

Affidavit of Identity and Receipt of Filing Instructions

When to file

Visit Michigan.gov/Elections to see the deadline for filing this document. All affidavits must be received by the filing deadline on the date and time specified. Affidavits received after the deadline will be rejected regardless of postmark.

Where to file

- File with the Michigan Bureau of Elections for a federal or state office that includes more than one county, all judicial races other than probate and municipal races, and all statewide offices.
- File with the county clerk for a federal or state district that is entirely contained in one county, a county or probate judge race, and precinct delegate.
- File with the city or township clerk for all city or township offices.

Withdrawing your filing

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

Completing the form

Section 1: Candidate information

This section one requires you to provide your information. You may provide a mailing address if you want to receive your ballot proof and other information at an alternate address. It is recommended that you provide a phone number and email address so your filing official may contact you.

If you are using a name that was not provided to you at birth, you must check the box and provide your former name. However, you do not need to provide a former name if your name changed because of marriage or divorce, is a nickname that you have been known as for at least 6 months, or was formally changed for any reason more than 10 years ago.

Section 2: Office and ballot information

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

- First, provide the name of the office you seek as well as the jurisdiction, and any district/ward defining the office you seek. Precinct delegates should put the precinct number.
- Next, indicate whether the office is a partisan or nonpartisan office or if you are running for a partisan office without party affiliation. If running for a partisan office, you should list your political party in the space provided.
- Third, provide the date of the primary and general election if you intend to run in both elections. If you are filing only for the November general election, only complete the general election date.
- Fourth, select the term of office. If it is a partial term, you must indicate when the partial term is expiring.
- Fifth, indicate exactly how you want your name to appear on the ballot using upper and lowercase letters. You may not use nicknames or titles (e.g. Dr., PhD, etc).
- Sixth, indicate your filing method. If filing with petitions, state whether you want your petitions returned to you in January or if they can be destroyed.

Section 3: Certification and acknowledgment

If you have previously run for office, you must list each county/jurisdiction in which you previously have run. In order to be placed on the ballot, you must not have any outstanding fines, fees, or reports required to be filed or paid under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act. If you have not previously run for office, you may leave this blank. You must also certify that all statements, reports, late filing fees, and fines due from you or any candidate committee organized to support your election under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act have been filed or paid.

Next, you must certify that you are a U.S. citizen and meet the statutory and constitutional requirements for the office sought. Finally, sign and date the affidavit in front of a notary and complete the notarization.

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

SECTION 1 Candidate information	First name		Middle name		Last name	
	Year of birth		My name has formally changed in the last 10 years for a reason other than marriage or divorce. My former name is:			
	Residential address				City	ZIP
	Mailing address, if different than above				City	ZIP
	Phone number		Email		Campaign website, if applicable	
SECTION 2 Office and ballot information	Office name			Jurisdiction		District/Ward
	Select one	I am running for a partisan office, and my political party is: _____				
		I am running for a nonpartisan office without party affiliation (<i>judicial office: see note above</i>)				
		I am running for a partisan office without party affiliation.				
	Primary election _____ DATE (MONTH/DAY/YEAR)			General election _____ DATE (MONTH/DAY/YEAR)		
Term of office (select one): Regular term Partial term expiring: _____ DATE (MONTH/DAY/YEAR) Recall						
Indicate exactly how you want your name to be printed on the ballot (use upper and lowercase letters):						
Filing method (Select one): ☐ Petitions ☐ Return to me in January ☐ Destroy in January ☐ \$100 filing fee (if applicable) ☐ Certification of party nomination & acceptance (if applicable)						
SECTION 3 Certification and acknowledgment	I previously ran in Michigan for office that required filing reports under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act. I ran in the following counties:					
	I certify that at this date, all statements, reports, late filing fees, and fines due from me or any candidate committee organized to support my election under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act have been filed or paid.					
	I certify that I am a United States citizen and I meet the statutory and constitutional requirements for the office sought.					
	By signing, I acknowledge that making a false statement in this affidavit is perjury – a felony punishable by a fine up to \$1,000 or imprisonment for up to five years and may result in disqualification from the ballot.					
	Candidate signature				Date	
	Notary signature			Notary		
	County of commission:			Acting in the County of:		
My commission expires: DATE (MONTH/DAY/YEAR)			Date of notarization: (MONTH/DAY/YEAR)			
Office use only	Date of filing: (MONTH/DAY/YEAR)		Received by: DATE (MONTH/DAY/YEAR)		Reviewed by:	
	Number of petition sheets:		Campaign Finance Number:			