

General Election for President of the United States

ELECTION DATE: Tuesday, November 8, 2016

BALLOT ACCESS: For information about placing nominees for Presidential electors on the ballot in Oklahoma, see 26 O.S. § 10-101, et seq.

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Ballot Access for Presidential Candidates and Electors

Presidential Electors Committed to Nominee of Recognized Political Party

26 O.S. § 10-101

Uncommitted Presidential Electors

26 O.S. § 10-101

The nominees for Presidential Electors of any recognized political party shall be selected at a statewide convention of said party in a manner to be determined by said party. The nominees for Presidential Electors shall be certified by said party's chairman to the Secretary of the State Election Board no fewer than ninety (90) days nor more than one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of the General Election at which candidates for Presidential Electors shall appear on the ballot. Failure of a political party to properly certify the names of its nominees for Presidential Electors within the time specified shall bar such party from placing any candidates for Presidential Electors on the ballot at said election. Candidates for Presidential Electors seeking to appear on the ballot as uncommitted shall be entitled to have their names placed upon the ballot at a General Election by observing the following procedure:

1. No later than July 15 of a presidential election year, petitions seeking ballot access for said uncommitted candidates for Presidential Electors, in a form to be prescribed by the Secretary of the State Election Board, shall be filed with said Secretary, bearing the signatures of registered voters equal to at least three percent (3%) of the total votes cast in the last General Election for President. Each page of said petitions must contain the name of registered voters from a single county.
2. Within thirty (30) days after receipt of said petitions, the State Election Board shall determine the sufficiency of said petitions. If said Board determines there are a sufficient number of valid signatures of registered voters, the nominees for Presidential Electors are entitled to appear on the ballot at the next following General Election at which candidates for Presidential Electors shall appear on the ballot.

Presidential Electors Committed to Independent Presidential Candidate

26 O.S. § 10-101.1

The names of a slate of candidates for the office of Presidential Elector pledged to an Independent candidate for President of the United States shall be printed on the ballot only by observing the following procedure:

1. No later than July 15 of a presidential election year, petitions signed by a number of registered voters supporting the candidacy of said candidate for President of the United States equal to at least three percent (3%) of the total votes cast in the last General Election for President shall be filed with the Secretary of the State Election Board. The form of said petitions shall be prescribed by the Secretary. Each page of said petitions must contain the names of registered voters from a single county.
2. Within thirty (30) days after receipt of said petitions, the State Election Board shall determine the sufficiency of said petitions.
3. If the petitions are found to be sufficient, the Independent candidate for President of the United States shall, no later than September 1, certify to the Secretary of the State Election Board the names of the nominees for Presidential Elector pledged to him and the name of his Vice Presidential running mate. Each candidate for Presidential Elector so nominated shall subscribe to an oath stating that, if elected, he will cast his ballot for the candidate who nominated him and for said candidate's Vice Presidential running mate. Said oath shall be filed with the Secretary of the State Election Board no later than September 15.

Presidential Electors Committed to Nominee of Political Party Not Recognized under Oklahoma law

26 O.S. § 10-101.2

The names of a slate of candidates for the office of Presidential Elector pledged to the nominee of a political party not recognized under the laws of the State of Oklahoma for President of the United States shall be printed on the ballot only by observing the following procedure:

1. No later than July 15 of a presidential election year, petitions signed by a number of registered voters supporting the candidacy of said nominee for President of the United States equal to at least three percent (3%) of the total votes cast in the last General Election for President shall be filed with the Secretary of the State Election Board. Notice of intention to circulate petitions shall be filed with the Secretary of the State Election Board before such petitions may be circulated. The form of said petitions shall be prescribed by the Secretary. Each page of said petitions must contain the names of registered voters from a single county.
2. Within thirty (30) days after receipt of said petitions, the State Election Board shall determine the sufficiency of said petitions.

3. If the petitions are found to be sufficient, the nominee for President of the United States shall, no later than September 1, certify to the Secretary of the State Election Board the names of the nominees for Presidential Elector pledged to him and the name of his Vice Presidential running mate. Each candidate for Presidential Elector so nominated shall subscribe to an oath stating that, if elected, he will cast his ballot for the candidate who nominated him and for said candidate's Vice Presidential running mate. Said oath shall be filed with the Secretary of the State Election Board no later than September 15.