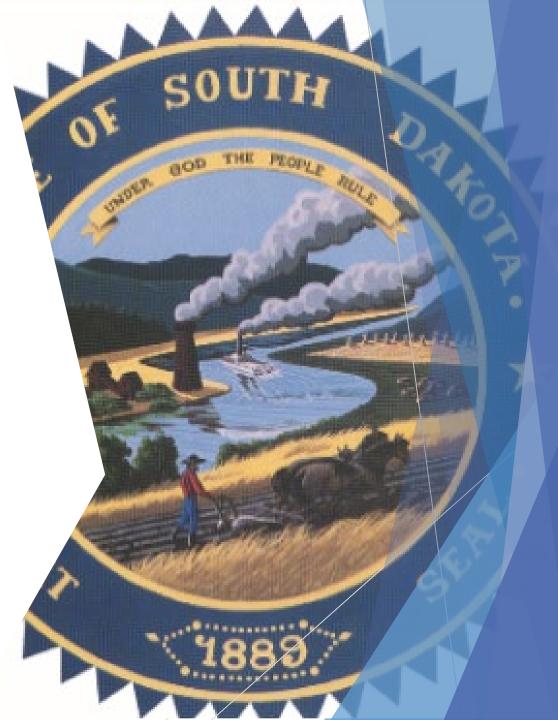
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Candidate Eligibility Requirements

#### CANDIDATE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

### **MUNICIPALITIES-**

#### CANDIDATE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- No person may hold any elected municipal office who is not a qualified voter of the municipality and who has not resided therein at least three months next preceding his election or appointment (<u>SDCL 9-14-2</u>).
- May not be a defaulter to the municipality (<u>SDCL 9-14-2</u>).
  - ▶ Talk to the SDML and/or your city attorney if this question comes up.
- Must reside in the Ward they are seeking election to.
- Must file a nominating petition or a vacancy is created (<u>SDCL 9-13-14.3</u>).
- Upon verification signed by the municipal finance officer or clerk that the nominating petition contains the minimum number of signatures of registered voters within either the municipality or ward, or both, and that the candidate is a registered voter within either the municipality or ward, or both, the filing of the petition constitutes nomination. (SDCL 9-13-7)

# CANDIDATE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

### SCHOOLS-

#### CANDIDATE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- Cannot be a teacher in the district they are seeking election to (<u>SDCL 13-43-1</u>).
- If representation areas exist, a school board member candidate must reside within the school board member representation area (<u>SDCL 13-8-7.1</u>).
- Must be a <u>resident voter</u> of the school district they are seeking nomination to (<u>SDCL 13-7-6</u>).
- Candidates should review <u>SDCL 13-7-3</u> and determine if any other duties or offices they hold would be incompatible with a school board membership.



### Petitions

Petition forms are found in <u>ARSD 5:02:08</u>.

- Nominating petition for a **school board** member (<u>ARSD</u> 5:02:08:11). This was updated in October 2020.
- Nominating petition for a municipal election (ARSD 5:02:08:13).
- The person in charge of the election must be available until 5:00pm local time on the petition filing deadline day to accept petitions (this could fall on a Friday). <u>SDCL 9-13-7</u> and <u>13-7-6</u>.
  - Work with your attorney if you are not going to be available on a deadline day.
- CANDIDATES should plan ahead on who will notarize their declaration of candidacy. <u>Snowbirds</u> have limited options as to who is authorized under state law to notarize their petition if they are in another state. <u>SDCL 18-3-1</u> and <u>13-8-15</u> outline who is authorized.
- CANDIDATES cannot fill out and sign the Declaration of Candidacy prior to the first day of circulation.



#### NOMINATING PETITION FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTION

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATE: The heading of this petition and the declaration of candidacy must be						
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#### VERIFICATION BY PERSON CIRCULATING PETITION

INSTRUCTIONS TO CIRCULATOR: This section must be completed following circulation and before filing.

Print name of the circulator

Residence Address

City State

I, under oath, state that I circulated the above nominating petition, that each signer personally signed this petition in my presence, that either the signer or I added the printed name, the residence address of the signer, the date of signing, and the county of voter registration, that I attest the legality of the signatures and that each person signing this petition is a qualified voter of the municipality of \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_,

Signature of Circulator

Signature of Officer Administering Oath

My Commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_ Form Revised 2015 - 5:02:08:13

Title of Officer Administering Oath

#### NOMINATING PETITION FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_\_SCHOOL DISTRICT # \_\_\_\_\_

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATE: The heading of this petition and the declaration of candidacy must be fully completed before the petition is circulated for signatures.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED qualified v	ers of school district number,
state of South Dakota, nominate	whose mailing address is
	, South Dakota,, and whose residence address is
	South Dakota, for ayear term (in
	representation area, if applicable) on the school board at the
school board election to be held on the	day of, 20

#### DECLARATION OF CANDIDATE

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (print name here exactly as you want it on the election ballot), under oath, declare that I reside in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ school district number \_\_\_\_\_, South Dakota; that I am a registered voter of the district; and that I am eligible to seek the office for which I am a candidate. If nominated and elected, I will qualify and serve in that office.

