

**INSTRUCTIONS / GUIDELINES**  
**PETITION FOR INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES**

1. Read Petition carefully and fill in all blank spaces, where required.
2. Petitioners must sign in their own handwriting, matching the signature in the voter registry records. They must provide their correct residence, or post office address, in the presence of the Circulator. The Circulator/Witness must sign the inside of the Petition and check the line where his/her signature appears.
3. The person in whose presence the Petition was signed MUST be one of the signers of the Petition and make an affidavit before a Notary, or other officer authorized by law, to take affidavits.
4. The Candidate must sign the Certificate of Acceptance stating that he/she is qualified for the office in the Petition. Candidate must be a registered voter and resident of Salem County one year prior to the date of the next General Election. (Chapter 94 Laws of 1980)
5. The Petition must be signed by legally qualified voters of the State of NJ, residing in the County of Salem, if the Petition is for County Office and/or residing in the Municipality if the petition is for a Municipal Office.

For County Offices, the Petition must be signed by at least 2% of the legally qualified voters of the total votes cast for members of the General Assembly, at the last preceding General Election for which nominations for the General Assembly were made in the County or in the Municipality in the case of Municipal Officers, provided that no more than 100 signers are required in any case. (N.J.S.A. 19:13-5).

**NOMINATION BY PETITION FOR GENERAL ELECTION  
FOR INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES**

**PETITION MUST BE FILED WITH THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE ON OR BEFORE  
PRIMARY ELECTION DAY BY 4:00 PM  
(NJSA 19:13-9)**

**TO: Dale A. Cross, Salem County Clerk**

Each signer of this Petition certifies that the following statements are true:

- 1) I reside in the State of New Jersey in the County of Salem \_\_\_\_\_  
(Borough/City/Township)
- 2) Party: **INDEPENDENT**
- 3) I am a qualified voter therein;
- 4) I endorse the person hereinafter mentioned as candidate for the nomination \_\_\_\_\_  

3 Year Term             4 Year Term             \_\_\_\_\_ Year Unexpired Term

- 5) I have not signed any other Petition of nomination for the Primary or the General election for such office;
- 6) I request that you cause to be printed upon the official General ballot of the said party, the name of said person(s) as the candidate(s) for such nomination.

**CANDIDATE**

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**RESIDENCE** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE #** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**REQUEST FOR DESIGNATION SLOGAN ON THE BALLOT**

The candidate endorsed for the office mentioned in this Petition, does hereby request that there be printed under his/her name on said General ticket, the following designation:

**INDEPENDENT**

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**INDEPENDENT PETITIONS ARE DUE TO THE SALEM COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE  
BY 4:00PM PRIMARY ELECTION DAY**

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we reside in the indicated municipality and election district of the State of New Jersey, and that we are qualified voters therein; that we endorse the person hereinafter mentioned as candidate for election to the position of Borough/City/Township \_\_\_\_\_, and that we request that you print upon the official General Election ballot, the name of said person as the candidate for such position; we further certify that the residence and Post Office Address of said person so endorsed is as above set forth, and that said person so endorsed is legally qualified under the laws of the State of New Jersey to be elected to said position.

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OFFICE: \_\_\_\_\_

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**CIRCULATOR AFFIDAVIT**

I, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Circulator Printed Name)

the undersigned, being duly sworn upon Oath, depose that I saw all the signatures made hereto and that each of the signers signed in his or her own proper handwriting, that each of the said signers is to the best of my knowledge and belief, a legal voter in the municipality and election district, and that such petition is prepared and filed in absolute good faith for the sole purpose of endorsing the person therein named in order to secure his/her nomination as candidate for the office as stated in this Petition.

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY:**

**SS.**

**COUNTY OF SALEM**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_ A.D.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Officer authorized to take oaths in New Jersey)

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(Signature of Circulator)

**CANDIDATE CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE**

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am a resident of and a legal voter in the jurisdiction of the office for which the nomination is made, and that I have not signed an acceptance for the Primary nomination, or any other petition, under this chapter for such office. (R.S. 19:13-8)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Candidate)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Type or Print Name of Candidate)

CANDIDATE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE: \_\_\_\_\_

**OATH OF ALLEGIANCE**

**State of New Jersey  
County of Salem**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of New Jersey; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same and to the Governments established in the United States and in this State, under the authority of the people. So help me God.

**Sworn and subscribed before me this**

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_.

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(Signature of Candidate)

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(Signature of Notary, Attorney, or Officer Taking Oath)

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**SALEM COUNTY CLERK'S ACCEPTANCE**

Completed nominating petitions shall be filed with the Salem County Clerk's Office no later than **4:00pm, Primary Election Day (Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023)**.

The Clerk's Office is located at: **110 Fifth Street, Suite 200, Salem, NJ 08079** and the days and business hours during which the office is open to receive Petitions are: **Monday – Friday 8:30am – 4:00pm**

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_