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ELECTION & CAMPAIGN FINANCE CALENDAR

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4-27-2020			All dates relating to new party and independent candidate filing updated to reflect outcome of Libertarian Party v. Pritzker

PREFACE

This calendar includes all offices to be nominated and/or elected at the federal, state, and county General Primary Election in March 2020 and at the General Election in November 2020.

This calendar may be amended to include new legislation and court decisions. Please visit the Illinois State Board of Election's website (www.elections.il.gov) for any updates.

The following definitions are employed as related to this calendar:

"ELECTION AUTHORITY" – The County Clerk, the Municipal Board of Election Commissioners, or the County Board of Election Commissioners.

"LOCAL ELECTION OFFICIAL" – The clerk or secretary of a unit of local government or school district.

This calendar does not include the nomination and/or election of officials of municipalities, townships, libraries, parks, school districts, or other special districts.

"BUSINESS DAY" – Any day in which the office of an election authority, local election official, or the State Board of Elections is open to the public for a minimum of seven (7) hours. (10 ILCS 5/1-3)

FILING AND REGISTRATION DATES

(a) If the first or last day of any action required or allowed by the Election Code falls on a State holiday, Saturday, or Sunday, then the period shall extend through the first business day following the day otherwise fixed as the first or last day for filing or the close of registration, irrespective of whether any election authority or local election official conducts business on the State holiday, Saturday, or Sunday. [10 ILCS 5/1-6(a)]

(b) For purposes of this section "State Holiday" means New Year's Day, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday, Lincoln's Birthday, President's Day, Casimir Pulaski's Birthday, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and any other day declared by the President of the United States or the Governor of Illinois to be a day during which the agencies of the State of Illinois that are ordinarily open to do business with the public shall be closed for business. [10 ILCS 5/1-6(b)]

NUMBER OF SIGNATURES – To receive the specific signature requirements for any particular office, candidates should contact the Illinois State Board of Elections, election authority, or the local election official who is responsible for receiving the filing of the petition for nomination and/or election to office.

All citations contained herein are "Illinois Compiled Statutes, 2019."

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GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION
MARCH 17, 2020
[10 ILCS 5/2A-1.2(a)]

TO BE NOMINATED:

- Presidential Preference Primary, President of the United States
- United States Senator
- Representatives in Congress – All 18 Districts
- State Senators
    - For 2 year terms: 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19, 22, 25, 28, 31, 34, 37, 40, 43, 46, 49, 52, 55, and 58.
- Representatives in the General Assembly - All 118 Districts
- Sanitary District Commissioners/Trustees
- Circuit Clerks
- Recorders (in counties with a population of 60,000 or more inhabitants)
- State's Attorney's
- Auditors (in counties with a population over 75,000 and under 3,000,000)
- Coroners
- Regional Superintendent of Schools (vacancies)
- County Commissioners (Counties not under township organization)
- County Board Members (Counties under township organization)
- Judges (Additional Judgeships if required)
    - Supreme Court Judges, Vacancies will be filled
    - Appellate Court Judges, Vacancies will be filled
    - Circuit Court Judges, Vacancies will be filled
    - Resident Circuit Court Judges, Vacancies will be filled
    - Subcircuit Judges, Vacancies will be filled

TO BE ELECTED:

- Delegates and Alternate Delegates (in accordance with approved Delegate Selection Plans)
- Precinct Committeepersons (all counties, excluding Cook)
- Ward Committeepersons (City of Chicago)

BALLOT ORDER:
President of the United States, State offices, congressional offices, delegates and alternate delegates, trustees of sanitary districts, county offices, judicial offices, municipal offices (municipalities with annual elections), precinct or ward committeepersons. (10 ILCS 5/7-19)

DATES GOVERNING THE GENERAL PRIMARY

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2019

PETITION CIRCULATION
First day to circulate nomination papers for established political party candidates who file in between November 25 – December 2, 2019, (90 days preceding the last day to file nomination papers). (10 ILCS 5/7-10)

EXCEPTION:
Established Party Presidential, delegate, and alternate delegate candidates.

NOTE:
The State Board of Elections will be closed on November 28 & 29 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2019

PETITION CIRCULATION*
First day to circulate nomination papers for Democratic and Republican candidates for President and delegate who file January 2 – 3, 2020, (90 days preceding the last day to file nomination papers). (10 ILCS 5/7-11) **Pending approval of State's delegate selection plan.*

THURSDAY OCTOBER 17, 2019

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CREATE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
First day notice of intention to file a petition to create a political subdivision, whose officers are to be elected rather than appointed, may be published in a newspaper within the proposed political subdivision or, if none, in a newspaper of general circulation within the proposed territory.
[10 ILCS 5/28-2(g)]

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2019

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CREATE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
Last day notice of intention to file a petition to create a political subdivision, whose officers are to be elected rather than appointed, may be published in a newspaper within the proposed political subdivision or, if none, in a newspaper of general circulation within the proposed territory.
[10 ILCS 5/28-2(g)]

LISTING OF NURSING HOME FACILITIES
Last day for the Department of Public Health to certify to the State Board of Elections a list of the facilities licensed or certified pursuant to the Nursing Home Care Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act of 2013, the ID/DD Community Care Act, or the MC/DD Act.
[10 ILCS 19-12.2]

PETITION TO CREATE A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
Last day to file petitions to create a political subdivision with the appropriate officer or board. [10 ILCS 5/28-2(b)]

NOTE:

The specific statutory provisions governing the creation of political subdivisions can be found in the relevant Code governing such subdivisions (e.g. the Municipal, Township, Counties Code).

Objections can be filed on or before the date of the hearing with the appropriate circuit court clerk. (10 ILCS 5/28-4)

If initial officers are to be elected at the election for creation of a new unit of government, candidates for such offices shall file nomination papers 113-106 days before such election (November 25 – December 2, 2019). (10 ILCS 5/10-6)

The circuit court clerk shall publish the hearing date for a public policy petition filed in their office not later than 14 days after the petition is actually filed, but at least 5 days before actual hearing. Final orders must be issued within 7 days of the hearing. (10 ILCS 5/28-4)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2019

ESTABLISHED PARTY FILING
First day for candidates of established political parties to file original nomination papers.

Candidates for congressional, legislative, and judicial offices, or for any office to be elected by the voters of more than one county file in the principal office of the State Board of Elections. (10 ILCS 5/7-12(1), 8-9)

Candidates for county offices, ward committeepersons (City of Chicago), and precinct committeepersons (in counties containing a population less than 2,000,000) will file with the county clerk. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(2), 7-12(5)]

EXCEPTION:

Established Party Presidential, delegate, and alternate delegate candidates.

NOTE:

The State Board of Elections will be closed on November 28 & 29 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

OBJECTIONS TO POLITICAL SUBDIVISION PETITION
Last day to file objections to a petition to create a political subdivision in the office of the appropriate officer, board, or circuit court. (10 ILCS 5/10-8, 28-4)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2019

ESTABLISHED PARTY FILING

Last day for candidates of established political parties to file original nomination papers.

Candidates for congressional, legislative, and judicial offices, or for any office to be elected by the voters of more than one county file in the principal office of the State Board of Elections. (10 ILCS 5/7-12(1), 8-9)

Candidates for county offices, ward committeepersons (City of Chicago), and precinct committeepersons (in counties containing a population less than 2,000,000) will file with the county clerk. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(2), 7-12(5)]

EXCEPTION:
Established Party Presidential, delegate, and alternate delegate candidates.

NOTE:
The State Board of Elections will be closed on November 28 & 29 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS

Last day for filing a Statement of Economic Interests with the proper office as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Candidates who file petitions with the county clerk and have a current Statement of Economic Interests on file for the same office with the same county do not have to file an additional receipt. Candidates who file petitions with the State Board of Elections must file a current receipt for the same office with the petitions. The receipt, if required, must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. [5 ILCS 420/4A-105; 10 ILCS 5/7-12(8)]

EXCEPTION:
Candidates for federal and party offices, e.g., candidates for Representatives in Congress, precinct committeepersons, and ward committeepersons are not required to file a Statement of Economic Interests.

DEPUTY REGISTRARS

Last day County Central Committee Chair shall submit a list of applicants for additional deputy registrars to the election authority. (10 ILCS 5/4-6.2, 5-16.2, 6-50.2)

NOTE:
The election authority may require a chair of a county central committee to furnish a supplemental list of applicants.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2019

NOTICE OF LOTTERY

Last day for written notice of the time and place for conducting lottery when two (2) or more petitions are received simultaneously for the same office and party: (a) as of the opening hour of the filing period, November 25, 2019; and/or (b) within the last hour of the filing period, December 2, 2019. (There must be 7 days' notice given. If the lottery is to be held on the last statutory date, December 11, the last day to give notice is December 4.) Notice shall be given by the State Board of Elections or the Election Authority to the chair of each political party and to each organization of citizens within the election jurisdiction entitled to have pollwatchers present at the last election. Notice must be posted. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(6)]

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2019

UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT CERTIFICATION

Last day for the Regional Superintendent of Schools to certify to the State Board of Elections a list of each unit school district under their supervision and control, and a list of each county in which all or any part of each of those districts is located. (105 ILCS 5/3-1.1)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2019

LISTING OF NURSING HOME FACILITIES

Last day for the State Board of Elections to certify to the proper election authority a list of facilities licensed or certified pursuant to the Nursing Home Care Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act, the ID/DD Community Care Act, or the MC/DD Act for the purpose of conducting an election pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/19-12.2. The list shall indicate bed capacity and the chief administrator of each facility appearing on the certified list. (10 ILCS 5/19-12.2)

INCOMPATIBLE OFFICES

Last day for an individual who has filed nominating petitions, during the November 25 – December 2, 2019, filing period, for two (2) or more incompatible offices to withdraw from all but one of the offices with whichever election authority the nomination papers were originally filed – the State Board of Elections, election authority, or local election official. An elected party office in an established political party is not incompatible with any elected public office.
(10 ILCS 5/7-12(9), 10-7)

OBJECTIONS TO NOMINATION PAPERS

Last day for filing objections to the nomination papers of all candidates who filed during the November 25 – December 2, 2019, filing period. Objections are filed with whichever election authority the nomination papers were originally filed – the State Board of Elections, election authority, or local election official. (10 ILCS 5/7-12.1, 7-13, 10-8)

NOTE:
For procedures on objections, see page 54.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2019

BALLOT PLACEMENT LOTTERY
Last day lottery may be conducted by the State Board of Elections or the election authority when two (2) or more petitions are received simultaneously for the same office and party, as of the opening hour or within the last hour of the filing period. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(6)]

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2019

DELEGATE SELECTION
Last day for the State Board of Elections to certify to the county clerks the number of Democratic and Republican delegates and alternate delegates to be elected from each Congressional District and the number to be elected at large from the State or to be chosen at the State Party Conventions. (10 ILCS 5/7-14.1)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2019

SPECIAL JUDICIAL FILING
First day for judicial candidates of established political parties to file original nomination papers in the principal office of the State Board of Elections for judicial vacancies which occurred during the three (3) week period prior to the 106th day before the General Primary Election (November 11 – December 2, 2019). [10 ILCS 5/7-12(1)]

REFERENDA FILING
Last day for filing petitions for referenda for the submission of questions of public policy (local). Objections to petitions for local referenda are filed with the same officer in which the original petitions were filed. (10 ILCS 5/28-2(a), 28-6, 28-7)

EXCEPTION:
Proposition to create a political subdivision, referenda held under the provisions Article IX of the Liquor Control Act, and Section 18-120 of the Property Tax Code.

VOTER REGISTRATION DATA
First day for election authority to indicate in writing that their voter registration data, including voter history from the last election, is complete and up-to-date. (10 ILCS 5/4-8, 5-7, 6-35)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2019

VOTE BY MAIL – APPLICATION
First day for any registered voter presently within the confines of the United States to make application by mail or in person to the election authority for an official ballot. Please note that mailing and delivery of ballots does not begin until Thursday, February 6, 2020.
(10 ILCS 5/19-2; 10 ILCS 5/19-4)

REGISTRATION PURGE
Last day for election authorities to complete any systematic program to remove ineligible voters from the voting roles prior to the March 17, 2020, General Primary Election.
[52 U.S.C. 20507(c)(2)(A)]

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2019

SPECIAL JUDICIAL FILING
Last day (by 5:00 p.m.) for judicial candidates of established political parties to file original nomination papers in the principal office of the State Board of Elections for judicial vacancies which occurred during the period of November 11 – December 2, 2019. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(1)]

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS
Last day for judicial candidates who file nomination papers during the special judicial filing period, (December 16 – 23, 2019), to file a Statement of Economic Interests with the Secretary of State as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Candidates who file petitions with the State Board of Elections must file a current receipt for the same office with the State Board no later than 5:00 p.m. [5 ILCS 420/4A-105, 10 ILCS 5/7-12(8)]

OBJECTIONS TO REFERENDA
Last day to file objections to petitions for the submission of questions of public policy (local). Objections to petitions for local referenda are filed with the same office that has the original petitions. (10 ILCS 5/10-8, 28-4)

EXCEPTION:
Proposition to create a political subdivision, referenda held under the provisions Article IX of the Liquor Control Act, and Section 18-120 of the Property Tax Code.