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My Commission Expires			
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#### INSTRUCTIONS TO SIGNERS:

1. Signers of this petition must individually sign their names in the form in which they are registered to vote or as they usually sign their names.

2. Before the petition is filed, each signer or the circulator must add the residence address of the signer and the date of signing. If the signer is a resident of a <u>second or third class</u> municipality, a post office box may be used for the residence address.

3. Before the petition is filed, each signer or the circulator must print the name of the signer in the space provided and add the county of voter registration.

4. Abbreviations of common usage may be used. Ditto marks may not be used.

5. Failure to provide all information requested may invalidate the signature.

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Residence Address

State

City

I, under oath, state that I circulated the above petition, that each signer personally signed this petition in my presence, and that either the signer or I added the printed name, the residence address of the signer, the date of signing, and the county of voter registration.

	Signature of Circulator
Sworn to before me this day of, 20	-
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My Commission Expires	
Form Revised 2020 - 5:02:08:11	Title of Officer Administering Oath

### Signature Requirements

- Inactive <u>and</u> Active voters may sign petitions (<u>SDCL 12-4-34</u>).
- When calculating signature requirements, use active voters only.

# Signature Requirements

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> class municipalities (SDCL 9-13-9):

- <u>At-large candidates</u>: need signatures from 5% of the registered voters of the municipality based on the number of registered voters recorded by the county auditor on the second Tuesday in January of the year of the election.
- Ward candidates: need signatures from 5% of the registered voters of a ward based on the number of registered voters in the ward recorded by the county auditor on the second Tuesday in January of the year of the election.
- Contact your county Auditor for the number of registered voters.
- No candidate would need more than 50 valid signatures.
- Voter may only sign as many petitions as there are positions.

# **PETITIONS** - Signature Requirements *cont'd*

- ► 3<sup>rd</sup> class municipalities (<u>SDCL 9-13-9</u>):
  - At-large and Ward: shall be signed by not less than three registered voters of the municipality
  - Voters may sign more than one petition.
- School board candidate petitions (<u>SDCL 13-7-6</u>):
  - 20 registered voters.

### **Filing Procedure**

- Date stamp and time stamp received petitions.
- Verify signatures pursuant to <u>ARSD 5:02:08:00</u> and <u>5:02:08:00.01</u>.
- Schools <u>AND</u> Cities need to check voter registration status of signers for <u>nominating</u> petitions.

9-13-7 was amended and went into effect July 1, 2020

- Check to make sure the Candidate is registered in the right jurisdiction, representation area and/or ward they are running in.
- File or reject petitions.
  - Date and time stamp each filed petition.

# **PETITIONS** Filing Procedure

- We recommend <u>contacting the candidate immediately</u> if the petitions are *rejected*, especially if there is still time for him/her to collect additional signatures.
  - Our office does not give back the rejected petitions to the candidate, but we would provide copies if requested.
- We suggest contacting the candidate via phone and/or mail once you file the petition.
- Anyone may <u>challenge</u> a filed or rejected petition. It does not have to be the candidate.
  - 5 business days to challenge a filed petition with your office.
  - A rejected petition must be challenged to court.
  - More detail regarding challenging coming up.
- Petitions do not become a public record until your validation process is <u>complete</u> (SDCL 12-1-39).



### Guidelines for Acceptance

- Look at <u>ARSD 5:02:08:00</u> for a complete listing of the guidelines.
- Make sure the petition is in the form required by the ARSD.
- The petition must contain the minimum number of valid signatures, counted according to <u>5:02:08:00.01</u>. One or more invalid signatures on a petition section do not throw out the entire petition sheet.

# **PETITIONS** Guidelines for **Acceptance**

- Each section of the petition must contain an identical heading and be verified by the circulator.
- The circulator may add the printed name, address, county of registration and date for a signer <u>before</u> the circulator completes the verification.
- Residence addresses may be abbreviated. The state is not required.
- The circulator verification must be completed and signed before an officer authorized to administer oaths in South Dakota.

