

Affidavit of Identity and Receipt of Filing instructions

When to file

All affidavits must be received by the filing deadline on the date and time specified at [Michigan.gov/elections](https://www.michigan.gov/elections). Affidavits received after the deadline will be rejected regardless of postmark.

Where to file

- File with the Michigan Bureau of Elections for a federal or state office that includes more than one county, and all statewide offices. This excludes judicial candidates who must use the Non-Incumbent Judicial Affidavit of Identity and Constitutional Qualification or Incumbent Judicial Affidavit of Identity and Affidavit of Candidacy.
- File with the county clerk for a federal or state district that is entirely contained in one county.
Note: Judicial candidates should use the Non-Incumbent Judicial Affidavit of Identity and Constitutional Qualification Form or the Incumbent Affidavit of Identity and Affidavit of Candidacy forms. Precinct Delegates should use the Precinct Delegate Affidavit of Identity.
- File with the city or township clerk for all city or township offices.

Withdrawing your filing

The deadline for withdrawing is three days after the filing deadline. Once filed, an affidavit of identity may not be altered. If changes are needed, an entirely new affidavit must be filed.

Completing the form

Section 1: Candidate information

Section one requires you to provide your information. You may provide a mailing address to receive your ballot proof and other information at an alternate address. Please provide a phone number and email address so your filing official may contact you. If you are using a name that was not provided to you at birth, you must check the box and provide your former name. However, you do not need to provide a former name if your name changed because of marriage or divorce, is a nickname that you have been known as for at least 6 months, or was formally changed for any reason more than 10 years ago.

Section 2: Office and ballot information

Section two requires detailed information for the office you seek. All office details are required.

- First, provide the name of the office you seek as well as the jurisdiction, and any district/ward defining the office you seek.
- Next, mark your political party affiliation. If running for a partisan office, list your political party in the space provided.
- Third, provide the date of the primary and general election if you intend to run in both elections. If you are filing only for the November general election, only complete the general election date.
- Fourth, select the term of office. If it is a partial term, you must indicate when the partial term is expiring.
- Fifth, indicate exactly how you want your name to appear on the ballot using upper and lowercase letters. You may not use nicknames or titles (e.g. Dr., PhD, etc).
- Sixth, indicate your filing method. If filing with petitions, state whether you want your petitions returned to you in January or if they can be destroyed.

Section 3: Certification and acknowledgment

- If you previously ran for office and filed campaign finance reports with the county, you must list each county.
- If you previously ran for office and filed campaign finance reports with the Secretary of State, indicate "state."
- If you have not previously run for office, or ran for office but were not required to file campaign finance reports, you may leave this section blank.

Sign and date the affidavit in front of a notary and complete the notarization. By signing you are certifying: all statements, reports, late filing fees and fines have been filed or paid; you are a United States Citizen; acknowledgment that making a false statement in this affidavit is perjury and punishable by law. To be placed on the ballot, you must not have any outstanding fines, fees, or reports required to be filed or paid under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act.

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CLEAR FORM

All information must be completed unless otherwise noted. Missing or incorrect information may result in disqualification. Judicial candidates should use a combined judicial affidavit of identity/qualification form rather than this form.

SECTION 1 Candidate information	First name		Middle name		Last name	
	Year of birth	<input type="checkbox"/> My name has formally changed in the last 10 years for a reason other than marriage or divorce. My former name is: _____				
	Residential address				City	ZIP
	Mailing address, if different than above				City	ZIP
	Phone number		Email		Campaign website, if applicable	
SECTION 2 Office & ballot information	Office name			Jurisdiction		District/Ward
	Select one	<input type="checkbox"/> I am running for a partisan office, and my political party is: _____				
		<input type="checkbox"/> I am running for a nonpartisan office without party affiliation (<i>judicial office: see note above</i>)				
	<input type="checkbox"/> I am running for a partisan office without party affiliation.					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Primary election _____ <small>DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)</small>			<input type="checkbox"/> General election _____ <small>DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)</small>		
Term of office (select one): <input type="checkbox"/> Regular term <input type="checkbox"/> Partial term expiring: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Recall <small>DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)</small>						
Indicate exactly how you want your name to be printed on the ballot (use upper and lowercase letters): _____						
Filing method (Select one): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Petitions <input type="checkbox"/> Return to me in January <input type="checkbox"/> Destroy in January <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 filing fee (<i>if applicable</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Certification of party nomination and certificate of acceptance (<i>if applicable</i>) 						
SECTION 3 Certification & acknowledgment	<input type="checkbox"/> I previously ran in Michigan for office that required filing reports under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act. I ran in the following counties _____					
	By signing, I certify that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At this date, all statements, reports, late filing fees, and fines required of me or any candidate committee organized to support my election under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act have been filed or paid; and I am a United States citizen and meet the statutory and constitutional requirements for the office sought; and I acknowledge that making a false statement in this affidavit is perjury - a felony punishable by a fine up to \$1,000 or imprisonment for up to five years or both and may result in disqualification from the ballot. 					
	Candidate signature				Date	
	Notary signature			Notary name		
	County of commission			Acting in the County of		
My commission expires <small>DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)</small>			Date of notarization <small>(MM/DD/YYYY)</small>			
Office use only	Date of filing <small>(MM/DD/YYYY)</small>		Received by <small>DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)</small>		Reviewed by	Check number
	Number of petition sheets			Campaign Finance Number		