NOTE:
For procedures on objections, see page 54. (Except those filed with the Circuit Clerk)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2019

SPECIAL JUDICIAL LOTTERY NOTICE
Last day for written notice of the time and place for conducting lottery shall be given when two (2) or more petitions are received simultaneously for the same office and party: (a) as of the opening hour of the filing period, December 16, 2019; and/or (b) within the last hour of the filing period, December 23, 2019, (special judicial filing period). The State Board of Elections shall give notice to the chair of each established political party. Notice must also be posted. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(6)]

VOTER REGISTRATION DATA
Last day for election authorities to indicate in writing that their voter registration data, including voter history from the last election is complete and up-to-date. (10 ILCS 5/4-8, 5-7, 6-35)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2019

UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT CERTIFICATION
Last day for the State Board of Elections to certify unit school districts and counties to the appropriate election authorities after receiving the list as certified by the regional superintendent of schools. (105 ILCS 5/3-1.1)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2019

REFERENDA RESOLUTIONS
Last day for local governing boards to adopt a resolution or ordinance to allow for binding public questions to appear on the ballot. [10 ILCS 5/28-2(c)]

Last day for County, Municipal, School, Township, and Park Boards to place advisory referenda on the ballot by resolution. (55 ILCS 5/5-1005.5; 60 ILCS 1/80-80; 65 ILCS 5/3.1-40-60; 70 ILCS 1205/8-30; 105 ILCS 5/9-1.5; 10 ILCS 5/28-2 (c); 55 ILCS 5/2-3002; 60 ILCS 1/30-205)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2019

SPECIAL JUDICIAL OBJECTIONS
Last day for filing objections to the nomination papers of candidates who filed petitions with the State Board of Elections for judicial office during the period December 16 – 23, 2019.
(10 ILCS 5/7-12.1, 10-8)

NOTE:
For procedures on objections, see page 54.

SPECIAL JUDICIAL INCOMPATIBLE OFFICES
Last day for individual who has filed for two (2) or more incompatible offices during the December 16 – 23, 2019, (or having filed for one office during the November 25 – December 2, 2019, filing period and a second incompatible office during the December 16 – 23, 2019, filing period) to withdraw from all but one of the offices in the office of the State Board of Elections.
[10 ILCS 5/7-12(9)]

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 2020

SPECIAL JUDICIAL LOTTERY
Last day for a lottery shall be conducted by the State Board of Elections when two (2) or more petitions are received simultaneously for the same office and party as of the opening hour or within the last hour of the special judicial filing period. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(6)]

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE AND DELEGATE/ALTERNATE DELEGATE FILING*
First day for Democratic and Republican Presidential Preference and delegate candidates to file original petitions in the principal office of the State Board of Elections. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(1)]
**Pending approval of state's delegate selection plan.*

UNITED STATES SERVICE MEMBER VOTER REGISTRATION
First day for any voter who is a member of the United States Service, their spouse, and/or their dependents of voting age who expect to be absent from their county of residence on Election Day to make an application for an official ballot to the election authority having jurisdiction over their residence. Members of the Armed Forces may make application via facsimile machine or other method of electronic transmission. (10 ILCS 5/20-2, 20-2.3, 20-3)

NOTE:
No registration shall be required to vote pursuant to this section.

VOTE BY MAIL REGISTRATION – CITIZENS TEMPORARILY OUTSIDE THE U.S.
First day for citizens of the United States temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States who are not registered but otherwise qualified to vote and who expect to be absent from their county of residence on Election Day to make simultaneous application to the election authority having jurisdiction over their precinct of residence for vote by mail registration and a vote by mail ballot. Citizens of the United States may make application via facsimile machine or other method of electronic transmission. (10 ILCS 5/20-2.1, 20-3)

NOTE:
Such application may be made only on the official federal postcard and no registration shall be required.

VOTE BY MAIL REGISTRATION – NONRESIDENT CIVILIAN
First day any nonresident civilian citizen otherwise qualified to vote, to make application to the election authority having jurisdiction over their precinct of former residence for a vote by mail ballot containing the federal offices only. Non-resident citizens of the United States may make application via facsimile machine or other method of electronic transmission.
(10 ILCS 5/20-2.2, 20-5)

NOTE:
Such application may be made only on the official federal postcard and no registration shall be required.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 2020

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE AND DELEGATE/ALTERNATE DELEGATE FILING*
Last day for Democratic and Republican Presidential Preference and delegate/alternate delegate candidates to file original petitions in the principal office of the State Board of Elections.
[10 ILCS 5/7-12(1)] **Pending approval of state's delegate selection plan.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2020

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE AND DELEGATE/ALTERNATE DELEGATE LOTTERY NOTICE
Last day for written notice of the time and place for conducting the lottery for ballot placement for Presidential Preference, delegate, and alternate delegate candidates to be conducted when two (2)

or more petitions are received simultaneously for the same office and party: (a) as of the opening hour of the filing period, January 2, 2020; and/or (b) within the last hour of the filing period, January 3, 2020. The State Board of Elections shall give notice to the chair of each political party. Notice must also be posted. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(6)]

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020

DEMOCRATIC AFFIDAVIT*

Last day for Democratic Presidential candidates or their authorized agent to file an affidavit with the State Board of Elections and the State Party Chair designating which delegate candidates shall be listed as committed to them when more candidates than have been allocated to a district file statements designating the same Presidential candidate as their preference for President. The delegate candidates who are not designated by the candidates shall not be certified to the ballot. [10 ILCS 5/1A-8(14); Delegate Selection Rules for the 2020 Democratic National Convention, Rule 12; Illinois Delegate Selection Plan for the 2020 Democratic National Convention, Section III, A.5.b.] **Pending approval of state's delegate selection plan.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2020

WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY

Last statutory day for candidates of established political parties to file withdrawal of nomination papers in the office of the State Board of Elections. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(9)]

BALLOT CERTIFICATION

Last day for the State Board of Elections to certify the names of candidates for the General Primary Election to the county clerks. (10 ILCS 5/7-14, 8-10)

PUBLIC QUESTION CERTIFICATION

Last day for the circuit clerk and the local election official to certify any binding public question or advisory referenda to the election authority having jurisdiction over the political subdivision.
(10 ILCS 5/28-5)

Last day for the county clerk to certify to the board of election commissioners any referenda to be submitted to the voters in its jurisdiction.
(10 ILCS 5/28-5)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2020

OBJECTIONS TO PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE AND DELEGATE/ALTERNATE DELEGATE PETITIONS*

Last day for filing objections to the nomination papers of Presidential Preference, delegate, and alternate delegate candidates in the office of the State Board of Elections who filed January 2 – 3, 2020. (10 ILCS 5/7-12.1) **Pending approval of state's delegate selection plan.*

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE AND DELEGATE/ALTERNATE DELEGATE INCOMPATIBLE OFFICES*

Last day for an individual who has filed, during the January 2 – 3, 2020, filing period, for 2 or more incompatible offices to withdraw from all but one of the offices with the State Board of Elections. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(9)] **Pending approval of state's delegate selection plan.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2020

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE & DELEGATE BALLOT PLACEMENT LOTTERY*

Last day for the State Board of Elections to conduct a lottery when two (2) or more petitions are received simultaneously for the same office and party as of the opening hour or within the last hour of the filing period of January 2 – 3, 2020. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(6)] **Pending approval of state's delegate selection plan.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2020

WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY

Last day for candidates of established political parties to file withdrawal of nomination papers in the office of the election authority. (10 ILCS 5/7-12(9), 7-14)

BALLOT CERTIFICATION

Last day for the county clerk to certify to the board of election commissioners the names of candidates to be voted for in its jurisdiction. (10 ILCS 5/7-14)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2020

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES

Last day a person may file a notarized Declaration of Intent to be a write-in candidate with the proper election authority or authorities (appropriate county clerk(s) and/or board(s) of election commissioners). Write-in votes shall be counted only for persons who have filed the Declaration of Intent. Write-in declarations are NOT filed with the State Board of Elections. [10 ILCS 5/7-59(b)]

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2020

PUBLICATION – VOTING AIDS

Last day the election authority shall provide public notice, calculated to reach the elderly and disabled voter, of the availability of registration and voting aids under the Federal Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act, of assistance in marking the ballot, procedures for voting by mail, and procedures for early voting. (10 ILCS 5/7-15)

PUBLICATION – NEW VOTING DEVICES

Last day for the election authority to publish notice that new mechanical or electronic voting devices will be used for the first time at the General Primary Election.
(10 ILCS 5/24-1.1, 24A-3, 24B-3; 24C-3)

PUBLICATION – PUBLIC QUESTION

First day for the election authority to publish a notice of any question of public policy to be voted upon during the General Primary Election within the jurisdiction. The election authority shall also post a copy of the notice at the principal office of the election authority. The local election official shall also post a copy of the notice at the principal office of the political or governmental subdivision. If there is no principal office, the local election official shall post the notice at the building in which the governing body of the political or governmental subdivision held its first meeting of the calendar year in which the referenda is being held. (10 ILCS 5/12-5)

MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020

SCHEDULE FOR EARLY VOTING

Last day for the election authority to provide the State Board of Elections with a list of all early voting sites and the hours each site will be open. [10 ILCS 5/19A-25(f)]

POSTING FOR EARLY VOTING

Last day for the election authority to post the schedule for early voting conducted at the authority's office and at each temporary location. Posting shall remain at each site until the last day of the early voting period (March 16, 2020). If the election authority has a website, it shall make the schedule available on the website. [10 ILCS 5/19A-25(b)]

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2020

PUBLICATION – EARLY VOTING

First day for election authority to publish: (1) the location of each permanent and temporary site for early voting and the precincts served by each location, and (2) the dates and hours that early voting will be conducted at each location. The election authority shall publish this information at least once a week during the statutory period for early voting. If the election authority maintains a website, they shall make the schedule available on their website. [10 ILCS 19A-25(a)(d)]

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2020

VOTE BY MAIL – UOCAVA

Last day for the election authority to have in their office a sufficient number of ballots printed and available for mailing to persons in the United States Service, their spouse, and/or their dependents of voting age, citizens temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States, and nonresident civilians.(10 ILCS 5/7-16, 16-5.01)

NOTE:

Pursuant to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA), as amended by the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (the MOVE Act), vote by mail ballots requested by military and overseas voters must be transmitted at least 45 days before a federal election. [42 U.S.C. § 1973ff-1(a) (8) (A)] Please be advised that the 45 day UOCAVA deadline may not be extended under any circumstances; therefore, although the 45 day deadline falls on a Saturday, military and overseas vote by mail ballots MUST be mailed by that date. An election authority that waits until the first business day following the 45 day deadlines to mail military and overseas ballots will be considered in violation of UOCAVA.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2020

VOTE BY MAIL

First day for the election authority to mail an official ballot to a registered voter within the confines of the United States who has made application to vote by mail. (10 ILCS 5/19-4)

EARLY VOTING – OFFICE OF ELECTION AUTHORITY
First day for early voting at the office of the election authority and temporary locations designated by the election authority. Temporary polling locations for early voting can be established at the discretion of the election authority, and the dates and hours are also at the discretion of the election authority. (10 ILCS 5/19A-15, 19A-20)

ORGANIZATION OF CITIZENS – POLLWATCHERS
Last day for organizations of citizens which have among its purpose the investigation or prosecution of election fraud, ballot proposition proponents or opponents and State nonpartisan civic organization to register their names and addresses and the names and addresses of their principal officers with the proper election authority if such organization(s) person(s) wish to qualify for pollwatchers at the General Primary Election. (10 ILCS 5/7-34)

SUNDAY – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16 – 18, 2020

LODGING HOUSE AFFIDAVITS
Dates for filing Lodging House Affidavits listing the names and descriptions of those residents who list such location as their voting addresses with Boards of Election Commissioners. (*The National Voter Registration Act of 1993 may prohibit enforcement of this provision.)* (10 ILCS 5/6-56)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2020

CLOSE OF REGISTRATION
Last day for regular registration or transfer of registration within the offices of the election authority. Grace period registration and voting will be available after this date. Area and precinct registration may apply to the City of Chicago and Cook County. Please check with these jurisdictions for registration deadlines. (10 ILCS 5/4-6, 4-16, 5-5, 5-23, 6-29, 6-50, 6-53, 6-54)

NOTE:

Under the provisions of NVRA, agency and motor vehicle offices will continue to accept registration after the statutory close of registration. Only those registration applications completed no later than 27 days (16 days for Motor Vehicle Offices) before the election will be processed for the next ensuing election. Applications for registration completed within five days of the registration deadline at Secretary of State Facilities and qualified agencies will be transmitted within five days of completion and must be processed for the election. A mail registration application shall be deemed timely filed if postmarked prior to the close of registration. If no postmark exists or if the postmark is illegible, the application shall be considered timely filed if received by the election authority no later than five calendar days after the close of registration.

