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# STATE OF ILLINOIS

## ELECTION AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE CALENDAR

2018

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## Index of Amendments

Amendment Date	Revised Calendar Date	Original Calendar Date	Reason for Change
8/31/2017	Friday, January 19, 2018	Tuesday, February 20, 2018	Public Act 100-298 The first day to publish a notice of public question is increased from 30 days to 60 days
8/31/2017	Friday, September 7, 2018	Tuesday, October 9, 2018	Public Act 100-298 The first day to publish a notice of public question is increased from 30 days to 60 days
4/5/2018	Monday, June 18, 2018	Monday, June 18, 2018	A notation has been added to reflect the decision in <u><i>Libertarian Party of Illinois v. ISBE, et al.</i>, 872 F.3d 518 (7th Cir. 2017)</u> . This court case has held that the full-slate requirement for new political parties is unconstitutional.
4/5/2018	Monday, June 25, 2018	Monday, June 25, 2018	A notation has been added to reflect the decision in <u><i>Libertarian Party of Illinois v. ISBE, et al.</i>, 872 F.3d 518 (7th Cir. 2017)</u> . This court case has held that the full-slate requirement for new political parties is unconstitutional.

## PREFACE

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

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](http://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. (10 ILCS 5/1-3)

**"LOCAL ELECTION OFFICIAL"** - The clerk or secretary of a unit of local government. (10 ILCS 5/1-3)

**"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 fixed by law to do any act required or allowed by this Code falls on a State holiday or a Saturday or a Sunday, the period shall extend through the first business day following the day otherwise fixed as the 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** – the specific number of signatures required on a nominating petition as calculated by the election authority or the local election official for an individual to be a candidate for a specific office. To receive specific signature requirements for any particular office, candidates should contact the 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, 2016"

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# GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION

MARCH 20, 2018

## TO BE NOMINATED\*

- Governor/Lieutenant Governor
- Attorney General
- Secretary of State
- Comptroller
- Treasurer
- Representatives in Congress - All 18 Districts
- State Senators (for four year terms):
  - Districts: 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 29, 30, 32, 33, 35, 36, 38, 39, 41, 42, 44, 45, 47, 48, 50, 51, 53, 54, 56, 57, 59
- Representatives in the General Assembly - All 118 Districts
- Sanitary District Commissioners/Trustees  
(Prairie DuPont Levee & Sanitary District Candidates file with SBE)
- County Clerks
- County Treasurers
- County Sheriffs
- County Assessors
- Members of Board of Review (in counties with elected boards of review, including Cook County)
- Regional Superintendent of Schools
- 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

- State Central Committeemen (Democratic\* – one committeeman and committeewoman per congressional district)
- Precinct Committeemen (all counties, excluding Cook)
- Township Committeemen (Cook County)

\*The Republican Party elects state central members at the county convention.

**DATES GOVERNING FEDERAL, STATE,  
AND COUNTY GENERAL PRIMARY**

**GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION  
MARCH 20, 2018  
10 ILCS 5/2A-1.2(a)**

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**TUESDAY  
SEPTEMBER 5  
2017**

**PETITION CIRCULATION**

First day to circulate nomination papers (must include original sheets signed by voters and circulators) for established political party candidates who file between November 27 – December 4, 2017. (90 days preceding the last day to file nomination papers) (10 ILCS 5/7-10)

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**THURSDAY  
OCTOBER 19  
2017**

**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)]

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**MONDAY  
NOVEMBER 20  
2017**

**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 (must contain original sheets signed by voters and circulators) 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

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of political subdivisions can be found in the relevant Code governing such subdivisions.

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

NOTE: 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 27 – December 4, 2017).  
(10 ILCS 5/10-6)

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

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**MONDAY  
NOVEMBER 27  
2017**

**ESTABLISHED PARTY FILING**

First day for candidates of established political parties to file original nomination papers (must contain original sheets signed by voters and circulators).

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

Candidates for county offices, trustee of a sanitary district, township committeemen (Cook County), and precinct committeemen (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)]

**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)

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**THURSDAY  
NOVEMBER 30  
2017**

**DEPUTY REGISTRARS**

Last day County Central Committee Chairman shall 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 chairman of a county central committee to furnish a supplemental list of applicants.

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**MONDAY  
DECEMBER 4  
2017**

**ESTABLISHED PARTY FILING**

Last day for candidates of established political parties to file original nomination papers (must contain original sheets signed by voters and circulators).

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

Candidates for county offices, trustee of a sanitary district, township committeemen (Cook County), and precinct committeemen (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)]

**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 economic interest statement 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, state central committeemen and committeewomen, precinct committeemen and township committeemen are not required to file an Economic Interest Statement.