### Guidelines for Acceptance

Guideline

- The declaration of candidacy must contain the original signature of the candidate. Additional sheets may have an original or photocopied signature of the candidate.
- The governing board or person authorized by statute to accept the petition shall, if requested, allow the petition circulator the opportunity to add missing information on the signature lines or circulator's verification on his or her petition provided the filing deadline has not passed.

### Guidelines for Acceptance

- Once the nominating petition has been received by the person in charge of the election, names may not be removed from the petition.
- The person who is authorized to accept nominating petitions for filing needs to check the voter registration of the signers.
- Petitions containing signatures in excess of the minimum number may be filed, but the excess signatures will be disregarded unless there is a challenge to the petition (ARSD 05:02:08:00).



# **PETITIONS** City and School Lookup Site

- This URL is not to be shared with anyone, not used for personal reasons and should only be used for petition signature checking. <u>Candidates and elected officials do not have the</u> <u>authority to access this information.</u>
  - The Secretary of State's office takes the security of voter registration data very seriously and should unauthorized individuals access the list they will be prosecuted.

### URL: <u>cityandschoollookup.sdsos.gov</u>

- You can use this site to check their registration when they come in to take out petitions as well.
- If you do not remember your username and password, contact us and we will get that to you.
- If there are additional staff you want usernames and passwords for, we will be able to provide those to you.
- If you have staff that is no longer with your office, let us know as we want to remove their access.
- Let's take a look at the look up site.

### GUIDELINES FOR COUNTING SIGNATURES

- Look at <u>ARSD 5:02:08:00.01</u> for a complete list.
- No signature on a petition SHEET may be counted if one of the following conditions is present:
  - The form of the petition is not identical to the form in administrative rule.
  - The circulator's verification is not completed or is improperly completed. If the missing information is completed elsewhere on the petition sheet that would be acceptable. It is considered complete if it includes the printed name of the circulator, the circulator's residence address including city and state.

The Title of the Officer Administering the Oath is not required but it is helpful to have that filled out.





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GUIDELINES FOR COUNTING SIGNATURES

- No signature on a petition sheet may be counted if...
  - The declaration of candidacy has not been completed on or after the first date authorized by statute to circulate the petition and signed by the candidate and the signature witnessed by an official empowered to administer oaths in South Dakota.
  - The circulator's verification was signed by more than one circulator.

### GUIDELINES FOR COUNTING SIGNATURES

- An individual signature on a petition sheet may not be counted if one of the following conditions is present:
  - The signer's date of signing is prior to when the candidate signed the declaration of candidacy.
  - The signer's date of signing is after the circulator completed the circulator verification.
  - The signer's date of signing, including month and day, is not provided.

YES

- The signer's name is not printed <u>and</u> legible.
- The signer didn't sign their name.
- The signer's county of voter registration is not provided.

### GUIDELINES FOR COUNTING SIGNATURES

- An individual signature on a petition sheet may not be counted if one of the following conditions is present:
  - The residence address does not include a street and house number or a rural route and box number and the town.
  - If the signer is a resident of a second- or third-class municipality, a post office box number may be used.
  - If the signer does not have a residence address or post office box number, a description of the residence location must be provided.
  - If the signer is a resident of a building with a publicly known name, the building name may be used.