NURSING HOME VOTING
Last day for the election authority to arrange with nursing home administrators the date and time to conduct in-person voting in such facilities and to post a notice in the office of the election authority of all such arrangements.

CLOSE OF REGISTRATION – DEPUTY REGISTRARS

Last day for registration of voters by deputy registrars, including municipal, township, road district clerks, and precinct committeepersons. Area and precinct registration may apply to the City of Chicago and Cook County. Please check with these jurisdictions for registration deadlines. (10 ILCS 5/4-6.2, 5-16.2, 6-50.2)

NOTE:

Deputy Registrars must return completed forms to the election authority within 7 days of the day on which they are completed. Deputy Registrars must return all registration materials within 48 hours of registration/cancellation if such registration/cancellation was accepted between the 35th and 28th day preceding an election.

VOTE BY MAIL – CITIZENS TEMPORARILY OUTSIDE U.S.

Last day for citizens of the United States temporarily residing outside the United States who are not registered but otherwise qualified to vote and who expect to be absent from their county of residence on Election Day to make a simultaneous application to the election authority having jurisdiction over their precinct of residence for vote by mail registration and a vote by mail ballot and the last day for the election authority to mail such a ballot. (10 ILCS 5/20-2.1, 20-3)

NOTE:

To receive the full ballot, application should be in the hands of the election authority no later than 30 days before the election. Applications received after February 18, 2020, and prior to March 9, will entitle the voter to cast a federal ballot only.

Registration is not required in order to vote the ballot containing the federal offices only.

VOTE BY MAIL – FEDERAL OFFICES ONLY

First day for the election authority to send an official ballot for federal offices only, upon receipt of either an application for vote by mail registration or an application for a vote by mail ballot, to citizens of the United States who are temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States. (10 ILCS 5/20-2.1. 20-3)

NOTE:

Unregistered citizens who are temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States who make application for vote by mail registration and/or vote by mail ballots after 30 days but not less than 10 days (February 18 – March 9, 2020) prior to Election Day, shall be sent the federal offices ballot only.

Registration is not required in order to vote the ballot containing the federal offices only.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2020

GRACE PERIOD REGISTRATION AND VOTING

First day for grace period registration and voting at the office of the election authority or at a location designated for this purpose by the election authority. If the election authority does not have ballots available, the election authority may mail the ballot to the voter when available.
(10 ILCS 5/4-50, 5-50, 6-100)

DEPUTY REGISTRARS

Last day for deputy registrars who are officials or members of a bona fide labor organization to return unused registration materials to the election authority. Area and precinct registration may apply to the City of Chicago and Cook County. Please check with these jurisdictions for registration deadlines and return of material deadlines. (10 ILCS 5/4-6.2, 5-16.2, 6-50.2)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2020

EARLY VOTING SCHEDULE

Last day for election authority to post schedule for early voting at each **permanent polling** location where early voting will be conducted. Posting shall remain at each site until the last day of the early voting period (March 16, 2020). If the election authority has a website, it shall make the schedule available on the website. [10 ILCS 5/19A-25(b)]

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2020

NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION (UNDER 500K)

Last day for the election authority to publish newspaper notice of primary election in counties of less than 500,000 inhabitants. (10 ILCS 5/7-15)

NOTE:
Notice shall include the primary date, poll hours, offices to be listed on the ballot, and the political parties entitled to participate.

EMPLOYEE NOTICE TO BE ELECTION JUDGE

Last day for an employee to give their employer written notice that they will be absent from place of employment on election day because they have been appointed as an election judge under the provisions of 10 ILCS 5/13-1 or 13-2. (10 ILCS 5/13-2.5, 14-4.5)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2020

VOTER REGISTRATION DATA

Last day for election authorities to indicate in writing that their voter registration data, including voting history from the latest election is complete and up-to-date. (10 ILCS 5/4-8, 5-7, 6-35)

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2020

ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION
Last day for voters to register to vote through the State Board of Elections website.
(10 ILCS 5/1A-16.5)

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2020

EARLY VOTING – PERMANENT POLLING PLACES
First day for early voting for counties who have early voting at permanent polling places other than the office of the election authority. These permanent polling places are to be open on holidays, Saturdays, and Sundays. [10 ILCS 5/19A-15(b)]

MONDAY – TUESDAY, MARCH 2 – 3, 2020

ERASURE OF NAMES FROM VOTER REGISTRY
Dates on which any voter or precinct committeeperson may file an application with the election authority to erase names from the registry of voters. *The National Voter Registration Act of 1993 may prohibit enforcement of this provision.* (10 ILCS 5/4-12, 5-15, 6-44)

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2020

HOSPITALIZED VOTER
First day that a qualified voter who has been admitted to a hospital, nursing home, or rehabilitation center not more than 14 days before a the Primary Election to make an application with the election authority for the personal delivery of an official ballot. (10 ILCS 5/19-13)

NOTE:
This provision for voting by mail is available through Election Day if the process can be completed and the voted ballot returned to the election authority in sufficient time for the ballot to be delivery by the election authority to the election authority central ballot counting location before 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.

POLLWATCHER CREDENTIALS
Last day for State Board of Elections or the election authority to have pollwatcher credentials available for distribution. (10 ILCS 5/7-34)

NOTE:
Pollwatcher credentials may, at the discretion of the election authority, be distributed prior to this date. Credentials must be available on this date through, and including, Election Day.

NOTICE OF PRIMARY BALLOT COLORS
Last day for the election authority to publish the announcement of the colors of the primary ballot. Publication shall be for at least one week in at least two newspapers published in the county. The election authority shall also post in a conspicuous place in their office an announcement of the colors of the primary ballots. (10 ILCS 5/7-18)

NOTE:
Notice shall include the primary date, poll hours, offices to be listed on the ballot, and the political parties entitled to participate.

NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION (OVER 500K)
Last day for the election authority to publish newspaper notice of the primary election in counties of more than 500,000 inhabitants. (10 ILCS 5/7-15)

THURSDAY – SATURDAY, MARCH 5 – 7, 2020

HEARINGS FOR REGISTRATION ERASURE
Dates on which county clerks or Chicago Board of Election Commissioners shall hold hearings to determine whether names in the registry of voters shall be erased, registered, or restored. *The National Voter Registration Act of 1993 may prohibit enforcement of this provision.*
(10 ILCS 5/4-13, 5-16, 6-45)

MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2020

PUBLICATION – PUBLIC QUESTION
Last day for the election authority to publish a notice of any question of public policy to be voted upon within the jurisdiction. The election authority shall also post a copy of the notice at the principal office of the election authority. The local election official shall also post a copy of the notice at the principal office of the political or governmental subdivision. If there is no principal office, the local election official shall post the notice at the building in which the governing body of the political or governmental subdivision held its first meeting of the calendar year in which the referenda is being held. (10 ILCS 5/12-5)

VOTE BY MAIL – UOCAVA
Last day for any voter who is a member of the United States Service, their spouse, and/or their dependents of voting age who expect to be absent from the county of residence on Election Day to make application for an official ballot to the election authority having jurisdiction over their precinct residence and the last day for the election authority to mail such ballots. Members of the Armed Forces may make application via facsimile machine or other method of electronic transmission.
(10 ILCS 5/20-2, 20-2.3, 20-3)

NOTE:
No registration shall be required in order to vote pursuant to this section.

VOTE BY MAIL – NONRESIDENT CIVILIAN
Last day for any nonresident civilian, otherwise qualified to vote, to make application to the election authority having jurisdiction over their precinct of former residence for a vote by mail ballot containing federal offices only, and the last day for election authority to mail such ballot. Nonresident civilians may make application via facsimile machine or other method of electronic transmission. (10 ILCS 5/20-2.2, 20-5)

NOTE:
Such application may be made only on the official federal postcard and no registration shall be required.

VOTE BY MAIL – CITIZENS TEMPORARILY OUTSIDE U.S.
Last day for the election authority to send an official ballot for federal offices only, upon receipt of either an application for absentee registration or an application for vote by mail ballot, to citizens of the United States who are temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States. Citizens temporarily residing outside the territorial limits may make application via facsimile machine or other method of electronic transmission. (10 ILCS 5/20-2.1, 20-3, 20-4)

NOTE:
Registration is not required in order to vote the ballot containing the federal offices only.

TUESDAY – THURSDAY, MARCH 10 – 12, 2020

HEARINGS FOR REGISTRATION ERASURE
Dates on which boards of election commissioners (except Chicago Board of Election Commissioners) shall hold hearings to determine whether names in the registry of voters shall be erased, registered, or restored. *The National Voter Registration Act of 1993 may prohibit enforcement of this provision.* (10 ILCS 5/6-45)

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2020

VOTE BY MAIL
Last day for the election authority to receive application to vote by mail from any registered voter presently within the confines of the United States. (10 ILCS 5/19-2, 19-4)

SPECIMEN BALLOTS
Last day for the election authority to publish the specimen ballots, as near as may be, in the form in which they will appear on the official ballots on Election Day.
(10 ILCS 5/7-21, 24A-18, 24B-18, 24C-18)

NURSING HOME VOTING – APPLICATION
Last day for a physically incapacitated voter who desires to vote in person at a federally operated veteran's home, hospital, or facility of residence pursuant to the Nursing Home Care Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act, the ID/DD Community Care Act, or the MC/DD Act to make application for such to the election authority. Such voting shall take place on the Friday,

Saturday, Sunday, or Monday immediately preceding the General Primary Election, as determined by the election authority. (10 ILCS 5/19-12.2)

NURSING HOME VOTING – LISTING

Last day (by noon) the election authority shall post the names and addresses of nursing home facilities from which no applications for vote by mail ballots have been received and in which no supervised voting will be conducted.
(10 ILCS 5/19-12.2)

PUBLIC TEST OF VOTING EQUIPMENT

Last day for the election authority to conduct public test of automatic tabulating equipment, Optical Scan Equipment, and Direct Recording Electronic Voting Equipment.
(10 ILCS 5/24A-9, 24B-9, 24C-9)

NOTE:
All election authorities must provide timely notice of their public test to the State Board of Elections prior to such test. Such notice must contain the date, time, and location of such test. Public notice of the time and place of the test must be given at least 48 hours prior to such test.

FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2020

OFFICIAL BALLOT INSPECTION

Last day for the election authority to have official ballots available for inspection by candidates or their agents. (10 ILCS 5/16-5)

FRIDAY – MONDAY, MARCH 13 – 16, 2020

NURSING HOME VOTING The election authority will determine on which of the above dates Nursing Home voting will be conducted at federally operated veteran's homes, hospitals, and facilities licensed pursuant to the Nursing Home Care Reform Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act, the ID/DD Community Care Act, or the MC/DD Act. No later than 9:00 a.m. of the day designated by the election authority to conduct in-person voting on the premises, the election authority shall deliver official vote by mail ballots to the judges of election conducting such voting at the facility. Between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., sufficient time shall be allowed for residents of the facility to vote on the premises of such facility. Immediately thereafter, the judges shall bring the sealed envelope to the office of the election authority who shall deliver such ballots to the election authority's central ballot counting location prior to the closing of the polls on the day of election.
(10 ILCS 5/19-4, 19-12.2)

NOTE:
In person vote by mail voting shall be conducted on the premises of facilities licensed pursuant to the Nursing Home Care Reform Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act, the ID/DD Community Care Act, the MC/DD Act, and federally operated veterans' homes and hospitals, for the sole benefit of residents of such facilities who have made prior application and are registered to vote in that precinct.