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**WEDNESDAY  
DECEMBER 6  
2017**

**NOTICE OF LOTTERY**

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, November 27, 2017; and/or (b) within the last hour of the filing period, December 4, 2017 (There must be 7 days' notice given. If the lottery is to be held on the last statutory date, December 13, the last day to give notice is December 6.) Notice shall be given by the State Board of Elections or the Election Authority to the chairman 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 also be posted.  
[10 ILCS 5/7-12(6)]

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**SUNDAY  
DECEMBER 10  
2017**

**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 his or her supervision and control and a listing of each county in which all or any part of each of those districts is located.  
(105 ILCS 5/3-1.1)

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**MONDAY  
DECEMBER 11  
2017**

**LISTING OF NURSING HOME FACILITIES**

Last day State Board of Elections shall 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. The list shall indicate bed capacity and the chief administrator of each such facility.  
(10 ILCS 5/19-12.2)

**INCOMPATIBLE OFFICES**

Last day for an individual who has filed, during the November 27 – December 4, 2017 filing period, for two (2) or more incompatible offices to withdraw from all but one of the offices (with the State Board of Elections or with whichever election authority the nomination papers were originally filed). 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 27 – December 4, 2017 filing period. Objections are filed in the office of the State

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Board of Elections or the county clerk (with whichever election authority the nomination papers were originally filed).  
(10 ILCS 5/7-12.1, 7-13, 10-8)

NOTE: For procedures on objections, see page 55.

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**WEDNESDAY  
DECEMBER 13  
2017**

**BALLOT PLACEMENT LOTTERY**

Last day 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 and party, as of the opening hour or within the last hour of the filing period.  
[10 ILCS 5/7-12(6)]

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**FRIDAY  
DECEMBER 15  
2017**

**VOTER REGISTRATION DATA**

First day for election authority 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)

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**MONDAY  
DECEMBER 18  
2017**

**SPECIAL JUDICIAL FILING**

First day for judicial candidates of established political parties to file original nomination papers (must contain original sheets signed by voters and circulators) 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 13 – December 4, 2017).  
[10 ILCS 5/7-12(1)]

**REFERENDA FILING**

Last day for filing petitions (must contain original sheets signed by voters and circulators) 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.

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**WEDNESDAY  
DECEMBER 20  
2017**

**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 8, 2018.  
(10 ILCS 5/19-2; 10 ILCS 5/19-4)

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**WEDNESDAY  
DECEMBER 20  
2017  
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**REGISTRATION PURGE**

Last day for election authorities to complete any systematic program to remove ineligible voters from the voting roles prior to the March 20, 2018 General Primary Election.  
[42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(c)(2)(A)]

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**TUESDAY  
DECEMBER 26  
2017**

**SPECIAL JUDICIAL FILING**

Last day (by 5:00 p.m.) for judicial candidates of established political parties to file original nomination papers (must contain original sheets signed by voters and circulators) in the principal office of the State Board of Elections for judicial vacancies which occurred during the period November 13 – December 4, 2017.  
[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 18 – 26, 2017), 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 of Article IX of the Liquor Control Act, and Section 18-120 of the Property Tax Code.)

NOTE: For procedures on objections, see page 55. (except those filed with the Circuit Clerk)

**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)

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**THURSDAY  
DECEMBER 28  
2017**

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL JUDICIAL LOTTERY**

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 18, 2017; and/or (b) within the last hour of the filing period, December 26, 2017 (special judicial filing period). The State Board of Elections shall give notice to the chairman of each established political party. Notice must also be posted.  
[10 ILCS 5/7-12(6)]

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**SATURDAY  
DECEMBER 30  
2017**

**UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT CERTIFICATION**

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

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**TUESDAY  
JANUARY 2  
2018**

**REFERENDA RESOLUTIONS**

Last day for local governing boards to adopt a resolution or ordinance to allow 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)

**UNITED STATES SERVICE MEMBER VOTER REGISTRATION**

First day any voter who is a member of the United States Service and his/her spouse and 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.

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**TUESDAY  
JANUARY 2  
2018  
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**VOTE BY MAIL REGISTRATION – CITIZENS TEMPORARILY  
OUTSIDE THE US**

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 his/her 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.

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**WEDNESDAY  
JANUARY 3  
2018**

**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 18 – 26, 2017.

(10 ILCS 5/7-12.1, 10-8)

NOTE: For procedures on objections, see page 55

**SPECIAL JUDICIAL INCOMPATIBLE OFFICES**

Last day for an individual who has filed for two (2) or more incompatible offices during the December 18 – 26, 2017 (or having filed for one office during the November 27 – December 4, 2017 filing period and a second incompatible office during the December 18 – 26, 2017 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)]

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**THURSDAY  
JANUARY 4  
2018**

**SPECIAL JUDICIAL LOTTERY**

Last day 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)]

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**THURSDAY  
JANUARY 11  
2018**

