

6. NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED:

a) Statewide – The minimum number of signatures required on nomination papers for statewide office for the 2008 General Election is 24,666. This figure is based on two percent of the vote cast for Seamus McCaffery, a candidate for Justice of the Supreme Court, who had the largest entire vote cast for any statewide candidate elected at the November 2007 election.

b) District - The minimum number of signatures required on nomination papers for candidates nominated for any office elected by district is equal to two percent of the largest vote cast for any officer, except a judge of a court of record, elected at the last preceding election in the electoral district for which the nomination papers are to be filed, and shall not be less than the number of signers required for nomination petitions of political party candidates for the same office.

7. QUALIFICATIONS OF SIGNERS:

Signers of nomination papers must be qualified, registered electors of the State and district and of the respective county in which the nomination papers are circulated. Different sheets must be circulated for residents of different counties. Each elector must personally sign his/her name. Each signer must also insert his/her printed name, residence and the date of signing on the nomination papers. The elector's signature and residence should match the information that appears on his/her voter registration card. NOTE: In the case of an elector having a Rural Route or Rural Delivery address, the township should be listed.

An elector may sign as many nomination papers as there are candidates to be elected for each office.

8. FILING DATES:

The first day to circulate and file nomination papers is February 13, 2008; the last day to circulate and file nomination papers is August 1, 2008.

9. AFFIDAVITS:

a) Affidavit of Qualified Elector - Each page of the nomination paper must include the affidavit of one qualified elector, not necessarily a signer and not necessarily the same person on each page, attesting to the validity of all signatures and the residences of the signers on that page. The Affidavit of Qualified Elector must be signed and notarized after all the electors' signatures have been obtained. **The qualified elector signing such affidavit must be a qualified elector of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.**