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2020

EARLY VOTING
Last day for early voting at the office of the election authority and permanent locations designated by the election authority. Temporary early voting locations may be established by the election authority but are not required to maintain the same voting days and hours as the election authority. (10 ILCS 19A-15, 19A-20)

BALLOT DELIVERY
Last day for the election authority to deliver ballots to the judges of election. (10 ILCS 5/7-35)

VOTE BY MAIL
Last day for any registered voter, presently within the confines of the United States, to apply in person at the election authority or approved local official for a vote by mail ballot. (10 ILCS 5/19-2)

CURBSIDE VOTING
Last day for any temporarily or permanently physically disabled voter to request at the election authority's office that two (2) judges of election of opposite party affiliation deliver a ballot to the voter at the point where they are unable to continue forward motion toward the polling place. [10 ILCS 5/7-47.1(b)]

NOTE:
The election authority shall notify the judges of election of the appropriate precinct of such requests. (ILCS 5/19-4, 19-12.2) (10 ILCS 5/24A-9, 24B-9, 24C-9)

LISTS OF VOTE BY MAIL, EARLY AND GRACE PERIOD VOTERS
Last day for election authority to deliver (prior to opening the polling place) to the judges of election in each precinct the list of registered voters in that precinct to whom vote by mail ballots have been issued, grace period voters, and early voters. [10 ILCS 5/4-50, 5-50, 6-100, 19-4, 19A-5(c)]

TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2020
GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION
POLLS OPEN 6:00 AM – 7:00 PM

GRACE PERIOD REGISTRATION AND VOTING
Last day of grace period registration and voting in the office of the election authority or at location designated for this purpose by the election authority. Please contact the election authority to determine the availability of grace period registration and voting in the polling place on Election Day. (10 ILCS 5/4-50, 5-50, 6-100)

THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2020

VOTER REGISTRATION
Registration opens in the office of the election authority and with all deputy registrars including municipal, township, and road district clerks who are authorized deputy registrars.
(10 ILCS 5/4-6, 5-5, 6-50)

UNCOUNTED BALLOTS
No later than 48 hours after the closing of polling locations on Election Day, each election authority maintaining a website shall post the number of ballots that remain uncounted. The posting shall separate the number of ballots yet to be counted into the following categories: ballots cast on Election Day, early voting ballots, provisional ballots, vote by mail ballots received by the election authority but not counted, and vote by mail ballots sent by the election authority but have not been returned to the election authority. This information shall be updated on the website of the election authority each day until the period for counting provisional and vote by mail ballots has ended. All election authorities, regardless of whether they maintain a website, shall share the same information, separated in the same manner, with the State Board of Elections no later than 48 hours after the closing of polling locations on Election Day and each business day thereafter until the period for counting provisional and vote by mail ballots has ended. (10 ILCS 5/1-9.2)

TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2020

PROVISIONAL VOTERS
Last day a provisional voter may submit additional information to the county clerk or board of election commissioners to verify or support their registration status. Material must be received by this date. [10 ILCS 5/18A-15(d)]

TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2020

PROVISIONAL BALLOT COUNTING
Last day for the county clerk or board of election commissioners to complete the validation and counting of provisional ballots. [10 ILCS 5/18A-15(a)]

VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT COUNTING
Last day for the county clerk or board of election commissioners to complete the tabulation of vote by mail ballots that were: (1) postmarked by Election Day and were received after the close of the polls on Election Day but not later than 14 days after the election, or (2) not postmarked at all, but did have a certification date prior to the Election Day on the certification envelope, and were received after the close of the polls on Election Day, but not later than 14 days after the election. (10 ILCS 5/19-8)

NOTE:
Voters whose ballots were rejected must be sent a notice of such along with the reason for the rejection within two (2) days of the rejection, but in all cases prior to the end of the 14 day period in which to count the vote by mail ballots. Such voters must be given an opportunity to appear before the election authority on or before the 14th day following the election to show cause to why the ballot should not be rejected.

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2020

CANVASSING
The board of election commissioners shall transmit a tabulated statement of the returns to the county clerk. [10 ILCS 5/7-56, 18A-15(a)]

Last day for canvassing of election results by proper canvassing board (county canvassing board or board of canvassers). [10 ILCS 5/7- 56, 18A-15(a)]

NOTE:
The State Board of Elections as a canvassing board.

The Election Authority shall submit their canvass through the eCanvass system in the electronic format prescribed by the State Board of Elections. (10 ILCS 5/22-6)

NOTE:
If there is a board of election commissioners within a county, the county abstracts shall include the statement of returns from such board of election commissioners. (10 ILCS 5/22-9).

The county clerk shall, within two (2) days, forward the abstract of votes to the SBE overnight mail or as a PDF document through email. (10 ILCS 22-5)

VOTE BY MAIL STATISTICS

The last day the election authority shall transmit to the State Board of Elections the following: (1) the number, by precinct, of vote by mail ballots requested, provided, and counted, (2) the number of rejected vote by mail ballots, (3) the number of voters seeking review of rejected vote by mail ballots, and (4) the number of vote by mail ballots counted following review.
(10 ILCS 5/19-20, 20-20)

AFTER THE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION

CANVASSING BOARD

The county clerk has the responsibility of canvassing the returns of the General Primary Election under its jurisdiction. (10 ILCS 5/7-56)

The board of election commissioners has the responsibility of canvassing the returns of the General Primary under its jurisdiction. (10 ILCS 5/7-56)

RETABULATION

Prior to the canvass, in those jurisdictions where in-precinct counting equipment is utilized, the election authority shall retabulate the total number of votes cast in 5% of the precincts within the election jurisdiction, as well as 5% of the voting devices used in early voting as selected on a random basis by the State Board of Elections. (10 ILCS 5/24A-15, 24B-15, 24C-15)

AFTER PROCLAMATION BY THE ELECTION AUTHORITY

The county clerk shall issue a certificate of nomination to each person declared nominated to a county office.

The county clerk shall issue a certificate of election to each person declared elected to the office of ward committeeperson or precinct committeeperson. (10 ILCS 5/7-58)

PRECINCT RESULTS
Within 1 day after the canvassing and proclamation, each election authority shall transmit to the State Board of Elections a canvass of votes by precinct or ward for the following offices: President, state senator, representative in the general assembly, any candidate for congressional office, the offices of ward committeepersons, and precinct committeepersons, and total ballots cast, as well as copies of the current precinct poll list via overnight mail or as a PDF file via email. Electronic results must also be submitted in accordance with the procedures outlined in 26 Il. Adm. Code 219. (10 ILCS 5/22-15)

CANVASS BY THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS
The State Board of Elections shall canvass the returns for the nomination or election of candidates for offices for which petitions were filed with the State Board of Elections. The State Board of Elections shall issue certificates of election to each person declared elected to the office of delegate and alternate delegate.

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES
Each successful write-in candidate nominated or elected at the primary shall file the following documents with the proper election authority or the State Board of Elections within 10 days from the proclamation by the appropriate board:

1. A Loyalty Oath (optional);
2. A Statement of Candidacy; and
3. A receipt for filing of a Statement of Economic Interests (not required for federal offices, precinct, or ward committeepersons). (10 ILCS 5/7-60)

DISCOVERY RECOUNT
Within 5 days after the last day for proclamation of the results, petitions for discovery recount may be filed by any qualified individual (who came within 5% of the votes cast for any successful candidate) with the appropriate county clerk or board of election commissioners. The deadline to file a discovery recount for an office canvassed by the State Board of Elections is 5 days after the last day for the Board to canvass. The petition for discovery is filed with the appropriate election authority/authorities. (10 ILCS 5/22-9.1)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2020

COUNTY CONVENTION
Each established political party shall hold a county convention at its respective county.
[10 ILCS 5/7-9(a)]

NOTE:
Precinct committeepersons begin their terms as deputy registrars on the date of the county convention. (10 ILCS 5/4-6.2, 5-16.2, 6-50.2)

FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2020

CANVASS – STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS
Last day for the State Board of Elections to canvass the votes for federal, congressional, legislative, representative, and judicial offices as well as multi-county regions.
[10 ILCS 5/18A-15(a)]

MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2020

LIST OF PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSONS
Last day for the chair of each county central committee to forward to the State Board of Elections the names and addresses of its officers and precinct committeepersons. [10 ILCS 5/7-9(a)]

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2020

PARTY LOTTERY
Last day for the election authority to conduct a lottery *(within 30 days following the canvass and proclamation of the results of the General Primary Election)* to determine the order in which the major political parties will appear on the General Election ballot.

The election authority shall send 7 days written notice to party chair and to each organization of citizens within the election jurisdiction entitled to have pollwatchers present at the last election. Notice must also be posted. (10 ILCS 5/7-60, 18A-15)

MONDAY, MAY 18, 2020

VOTER LIST FOR COUNTY CHAIR
Last day for the election authority to provide to each county chair or their representative a precinct list prepared for the 2020 General Primary Election which has been marked to indicate which party's ballot each voter requested. (10 ILCS 5/4-22, 5-29, 6-66)

GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 3, 2020
[10 ILCS 5/2A-1(a)]

TO BE ELECTED:

- President and Vice President of the United States
- United States Senator
- Representatives in Congress – All 18 Districts
- State Senators
    - For 2 year terms: 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19, 22, 25, 28, 31, 34, 37, 40, 43, 46, 49, 52, 55, and 58.
- Representatives in the General Assembly - All 118 Districts
- Sanitary District Commissioners/Trustees (Prairie DuPont Levee & Sanitary District Candidates file with SBE)
- Circuit Clerks
- Recorders (in counties with a population of 60,000 or more inhabitants)
- State's Attorney's
- Auditors (in counties with a population over 75,000 and under 3,000,000)
- Coroners
- Regional Superintendent of Schools (vacancies)
- County Commissioners (Counties not under township organization)
- County Board Members (Counties under township organization)
- Judges (Additional Judgeships if required)
    - Supreme Court Judges, Vacancies will be filled
    - Appellate Court Judges, Vacancies will be filled
    - Circuit Court Judges, Vacancies will be filled
    - Resident Circuit Court Judges, Vacancies will be filled
    - Subcircuit Judges, Vacancies will be filled
- Judicial Retention

DATES GOVERNING THE GENERAL ELECTION

TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2020

PETITION CIRCULATION
First day to circulate nomination papers for independent candidates and new political party candidates who file in between June 15 – 22, 2020, (90 days preceding the last day to file nomination papers). (10 ILCS 5/10-4, 10-6)

SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2020

JUDICIAL RETENTION
Last day for judges seeking retention in office to file Declaration of Judicial Candidacy with the Secretary of State. [Illinois Constitution, Article VI, Section 12(d)]

MONDAY, MAY 4, 2020

PUBLIC QUESTION – CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
Last day to file petitions with the Secretary of State to amend Article IV of the Illinois Constitution. Such petitions must be signed by a number of electors equal to at least 8% of the total votes cast for candidates for Governor at the 2018 General Election (minimum signatures – 363, 813).
(10 ILCS 5/28-9)

PUBLIC QUESTION – STATEWIDE ADVISORY
Last day to file a statewide petition for advisory public policy question with the State Board of Elections. Such petitions must be signed by a number of electors equal to at least 8% of the total votes cast for candidates for Governor at the 2018 General Election (minimum signatures – 363,813). (10 ILCS 5/28-9)

TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2020

SECRETARY OF STATE PETITION DELIVERY
Last day for the Secretary of State to deliver a petition to amend the Illinois Constitution to the State Board of Elections. (10 ILCS 5/28-9)

MONDAY, MAY 11, 2020

PUBLIC QUESTION PROPONENT/OPPONENT
Last day for proponents and opponents to certify in writing to the State Board of Elections that they publicly support or oppose the statewide advisory question of public policy. Said individuals shall register with the State Board of Elections the name and address of its group and the name and address of its chair and designated agent for acceptance of service of notices.
(10 ILCS 5/28-13)

FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2020

VOTER REGISTRATION DATA
First day for election authorities to indicate in writing that their voter registration data, including voting history from the latest election, is complete and up-to-date. (10 ILCS 5/4-8, 5-7, 6-35)

MONDAY, MAY 18, 2020

VOTER LIST FOR COUNTY CHAIR
Last day for the election authorities to provide to each county chair or their representative a precinct list for the 2020 Primary Election marked to indicate which party's ballot each voter requested. (10 ILCS 5/4-22, 5-29, 6-66)

