



2015 SPECIAL ELECTION CANDIDATE REGISTRATION

Notice: Changes to registration information must be filed within 10 days in writing or by e-mail to the Commission.

Is this an amendment? Yes No

1. CANDIDATE INFORMATION		
Are you running as a (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Maine Clean Election Act candidate <input type="checkbox"/> traditionally financed candidate		
Title <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. <input type="checkbox"/> Honorable	Party affiliation	Office sought & District #
Name: First	MI or Middle Name	Last
County (if applicable)		
Mailing address		Primary Phone - For Commission Use Only
City	Zip code	Public Phone
E-mail (required)	Fax	Alternate Phone

2. TREASURER INFORMATION		
Name: First	MI or Middle Name	Last
Primary Phone - For Commission Use Only		
Mailing address		Public Phone
City	Zip code	E-mail (required)
Fax		

DESIGNATION OF TREASURER: A candidate for office must appoint a treasurer no later than 10 days after becoming a candidate, and before accepting contributions, making expenditures or incurring obligations. No later than 10 days after appointing a treasurer, the candidate must register with the Commission the name and address of the candidate and treasurer. The treasurer is responsible for maintaining campaign records and for filing reports. A MCEA candidate may serve as treasure for no more than 14 days following the date of registration. (21-A MRSA §§ 1013-A and 1125(12-A))

2A. DEPUTY TREASURER INFORMATION (optional)		
Name: First	MI or Middle Name	Last
Primary Phone - For Commission Use Only		
Mailing address		Public Phone
City	Zip code	E-mail (required)

DESIGNATION OF DEPUTY TREASURER (optional): The candidate may appoint a deputy treasurer and notify the Commission no later than 10 days after the appointment. The deputy, when acting in the absence of the treasurer, has the same powers and responsibilities as the treasurer. A MCEA candidate may serve as deputy treasure for no more than 14 days following the date of registration. (21-A MRSA §§ 1013-A and 1125(12-A)) (21-A MRSA § 1013-A (1)(A)(1))

3. AUTHORIZED AGENT INFORMATION (optional)		
Name	Phone	Email (required)
Name	Phone	Email

DESIGNATION OF AUTHORIZED AGENT (optional): Please use this section to designate individuals, other than the treasurer and deputy treasurer, authorized to file reports on your behalf.

4. POLITICAL COMMITTEE INFORMATION (optional)		
Name	Phone	
Address of campaign headquarters	City	Zip code

DESIGNATION OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE (optional): The candidate may form a political or campaign committee. Within 10 days of forming the committee and before accepting contributions, making expenditures or incurring obligations, the candidate must:

- appoint a treasurer (the candidate may have only one treasurer who is listed in Section 2) and
- register the committee and its officers, if any are appointed, with the Commission. (21-A MRSA § 1013-A (1) (B))

Committee Officers (use additional pages, if necessary):

Name	Title	Phone
Mailing address	City	Zip code
		E-mail

Name	Title	Phone
Mailing address	City	Zip code
		E-mail

5. CERTIFICATION	
I, _____, certify that the information in this registration is true, <small>(Print Candidate's Full Name)</small> accurate and complete.	
Signature of Candidate _____	Date _____

6. FOR COUNTY CANDIDATES ONLY	
<p>REPORTING EXEMPTION REQUEST: A candidate for <u>county office</u> may request an exemption from the obligation to appoint a treasurer and file campaign finance reports if the candidate does not accept any cash or in-kind contributions or make any expenditures for his or her campaign. You cannot request a reporting exemption if you use your or your spouse's/domestic partner's personal funds to pay for your campaign expenses. To request an exemption, complete the statement below and sections 1 & 5, have the form notarized, and submit it to the Commission.</p> <p>STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY FOR A REPORTING EXEMPTION: I, the undersigned, swear or affirm that I will not accept contributions, make expenditures or incur obligations associated with my candidacy.</p>	
Signature of county candidate _____	Date _____
Subscribed and sworn (affirmed) to before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.	
Signature of Notary/Attorney-at-law _____ (Seal is optional)	My commission expires _____ (Date)
<p>REVOCATION NOTICE: The foregoing statement may be revoked. Prior to revocation, the candidate must appoint a treasurer. A revocation notice must be in the form of an amended registration which must be filed with the Commission no later than 10 days after the date the treasurer is appointed. The notice must be filed before contributions are accepted or expenditures made. A late revocation notice is subject to the same penalties applicable to late campaign finance reports.</p>	



2015 SPECIAL ELECTION MAINE CODE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES (Optional under 21-A M.R.S.A. § 1101(2))

I shall conduct my campaign and, to the extent reasonably possible, insist that my supporters conduct themselves, in a manner consistent with the best Maine and American traditions, discussing the issues and presenting my record and policies with sincerity and candor.