**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)

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**WEDNESDAY  
JANUARY 17  
2018**

**WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY**

Last day for candidates of established political parties to file withdrawal of nomination papers in the office of the county clerk.  
(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)

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**THURSDAY  
JANUARY 18  
2018**

**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-ins 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)]

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**FRIDAY  
JANUARY 19  
2018**

**PUBLICATION – VOTING AIDS**

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

**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)

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**MONDAY  
JANUARY 22  
2018**

**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)

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**MONDAY  
JANUARY 29  
2018**

**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 (March 19, 2018). If the election authority has a website, it shall make the schedule available on the website. [10 ILCS 5/19A-25(b)]

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**THURSDAY  
FEBRUARY 1  
2018**

**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

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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, he or she shall make the schedule available on its website.

[10 ILCS 19A-25(a) (d)]

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**FRIDAY  
FEBRUARY 2  
2018**

**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 or their spouse and 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.

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**THURSDAY  
FEBRUARY 8  
2018**

**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)

**ORGANIZATIONS OF CITIZENS- POLLWATCHERS**

Last day for organizations of citizens which have among its purpose the investigation or prosecution of election fraud, ballot

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proposition proponents or opponents and State non-partisan 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)

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**SUNDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 18**  
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**MONDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 19**  
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**TUESDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 20**  
**2018**

**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)

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**TUESDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 20**  
**2018**

**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 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 and road district clerks and precinct committeemen. 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)

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**TUESDAY  
FEBRUARY 20  
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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.

**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)

**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, applications should be in the hands of the election authority no later than 30 days before the election. Applications received after February 20, 2018 and prior to March 12, will entitle the voter to cast a Federal ballot only.

NOTE: Registration is not required in order to vote a ballot containing 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 20 –

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March 12, 2018) prior to Election Day, shall be sent the federal offices ballot only.

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

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**WEDNESDAY  
FEBRUARY 21  
2018**

**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)

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**FRIDAY  
FEBRUARY 23  
2018**

**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 19, 2018). If the election authority has a website, it shall make the schedule available on the website.

[10 ILCS 5/19A-25(b)]

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**WEDNESDAY  
FEBRUARY 28  
2018**

**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 employee to give employer written notice that he/she will be absent from place of employment on election day because he/she has 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)

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<b>FRIDAY MARCH 2 2018</b>	<b><u>VOTER REGISTRATION DATA</u></b> 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)
<b>SUNDAY MARCH 4 2018</b>	<b><u>ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION</u></b> Last day for voters to register to vote through the State Board of Elections website. (10 ILCS 5/1A-16.5)
<b>MONDAY MARCH 5 2018</b>	<b><u>EARLY VOTING – PERMANENT POLLING PLACES</u></b> 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)]  *Check with election authority for office hours on March 5, 2018 for Casimir Pulaski Day.
<b>MONDAY MARCH 5 - TUESDAY MARCH 6 2018</b>	<b><u>ERASURE OF NAMES FROM VOTER REGISTRY</u></b> Dates on which any voter or precinct committeeman may file an application with the election authority to erase names from the registry of voters. <i>The National Voter Registration Act of 1993 may prohibit enforcement of this provision.</i> (10 ILCS 5/4-12, 5-15, 6-44)
<b>TUESDAY MARCH 6 2018</b>	<b><u>NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION (OVER 500K)</u></b> Last day for the election authority to publish newspaper notice of primary election in counties of more 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.  <b><u>NOTICE OF PRIMARY BALLOT COLORS</u></b> Last day for the election authority to publish 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 his office an announcement of the colors of the primary ballots. (10 ILCS 5/7-18)

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**TUESDAY  
MARCH 6  
2018  
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**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 an 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.

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**THURSDAY  
MARCH 8  
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FRIDAY  
MARCH 9  
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SATURDAY  
MARCH 10  
2018**

**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)

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**MONDAY  
MARCH 12  
2018**

**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)

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**MONDAY  
MARCH 12  
2018  
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**VOTE BY MAIL – UOCAVA**

Last day for any voter who is a member of the United States Service and his/her spouse and 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 his 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.

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<p><b>TUESDAY</b> <b>MARCH 13</b> - <b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>MARCH 14</b> - <b>THURSDAY</b> <b>MARCH 15</b> <b>2018</b></p>	<p><b><u>HEARINGS FOR REGISTRATION ERASURE</u></b>          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. <i>The National Voter Registration Act of 1993 may prohibit enforcement of this provision.</i>          (10 ILCS 5/6-45)</p>
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<p><b>THURSDAY</b> <b>MARCH 15</b> <b>2018</b></p>	<p><b><u>VOTE BY MAIL</u></b>          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)</p>
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**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 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)

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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.  
(10 ILCS 5/24A-9, 24B-9, 24C-9)

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**FRIDAY  
MARCH 16  
2018**

**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)

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**FRIDAY  
MARCH 16  
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SATURDAY  
MARCH 17  
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SUNDAY  
MARCH 18  
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MONDAY  
MARCH 19  
2018**

**NURSING HOME VOTING**

The election authority will determine on which of the above dates Nursing Home (etc.) voting will be conducted at federally operated veteran's homes and 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, 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.  
(ILCS 5/19-4, 19-12.2)

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**MONDAY  
MARCH 19  
2018**

**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)

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**MONDAY  
MARCH 19  
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**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 him/her at the point where he/she is 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.