FRIDAY, MAY 22, 2020

STATEWIDE PUBLIC QUESTION
The State Board of Elections shall apply its proven random sampling method to select and identify the petition signatures to be included in the sample signature verification. (10 ILCS 5/28-11) Proponents shall be allowed to present competent evidence or an additional sample to rebut the presumption of invalidity. The Board shall declare the petition to be valid or invalid. This hearing to be held prior to August 21, 2020. (10 ILCS 5/28-12)

NOTE:
The State Board of Elections shall conduct a hearing if the statewide projection made from results of random sampling falls below 95% of the minimum number of petition signatures required on a petition to amend the Constitution or on a petition for statewide advisory question of public policy. (10 ILCS 5/28-12)

TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2020

VOTER REGISTRATION DATA
Last day for election authorities to indicate in writing that their voter registration data, including voting history from the latest election, is complete and up-to-date. (10 ILCS 5/4-8, 5-7, 6-35)

MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2020

VACANCY IN NOMINATION – MANAGING COMMITTEE
Last day for established party managing committee (legislative and representative) to appoint someone to fill a vacancy when no candidate was nominated at the General Primary Election. (10 ILCS 5/7-61, 8-17)

VACANCY IN NOMINATION – APPOINTEE
Last day for appointee, by established party managing committee, to file the following documents when no candidate was nominated at the General Primary Election. The following documents must be filed together: (1) notice of appointment by the appropriate committee, (2) nominating petitions, (3) statement of candidacy, and (4) statement of economic interest. (10 ILCS 5/7-61)

THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2020

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CREATE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

First day notice of intention to file a petition to create a political subdivision, whose officers are to be elected rather than appointed, may be published in a newspaper within the proposed political subdivision, or if none, in a newspaper of general circulation within the proposed territory.
[10 ILCS 5/28-2(g)]

MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2020

OBJECTIONS TO VACANCIES IN NOMINATION

Last day to file objections to nomination papers of all candidates who filled vacancies when no candidate was nominated at the General Primary Election. (10 ILCS 5/7-61, 10-8)

NOTE:
For procedures on objections, see page 54.

TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2020

OBJECTIONS TO STATEWIDE QUESTIONS

Under the provisions of 10 ILCS 5/10-8, the deadline to file objections to petitions to amend Article IV of the Illinois Constitution and statewide advisory questions is 35 business days after the last day for filing which, in 2020, is June 23. Section 28-4 states that 42 business days after the petition actually is filed is the deadline for objections. Upon receipt of any such petition, the State Board of Elections will apply the more generous of the two calculations to determine the timeliness of any objection. (10 ILCS 5/10-8, 28-4)

MONDAY, JULY 6, 2020

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CREATE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

Last day notice of intention to file a petition to create a political subdivision, whose officers are to be elected rather than appointed, may be published in a newspaper within the proposed political subdivision, or if none, in a newspaper of general circulation within the proposed territory.
[10 ILCS 5/28-2(g)]

LISTING OF NURSING HOME FACILITIES

Last day for the Department of Public Health to certify to the State Board of Elections a list of the facilities licensed, or certified pursuant to the Nursing Home Care Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act of 2013, the ID/DD Community Care Act, or the MC/DD Act.
(10 ILCS 19-12.2)

PETITION TO CREATE A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
Last day to file a petition to create a political subdivision with the appropriate officer or board. [10 ILCS 5/28-2(b)]

NOTE:

The specific statutory provisions governing the creation of political subdivisions can be found in the relevant Code governing such subdivisions.

Objections can be filed on or before the date of the hearing with the appropriate circuit court clerk. (10 ILCS 5/28-4)

If initial officers are to be elected at the election for creation of a new unit of government, candidates for such offices shall file nomination papers 113-106 days before such election (July 13 – 20, 2020). (10 ILCS 5/10-6)

The circuit court clerk shall publish the hearing date for a public policy petition filed in their office not later than 14 days after the petition is actually filed, but at least 5 days before actual hearing. Final order within 7 days of hearing. (10 ILCS 5/28-4)

MONDAY, JULY 13, 2020

OBJECTIONS TO POLITICAL SUBDIVISION PETITION
Last day to file objections to petitions to create a political subdivision in the office of the appropriate officer, board, or circuit court. (10 ILCS 5/28-4)

MONDAY, JULY 27, 2020

LISTING OF NURSING HOME FACILITIES
Last day State Board of Elections shall certify to the proper election authority a list of federally operated veteran's homes, hospitals, and facilities licensed or certified pursuant to the Nursing Home Care Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act, the ID/DD Community Care Act, or the MC/DD Act. The list shall indicate bed capacity and the chief administrator of each such home, hospital, or facility. (10 ILCS 5/19-12.2)

FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2020

NEW PARTY AND INDEPENDENT FILING
First day for independent and new party candidates to file original nomination papers.

Candidates for federal, legislative, judicial offices, or for any office to be elected by the voters of more than one county, shall file nomination papers in the principal office of the State Board of Elections. For the November 3, 2020, General Election, a statewide new political party slate must include the names of a candidate for President and Vice President. Petitions for President and Vice President must include a list of Presidential electors' names and addresses.

Candidates for county office will file in the office of the county clerk.

New party petitions must also include a certificate of officers authorized to fill a vacancy in nomination. **Failure to file the certificate will result in the party forfeiting the ability to fill a vacancy in nomination**. (10 ILCS 5/10-2, 10-3, 10-5, 10-6)

NOTE:

The following court case has held that the full-slate requirement for new political parties is unconstitutional: *Libertarian Party of Illinois v. ISBE, et al.*, 872 F.3d 518 (7th Cir. 2017).

MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2020

REFERENDA FILING

Last day for filing petitions for referenda for the submission of questions of public policy (local). Objections to petitions for local referenda are filed with the same officer in which the original petitions are filed. (10 ILCS 5/28-2(a), 28-6, 28-7)

EXCEPTION:

Proposition to create a political subdivision, referenda held under the provisions of Article IX of the Liquor Control Act, and Section 18-120 of the Property Tax Code.)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2020

VOTE BY MAIL – APPLICATION

First day for any registered voter presently within the confines of the United States, to make application by mail or in person to the election authority for an official vote by mail ballot. Please note that mailing and delivery of ballots does not begin until Thursday, September 24, 2020. (10 ILCS 5/19-2)

REGISTRATION PURGE

Last day for election authorities to complete any systematic program to remove ineligible voters from the voting roles prior to the November 3, 2020, General Election. [52 U.S.C. 20507(c)(2)(A)]

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, 2020

NEW PARTY AND INDEPENDENT FILING

Last day (by 5:00 p.m.) for independent and new party candidates to file original nomination papers.

Candidates for federal, legislative, judicial offices, or for any office to be elected by the voters of more than one county, shall file nomination papers in the principal office of the State Board of Elections. For the November 3, 2020, General Election, a statewide new political party slate must include the names of a candidate for President and Vice President. Petitions for President and Vice President must include a list of Presidential electors' names and addresses.

Candidates for county office will file in the office of the county clerk.

New party petitions must also include a certificate of officers authorized to fill a vacancy in nomination. **Failure to file the certificate will result in the party forfeiting the ability to fill a vacancy in nomination**. (10 ILCS 5/10-2, 10-3, 10-5, 10-6)

NOTE:

The following court case has held that the full-slate requirement for new political parties is unconstitutional: *Libertarian Party of Illinois v. ISBE, et al.,* 872 F.3d 518 (7th Cir. 2017).

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS

Last day for filing a Statement of Economic Interests with the proper office as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Candidates who file petitions with the county clerk and have a current Statement of Economic Interests on file for the same office with the same county do not have to file an additional receipt. Candidates who file petitions with the State Board of Elections must file a current receipt for the same office with the petitions. The receipt must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. (5 ILCS 420/4A-105; 10 ILCS 5/10-5)

EXCEPTION:

Candidates for federal office are not required to file a state economic interest statement.

MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2020

OBJECTIONS TO REFERENDA

Last day to file objections to petitions for the submission of questions of public policy. Objections to petitions for local referenda are filed with the same office that has the original petitions.
(10 ILCS 5/10-8, 28-4)

EXCEPTION:

Proposition to create a political subdivision, referenda held under the provisions of Article IX of the Liquor Control Act, and Section 18-120 of the Property Tax Code.

NOTE:

For procedures on objections, see page 54 (except those filed with the circuit clerk).

NOTICE OF LOTTERY

Last day for written notice of the time and place for conducting lottery to be given when two (2) or more petitions are received simultaneously for the same office and party, independent or nonpartisan candidates, (a) as of the opening hour of the filing period, July 31, 2020, and/or (b)

within the last hour of the filing period August 7, 2020. The State Board of Elections or the election authority shall give notice to the chair of each political party. Notice must also be posted.
(10 ILCS 5/10-6.2)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 2020

INCOMPATIBLE OFFICES
Last day for an individual who has filed for two (2) or more incompatible offices to withdraw from all but one of the offices (with whichever election authority the nomination papers were originally filed).
(10 ILCS 5/10-7)

OBJECTIONS TO NOMINATION PAPERS
Last day for filing objections to the nomination papers of all candidates who filed during the July 31 – August 7, 2020, filing period. Objections are filed with whichever office the nomination papers were originally filed, such as the office of the State Board of Elections or the county clerk.
(10 ILCS 5/10-8)

MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020

REFERENDA RESOLUTIONS
Last day for local governing boards to adopt a resolution or ordinance to allow binding or advisory public questions to appear on the ballot. [10 ILCS 5/28-2(c); 55 ILCS 5/5-1005.5; 60 ILCS 1/80-80; 65 ILCS 5/3.1-40-60; 70 ILCS 1205/8-30; 105 ILCS 5/9-1.5; 10 ILCS 5/28-2(c); 60 ILCS 1/30-205)

BALLOT PLACEMENT LOTTERY
Last day a lottery shall be conducted by the State Board of Elections or the election authority when two (2) or more petitions are received simultaneously for the same office by more than one new political party, nonpartisan, or for the same office by more than one independent candidate, as of the opening hour or within the last hour of filing period.
(10 ILCS 5/10-6.2)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2020

VACANCY IN NOMINATION
Last day for established and new political parties to fill vacancies in nomination occurring on or after the primary and prior to certification (does not apply to vacancies created due to failure to nominate at the General Primary) for federal, legislative, and representative offices. Resolutions are filed in the principal office of the State Board of Elections. (10 ILCS 5/7-61)

NOTE:
Any vacancies in nomination occurring after certification, but prior to 15 days before the General Election, shall be filed by the political party officers, or other persons making the original nomination, with 8 days after the event creating the vacancy. (10 ILCS 5/7-61)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2020

WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY
Last day for independent, established party, and new political party candidates to file withdrawal of nomination papers in the office of the State Board of Elections. (10 ILCS 5/10-7)

BALLOT CERTIFICATION
Last day for the State Board of Elections to certify the names of established political party candidates, new party candidates, and independent candidates, as well as questions to amend the Constitution of Illinois and any statewide questions of public policy for the General Election ballot to the election authorities. (10 ILCS 5/1A-8(14), 7-60, 10-14)

EXCEPTION:
The nominees for the Democratic Party and Republican Party for President and Vice President of the United States will not be certified until chosen by the national nominating convention.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2020

VACANCY IN NOMINATION
Last day for established and new political parties to fill vacancies in nomination in county offices where the vacancy occurred on or after the primary election and prior to certification. This does not apply to vacancies which occur due to a failure to nominate at the primary. (10 ILCS 5/7-61,10-11)

NOTE:
Any vacancies in nomination occurring after certification, but prior to 15 days before the General Election, shall be filled by the political party officers, or other persons making the original nomination, within 8 days after the event creating the vacancy. (10 ILCS 5/7-61, 10-11)

BALLOT CERTIFICATION
Last day for the county clerk to certify to the board of election commissioners the names of candidates to be voted for in its jurisdiction. (10 ILCS 5/7-60, 10-14)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2020

WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY
Last day for candidates who filed nomination papers with the county clerk to file withdrawal of nomination papers in the office of the county clerk. (10 ILCS 5/10-7)

OBJECTIONS – VACANCY IN NOMINATION
Last day to file objections with the State Board of Elections to resolutions for filling a vacancy in nomination by a new political party or by an established party managing committee when a vacancy occurred on or after the primary election and before certification.
(10 ILCS 5/7-61, 10-8, 10-11)

NOTE:
For procedures on objections, see page 54 (except those filed with the circuit clerk).