	CANDIDATE NOMINATING PETITION REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST
	Petition sheet must be a single, self-contained sheet of paper printed front and back side (not glued, stapled, or taped etc.).
	Must be in the exact format as prescribed in Administrative Rule (5:02:08) - the candidate nominating petition can have 20 signatures lines on letter size sheet of paper or 30 signature lines on legal size sheet of paper (these are suggestions and how we have created petitions to be downloaded).
	Header matches prescribed format.
_	Instructions to Voters must be included.
Form	Signature lines are numbered in order.
	A candidate can complete the declaration of candidacy and have his/her signature notarized and then prior to collecting any signatures he/she can make photocopies of that petition sheet to circulate. <b>NOTE</b> : You must receive a petition with an original signature on the declaration in order to count any signatures on the photocopied petition sheets. You <b>CANNOT</b> count any petition sheets that have photocopied voter signatures lines on them.
	Verification of Circulator section must be included.
	If the petition is not in the format prescribed by administrative rule, that petition sheet is thrown out.
	Circulator must print their name otherwise petition sheet is thrown out.
	Circulator must sign their name otherwise petition sheet is thrown out.
	Circulator must be a South Dakota resident and list an in-state, residential address (NO PO BOX OR OUT OF STATE ADDRESS IS ALLOWED) otherwise petition sheet is thrown out.
	Circulator CANNOT be the notary for the circulator's verification otherwise petition sheet is thrown out.
5	Only one circulator may sign otherwise petition sheet is thrown out.
mar	Circulator CAN be a signer on the petition.
	Circulator is allowed to fill in all of a signer's information on a signature line <u>except</u> for the voter's signature.
	If at the time of submission and if the filing deadline has not passed, you find that there is missing information on the petition; the person in charge of the election needs to allow the circulator to add the missing information (circulator cannot add the voter's signature).
	If missing info from circulator's verification can be found elsewhere on the petition then that is acceptable (ex. Circulator does not list his/her residence address in the circulator verification section, but the circulator is also the candidate and you can find his/her residence address in the candidate declaration section of the petition).
	On the Declaration of Candidacy, must be a South Dakota Notary otherwise petition sheet is thrown out.
	Notary Seal or Imprint must be on petition otherwise the petition sheet is thrown out (if County Auditor, Municipal Finance Officer or School Business Manager - they can use their jurisdiction seal but that is not required).
	Notary must sign otherwise petition sheet is thrownout.
N	Date of notarization must be fully complete including day/month/year or petition sheet is thrown out.
Notal	Notary's full expiration date must be listed including day/month/year otherwise petition sheet is thrown out (if County Auditor, Municipal Finance Officer or School Business Manager - they do not need to list an expiration date).
	Notary CANNOT notarize the circulator's verification and sign petition otherwise signature line is thrown out (SDCL 18-1-12.2). Notary CANNOT be the candidate otherwise petition sheet is thrown out (SDCL 12-6-8).
	Notary must verify AFTER circulator signed and dated, otherwise petition sheet is thrown out.
	The title of person administering the oath is not required.

	If the date of signature of voter is before the date the candidate signed the declaration of candidacy the signature line is invalid.
	Date of voter's signature must be on or before the notary signs the petition
l	Date includes Month, Date (Can be spelled out or numerical, the year is not required)
	Date of voter's signature must be on or after the voter's registration date
	All six boxes on each signature line must be completed
	Ditto marks are not allowed
	Signers printed name must be legible and they can sign how they usually sign - DOES NOT need to match his/her voter registration record Signer's address DOES NOT need to match the address listed in their voter registration record
	Signer's address DOES NOT need to match the address listed in their voter registration record
	On the signature line, the County of voter registration must match the county listed in their voter registration record.
	Both active and inactive voters can sign petitions
	The petition must meet the signature requirements for the office the candidate is running for. You only

need to validate signatures up to the number required and then you can stop. You do not need toverify extra signatures above the required number.

If the voter lives in a 1st class municipality, he/she must list a residential address (no PO Boxes are allowed). 1st Class Municipalities are: Aberdeen, Belle Fourche, Box Elder, Brandon, Brookings, Harrisburg, Huron, Madison, Mitchell, Pierre, Rapid City, Sioux Falls, Spearfish, Sturgis, Vermillion, Watertown, and Yankton,

If voter signed in the printed box and printed in the signed box (same with the other boxes - if theyare mixed up but all the information is there) you accept that signature line.

Common abbreviation marks areacceptable.

Name of a well-known building is acceptable (ex: Golden Living Nursing Home).

If signature lines are skipped you still count the other signature lines that meet all of the qualifications included in this checklist. [app

Description of residence location if the person does not have an address (ex: 7 miles West on Grey Goose Road, brown house across the street from the red barn) is acceptable.

If a voter contacts you and wants his/her name removed from the petition, the only way for that to be removed is for the voter to contact the circulator on that petition and request his/her name be removed. The circulator is not required to remove the signature. This has to be done prior to the petitions being submitted otes to you.

Petition sheets are public documents but only after you have validated the signatures and either filed or rejected the petition. Any individual can request a copy of the petition form once the validation process is completed and you will charge your normal copyfee. If you receive a petition that does not look like it is in the proper form and/or you have other questions, please

call or email our office or talk with your city attorney.

#### NOMINATING PETITION FOR PARTISAN ELECTION REPUBLICAN PARTY

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATE: The heading of this petition and the declaration of candidacy must be fully completed before the petition is circulated for signatures.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED qualified voters of Legislative District 10 of South Dakota and members of the Republican Party, nominate Gene G. Abdallah, of Lincoln County, South Dakota, whose mailing address is 4908 S Glenview Road, Sioux Falls, SD 57108, as a candidate for the office of State Senate, District 10 at the RECEIVED Primary Election to be held June 4, 2002.