**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, a listing of grace period and early voters.  
[10 ILCS 5/4-50, 5-50, 6-100, 19-4, 19A-5(c)]

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**TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2018  
GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION  
Polls open 6:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

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**TUESDAY  
MARCH 20  
2018**

**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)

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**THURSDAY  
MARCH 22  
2018**

**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)

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**TUESDAY  
MARCH 27  
2018**

**PROVISIONAL VOTERS**

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

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**TUESDAY  
APRIL 3  
2018**

**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

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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 14<sup>th</sup> day following the election to show cause to why the ballot should not be rejected.  
[10 ILCS 5/19-8(g)]

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**TUESDAY  
APRIL 10  
2018**

**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) (Does not include the State Board of Elections as a canvassing board).  
[10 ILCS 5/7- 56, 18A-15(a)]

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)

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)

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).

**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)

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### **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 township committeeman or precinct committeeman.

(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 all offices where The State Board of Elections is the petition filing agent, the offices of township and precinct committeemen, total ballots cast, and 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 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 state central committeeman and committeewoman.

### **WRITE-IN CANDIDATES**

Each successful write-in 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

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(3) A receipt for filing of a Statement of Economic Interests (not required for federal offices, precinct or township committeemen)  
(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(ies)  
(10 ILCS 5/22-9.1)

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**WEDNESDAY  
APRIL 18  
2018**

**COUNTY CONVENTION**

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

NOTE: Precinct committeemen 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)

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**FRIDAY  
APRIL 20  
2018**

**CANVASS – STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

Last day for the State Board of Elections to canvass the votes for federal, congressional, legislative, statewide executive, state central committeemen and committeewomen, representative and judicial offices as well as multi-county regions.  
[10 ILCS 5/18A-15(a)]

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**MONDAY  
APRIL 30  
2018**

**LIST OF PRECINCT COMMITTEEMEN**

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

**DEMOCRATIC STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE**

Last day for the Democratic state central committee to meet and organize (41 days following the election of the state central committee at the March 20, 2018 General Primary Election).

A state convention is optional in 2018. If the party chooses to hold a convention, the last day to hold the convention is September 17, 2018.  
[10 ILCS 5/7-8, 7-9(b)]

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**THURSDAY  
MAY 10  
2018**

**PARTY LOTTERY**

Last day the election authority shall 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 chairmen 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)

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**MONDAY  
MAY 21  
2018**

**VOTER LIST FOR COUNTY CHAIRMEN**

Last day for the election authority to provide to each county chairman or his representative a precinct list prepared for the 2018 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)

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**TUESDAY  
MAY 29  
2018**

**REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE**

Last day for the Republican state central committee to meet and organize (41 days following the election of the state central committee at the April 18, 2018 county conventions).

A state convention is optional in 2018. If the party chooses to hold a convention, the last day to hold the convention is September 17, 2018.  
[10 ILCS 5/7-8, 7-9(b)]

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# GENERAL ELECTION

NOVEMBER 6, 2018

## TO BE ELECTED

- Governor/Lieutenant Governor
- Attorney General
- Secretary of State
- Comptroller
- Treasurer
- Representatives in Congress - All 18 Districts
- State Senators (for four year terms):
  - Districts: 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 29, 30, 32, 33, 35, 36, 38, 39, 41, 42, 44, 45, 47, 48, 50, 51, 53, 54, 56, 57, 59
- Representatives in the General Assembly - All 118 Districts
- Sanitary District Commissioners/Trustees
  - (Prairie DuPont Levee & Sanitary District candidates file with SBE)
- County Clerks
- County Treasurers
- County Sheriffs
- County Assessors
- Members of Board of Review (in counties with elected board of review, including Cook County)
- Regional Superintendent of Schools
- 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 FEDERAL, STATE  
AND COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION**