BALLOT CERTIFICATION
Last day for county clerk to certify the general election ballot and issue a copy to the State Board of Elections. (10 ILCS 5/10-14)

Last day for the circuit court clerk and the local election official to certify any binding public question or advisory referenda to the election authority having jurisdiction over the political subdivision.
(10 ILCS 5/28-5)

Last day for the county clerk to certify to the board of election commissioners any referenda to be submitted to the voters in its jurisdiction. (10 ILCS 5/28-5)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

JUDICIAL RETENTION
Last day for the Secretary of State to certify the names of all judges seeking retention in office to the State Board of Elections. (Illinois Constitution, Article VI, Section 12; 10 ILCS 5/7A-1)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2020

OBJECTIONS – VACANCY IN NOMINATION
Last day to file objections with the county clerk to resolutions for filling a vacancy in nomination by an established or new party managing committee when a vacancy occurred on or after the primary election and before certification. **This does not apply to vacancies which occur due to a failure to nominate at the primary**. (10 ILCS 5/7-61, 10-11)

NOTE:
For procedures on objections, see page 54.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2020

PUBLICATION – NEW VOTING DEVICES
Last day for the election authority to publish notice that new mechanical or electronic voting devices will be used for the first time at the General Election. (10 ILCS 5/24-1.1, 24A-3, 24B-3, 24C-3)

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES
Last day a person may file a notarized Declaration of Intent to be a write-in candidate with the proper election authority or authorities, such as the appropriate county clerk(s) and/or board(s) of election commissioners. Write-in votes shall be counted only for persons who have filed a Declaration of Intent. Write-in declarations are NOT filed with the State Board of Elections. (10 ILCS 5/17-16.1)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2020

PUBLICATION – VOTING AIDS
Last day the election authority shall provide public notice, calculated to reach the elderly and disabled voters, of the availability of registration and voting aids under the Federal Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act, as well as the availability of assistance in marking the ballot, procedures for voting by vote by mail ballot, and procedures for early voting by personal appearance. (10 ILCS 5/12-1)

PUBLICATION – PUBLIC QUESTION
First day for the election authority to publish a notice of any question of public policy to be voted upon within the jurisdiction. (10 ILCS 5/12-5)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2020

LEGISLATIVE AND REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION
Last day each legislative committee and representative committee shall meet and organize. Said meeting shall be held within the limits of such district. (10 ILCS 5/8-5)

STATE PARTY CONVENTION
Last day for each established party to hold a state party convention. The call for the state convention must be issued at least 33 days prior to the date of the convention. [10 ILCS 5/7-9(e)]

SCHEDULE FOR EARLY VOTING
Last day for the election authority to provide the State Board of Elections with a list of all early voting sites and the hours each site will be open. [10 ILCS 5/19A-25(f)]

POSTING FOR EARLY VOTING
Last day for election authority to post schedule for early voting conducted at the office of the election authority and each temporary location. Posting shall remain at each site until the last day of the early voting period (November 2, 2020). If the election authority has a website, it shall make the schedule available on the website. [10 ILCS 5/19A-25(b)]

INTERNET VOTERS' GUIDE
Last day for statewide and candidates for Supreme and Appellate Court judgeships to submit personal statements and photographs for the Internet Voters' Guide to the State Board of Elections. [10 ILCS 5/12A-10(g)]

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2020

PUBLICATION – EARLY VOTING
First day for election authority to publish: (1) the locations of all permanent and temporary sites for early voting and the precincts served by each location, and (2) the dates and hours that early voting will be conducted at each location. The election authority shall publish this information at least once a week during the statutory period for early voting. If the election authority maintains a website, they shall make the schedule available on their website. [10 ILCS 5/19A-25(a)]

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2020

VOTE BY MAIL – UOCAVA
Last day for the election authority to have in their office a sufficient number of ballots printed and available for mailing to persons in the United States Service, their spouse and/or their dependents, citizens temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States, and nonresident civilians. (10 ILCS 5/16-5.01)

NOTE:

Pursuant to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA), as amended by the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (the MOVE Act), vote by mail ballots requested by military and overseas voters must be transmitted at least 45 days before a federal election. [42 U.S.C. § 1973ff-1(a) (8) (A)] Please be advised that the 45 day UOCAVA deadline may not be extended under any circumstances; therefore, although the 45 day deadline falls on a Saturday, military and overseas vote by mail ballots MUST be mailed by that date. An election authority that waits until the first business day following the 45 day deadlines to mail military and overseas ballots will be considered in violation of UOCAVA.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2020

INTERNET VOTERS' GUIDE
Last day for the State Board of Elections to publish Internet Voter's Guide on the Board's website. (10 ILCS 5/12A-5)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2020

VOTE BY MAIL
First day for the election authority to mail an official ballot to a registered voter within the confines of the United States who has made application to vote by mail. (10 ILCS 5/19-4)

EARLY VOTING – OFFICE OF ELECTION AUTHORITY
First day for early voting at the office of the election authority and temporary locations designated by the election authority. Temporary polling locations for early voting can be established at the discretion of the election authority, and the dates and hours are also at the discretion of the election authority. (10 ILCS 5/19A-15, 19A-20)

ORGANIZATION OF CITIZENS – POLLWATCHERS
Last day for organizations of citizens which have among its purpose the investigation or prosecution of election fraud ballot proposition proponents or opponents and state nonpartisan civic organizations to register their names and addresses as well as the names and addresses of their principal officers with the proper election authority if such organization(s) wish to qualify for pollwatchers at the General Election. (10 ILCS 5/17-23)

SUNDAY – TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4 – 6, 2020

LODGING HOUSE AFFIDAVITS
Dates for filing Lodging House Affidavits listing the names and descriptions of those resident who list such location as their voting address, with the Boards of Election Commissioners (*The National Voter Registration Act of 1993 may prohibit the enforcement of this provision.).* (10 ILCS 5/6-56)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2020

PUBLICATION – NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
Last day for election authority to publish a notice of General Election. (10 ILCS 5/12-1)

VOTE BY MAIL – PRESIDENT ONLY BALLOT
First day a registered Illinois voter who has moved within 30 days outside of their precinct prior to a Presidential election may apply either by mail or in person for a vote by mail ballot for President and Vice President only with the election authority having jurisdiction over their precinct of former residence. (10 ILCS 5/20-13.1)

VOTE BY MAIL – CITIZENS TEMPORARILY OUTSIDE U.S.
First day for the election authority to send an official ballot for federal offices only, upon receipt of either an application for vote by mail registration or an application for vote by mail ballot, to citizens of the United States who are temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States. (10 ILCS 5/20-2.1, 20-3)

NOTE:

Unregistered citizens temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States who make application for vote by mail registration and/or vote by mail ballots after 30 days (October 4) but not less than 10 (October 24) days prior to Election Day shall be sent the federal offices ballot only.

Registration is not required in order to vote the ballot containing the federal offices only.

VOTE BY MAIL – UNREGISTERED CITIZENS TEMPORARILY OUTSIDE U.S.
Last day for citizens of the United States temporarily residing outside the United States who are not registered but are otherwise qualified to vote and who expect to be absent from their county of residence on Election Day to make simultaneous application to the election authority having jurisdiction over their precinct of residence for vote by mail registration and a vote by mail ballot and the last day for the election authority to mail such a ballot. (10 ILCS 5/20-2.1, 20-3)

NOTE:

To receive the full ballot, applications should be in the hands of the election authority no later than 30 days before the election (October 5, 2020). Applications received after October 4 and prior to October 24 will entitle the voter to cast a federal ballot only.

Registration is not required in order to vote a ballot containing the federal offices only.

SOS MAILER FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
Last day for the Secretary of State to publish and mail to every mailing address in the State a copy of the pamphlet giving the proponents and opponents views on amendments to the Constitution of Illinois. (5 ILCS 20/2)

NURSING HOME VOTING
Last day for the election authority to arrange with nursing home administrators the date and time to conduct in-person voting in such facilities and to post a notice in the office of the election authority of all such arrangements. (10 ILCS 5/19-12.2)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2020

CLOSE OF REGISTRATION
Last day for regular registration or transfer of registration within the offices of the election authority. Grace period registration and voting will be available after this date. Area and precinct registration may apply to the City of Chicago and Cook County. Please check with these jurisdictions for registration deadlines. (10 ILCS 5/4-6, 4-16, 5-5, 5-23, 6-29, 6-50, 6-53, 6-54)

NOTE:

Under the provisions of NVRA, agency and motor vehicle offices will continue to accept registration after the statutory close of registration. Only those registration applications completed no later than 27 (16 days for Motor Vehicle Services facilities) days before the election will be processed for the next ensuing election. Applications for registration completed within five days of the registration deadline at Secretary of State Facilities and qualified agencies will be transmitted within five days of completion and must be processed for the election. A mail registration application shall be deemed timely filed if postmarked prior to the close of registration. If no postmark exists or if the postmark is illegible, the application shall be considered timely filed if received by the election authority no later than five calendar days after the close of registration.

CLOSE OF REGISTRATION – DEPUTY REGISTRARS
Last day for registration of voters by deputy registrars, including municipal, township, road district clerks, and precinct committeepersons. Area and precinct registration may apply to the City of Chicago and Cook County. Please check with these jurisdictions for registration deadlines.
(10 ILCS 5/4-6.2, 5-16.2, 6-50.2)

NOTE:
Deputy Registrars must return completed forms to the election authority within 7 days of the day on which they are completed. Deputy Registrars must return all registration materials within 48 hours of registration/cancellation if such registration/cancellation was accepted between the 35th and 28th day preceding an election.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2020

GRACE PERIOD REGISTRATION AND VOTING
First day for grace period registration and voting at the office of the election authority or at a location designated for this purpose by the election authority. If the election authority does not have ballots available, the election authority may mail the ballot to the voter when available.
(10 ILCS 5/4-50, 5-50, 6-100)

DEPUTY REGISTRARS
Last day for deputy registrars who are officials or members of a bona fide labor organization to return unused registration materials to the election authority. Area and precinct registration may apply to the City of Chicago and Cook County. Please check with these jurisdictions for registration deadlines. (10 ILCS 5/4-6.2, 5-16.2, 6-50.2)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2020

EARLY VOTING SCHEDULE
First day for election authority to post the schedule for early voting at each permanent polling place where early voting will be conducted. Posting shall remain at each site until the last day of the early voting period (November 2, 2020). If the election authority has a website, they shall make the schedule available on the website. (10 ILCS 5/19A-25)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2020

EMPLOYEE NOTICE TO BE ELECTION JUDGE
Last day for employee to give employer written notice that they will be absent from place of employment on Election Day because they have been appointed as an election judge under the provisions of 10 ILCS 5/13-1 or 13-2. (10 ILCS 5/13-2.5, 14-4.5)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2020

VOTER REGISTRATION DATA
Last day for election authorities to indicate in writing that their voter registration data, including voting history from the latest election, is complete and up-to-date. (10 ILCS 5/4-8, 5-7, 6-35)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2020

ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION
Last day for voters to register to vote through the State Board of Elections website.
(10 ILCS 5/1A-16.5)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2020

EARLY VOTING – PERMANENT POLLING PLACES
First day for early voting at permanent polling places other than the office of the election authority. These permanent polling places are to be open on holidays, Saturdays, and Sundays.
[10 ILCS 5/19A-15(b)]

VACANCY IN NOMINATION
Last day to fill a vacancy in nomination occurring after the official certification but prior to 15 days before the General Election. (10 ILCS 5/7-61, 10-11)

MONDAY – TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19 – 20, 2020

ERASURE OF NAMES FROM VOTER REGISTRY
Dates on which any voter or precinct committeeperson may file an application with the election authority to erase names from the registry of voters. *The National Voter Registration Act of 1993 may prohibit the enforcement of this provision.* (10 ILCS 5/4-12, 5-15, 6-44)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2020

HOSPITALIZED VOTER
First day that a qualified voter who has been admitted to a hospital, nursing home, or rehabilitation center not more than 14 days before the General Election to make an application with the election authority for the personal delivery of a vote by mail ballot.
(10 ILCS 5/19-13)

NOTE:
This provision for voting by mail is available through Election Day if the process can be completed and the voted ballot returned to the election authority in sufficient time for delivery of the ballot to the election authority's central ballot counting location before 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.