#### **DECLARATION OF CANDIDATE**

I, Gene G. Abdallah (print name here exactly as you want it on the election ballot), under oath, rdestaroffsaTATE am eligible to seek the office for which I am a candidate, that I am registered to vote as a member of the Republican Party, and that if I am a legislative candidate I reside in the district from which I am a candidate. If nominated and elected, I will qualify and serve in that office.

(Signed)

Sworn to before me this 5th day of February, 2002.

(Seal) My Commission Expires September 17, 2007. Signature of Officer Administering Oath Notary Public Fitle of Officer Administering Oath

INSTRUCTIONS TO SIGNERS: ned the sign their names in the form in which they are registered to vote or as they usually sign their names.

2. Before the petition is filed, each signer of the circulator must add the residence address of the signer and the date of signing. If the signer is a resident of a second or third class municipality, a post office box may be used for the residence address.

3. Before the petition is filed, each signer of the circulator must print the name of the signer in the space provided and add the county of voter registration.

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#### **INITIATIVE PETITION**

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED qualified voters of the City of Lead, in the County of Lawrence, in the State of South Dakota, petition that the following proposed change to the City Of Lead Commission Resolution of October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018, known as The Crosswalk Project, be submitted to the voters of the City of Lead, Lawrence County, South Dakota at the general election on April <u>9th</u>, 2019, pursuant to the Constitution of the State of South Dakota.

Title:

An initiative to Change the City of Lead Commission vote of October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018, on The Number of Crosswalks in Downtown Lead to be increased from One to Two total in the City of Lead Resolution Known as the Crosswalk Project

#### **General Explanation:**

This is an Initiative Petition is to have a vote placed on the ballot for the next Lead City general election cycle on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 to change the resolution passed by the Lead City Commission on October 15, 2018 to install only a single crosswalk on the west side of Main Street at the junction of the Lead Library and the Mining Museum in Downtown Lead, SD. A proposed layout drawing is attached.

Be it resolved by the people The City of Lead, County of Lawrence, in this state of South Dakota, that the following resolution be adopted by the City of Lead on the so called Cross Walk Project.

This initiative will require the following:

1. The addition of one additional crosswalk will be added at the area between the Stampmill restaurant and the Opera House at or near the alleyway for a total of two which includes the City Commission's resolution of a single west location.

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#### NOMINATING PETITION FOR WATER DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DIRECTOR **NONPARTISAN ELECTION**

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATE: The heading of this petition and the declaration of candidacy must be fully completed before the petition is circulated for signatures.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED registered voters of Area 5 (insert the director area the candidate is to represent) of the <u>Vermillion Basin</u> Water Development District, nominate <u>Ron Globke</u> of <u>Turner</u> County, State of South Dakota, whose mailing address is <u>301 E Wagner St</u>, <u>Marion</u>, SD 57043 South Dakota, as a candidate for the office of director, representing \_\_\_\_\_ Area 5 (insert the director area the candidate is to represent) of the vermillion Basin Water Development District for a \_2\_year term, in the primary election to be held on June , 20 RECEIVED

#### DECLARATION OF CANDIDATE

I. Ron E Globhe (print name here exactly as you want it on the election ballot), under oath, declared that I am a resident and registered voter in the director area that I will represent and that I am esgible of state office for which I am a candidate. If nominated and elected, I will qualify and serve in that office.

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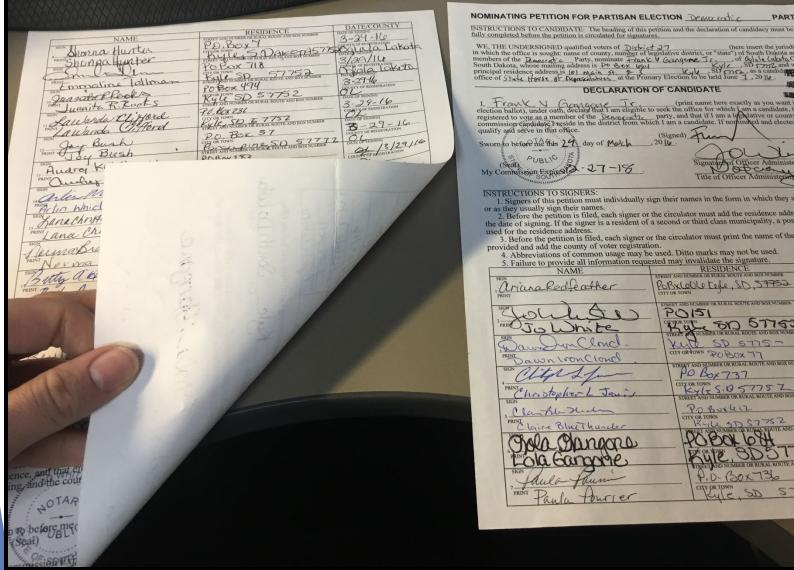
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Petitions must be self-contained, meaning printed front and back. You cannot validate petition sheets that are not selfcontained on one sheet of paper.