**GENERAL ELECTION  
NOVEMBER 6, 2018  
10 ILCS 5/2A-1(a)**

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<b>TUESDAY MARCH 27 2018</b>	<b><u>PETITION CIRCULATION</u></b> First day to circulate nomination papers (must include original sheets signed by voters and circulators) for independent candidates and new political party candidates who file June 18 – 25, 2018 (90 days preceding the last day to file nomination papers). (10 ILCS 5/10-4, 10-6)
<b>SUNDAY MAY 6 2018</b>	<b><u>JUDICIAL RETENTION</u></b> 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)]
<b>MONDAY MAY 7 2018</b>	<b><u>PUBLIC QUESTION – CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT</u></b> Last day to file petitions with the Secretary of State to amend Article IV of the State 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 2014 General Election (minimum signatures – 290,216). (10 ILCS 5/28-9)
	<b><u>PUBLIC QUESTION – STATEWIDE ADVISORY</u></b> 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 2014 General Election (minimum signatures – 290,216). (10 ILCS 5/28-9)
<b>TUESDAY MAY 8 2018</b>	<b><u>SECRETARY OF STATE PETITION DELIVERY</u></b> Last day for the Secretary of State to deliver a petition to amend the Constitution to the State Board of Elections. (10 ILCS 5/28-9)
<b>MONDAY MAY 14 2018</b>	<b><u>PUBLIC QUESTION PROPONENT/OPPONENT</u></b> 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

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address of its group and the name and address of its chairman and designated agent for acceptance of service of notices.  
(10 ILCS 5/28-13)

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**TUESDAY  
MAY 15  
2018**

**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)

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**MONDAY  
MAY 21  
2018**

**VOTER LIST FOR COUNTY CHAIRMEN**

Last day for the election authorities to provide to each county chairman or his/her representative a precinct list for the 2018 primary election marked to indicate which party's ballot each voter requested.  
(10 ILCS 5/4-22, 5-29, 6-66)

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**FRIDAY  
MAY 25  
2018**

**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)

**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)

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)

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 24, 2018.  
(10 ILCS 5/28-12)

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**MONDAY  
JUNE 4  
2018**

**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)

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**THURSDAY  
JUNE 7  
2018**

**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)]

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**MONDAY  
JUNE 11  
2018**

**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 55.

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**MONDAY  
JUNE 18  
2018**

**NEW PARTY AND INDEPENDENT FILING**

First day for independent and new party candidates to file original nomination papers (must contain original sheets signed by voters and circulators).

Candidates for federal, legislative, statewide executive, judicial offices, or for any office to be elected by the voters of more than one county, shall file in the principal office of the State Board of Elections.

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

New party petitions must also include a complete slate of candidates and a certificate of officers authorized to fill a vacancy

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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).

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**MONDAY  
JUNE 25  
2018**

**NEW PARTY AND INDEPENDENT FILING**

Last day (by 5:00 p.m.) for independent and new party candidates to file original nomination papers (must contain original sheets signed by voters and circulators).

Candidates for federal, legislative, statewide executive, judicial offices, or for any office to be elected by the voters of more than one county, shall file in the principal office of the State Board of Elections.

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

New party petitions must also include a complete slate of candidates and 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 economic interest statement 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)

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

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**TUESDAY  
JUNE 26  
2018**

**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 2018, is June 26. 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)

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**THURSDAY  
JUNE 28  
2018**

**NOTICE OF LOTTERY**

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, independent or nonpartisan candidates, (a) as of the opening hour of the filing period, June 18, 2018 and/or (b) within the last hour of the filing period June 25, 2018. The State Board of Elections or the election authority shall give notice to the chairman of each political party. Notice must also be posted.  
(10 ILCS 5/10-6.2)

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**MONDAY  
JULY 2  
2018**

**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 June 18 – 25, 2018 filing period. Objections are filed in the office of the State Board of Elections or the county clerk (with whichever election authority the nomination papers were originally filed).  
(10 ILCS 5/10-8)

NOTE: For procedures on objections see page (55)

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**THURSDAY  
JULY 5  
2018**

**BALLOT PLACEMENT LOTTERY**

Last day 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

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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)

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**MONDAY  
JULY 9  
2018**

**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)]

**PETITION TO CREATE A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION**

Last day to file a petition (must contain original sheets signed by voters and circulators) 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.

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

NOTE: 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 16 – 23, 2018). (10 ILCS 5/10-6)

NOTE: The circuit court clerk shall publish the hearing date for a public policy petition filed in his/her 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)

**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)

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**MONDAY  
JULY 16  
2018**

**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 5/10-8, 28-4)

NOTE: For procedures on objections see page (55) (except those filed with the circuit clerk).

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**MONDAY  
JULY 30  
2018**

**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 and 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)

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**MONDAY  
AUGUST 6  
2018**

**REFERENDA FILING**

Last day for filing petitions (must contain original sheets signed by voters and circulators) 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.)

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**WEDNESDAY  
AUGUST 8  
2018**

**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 27, 2018.

(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 6, 2018 General Election.