REGISTRATION REPORT FOR EACH COUNTY CHAIR
Last day for county clerks (other than Cook, DuPage, Lake and Will Counties) to provide to each county chair or their representative, with precinct lists prepared for the 2020 General Election marked to indicate the names of all persons who have registered since the 2020 General Primary. (10 ILCS 5/4-11)

NOTE:
There is no statutory deadline for these lists in jurisdictions under boards of election commissioners (including DuPage County) or in Cook, Lake, or Will counties. These statutes specify only that such lists be prepared and distributed prior to the General Election. (10 ILCS 5/5-14, 6-60)

POLLWATCHER CREDENTIALS
Last day for the State Board of Elections or the election authority to have pollwatcher credentials available for distribution. (10 ILCS 5/17-23)

NOTE:
Pollwatcher credentials may, at the discretion of the election authority, be distributed prior to this date. Credentials must be available on this date and up to, and including, Election Day.

THURSDAY – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 – 24, 2020

HEARINGS FOR REGISTRATION ERASURE
Dates on which county clerks or Chicago Board of Election Commissioners shall hold hearings to determine whether names in the registry of voters shall be erased, registered, or restored. *The National Voter Registration Act of 1993 may prohibit enforcement of this provision.*
(10 ILCS 5/4-13, 5-16, 6-45)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2020

PUBLICATION – PUBLIC QUESTION
Last day for the election authority to publish a notice of any question of public policy to be voted upon within its jurisdiction. The election authority shall also post a copy of the notice at the principal office of the election authority. The local election official shall also post a copy of the notice at the principal office of the political or governmental subdivision. If there is no principal office, the local election official shall post the notice at the building in which the governing body of the political or governmental subdivision held its first meeting of the calendar year in which the referenda is being held. (10 ILCS 5/12-5)

VOTE BY MAIL – UOCAVA
Last day for any voter who is a member of the United States Service, their spouse, and/or their dependents of voting age who expect to be absent from their county of residence on Election Day to make application for an official ballot to the election authority having jurisdiction over their precinct residence and the last day for election authority to mail such ballot. Members of the

Armed Forces may make application via facsimile machine or other method of electronic transmission. (10 ILCS 5/20-2, 20-2.3, 20-3)

NOTE:
No registration shall be required in order to vote pursuant to this section.

VOTE BY MAIL – CITIZENS TEMPORARILY OUTSIDE U.S.

Last day for the election authority to send an official ballot for federal offices only, upon receipt of either an application for vote by mail registration or an application for a vote by mail ballot, to citizens of the United States who are temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States. Citizens temporarily residing outside the territorial limits may make application via facsimile machine or other method of electronic transmission. (10 ILCS 5/20-2.1, 20-3)

NOTE:
Registration is not required in order to vote the ballot containing the federal offices only.

VOTE BY MAIL – NONRESIDENT CIVILIANS

Last day for any nonresident civilian, otherwise qualified to vote, to make application to the election authority having jurisdiction over their precinct of former residence for a vote by mail ballot containing federal offices only, and the last day for election authority to mail such ballot. Nonresident civilians may make application via facsimile machine or other method of electronic transmission. (10 ILCS 5/20-2.2, 20-5)

NOTE:
Such application shall be made only on the official federal postcard and no registration shall be required to vote.

TUESDAY – THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27 – 29, 2020

HEARINGS FOR REGISTRATION ERASURE

Dates on which boards of election commissioners, except Chicago Board of Election Commissioners, to hold hearings to determine whether names in the registry of voters shall be erased, registered, or restored. *The National Voter Registration Act of 1993 may prohibit the enforcement of this provision.* (10 ILCS 5/6-45)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2020

PUBLIC TEST OF VOTING EQUIPMENT

Last day for the election authority to conduct public test of automatic tabulating equipment, Optical Scan Equipment, and Direct Recording Electronic Voting Equipment.
(10 ILCS 5/24A-9, 24B-9, 24C-9)

NOTE:

All election authorities must provide timely written notice of their public test to the State Board of Elections prior to such test. Such notice must contain the date, time, and location of such test. Public notice of the time and place of the test must be given at least 48 hours prior to such test. (10 ILCS 5/24A-9, 24B-9, 24C-9)

VOTE BY MAIL

Last day for the election authority to receive application by mail for a vote by mail ballot from any registered voter presently within the confines of the United States. (10 ILCS 5/19-2)

SPECIMEN BALLOTS

Last day for the election authority to publish the specimen ballots, as near as may be in the form in which they will appear on the official ballots on Election Day.
(10 ILCS 5/24A-18, 24B-18, 24C-18)

NURSING HOME VOTING – APPLICATION

Last day for a physically incapacitated voter who desires to vote in person at any federally operated veteran's homes, hospitals, or their facility of residence pursuant to the Nursing Home Care Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act, the ID/DD Community Care Act, or the MC/DD Act, to make application to the election authority to vote in person at such facility. Such voting shall take place on the Friday, Saturday, Sunday, or Monday immediately preceding the General Election, as determined by the election authority. (10 ILCS 5/19-12.2)

NURSING HOME VOTING – LISTING

Last day (by noon) the election authority shall post the names and addresses of nursing home facilities from which no applications for vote by mail ballots have been received and in which no supervised voting will be conducted. (10 ILCS 5/19-12.2)

VOTE BY MAIL - PRESIDENT ONLY BALLOT

Last day a non-registered citizen residing in Illinois who is temporarily absent from their county of residence to apply by mail for a vote by mail ballot to vote for President and Vice President only with the election authority having jurisdiction over their precinct of permanent residence.
(10 ILCS 5/20-13)

Last day a registered citizen residing in Illinois who is temporarily absent from their county of residence may apply by mail for a vote by mail ballot to vote for President and Vice President only with the election authority having jurisdiction over their precinct of former residence.
(10 ILCS 5/20-13.1)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2020

OFFICIAL BALLOTS FOR INSPECTION

Last day for the election authority to have official ballots available for inspection by candidates or their agents. (10 ILCS 5/16-5)

FRIDAY – MONDAY, OCTOBER 30 - NOVEMBER 2, 2020

NURSING HOME VOTING

The election authority will determine on which of the above dates Nursing Home voting will be conducted pursuant to the Nursing Home Care Reform Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act, the ID/DD Community Care Act, or the MC/DD Act. No later than 9:00 a.m. of the day designated by the election authority to conduct in-person voting on the premises, the election authority shall deliver official vote by mail ballots to the judges of election conducting such voting at the facility. Between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., sufficient time shall be allowed for residents of the facility to vote on the premises of such facility. Immediately thereafter, the judges shall bring the sealed envelope to the office of the election authority who shall deliver such ballots to the election authority's central ballot counting location prior to the closing of the polls on the day of election. (10 ILCS 5/19-4, 19-12.2)

NOTE:

In person voting shall be conducted on the premises of facilities licensed pursuant to the Nursing Home Care Reform Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act the ID/DD Community Care Act, or the MC/DD Act, and federally operated veterans' homes and hospitals, for the sole benefit of residents of such facilities who have made prior application and are registered to vote in that precinct. (10 ILCS 5/19-4, 19-12.2)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2020

EARLY VOTING

Last day for early voting at the office of the election authority and locations designated by the election authority. (10 ILCS 5/19A-15, 19A-20)

CURBSIDE VOTING

Last day for any temporarily or permanently physically disabled voter to request at the election authority's office, that two (2) judges of election of opposite party affiliation deliver a ballot to the voter at the point where they are unable to continue forward motion toward the polling place. (10 ILCS 5/17-13, 18-5.1)

NOTE:

The election authority shall notify the judges of election for the appropriate precinct of such requests.

BALLOT DELIVERY

Last day for the election authority to deliver ballots to the judges of election. (10 ILCS 5/16-5)

VOTE BY MAIL

Last day for any registered voter, presently within the confines of the United States, to request a vote by mail ballot in person at the office of the election authority. (10 ILCS 5/19-2)

VOTE BY MAIL – PRESIDENT ONLY BALLOT
Last day a registered voter in Illinois who has moved outside of their precinct within 30 days of the Presidential election to apply in person for a vote by mail ballot to vote for President and Vice President only with the election authority having jurisdiction over their precinct of former residence. (10 ILCS 5/20-13.1)

LISTS OF VOTE BY MAIL, EARLY AND GRACE PERIOD VOTERS
Last day for election authority to deliver, prior to opening the polling place, to the judges of election in each precinct the list of registered voters in that precinct to whom vote by mail ballots have been issued by mail, a listing of grace period voters, and early voters.
[10 ILCS 5/4-50, 5-50, 6-100, 19-4, 19A-5(c)]

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020
GENERAL ELECTION
POLLS OPEN 6:00 AM TO 7:00 PM

GRACE PERIOD REGISTRATION AND VOTING
Last day of grace period registration and voting in the office of the election authority or at location designated for this purpose by the election authority. Please contact the Election Authority to determine the availability of grace period registration and voting in the polling place on Election Day. (10 ILCS 5/4-50, 5-50, 6-100)

FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR OVERSEAS VOTERS
Overseas voters may be able to use a Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB) available through Voting Assistance Officers at military installations or at Embassies/Consulates. To be eligible for this ballot, a voter must:

1. Be located overseas (including APO/FPO addresses)
2. Apply for a regular ballot no earlier than January 2, 2020, and no later than October 4, 2020, from the office of the election authority that has jurisdiction over the precinct of their last residence in the United States; and
3. Not have received the requested regular vote by mail ballot from the election authority.

The voted FWAB must be returned to the election authority by the close of the election on November 3, 2020, or by the 14th day following the election if postmarked by Election Day, November 3, 2020.

This ballot serves as a backup to the regular ballot and is available from a unit Voting Assistance Officer or at the Embassies/Consulates. (10 ILCS 5/20-2.1)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2020

VOTER REGISTRATION
Registration opens in the offices of the election authorities and with all deputy registrars including all municipal, township, and road district clerks who are authorized deputy registrars.
(10 ILCS 5/4-6, 5-5, 6-50)

UNCOUNTED BALLOTS

No later than 48 hours after the closing of polling locations on election day, each election authority maintaining a website shall post the number of ballots that remain uncounted. The posting shall separate the number of ballots yet to be counted into the following categories: ballots cast on Election Day, early voting ballots, provisional ballots, vote by mail ballots received by the election authority but not counted, and vote by mail ballots sent by the election authority but which have not been returned to the election authority. This information shall be updated on the website of the election authority each day until the period for counting provisional and vote by mail ballots has ended. All election authorities, regardless of whether they maintain a website, shall share the same information, separated in the same manner, with the State Board of Elections no later than 48 hours after the closing of polling locations on Election Day and each business day thereafter until the period for counting provisional and vote by mail ballots has ended. (10 ILCS 5/1-9.2)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2020

PROVISIONAL VOTERS

Last day a provisional voter may submit additional information to the county clerk or board of election commissioners to verify or support their registration status. Material must be received by this date. [10 ILCS 5/18A-15(d)]

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2020

VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT COUNTING

Last day for the county clerk or board of election commissioners to complete the tabulation of vote by mail ballots that were (1) postmarked by Election Day, and were received after the close of the polls on Election Day but not later than 14 days after the election, or (2) not postmarked at all, but did have a certification date prior to the Election Day on the certification envelope, and were received after the close of the polls on Election Day but not later than 14 days after the election. (10 ILCS 5/19-8)

NOTE:
Vote by mail voters whose ballots were rejected must be sent a notice of such along with the reason for the rejection within two (2) days of the rejection, but in all cases prior to the end of the 14 day period in which to count the vote by mail ballots. Such voters must be given an opportunity to appear before the election authority on or before the 14 day following the election to show cause to why the ballot should not be rejected. [10 ILCS 5/19-8(g)]

PROVISIONAL BALLOT COUNTING

Last day for the county clerk or board of election commissioners to complete the validation and counting of provisional ballots. [10 ILCS 5/18A-15(a)]

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2020

EXCEPTION:

State Board of Elections as canvassing board.

CANVASSING

Last day for canvassing election results by proper canvassing board (county canvassing board or board of canvassers). (10 ILCS 5/18A-15(a), 22-1)

NOTE:

If there is a board of election commissioners within a county, the county abstracts shall include the statement of returns from such board of election commissioners.
(10 ILCS 5/22-9)

The Election Authority shall submit their canvass through the eCanvass system in the electronic format prescribed by the State Board of Elections.

