
JUDICIAL DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

Election Law §6-124 and 6-126

Sept. 18-24	Dates for holding Judicial District Conventions. §6-158(5)
Sept. 25	Last day to file certificates of nomination. §6-158(6)
Sept. 28	Last day to decline nomination. §6-158(7)
Oct. 2	Last day to fill vacancy after a declination. §6-158(8)

Minutes of a convention must be filed within 72 hours of adjournment. §6-158(6)

DATES FOR FILING FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORTS

PRIMARY ELECTION

August 13
September 1 - September 12*
September 4
September 24

GENERAL ELECTION

October 5
October 23 - November 5*
October 26
December 3

PERIODIC REPORTS

January 16
July 16

*During this time period any contribution or loan which exceeds \$1,000 must be reported within 24 hours of receipt. This same contribution or loan must also be reported in the Post-Election report.

For complete information on the manner, time and place for filing campaign financial disclosure reports, contact the State Board of Elections at 1-800-458-3453, the Erie County Board of Elections at 858-8891 or refer to Article 14 of the NYS Election Law and Part 6200 of the Rules and Regulations.

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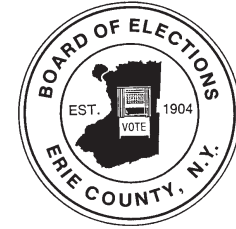
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Conservative	826-6814
Green	908-5226
Working Families	632-1540
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Reform	

STATE AND LOCAL POLITICAL CALENDAR 2018



State and Local

Primary Election - September 13

General Election - November 6

This political calendar is a ready reference to the significant dates pertaining to elections to be held in this State. It constitutes a valuable guide to the proper administration of our election process. For complete information be sure to consult the Election Law and Regulations and any relevant court orders.

All dates are based on court-ordered and statutory provisions in effect on the date of publication and may be subject to change. Final confirmation should be obtained from the Erie County Board of Elections or the State Board of Elections.

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PETITIONS

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS FOR DESIGNATING AND OPPORTUNITY TO BALLOT PETITIONS

Election Law §6-136

5% of the enrolled voters of the political party in the political unit (excluding voters in inactive status) or the following, whichever is less:
For any office to be filled by all the voters of:

The entire state.....	15,000
At least 100 or 5% of enrolled voters from each of 1/2 of the congressional districts.	
County and City Wide Buffalo offices	2,000
Congressional Districts	1,250
State Senatorial Districts	1,000
State Assembly Districts	500
County Legislative Districts.....	500
District Councilman, Supervisor and all elective town offices.....	500
All elective offices in the Cities of Lackawanna & Tonawanda	500
Delegates & Alternates to the Judicial Convention	500
State Committee Members (male & female).....	500

DESIGNATING PETITIONS

Election Law §6-132, 6-134

June 5	First day for signing designating petitions. §6-134(4)
July 9-12	Dates for filing designating petitions. §6-158(1)
July 16	Last day to authorize designations. §6-120(3)
July 16	Last day to accept or decline a designation. §6-158(2)
July 20	Last day to fill a vacancy after a declination. §6-158(3)
July 24	Last day to file authorization of substitution. §6-120(3)

PETITION FOR OPPORTUNITY TO BALLOT (OTB)

Election Law §6-166

June 26	First day for signing OTB petitions. §6-164
July 19	Last day to file OTB petitions. §6-158(4)
July 26	Last day to file an OTB petition if there has been a declination by a designated candidate. §6-158(4)

INDEPENDENT NOMINATING PETITIONS

Election Law §6-138, 6-140, 6-142, 6-158

July 10	First day for signing independent nominating petitions. §6-138(4)
Aug. 14-21	Dates for filing independent nominating petitions. §6-158(9)
Aug. 24	Last day to accept or decline nomination. §6-158(11)
Aug. 27	Last day to fill a vacancy after a declination. §6-158(12)
Sept. 17	Last day to decline after acceptance if nominee loses party primary. §6-158(11)

PRIMARY ELECTION

September 13

POLLS OPEN 6:00 am - 9:00 pm Election Law §8-100(1)(a), (2)

REGISTRATION

Election Law §5-210, 5-211, 5-212

Aug. 19	Last day to register for the primary election. Mail registration must be postmarked not later than Aug. 19 and received by the board of elections not later than Aug. 24
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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Election Law §5-208(3)

Aug. 24	Notices of change of address from registered voters received by Aug. 24 by a county board of elections must be processed in time for the primary election.
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ABSENTEE VOTING

Election Law §8-400(2), 8-412(1), 10-114(1)

Sept. 6	Last day to postmark application for ballot or letter of application for ballot.
Sept. 12	Last day to apply in person for ballot.
Sept. 12	Last day to postmark ballot including Military. Ballots including Military must be received by the county board no later than Sept. 20.
Sept. 13	Last day to deliver ballot in person to the board of elections by 9pm.
Aug. 20	Last day for board of elections to receive application for ballot if not previously registered.
Sept. 6	Last day for board of elections to receive application for ballot if previously registered.

MILITARY VOTERS

Election Law §10-106(5)

Sept. 12 Last day to apply personally if previously registered.

GENERAL ELECTION

November 6

POLLS OPEN 6:00 am - 9:00 pm Election Law §8-100(1)(c), (2)

REGISTRATION

Election Law §5-210, 5-211, 5-212

Oct. 12	Last day to register for the general election by mail. Mail registration must be postmarked not later than Oct. 12 and received by the board of elections not later than Oct. 17.
Oct. 12	Last day to register in person for the general election at the board of elections.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Election Law §5-208(3)

Oct. 17	Notices of change of address from registered voters received by Oct. 17 by a county board of elections must be processed in time for the general election.
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CHANGE OF ENROLLMENT

Election Law §5-304(3)

Oct. 12	Last day to change enrollment using a mail registration form for the 2019 Primary Election. Must be postmarked before midnight.
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ABSENTEE AND SPECIAL FEDERAL VOTING

Election Law §8-400(2), 8-412(1), 10-114(1), 11-212

Oct. 30	Last day to postmark application or letter of application for ballot.
Nov. 5	Last day to apply in person for ballot.
Nov. 5	Last day to postmark ballot. Must be received by the board of elections no later than Nov. 13. Military and Special Federal Voter ballots must be received no later than Nov. 19.
Nov. 6	Last day to deliver ballot in person to the board of elections by 9pm.

MILITARY VOTERS

Election Law §10-106(5), 11-202(1)(b)(c)

Oct. 27	Last day for board of elections to receive application for ballot if not previously registered.
Oct. 30	Last day for board of elections to receive application for ballot if previously registered.
Nov. 5	Last day to apply personally if previously registered.