[42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(c)(2)(A)]

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**MONDAY  
AUGUST 13  
2018**

**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 55 (except those filed with the circuit clerk).

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**MONDAY  
AUGUST 20  
2018**

**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; 60 ILCS 1/30-205)

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**THURSDAY  
AUGUST 23  
2018**

**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)

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**FRIDAY  
AUGUST 24  
2018**

**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

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Constitution of Illinois and any statewide questions of public policy for the General Election ballot to the county clerks.  
(10 ILCS 5/1A-8(14), 7-60, 10-14)

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**WEDNESDAY  
AUGUST 29  
2018**

**VACANCY IN NOMINATION**

Last day for established and new political parties to fill vacancies in nomination in county offices (occurring on or after the primary and prior to certification—*does not apply to vacancies which occur due to a failure to nominate at the primary*).

(10 ILCS 5/7-61,10-11)

**WEDNESDAY  
AUGUST 29  
2018  
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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)

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**THURSDAY  
AUGUST 30  
2018**

**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 and before certification.

(10 ILCS 5/7-61, 10-8, 10-11)

NOTE: For procedures on objections, see page 55

**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)

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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)

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**TUESDAY  
SEPTEMBER 4  
2018**

**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)

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**THURSDAY  
SEPTEMBER 6  
2018**

**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 (appropriate county clerk(s) and/or board(s) of election commissioners.) Write-ins 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)

**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 and before certification (*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 55

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**FRIDAY  
SEPTEMBER 7  
2018**

**PUBLICATION – VOTING AIDS**

Last day the election authority shall provide public notice, calculated to reach the elderly and handicapped voters, of the availability of registration and voting aids under the Federal Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act, of 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)

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<b>FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 7 2018 (continued)</b>	<b><u>PUBLICATION – PUBLIC QUESTION</u></b> 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)
<b>MONDAY SEPTEMBER 17 2018</b>	<b><u>SCHEDULE FOR EARLY VOTING</u></b> 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)]
<b>MONDAY SEPTEMBER 17 2018 (continued)</b>	<b><u>POSTING FOR EARLY VOTING</u></b> 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 5, 2018). If the election authority has a website, it shall make the schedule available on the website. [10 ILCS 5/19A-25(b)]
	<b><u>INTERNET VOTERS' GUIDE</u></b> 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)]
<b>THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 20 2018</b>	<b><u>PUBLICATION – EARLY VOTING</u></b> 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, he or she shall make the schedule available on its website. [10 ILCS 5/19A-25(a)]
<b>FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 21 2018</b>	<b><u>VOTE BY MAIL - UOCAVA</u></b> Last day for the election authority to have in his office a sufficient number of ballots printed and available for mailing to persons in the United States Service or their spouse and dependents, citizens temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States and nonresident civilians. (10 ILCS 5/16-5.01)

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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.

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**SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER 22  
2018**

**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)

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**THURSDAY  
SEPTEMBER 27  
2018**

**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 and 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)

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**SUNDAY**  
**OCTOBER 7**  
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**MONDAY**  
**OCTOBER 8**  
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**TUESDAY**  
**OCTOBER 9 2018**

**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)

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**TUESDAY**  
**OCTOBER 9**  
**2018**

**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 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 and road district clerks and precinct committeemen. 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.

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**TUESDAY  
OCTOBER 9  
2018  
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**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 – 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 7) but not less than 10 (October 27) days prior to Election Day shall be sent the federal offices ballot only.

NOTE: 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 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. Applications received after October 7 and prior to October 27 will entitle the voter to cast a federal ballot only.

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

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**TUESDAY  
OCTOBER 9  
2018  
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**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)

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**WEDNESDAY  
OCTOBER 10  
2018**

**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)

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**FRIDAY  
OCTOBER 12  
2018**

**EARLY VOTING SCHEDULE**

Last day for election authority to post 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 5, 2018). If the election authority has a website, they shall make the schedule available on the website.  
(10 ILCS 5/19A-25)

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**WEDNESDAY  
OCTOBER 17  
2018**

**EMPLOYEE NOTICE TO BE ELECTION JUDGE**

Last day for employee to give employer written notice that he/she will be absent from place of employment on election day because he/she has 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)