The county clerk shall forward the abstract of votes to the SBE via overnight mail or as a PDF document through email. (10 ILCS 5/22-5)

CANVASS – REFERENDA

Last day for appropriate canvassing board to canvass the results of referenda submitted to the voters at the November 3, 2020, General Election. (10 ILCS 5/22-17)

LOTTERY – TIE VOTE

Last day for the county clerk to conduct a lottery for a tie vote for a county office. (10 ILCS 5/22-3)

VOTE BY MAIL STATISTICS

Last day the election authority shall transmit to the State Board of Elections the following: (1) the number, by precinct, of vote by mail ballots requested, provided and counted, (2) the number of rejected vote by mail ballots, (3) the number of voters seeking review of rejected vote by mail ballots, and (4) the number of vote by mail ballots counted following review.
(10 ILCS 5/19-20, 20-20)

AFTER THE GENERAL ELECTION

CANVASSING BOARD

The county clerk has the responsibility of canvassing the returns of the General Election under its jurisdiction. (10 ILCS 5/22-1)

The board of election commissioners has the responsibility of canvassing the returns of the General Election under its jurisdiction. (10 ILCS 5/22-8)

BEFORE PROCLAMATION BY ELECTION AUTHORITY

Prior to the canvass, in those jurisdictions where in-precinct counting equipment is utilized, the election authority shall retabulate the total number of votes cast in 5% of the precincts within the

election jurisdiction, as well as 5% of the voting devices used in early voting as selected on a random basis by the State Board of Elections. (10 ILCS 5/24A-15, 24B-15, 24C-15)

AFTER PROCLAMATION BY ELECTION AUTHORITY

The county clerk shall issue a certificate of election to each person declared elected to a county office.

PRECINCT RESULTS

Within 1 day after the canvassing and proclamation, each election authority shall transmit to the State Board of Elections a canvass of votes by precinct or ward for the following offices: President, state senator, representative in the general assembly, any candidate for congressional office, the offices of ward committeepersons, and precinct committeepersons, and total ballots cast, as well as copies of the current precinct poll list via overnight mail or as a PDF file via email. Electronic results must also be submitted in accordance with the procedures outlined in 26 Il. Adm. Code 219. (10 ILCS 5/22-15)

CANVASS BY THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Board shall canvass the returns for the election of candidates for offices for which petitions were filed with the State Board of Elections.

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES

Each successful write-in elected shall file the following documents with the proper election authority or the State Board of elections prior to taking office:

1. A Loyalty Oath (optional)
2. A Statement of Candidacy, and
3. A receipt for filing of a Statement of Economic Interest (not required for federal offices.

(10 ILCS 5/22-7)

DISCOVERY RECOUNT

Within 5 days after the last day for proclamation of the results, petitions for discovery recount may be filed by any qualified individual (who came within 5% of the votes cast for any successful candidate) with the appropriate county clerk or board of election commissioners. The deadline to file a discovery recount for an office canvassed by the State Board of Elections is 5 days after the last day for the Board to canvass. The petition for discovery is filed with the appropriate election authority/authorities. (10 ILCS 5/22-9.1)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2020

DEPUTY REGISTRARS
Last day for County Central Committees Chair to submit a list to the election authority of applicants for additional deputy registrars. (10 ILCS 5/4-6.2, 5-16.2, 6-50.2)

NOTE:
The election authority may require a chair of a county central committee to furnish a supplemental list of applicants.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2020

DEPUTY REGISTRARS
Beginning of 2-year term of all deputy registrars except precinct committeepersons (who began their own 2-year term on the date of the county convention following their election).
(10 ILCS 5/4-6.2, 5-16.2, 6-50.2)

BEGINNING OF TERM – COUNTY
First day for term of office for the following officers:
- Circuit Clerk (705 ILCS 105/1.1)
- Recorders (55 ILCS 5/3-5004)
- State's Attorney (55 ILCS 5/3-9002)
- Auditors (55 ILCS 5/3-1001)
- Coroners (55 ILCS 5/3-3002)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2020

CANVASS – SBE
Last day for the State Board of Elections to canvass returns and proclaim the results of the election. [10 ILCS 5/18A-15(a)]

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2020

BEGINNING OF TERM – JUDICIAL
First day of term of office for those judges that were elected or retained at the November 3, 2020, General Election. (10 ILCS 5/7A-1)

BEGINNING OF TERM – MISCELLANEOUS
First day for term of office for the following officers:
- County Board Members and County Commissioners (55 ILCS 5/2-3009)
- Sanitary District Members (70 ILCS 2805/3.2)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2020

BEGINNING OF TERM – WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT
First day of office for officers of Water Reclamation District of Chicago. (70 ILCS 2605/3)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2020

ELECTORAL VOTES
Electoral votes are cast in Springfield. (3 U.S.C. § 7;10 ILCS 5/21-4)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020

VOTER REGISTRATION DATA
First day for election authorities to indicate in writing that their voter registration data, including voting history from the latest election, is complete and up-to-date. (10 ILCS 5/4-8, 5-7, 6-35)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2020

VOTER REGISTRATION DATA
Last day for election authorities to indicate in writing that their voter registration data, including voting history from the latest election, is complete and up-to-date. (10 ILCS 5/4-8, 7-7, 6-35)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2021

BEGINNING OF TERM – FEDERAL
First day for term of office for federal officers (except President and Vice President) elected at the November 3, 2020, General Election. (United States Constitution, Amendment XX, § 2)

MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2021

PRECINCT VOTER LISTS
Last day for election authorities to provide to each county chair or their representative, precinct lists prepared for the 2020 General Election marked to indicate which registrants voted at the General Election. (10 ILCS 5/4-11, 5-14, 6-60)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2021

ELECTORAL VOTES
Electoral votes are tabulated in Washington, D.C. during a joint meeting of both the House and Senate. (3 U.S.C. § 15)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2021

GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENES
Newly elected members of the General Assembly shall convene and organize their respective chambers. [Illinois Constitution, Article IV, Sections 5 and 6(b)]

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021

BEGINNING OF TERM – PRESIDENT
First day for term of the offices of President and Vice President of the United States.
(United States Constitution, Amendment XX)

PROCEDURES ON OBJECTIONS

All citations contained herein are "Illinois Compiled Statutes," 2018, 10 ILCS 5/10-8, through 10-10.1.

FILING OBJECTION PETITION
Nomination papers shall be deemed to be valid unless objections are filed in writing, **an original and two (2) copies, within 5 business** days after the last day for filing nomination papers.

PROCESSING OBJECTION
Not later than 12:00 noon on the second business day after the receipt of objector's petitions, the election authority or local election officials, **shall transmit by registered mail or receipted personal delivery** the certificate of nomination or nomination papers and original objector's petition to the chair of the proper electoral board designated in 5/10-9, or their authorized agent, and **shall transmit a copy by registered mail or receipted personal delivery** of the objector's petitions, to the candidate whose certificate of nomination or nomination papers are objected to, addressed to the place of residence designated in said certificate of nomination or nomination papers.

RESPONSIBILITY OF CHAIR OF ELECTORAL BOARD
Within 24 hours after the receipt of objector's petition, chair of the electoral board other than the State Board of Elections shall **send a call by registered or certified mail**, to each of the members of the electoral board, objector, and candidate and shall also cause the sheriff of the county or counties in which such officers and persons reside to serve a copy of such call upon each of the officers and persons.

In those cases where the State Board of Elections is the designated electoral board, the Chair of the State Board of Elections shall send the call to the objector and candidate whose certificate of nomination or nomination papers are objected to stating the day, hour and place at which the State Board of Elections shall meet (electoral board hearing may be held in the Capitol Building or in the principal or permanent branch office of the State Board of Elections).

ELECTORAL BOARD MEETING
Meetings of electoral board **shall not be less than 3 nor more than 5 days after receipt of objector's petitions** by chair of electoral board.

JUDICIAL REVIEW FILED
Within 5 days after the decision of electoral board, candidate or objector aggrieved by decision of the board may file petition for judicial review with clerk of the circuit court. **Court hearings are to be held within 30 days after filing the petition** and the decision delivered promptly thereafter.

NO JUDICIAL REVIEW
If no petition for judicial review has been filed **within 5 days after the decision of the electoral board, the electoral board shall transmit a copy of its ruling together with the original certificate of nomination or nomination papers or petitions and the original objector's petitions** to the officers or board with whom they were on file and such officer or board shall abide by and comply with the ruling so made to all intents and purposes.

CAMPAIGN FINANCE CALENDAR

2019 DECEMBER QUARTERLY REPORT
OCTOBER 1, 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2019
Last day of the political committee's financial activity that is to be included in its December Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures. The period covered by the December Quarterly Report extends from October 1, 2019 (or later if the committee was formed subsequently) through December 31, 2019 inclusively. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2020
First day that any political committee shall file its December Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures with the Board. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2020
Last day for a political committee to file its December Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures with the Board. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION
MARCH 17, 2020

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2020
First day of the period during which independent expenditures of $1000 or more made by a political committee must be reported electronically within two (2) business days after making the independent expenditure. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(e)]

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2020
First day of period during which any receipt of a contribution of $1000 or more by a political committee participating in the election, must be reported within two (2) business days following its receipt. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(c)]

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2020
Last day of period during which independent expenditures of $1000 or more made by a political committee must be reported electronically within five (5) business days after making the independent expenditure. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(e)]

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2020
Last day of period during which any receipt of a contribution of $1000 or more by a political committee participating in the election, must be reported within two (2) business days following its receipt. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(c)]

MARCH QUARTERLY REPORT
JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2020

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2020
First day of the political committee's financial activity that is to be included in its March Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2020
Last day of the political committee's financial activity that is to be included in its March Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures. The period covered by the March Quarterly Report extends from January 1, 2020 (or later if the committee was formed subsequently) through March 31, 2020 inclusively. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2020
First day that any political committee shall file its March Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures with the Board. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2020
Last day for a political committee to file its March Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures with the Board. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

JUNE QUARTERLY REPORT
APRIL 1, 2020 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2020
First day of the political committee's financial activity that is to be included in its June Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

TUESDAY, JUNE 30, 2020
Last day of the political committee's financial activity that is to be included in its June Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures. The period covered by the June Quarterly Report extends from April 1, 2020 (or later if the committee was formed subsequently) through June 30, 2020 inclusively. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2020
First day that any political committee shall file its June Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures with the Board. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

WEDNESDSAY, JULY 15, 2020
Last day for a political committee to file its June Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures with the Board. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

SEPTEMBER QUARTERLY REPORT
JULY 1, 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2020
First day of the political committee's financial activity that is to be included in its September Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2020
Last day of the political committee's financial activity that is to be included in its September Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures. The period covered by the September Quarterly Report extends from July 1, 2020 (or later if the committee was formed subsequently) through September 30, 2020 inclusively. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2020
First day that any political committee shall file its September Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures with the Board. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2020
Last day for a political committee to file its September Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures with the Board. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 3, 2020

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2020
First day of period during which independent expenditures of $1000 or more made by a political committee must be reported electronically within two (2) business days after making the independent expenditure. [10 ILCS 5-9-10(e)]

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2020
First day of period during which any receipt of a contribution of $1000 or more by a political committee participating in the election, must be reported within two (2) business days following its receipt. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(c)]

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2020
Last day of period during which independent expenditures of $1000 or more made by a political committee must be reported electronically within five (5) business days after making the independent expenditure. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(e)]

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2020
Last day of period during which any receipt of a contribution of $1000 or more by a political committee participating in the election, must be reported within two (2) business day following its receipt. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(c)]

DECEMBER QUARTERLY REPORT
OCTOBER 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2020
First day of the political committee's financial activity that is to be included in its December Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures. [10 ILCS 5/0-10(b)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2020
Last day of the political committee's financial activity that is to be included in its December Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures. The period covered by the December Quarterly Report extends from October 1, 2020 (or later if the committee was formed subsequently) through December 31, 2020 inclusively. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2021
First day that any political committee shall file its December Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures with the Board. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 2020
Last day for a political committee to file its December Quarterly Report of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures with the Board. [10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

SCHEDULE A-1 REPORTS

A political committee must file a report of any contribution of $1000 or more from one source with the Board within five (5) business days after receipt of the contribution, except that the report shall be filed within two (2) business days if received within 30 days prior to an election by a political committee. The dates during which the two-business day filing period must be observed are included within the above calendar.

SCHEDULE B-1 REPORTS

A political committee must file a report of any independent expenditure of $1000 or more it makes with the Board within five (5) business days after making the independent expenditure, except that the report shall be filed within two (2) business days if made within 60 days prior to an election by a political committee. The dates during which the two-business day filing period must be observed are included within the above calendar

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