### PETITIONS

Important Reminders

- Give petition processing top priority.
- If the deadline to file is approaching, do not let petitions sit on your desk for days.
- Check registration and residency of signers and candidates.
- A <u>candidate</u> cannot notarize their own petition, but they <u>may circulate and sign their own</u> <u>petition</u>.
- A notary cannot notarize the petition and be a signer.



### PETITIONS

#### Important Reminders

- Notify candidate that petition was filed or rejected (do this <u>immediately</u> if rejected).
  - Business managers and Finance Officers must have a written and signed verification per <u>SDCL 13-7-6</u> and <u>9-13-7</u>.
    - Refer to the respective statute for what the verification must contain.
    - ► There is no form in administrative rule for this.
  - Finance Officers, Business Managers and School Board Presidents <u>may</u> notarize documents without being a notary (<u>SDCL 18-3-1</u> and <u>13-8-15</u>).

#### PETITIONS

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#### Petition Challenge Law

#### SDCL 12-1-13 to 15.

- Once a petition is filed (validated) by the person in charge of the election, any individual has <u>five</u> working days to challenge the petition.
- The challenger must file an affidavit, with the person in charge of the election, with an itemized listing of the specific deficiencies.
- Look at <u>SDCL 12-1-13</u> for specific items that <u>cannot</u> be <u>challenged</u> to your office.
- The person in charge of the election works to verify information provided in the affidavit.
  - Work with your attorney when reviewing the affidavit.

A challenge does not prevent any other legal remedy (<u>SDCL 12-1-16</u>).

## Financial Interest Statements (FIS)

- Required for 1<sup>st</sup> Class Municipalities and Schools with greater than 2,000 average daily membership (ADM)
- There are two types of FIS's (Financial Interest Statements):
  - <u>Candidate</u> FIS (SDCL <u>12-25-28</u>)
    - Filed within 15 days after filing nominating petition.
    - Appointed official would not need to file this.
  - <u>Elected</u> Official FIS (<u>SDCL 3-1A-4</u>)
    - Filed within 15 days of assuming office (taking the oath).

# Financial Interest statements (FIS)

- Sample FIS forms can be found at <u>www.sdsos.gov</u>
- These are filed with the person in charge of the election.
- Only check for completeness.
- > You are not required to check for accuracy.
- It is up to the candidate/elected official to provide accurate information.
   It is a petty offense for those that file late and anyone that intentionally does not file may be guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor.
- Once filed, these are public documents.



#### **<u>Conflict of Interest</u>** CANDIDATE Statement of Financial Interest

**Deadline to file:** Within 15 days after filing nominating petitions (Supreme Court Justice files within 15 days of notifying Secretary of State of his intention to place his name on the retention ballot) or certification of convention nomination.

<u>File with:</u> The SECRETARY OF STATE except local candidates file with the office where they file their nominating petition.

<u>Candidates who file:</u> State and Federal Office candidates (United States Senate, United States House of Representatives, Governor, State Legislator, circuit court judge and Supreme Court Justice <u>SDCL 12-25-28</u>);

Convention Nominee candidates (Lieutenant Governor, state treasurer, attorney general, secretary of state, state auditor, public utilities commissioner, commissioner of school and public lands <u>SDCL 12-25-29</u>);

Convention Nominee candidates of a party with alternative political status (US Senate, US House, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, state treasurer, attorney general, secretary of state, state auditor, public utilities commissioner, commissioner of school and public lands or state legislator SDCL <u>12-25-29.1</u>); and

Local Office candidates (county commissioner, school board member in a school district with a total enrollment of more than 2,000 students, or commissioner, council member, or mayor in any 1<sup>st</sup> class municipality <u>SDCL 12-25-30</u>)

Please print: Full Name

COMPLETE Address

Office Sought (list District number if applicable)

What is your occupation/profession?

List any source of funds (business or economic relationship) which contributes more than 10% of or more than \$2,000 to your family's *(includes spouse, minor children living at home)* gross income in the preceding calendar year. This also includes any enterprise in which you or an immediate family member(s) controls more than 10% of the capital or stock. Identify who receives the income from each enterprise but do not include the value. (SDCL 12-25-27)

\*The intent of this form is to collect specific information, not generalities. Do not put N/A or leave the grid blank.