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<p><b>FRIDAY OCTOBER 19 2018</b></p>	<p><b><u>VOTER REGISTRATION DATA</u></b> 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)</p>
<p><b>SUNDAY OCTOBER 21 2018</b></p>	<p><b><u>ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION</u></b> Last day for voters to register to vote through the State Board of Elections website. (10 ILCS 5/1A-16.5)</p>
<p><b>MONDAY OCTOBER 22 2018</b></p>	<p><b><u>EARLY VOTING – PERMANENT POLLING PLACES</u></b> 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)]</p>
<p><b>MONDAY OCTOBER 22 - TUESDAY OCTOBER 23 2018</b></p>	<p><b><u>VACANCY IN NOMINATION</u></b> 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)</p> <hr/> <p><b><u>ERASURE OF NAMES FROM VOTER REGISTRY</u></b> Dates on which any voter or precinct committeeman may file an application with the election authority to erase names from the registry of voters. <i>The National Voter Registration Act of 1993 may prohibit the enforcement of this provision.</i> (10 ILCS 5/4-12, 5-15, 6-44)</p>
<p><b>TUESDAY OCTOBER 23 2018</b></p>	<p><b><u>HOSPITALIZED VOTER</u></b> First day that a qualified voter who has been admitted to a hospital, nursing home, or rehabilitation center not more than 14 days before an 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.</p> <p><b><u>REGISTRATION REPORT FOR EACH COUNTY CHAIRMAN</u></b> Last day for county clerks (other than Cook, DuPage, Lake and Will Counties) to provide to each county chairman or his representative, precinct lists prepared for the 2018 General Election marked to indicate the names of all persons who have registered since the 2018 General Primary.</p>

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**TUESDAY  
OCTOBER 23  
2018  
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(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.

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**THURSDAY  
OCTOBER 25  
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FRIDAY  
OCTOBER 26  
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SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 27  
2018**

**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)

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**MONDAY  
OCTOBER 29  
2018**

**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 and his/her spouse and 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



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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.

**MONDAY  
OCTOBER 29  
2018  
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**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 his 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.

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**TUESDAY  
OCTOBER 30  
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WEDNESDAY  
OCTOBER 31  
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THURSDAY  
NOVEMBER 1  
2018**

**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 the enforcement of this provision.*  
(10 ILCS 5/6-45)

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**THURSDAY  
NOVEMBER 1  
2018**

**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 and 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. 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)

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**FRIDAY  
NOVEMBER 2  
2018**

**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)

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**FRIDAY  
NOVEMBER 2  
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SATURDAY  
NOVEMBER 3  
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SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 4  
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MONDAY  
NOVEMBER 5  
2018**

**NURSING HOME VOTING**

The election authority will determine on which of the above dates Nursing Home (etc.) 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 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)

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**MONDAY  
NOVEMBER 5  
2018**

**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 him/her at the point where he/she is unable to continue forward motion toward the polling place.  
(10 ILCS 5/17-13, 18-5.1)

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**MONDAY  
NOVEMBER 5  
2018  
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**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)

**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 and early voters.

[10 ILCS 5/4-50, 5-50, 6-100, 19-4, 19A-5(c)]

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**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018  
GENERAL ELECTION  
Polls open 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

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**TUESDAY  
NOVEMBER 6  
2018**

**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)

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**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, 2018 and no later than October 7, 2018 from the office of the election authority that has jurisdiction over the precinct of their last residence in the United States.
  3. Not have received the requested regular vote by mail ballot from the election authority.
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The voted FWAB must be returned to the election authority by the close of the election on November 6, 2018 or by the 14<sup>th</sup> day following the election if postmarked by Election Day, November 6, 2018.

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)

### **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)

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**THURSDAY  
NOVEMBER 8  
2018**

#### **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 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

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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)

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**TUESDAY  
NOVEMBER 13  
2018**

**PROVISIONAL VOTERS**

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

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**TUESDAY  
NOVEMBER 20  
2018**

**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: 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)]

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**TUESDAY  
NOVEMBER 27  
2018**

**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)

EXCEPTION: State Board of Elections as canvassing board

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**TUESDAY  
NOVEMBER 27  
2018  
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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, 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 (5/22-9).

**CANVASS – REFERENDA**

Last day for appropriate canvassing board to canvass the results of referenda submitted to the voters at the November 6, 2018 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)

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**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 all offices where The State Board of Elections is the petition filing agent, the offices of township and precinct committeemen, total ballots cast, and 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)

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**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(ies)

(10 ILCS 5/22-9.1)

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**THURSDAY  
NOVEMBER 30  
2018****DEPUTY REGISTRARS**

Last day for County Central Committees Chairman 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 chairman of a county central committee to furnish a supplemental list of applicants.

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**SATURDAY  
DECEMBER 1  
2018****BEGINNING OF TERM - COUNTY**

First day for term of office for the following officers:

County Clerks (55 ILCS 5/3-2001)  
County Treasurers (55 ILCS 5/3-10001)  
County Sheriffs (55 ILCS 5/3-6002)  
County Assessors\* (35 ILCS 200/3-45)  
\*(counties of less than 3,000,000)

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**MONDAY  
DECEMBER 3  
2018****DEPUTY REGISTRARS**

Beginning of 2-year term of all deputy registrars except precinct committeemen (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)

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**MONDAY  
DECEMBER 3  
2018  
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**BEGINNING OF TERM – JUDICIAL**

First day of term of office for those judges that were elected or retained at the November 6, 2018, General Election.  
[10 ILCS 5/1A-19(c), 2A-9(b), 7A-1; Illinois Constitution, Article VI Section 12(d)]