I shall uphold the right of every qualified voter to free and equal participation in the election process.

I shall not participate in and I shall condemn defamation of and other attacks on any opposing candidate or party that I do not believe to be truthful, provable and relevant to my campaign.

I shall not use or authorize and I shall condemn material relating to my campaign that falsifies, misrepresents or distorts the facts, including, but not limited to, malicious or unfounded accusations creating or exploiting doubts as to the morality, patriotism or motivations of any party or candidate.

I shall not appeal to and I shall condemn appeals to prejudices based on race, creed, sex or national origin.

I shall not practice and I shall condemn practices that tend to corrupt or undermine the system of free election or that hamper or prevent the free expression of the will of the voters.

I shall promptly and publicly repudiate the support of any individual or group that resorts, on behalf of my candidacy or in opposition to that of an opponent, to methods in violation of the letter or spirit of this code.

I, the undersigned candidate for election to public office in the State of Maine, hereby voluntarily endorse, subscribe to and solemnly pledge to conduct my campaign in accordance with the above principles and practices.

Date

Candidate's Signature

Office Sought and District

Printed Name



2015 SPECIAL ELECTION STATEMENT CONCERNING VOLUNTARY EXPENDITURE LIMITS

The Election Law requires all privately financed legislative candidates to confirm whether they agree to the following voluntary expenditure limits:

- A. For State Senator, \$25,000 per election
- B. For State Representative, \$5,000 per election

The expenditure limits are for each election. For example, a candidate for State Senate who is on the ballot for the primary and the general election and who agrees to accept the limits may spend up to \$25,000 for the primary election and up to \$25,000 for the general election. The limitations may not be carried forward from one election to another.

THE ELECTION LAW REQUIRES YOU TO INDICATE WHETHER YOU AGREE TO THE VOLUNTARY SPENDING LIMITS. PLEASE CHECK ONE BOX BELOW.

- I understand and accept the voluntary spending limits on political expenditures. I understand that the limit covers the sum of all expenditures made to influence a single election that are made by me, or made on my behalf by my party or my immediate family if coordinated with my campaign. I also affirm that I will not condone and will not solicit any independent expenditures made on my behalf.
- I do not agree to the voluntary spending limits on political expenditures.

Date

Candidate's Signature

Print Name



2015 SPECIAL ELECTION FILING SCHEDULE

For MCEA & Traditionally Financed Candidates

Special Election: March 10, 2015

TYPE OF REPORT	FILING DEADLINE (BY 11:59 P.M.)	REPORT PERIOD
Seed Money Report <i>*For MCEA candidates only*</i>	February 27, 2015	Date of first seed money contribution – date of certification request
11-Day Pre-General <i>(for TF candidates)</i> _____	February 27, 2015	Date of first contribution/expenditure – February 24, 2015 _____
11-Day Pre-General <i>(for MCEA candidates)</i>		Date after Seed Money Report filing - February 24, 2015 <i>(only required if Seed Money Report is filed early)</i>
42-Day Post-General <i>(for all candidates)</i>	April 21, 2015	February 25, 2015 – April 14, 2015

24-HOUR REPORTS

24-HOUR REPORT PERIOD	WHAT TO REPORT	WHEN TO FILE
For Special Election: February 25, 2015 – March 9, 2015	<p>Any single expenditure of \$1,000 or more. Orders placed with or obligations made to vendors for goods or services are considered expenditures at the time the obligations are made.</p> <p>Any single contribution of \$1,000 or more. Traditionally Financed candidates and their spouses/ domestic partners who contribute \$1,000 or more in a single contribution during the 24-Hour Reporting Period must report those contributions in a 24-Hour Report. This includes loans.</p>	Within 24 hours, including weekends and holidays, of making/accepting the transaction, incurring the obligation, or placing the order.

HOW TO FILE REPORTS

Using the Commission's Website. Candidates who receive or expect to receive at least \$1,500 for their campaigns must file reports electronically on the Commission's website. Candidates or treasurers must enter the required information and the treasurer must click "File Report" by 11:59 p.m. on the filing deadline.

Commission staff will be available until 5:00 p.m. on filing deadlines to offer assistance to candidates and campaign staff.