Name of Candidate or Family Member	Name the Source of Funds (Ex: current employer, SD Legislature, 401K, benefits, etc.)	Relationship to funds (Ex employee, officer, director, associate, partner, shareholder, owner, member, proprietor, etc.)

I declare and affirm under the penalties of perjury that the information above has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is a true, correct and complete representation of myself and my immediate family's financial interests for the preceding calendar year.

(Signature)

(Date)

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#### **Conflict of Interest ELECTED OFFICIAL Statement of Financial Interest**

Deadline to file: Within 15 days after the person assumes office.

File with: The SECRETARY OF STATE except local candidates file with the office where they file their oath of office.

Elected Officials who file: State Office elected officials (governor, lieutenant governor, state treasurer, attorney general, secretary of state, state auditor, public utilities commissioner, commissioner of school and public lands, state legislator, circuit court judge and supreme court justice SDCL 3-1A-2);

Gubernatorial Appointee for whom senate confirmation is required shall file with the secretary of state a statement of financial interest before confirmation SDCL 3-1A-3.

Local Office officials (county commissioner, school board member in a school district with a total enrollment of more than 2,000 students, or commissioner, council member, or mayor in any 1st class municipality SDCL 3-1A-4)

Please prin	nt:		
Full Name			

Complete Address

Office (list District number if applicable)

What is your occupation/profession?

\*\*If there are no changes from your previously filed CANDIDATE Financial Interest Statement check the box and **NO Changes** 

sign and date below.

List any source of funds (business or economic relationship) which contributes more than 10% of or more than \$2,000 to your family's (includes spouse, minor children living at home) gross income in the preceding calendar year. This also includes any enterprise in which you or an immediate family member(s) controls more than 10% of the capital or stock. Identify who receives the income from each enterprise but do not include the value. (SDCL 3-1A-1)

\*The intent of this form is to collect specific information, not generalities.

Name of Candidate or	Name the Source of Funds	Relationship to funds
Family Member	(Ex: current employer, SD Legislature, 401K, benefits, etc.)	(Ex: employee, officer, director, associate, partner, shareholder, owner, member, proprietor, etc.)

I declare and affirm under the penalties of perjury that the information above has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is a true, correct and complete representation of myself and my immediate family's financial interests for the preceding calendar year.

(Signature)

(Date)

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#### How are Vacancies Created on City Councils? <u>SDCL 3-4-1</u>

- (1)Dies;
- (2) Resigns;
- (3) Is removed from office;
- (4) Fails to qualify as provided by law;
- (5)Ceases to be a resident of the state, district, county, municipality, township, ward, or precinct in which the duties of the office are to be exercised or for which elected;
- (6) Is convicted of any infamous crime or of any offense involving a violation of the official oath of the office; or
- (7) Has a judgment obtained against the person for a breach of an official bond.
  - Military call up (<u>SDCL 3-4-8</u>)
  - Incapacitation- by illness or accident (SDCL 3-4-9)
  - No one files a nominating petition (<u>SDCL 9-13-14.3</u>)

HOW ARE MUNICIPAL VACANCIES FILLED?

- By appointment <u>SDCL 9-13-14.1</u>
- By special election <u>SDCL 9-13-14.2</u>
- By temporary replacement <u>SDCL 3-4-8</u>, <u>3-4-9</u>

#### HOW ARE MUNICIPAL VACANCIES FILLED? cont'd

#### • By appointment <u>SDCL 9-13-14.1</u>:

- At the end of December 2015, the Attorney General issued an opinion (15-03) clarifying that an appointee serves until the next annual election <u>not</u> the next regularly scheduled election.
- This means that an appointee only serves until the next year regardless of whether you have an annual election scheduled. The seat must be published on the notice of vacancy for the next election, regardless of whether the position is filled by appointment.

#### Filling Municipal Vacancy by Appointment

#### ► <u>SDCL 9-13-14.1</u>

- Remember in Aldermanic form of government the appointment must be from the <u>same ward.</u>
  - Aldermanic Form: These municipalities are governed by a common council, which consists of a mayor who is elected at-large and two aldermen from each ward.
- Appointing can be an easier, faster, and less costly process.
- Remaining members shall appoint a replacement to serve until the next annual municipal election.
  - Keep track of the terms when there has been an appointment.
  - Official that is vacating his position does not vote on his replacement.
  - The Mayor may make a recommendation, but the remaining members vote on the appointment.
  - There are no publication rules or notices for filling a vacancy.