**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)  
County Board Chairman (55 ILCS 5/2-3007)  
County Assessor\* (35 ILCS 200/3-50)  
\*(counties of more than 3,000,000)

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**TUESDAY  
DECEMBER 4  
2018**

**BEGINNING OF TERM – WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT**

First day of office for officers of Water Reclamation District of Chicago.  
(70 ILCS 2605/3)

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**FRIDAY  
DECEMBER 7  
2018**

**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)]

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**MONDAY  
DECEMBER 17  
2018**

**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)

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**WEDNESDAY  
DECEMBER 26  
2018**

**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)

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**THURSDAY  
JANUARY 3  
2019**

**BEGINNING OF TERM – FEDERAL**

First day for term of office for federal officers elected at the November 6, 2018, General Election.  
(United States Constitution, Amendment XX, § 2)

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<b>MONDAY JANUARY 7 2019</b>	<b><u>PRECINCT VOTER LISTS</u></b> Last day for election authorities to provide to each county chairman or his representative, precinct lists prepared for the 2018 General Election marked to indicate which registrants voted at the General Election. (10 ILCS 5/4-11, 5-14, 6-60)
<b>WEDNESDAY JANUARY 9 2019</b>	<b><u>GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENES</u></b> Newly elected members of the General Assembly shall convene and organize their respective chambers. [Illinois Constitution, Article IV, Sections 5 and 6(b)]

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<b>MONDAY JANUARY 14 2019</b>	<b><u>BEGINNING OF TERM – STATEWIDE EXECUTIVE OFFICERS</u></b> First day for term of office for statewide executive officers (Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, comptroller, and Treasurer). [Illinois Constitution, Article V, Section 2]
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<b>MONDAY JULY 1 2019</b>	<b><u>BEGINNING OF TERM – REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT</u></b> First day for term of office for Regional Superintendent of Schools. (105 ILCS 5/3-1)
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## PROCEDURES ON OBJECTIONS

All citations contained herein are "Illinois Compiled Statutes," 2016, 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 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 chairman of the proper electoral board designated in 5/10-9, or his 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 CHAIRMAN OF ELECTORAL BOARD

**Within 24 hours** after the receipt of objector's petition, chairman 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 Chairman 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 chairman 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  
2017 DECEMBER QUARTERLY REPORT  
OCTOBER 1, 2017 THRU DECEMBER 31, 2017**

**2017**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2017**

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, 2017 (or later if the committee was formed subsequently) through December 31, 2017 inclusively.

[10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

**2018**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2018**

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)]

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2018**

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)]

**CAMPAIGN FINANCE CALENDAR  
GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION  
MARCH 20, 2018**

**2018**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2018**

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, FEBRUARY 18, 2018**

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 19, 2018**

Last 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)]

**MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2018**

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)]

**TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2018**

**GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION**

**CAMPAIGN FINANCE CALENDAR  
MARCH QUARTERLY REPORT  
JANUARY 1, 2018 THRU MARCH 31, 2018**

**2018**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2018**

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)]

**SATURDAY, MARCH 31, 2016**

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, 2018 (or later if the committee was formed subsequently) through March 31, 2018 inclusively.

[10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

**SUNDAY, APRIL 1, 2018**

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)]

**MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2018**

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)]

**CAMPAIGN FINANCE CALENDAR  
JUNE QUARTERLY REPORT  
APRIL 1, 2018 THRU JUNE 30, 2018**

**2018**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 1, 2018**

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)]

**SATURDAY, JUNE 30, 2018**

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, 2018 (or later if the committee was formed subsequently) through June 30, 2018 inclusively.

[10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

**SUNDAY, JULY 1, 2018**

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)]

**MONDAY, JULY 16, 2018**

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)]



**CAMPAIGN FINANCE CALENDAR  
SEPTEMBER QUARTERLY REPORT  
JULY 1, 2018 THRU SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

**2018**

**SUNDAY, JULY 1, 2018**

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)]

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

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, 2018 (or later if the committee was formed subsequently) through September 30, 2018 inclusively.

[10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2018**

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)]

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2018**

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)]

**CAMPAIGN FINANCE CALENDAR  
GENERAL ELECTION  
NOVEMBER 6, 2018**

**2018**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2018**

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 7, 2018**

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 5, 2018**

Last 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)]

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2018**

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)]

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018  
GENERAL ELECTION**

**CAMPAIGN FINANCE CALENDAR  
DECEMBER QUARTERLY REPORT  
OCTOBER 1, 2018 THRU DECEMBER 31, 2018**

**2018**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2018**

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 5/9-10(b)]

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2018**

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, 2018 (or later if the committee was formed subsequently) through December 31, 2018 inclusively.

[10 ILCS 5/9-10(b)]

**2019**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2019**

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)]

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2019**

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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