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## 2026 REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATION As a Maine Clean Election Act Candidate for Governor

## CERTIFICATION DEADLINE: April 1, 2026 by 5:00 P.M.

Candidate's Name:	Seed Money
Office Sought: Governor	Deadline Extension?
Party: Democrat Green-Independent Republican Unenrolled	(Initial if extension requested)
With this request, you <u>must</u> submit:	

- At least the minimum number of qualifying contributions (QCs)
  - 3,200 QCs for candidates for Governor
- The original Receipt & Acknowledgment Forms
  - Checks, money orders, and Cash QC Affirmation Forms must be clipped to the corresponding Receipt & Acknowledgement Forms (do not use staples)
- Voter registration verification for all qualifying contributions
  - All QC contributors who contributed via check, cash, or money order must be entered into the Commission's online QC service. Once all contributors are added, the list of contributors must be submitted via the service to the Commission. At this point, the service will attempt to verify the voter registrations of all the contributors.
  - For any contributors whose voter registrations the service cannot verify, system-generated Receipt & Acknowledgement Forms must be printed and taken to the appropriate municipal clerks for verification. Those verified forms must be submitted to the Commission by the deadline.
- <u>A list of QC contributors submitted via the Commission's online QC service</u>
  - The only acceptable method for submitting the required list of QC contributors is through the Commission's online QC service. Lists in other formats will not be accepted. <u>The list of QC contributors must be submitted through the service by 5:00 p.m. on April 1, 2026.</u>
- <u>A filed Seed Money Report</u>
  - An extension of up to one-week for filing the Seed Money Report may be requested. See box in top right corner of this form. The Commission approves all reasonable extension requests.

## I hereby request to be certified as a Maine Clean Election Act candidate. I agree to comply with all requirements of the Act and the Commission's rules. I have:

- Signed and filed a Declaration of Intent to participate in the Maine Clean Election Act;
- Qualified as a candidate by petition or other means (and confirmed by the Secretary of State's Office);
- Complied with seed money restrictions and otherwise met the requirements for participation in the Maine Clean Election Act;
- Read the Commission's guidelines on permissible campaign-related expenditures;
- Established a separate campaign account at a financial institution; and
- Confirmed any person who circulated my Receipt and Acknowledgement Forms and collected QCs did so with my knowledge and consent.