#### FILLING MUNICIPAL VACANCY BY SPECIAL ELECTION

- Governing body creates an ordinance requiring that any vacancy on the governing board or in the office of the Mayor is to be filled by special election.
- The ordinance must be enacted prior to the vacancy.
- Election not to be held less than 90 days before the annual municipal election.
- Finance Officer will publish a notice that a vacancy exists and will be filled by special election, the date of election, time and place where nominating petitions may be filed for the office. Nominating petitions prepared and filed as usual according to <u>SDCL 9-13-7</u> and filed at least 30 days before the date of the elections.

Notice of special election published as usual according to <u>SDCL 9-13-13</u> and <u>9-13-14</u>.

FILLING MUNICIPAL VACANCY BY TEMPORARY REPLACEMENT

- In the cases of Military call-up (<u>SDCL 3-4-8</u>) or Incapacitation (<u>SDCL 3-4-9</u>):
  - esigns
  - The member temporarily resigns
  - A temporary replacement is made by appointment
    - The replacement serves until the original member returns or the member's term expires, which ever comes first.
    - If the replacement serves until the original members term expires <u>and</u> no one files for the position, then a vacancy is created. The temporary replacement would then need to be re-appointed if they wanted to continue to serve.





#### What if no one files a Municipal Nominating Petition?

• Law since July 2014 (<u>SDCL 9-13-14.3</u>)

- If for any reason a municipality fails to elect any person to succeed an elected official whose term has expired or an elected official fails to file a nominating petition or qualify, the office is deemed vacant (SDCL 9-13-14.3).
- The elected official whose term has expired shall continue to act in an official capacity until the vacancy is filled by election or appointment pursuant to <u>9-13-14.1</u> or <u>9-13-14.2</u>.

#### How are Vacancies Created on School Boards? <u>SDCL 13-8-23</u>

- Death
- Removal from the board
- Failure to qualify as provided by law
- Ceases to be a resident of the school district or representation area where elected
- Conviction of any infamous crime or of any offense involving a violation of the member's official oath
- Has a judgment obtained against the member for breach of the member's official bond
- Is incapacitated and is unable to attend to the duties of the position
- Assumes the duties of an office incompatible with the duties of a school board member
- Resignation



HOW ARE SCHOOL BOARD VACANCIES FILLED?

- Any vacancy occurring on a school board shall be filled by appointment by the remaining school board members.
  - The resigning member will continue to serve until the successor is appointed and qualified. (SDCL 13-8-24).

#### HOW ARE SCHOOL BOARD VACANCIES FILLED?

- In the cases of Military call-up (<u>SDCL 3-4-8</u>) or Incapacitation (<u>SDCL 3-4-9</u>):
  - The member temporarily resigns
  - A temporary replacement is made by appointment
    - The replacement serves until the original member returns or the member's term expires, which ever comes first.
    - If the replacement serves until the original members term expires <u>and</u> no one files for the position, then a vacancy is created. The temporary replacement would then need to be re-appointed if they wanted to continue to serve.
- The appointee will serve until the next succeeding election at which time a successor shall be elected to serve the unexpired term (<u>SDCL 13-8-25</u>).







# Who is required to file? <u>SDCL 12-27</u>

- ONLY Ballot Question Committees in 1<sup>st</sup> Class Municipalities
- ONLY School district offices and ballot questions in school districts with average daily membership (ADM) greater than 2,000.
- Any other municipality or school that has ordinances in place outlining the campaign finance laws they will follow.

**CAMPAIGN FINANCE** Where can you find forms?



- Sample forms and campaign finance information can be found at <u>www.sdsos.gov</u>
  - Statement of Organization for Local Jurisdictions
  - **Disclosure Statement** for <u>Local Jurisdictions</u>
    - Within this disclosure are suggested filing dates for reports
    - Review these dates with your attorney

# CAMPAIGN FINANCE Disclaimer

- Only those committees in those jurisdictions that must comply with campaign finance laws are required to use a disclaimer
- The disclaimer must be on printed materials and communications.
- Disclaimer: "Paid for by (Name of candidate, political committee, or political party)."
- Small impractical items are exempt.
  - Buttons, balloons, pins, pens, matchbooks, clothing, etc.



- A city or school <u>may not</u> spend public funds for the purpose of influencing an election (<u>SDCL 12-27-20</u>).
- No candidate or political committee may accept any contribution from any state, state agency, political subdivision of the state, foreign government, federal agency, or the federal government (SDCL 12-27-21).

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ENFORCING CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS?

• State's Attorney (SDCL <u>12-27-40</u>)